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A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON WAS HELD THIS 3RD DAY OF JULY, 2013 AT 9:30 A.M.

THOSE PRESENT WERE: Mayor Hales, Presiding; Commissioners Fish, Fritz, Novick and Saltzman, 5.

Motion to elect Commissioner Fritz as President of the Council through December 31, 2013: Moved by Fish and seconded by Novick. (Y-5)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE: Susan Parsons, Acting Clerk of the Council; Linly Rees, Deputy City Attorney; and Jim Wood, Sergeant at Arms.

On a Y-5 roll call, the Consent Agenda was adopted.

	Disposition:
COMMUNICATIONS	
651 Request of Lightning to address Council regarding Wapato care center for homeless (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
652 Request of Jim D. Whittenburg to address council regarding budget and state of City Commissioners in representing the public (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
653 Request of Alison Coffinbarger to address Council regarding use of empty buildings for emergency shelter for women and domestic violence survivors (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
654 Request of Stephanie Opoka to address Council regarding lack of women's emergency shelter and domestic violence on the streets (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
655 Request of Cynthia Gulbrandson to address Council regarding homeless rights to safety shelter (Communication)	PLACED ON FILE
TIMES CERTAIN	

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<p>656 TIME CERTAIN: 9:30 AM – Tentatively deny appeal of Northwest District Association and uphold the Design Commission’s decision to conditionally approve the application for the Riverscape Apartments, a four building complex to be located on the eastside of NW Front Ave between NW 16th and 18th Avenues (Findings; Previous Agenda 573; LU 12-212602 DZM GW AD)</p> <p>Motion to deny the appeal and uphold the Design Commission’s decision; approve the findings: Moved by Fritz and seconded by Fish. (Y-5)</p>	<p>FINDINGS ADOPTED</p>
<p>657 TIME CERTAIN: 9:45 AM – Tentatively consider the proposal of Back Bridge Lofts LLC and uphold with modifications the recommendation from the Hearings Officer for approval with conditions, to change the Comprehensive Plan Map designation from Medium-Density Multi-Dwelling to Central Residential and the Zoning Map designation from R1, Multi-Dwelling Residential to RX Central Residential with a design overlay at the southeast corner of N Williams Ave and NE Fremont St (Findings; Previous Agenda 622; LU 13-109305 CP ZC)</p> <p>Motion to accept the report findings: Moved by Saltzman and seconded by Novick. (Y-3; N-1 Fritz; Fish absent)</p>	<p>FINDINGS ADOPTED</p>
<p>658 Amend the Comprehensive Plan Map designation and change zoning of property at the southeast corner of N Williams Ave and NE Fremont St at the request of Back Bridge Lofts LLC (Second Reading 623; Ordinance introduced by Auditor Griffin-Valade; LU 13-109305 CP ZC)</p> <p>(Y-3; N-1 Fritz; Fish absent)</p>	<p>186141 AS AMENDED</p>
<p>*659 TIME CERTAIN: 10:00 AM – Authorize agreements to facilitate sports field improvements and license agreement for Delta Park sports field project (Ordinance introduced by Commissioner Fritz) 15 minutes requested</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186142</p>
<p>CONSENT AGENDA – NO DISCUSSION</p> <p>Mayor Charlie Hales</p> <p>660 Reappoint Aneshka Dickson to the Portland Development Commission Board for a term to expire July 9, 2016 (Report)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	
<p>Office of Management and Finance</p> <p>*661 Create a new Nonrepresented classification of Assistant Parks and Recreation Director, which is exempt from the classified service, and establish a compensation rate for this classification (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186133</p>
<p>*662 Authorize an Intergovernmental Agreement with Multnomah County for the Revenue Bureau to administer the Multnomah County Business Income Tax (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186134</p>

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<p>663 Authorize a month-to-month lease of approximately 21,028 square feet of office space for the City operations located at the 14th floor of the Portland Building, for an initial rent of \$1.749 per square foot, \$36,780 monthly, not to exceed one year (Second Reading 631)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186135</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Amanda Fritz Position No. 1 Portland Parks & Recreation</p> <p>*664 Increase contract with James W. Fowler Co. for additional construction services necessary to complete the Phase 1 riverbank restoration of the South Waterfront Greenway Central District project (Ordinance; amend Contract No. 30002713)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186136</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Commissioner Nick Fish Position No. 2 Bureau of Environmental Services</p> <p>*665 Authorize a Water Quality Preservation and Storm and Surface Water Drainage Easement with Clean Water Services and a Trail Easement with Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District across portions of City-owned property (Ordinance)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186137</p>
<p>666 Authorize a contract with Parametrix, Inc. for professional services for the design of the Riverview Forcemain Replacement Project No. E08866 for \$268,095 (Second Reading Agenda 632)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186138</p>
<p>667 Authorize the Director of the Bureau of Environmental Services or his designee to enter into agreements with private property owners for rehabilitation of private sewer service laterals to remove inflow and infiltration from the public sewer conveyance and treatment system (Second Reading Agenda 633)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186139</p>
<p>668 Authorize a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the construction of the NE 148th Basin Water Quality Facility Project No. E07177 for estimated amount of \$1,116,000 (Second Reading Agenda 634)</p> <p>(Y-5)</p>	<p>186140</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">REGULAR AGENDA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mayor Charlie Hales</p>	

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669 Confirm appointment of Sam Hutchison as the Fund Administrator of the Fire and Police Disability & Retirement Fund (Resolution) 10 minutes requested (Y-5)	37024
Office of Management and Finance	
*670 Approve FY 2013-14 cost of living adjustments to pay rates for nonrepresented classifications and Elected Officials, specify the effect upon employees in the classifications involved and provide for payment (Ordinance) 10 minutes requested (Y-5)	186143
Commissioner Steve Novick Position No. 4 Bureau of Transportation	
*671 Authorize Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation for the design and construction of I-5 Northbound Ramps at SW Coronado St Project (Previous Agenda 649) (Y-5)	186144

At 10:59 a.m., Council adjourned.

LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADE
Auditor of the City of Portland



By Susan Parsons
Acting Clerk of the Council

For a discussion of agenda items, please consult the following Closed Caption File.

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Closed Caption File of Portland City Council Meeting

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JULY 3, 2013 9:30 AM

Hales: Before we begin the council today is a national day of national sadness, I want to turn this over to commissioner Saltzman, who is our commissioner in charge of the bureau of the fire, rescue and emergency services for the city of Portland, and the steward of firefighters in our city.

Saltzman: Thank you, mayor. Earlier this week Arizona lost 19 of the most skilled firefighters from Prescott, battling a wildfire raging through the small town of Yarnell. It's a tragedy in the greatest order. And our sympathy goes to the firefighters, their families, and the cities of Prescott and Yarnell, and the state of Arizona. We could not even begin to imagine their sorrow, and how overwhelmed they must feel. This is every fire department's nightmare. While there is a science to fire, like most things in nature, it is willful and unpredictable. Firefighters go on duty each day, knowing that the work is dangerous, and the risks are high, and but so the return. Helping people in our community stay safe. These hot shots were the best of the best. They are always forever in our hearts, and their sacrifice will not be forgotten. We will now have a moment of silence.

Hales: Thank you, commissioner, and thank you all. So, welcome to the July 3rd meeting of the Portland City Council. We have an item of business to take up before we get to the council calendar, which is every six months, we elect a president of the council, and that action is before us this morning. And the next president of the council will be commissioner Fritz. Do we need motion on that? Has been a while, six months. So, a motion, please, to, to appoint commissioner Fritz.

Fish: So moved.

Novick: Second.

Hales: Any discussion? And a roll call.

Saltzman: Aye. **Novick:** Aye.

Fritz: Well, this is a great honor. It does happen by rotation but I know my mother will be pleased when I tell her about it, aye.

Fish: Congratulations, aye.

Hales: We'll be in good hands, aye. Thank you. Do you get to deliver that good news to your mother? [applause]

Hales: Ok. We have some communications items. Oh, sorry. And also, an announcement that the order of voting rotates every six months, as well. So now, the order of rotation begins with commissioner Saltzman, right, and so, sorry, no, starting on July 3rd, today, the order will be Saltzman, Novick, Fritz, Fish, and the mayor. And that's for the next six months, in case you wonder why the clerk calls it in that order. Three months.

Fritz: Isn't the rotation every three months?

Hales: Ok, every three months, so that is the order for the next quarter. So, let's take up the communications items.

Parsons: First we need to take the roll.

Moore: You are right. Thank you.

Saltzman: Here. **Novick:** Here. **Fritz:** Here. **Fish:** Here.

Hales: Here. Thank you. Ok, now we'll take up the communications items.

Item 651.

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Lightning: my name is lightning, reducing homelessness in Portland, in Multnomah county, is the right thing to do. Recent data suggests that homelessness increasing at a rate of 5% or greater each year, if homelessness increases, could this lead to various business revenue decreasing. There is a large number of people sleeping in the city hall on cardboard under tarps, could this also possibly affect the overall revenue of the city hall? Absolutely. Homelessness increases, chances are city hall revenue will decrease. And did not city hall experience a budget shortfall? If increased homelessness would create one unsatisfied person when visiting city hall, the person may very well tell as many as 10 or 20 of their friends, and that may very well create a substantial revenue losses not only for city hall, but also, existing businesses through the Portland and Multnomah county. City hall is not immune to the revenue losses created by homelessness. The only solution is housing housing. And by reducing homelessness, it can stimulate the local economy, and produce positive gains for city hall, and local businesses, and more importantly, improve the lives of the homeless. Let me read a quote by michelle obama. As you make your way through life who are you pulling up behind you? As long as you are pulling up somebody behind you, you are doing the right thing. Reducing homelessness is the right thing to do. We cannot begin to accept good people sleeping on cardboard or under tarps throughout the city. Again, my, my communication is on wapato, the future care center for the homeless. And mental health services, drug and alcohol services, and job transition services, and long-term safe, permanent, housing provided. And various expansion possibilities. Wapato is the right thing to do. Thank you.

Hales: Thank you. Thanks very much. [applause]

Hales: Next one, please.

Item 652.

Jim D. Whittenburg: first of all, I know each of you, in one-on-one way or another. I have met the entire council. And I will probably say things today you probably won't like. The first thing, on my agenda is, the promise of the budget this year. I have underlined a few items in front of you, and there will probably be a second page. And in the handout. And on the handout, to the city council, south waterfront district, this was written ten years ago. But, I found that it applied, as well today, as it did ten years ago so now that's 60 years ago when I moved to Portland, and secondly, it's also at the end of it. It's vancouver, british columbia, that was omitted by the typist. I live on the 18th avenue house, since I have had the stroke, and the heart attack. And [inaudible] I live at the peace house, and the people get the wrong idea about the place. There is a retired doctor and social worker there. And there are two attorneys living there now, they are retired from the state of Oregon. And there are also a minister, which is methodist minister and pat, a nurse there. Took care of me when I couldn't walk or hold my hands or talk very well. They picked me up one day when I fell and put me back to bed. So it's nice. I put in here a list of attendees, at my 74th birthday party Because I thought you should know that some of the people in attendance, would be part of the peace house community from this point on, and we talked quite a bit about you guys, and while they were there. Not necessarily amanda Fritz, but the other, the others were classmates of mine in pharmacy school in the 1960s. And I have dawn, a classmate in high school. What I want you to focus on, which I think -- I saw it last night, the hardest thing for us to do is to say no to power. No to power. On this first presbyterian church peace, I just found it as I was packing, back in 2000 it, talked about that. And it talked about the fact that Milton freeman an economist in the liberal congress said, is that --

Hales: Sorry, it is. We will make sure that we have copies your statement.

Whittenburg: He's inconveniently honest, and that's what we should all be, honest to each other. And we should say no to power. When it's wrong. I brought some things about homelessness together. I see this here. And most of stuff is in your handouts, and I thank you very much.

Hales: Thank you and good to see you, you keep getting better.

Whittenburg: I think I will.

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Hales: Thank you. Thanks. Hi.

Item 653.

Hales: Good morning. They were going to come up to go, that's fine, you bet.

Cynthia Guldbandson: Good morning, I am this Cynthia guldbandson. This is my associate miss Stephanie opoka and miss alison and I can't pronounce her last name. The demographics profile, the average homeless woman has shifted dramatically in recent years, we are middle aged grandmothers, plunged into the nightmare of homelessness, trying to survive the streets of Portland. The questions how, what, and why are the same. Unemployment. Divorce. Spousal abuse, etc. And no matter what the reason, we are here now, and in an ever increasing number, adding to the existing homeless population. That of the chronically homeless, such as the mentally unstable, alcoholism, drug abuse, and former felons, the modern day hobos known as the travelers, etc. The preexisting homeless women that the social services and shelters, designed and geared towards giving aid are finding themselves at maximum capacity trying to stretch to meet the needs of this massive influx of today's homelessness. In the first 24 hours on the streets, we find ourselves facing the violent horrors of sexual assault, physical assault, robbery, etc. Without shelter or food, walking the dark streets, alone and frightened. And being chased from businesses and doorways, harassed by a hostile police force. Our cries for help are being met with the malignancy of apathy. If we are lucky, we are adopted by a street family, who will guide us through the maze of programs that can give us real Help. Where the soup kitchens are and where we can shower and warm up. And get put on the waiting list for a bed at the shelters. The street family also provides a, a bit of safety and protection from the vultures who will do us harm and the predators who hunt the streets preying on the weak and/or strays. I would like to turn this over to stephanie.

Hales: Thank you, good morning.

Stephanie Opoka: Thank you. Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, I am stephanie opoka, and I am here to continue the discussion, lack of shelters for women in portland and Multnomah county. The increasing street violence has only recently begun to be addressed by the staff at safes in the past two weeks. Issuing whistles and self-defense classes. These are geared more towards being held at pta meetings and not designed for homeless women but as step in the right direction. As of 2013, there is only one woman's shelter open for day use from 7:00 to 11:00 as well as short-term, 30-day sheltering at night year round. As the number of homeless women keeps growing, most are afraid to come forward for fear they will be shunned by society. The list is long and can be up to a month to get a bed. Men in our community have three options for year-round services. The city possesses many buildings that sit empty and are not being used in any way, shape or form. I know in these economic hard times, it's difficult for the people of the city and county, as well as the leaders, to try and take on the burden running a shelter. What I propose to do is this, take one of the unused smaller buildings that has two bathrooms. One dorm-like area where up to 75 women can sleep from 7:00 to 7:00 year-round. To help running the electric, water, sewer and garbage, to the companies that run them ask them for assistance and donations and possible pro bono, if you will, staff it with volunteers from the city and community. I believe most people can spare one or two evenings a month whether it be a stay at home thing, a doctor or lawyer or our own mayor. What I propose is not impossible to achieve but will take time, hard work from all involved. We need to take care of our mothers, daughters, aunts and grandmothers. I know if it was yours out on the street and alone and scared, you would do everything in your power to help save them, and that's what i'm here doing today. Please help to make it reality. Thank you for your time and patience.

Hales: Thank you. [applause]

Alison Coffinbarger: I'm alison coffinbarger. I'm a community organizer and I've also worked in women's shelters and services for about eight years here in Portland and I am here to address the council about the urgent, increasingly urgent need for emergency shelter and safety for women, including transgender persons experiencing homelessness and/or domestic violence as they often

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occur in the Portland area. Also mayor Hales, and city commissioners, were e-mailed on June 6. Requesting the use of one of the empty buildings in downtown Portland for this purpose, and we also held a peaceful rally here at city hall on June 14 and had the opportunity to speak with commissioners Fritz and Saltzman. We appreciate you taking the time to hear our concerns but we are waiting for an answer. And the women in crisis do not have time to wait. It is for them a matter of safety, physical and emotional health and for some, a matter of life or death. At this time, homeless women and domestic violence survivors are needed, in need of safety with no immediate options. With the closing of the seasonal winter shelter, which sheltered 70 women, there is one year-round emergency shelter for unhoused women to sleep at in Portland but it is currently not functioning as an emergency shelter as it has a wait list. I called and there were 91 women on the list and 50 beds, so 50 will get a bed at 11:00 in the morning and it is not able to take them throughout the night which would be the purpose of an emergency shelter. As noted, a woman has a 50% chance of sexual assault her first night on the street. In addition given the cost of homelessness, including police and other emergency services, a willingness of the city to fund a year-round basic shelter that would be more cost effective than the current state of shelter for unhoused women. The state of shelter space for domestic violence survivors is very grim. There are zero beds open in domestic violence shelters. When I called the Portland Crisis line yesterday, the line also reported that over the last three months, only 18% of callers prescreened and placed on a callback list were able to get into the domestic violence shelter, an average time on the list was 51 days. Of 49 people 24 were identified by an advocate as being in a highly volatile situation. I think that we can do better than this. We ask that a precedent be set that no more women and transgender persons experiencing homelessness or domestic violence be turned away and denied their most basic human rights. This of course should extend to all persons. I am part of a group working specifically for solutions for the crisis and services for women and domestic violence shelters. A short-term solution to this would be the use of an empty building. In the Portland area a long-term solution would be to fund agencies that provide winter shelters with year-around space for that purpose and to also increase funding to current existing domestic violence services to increase shelter bed space. [applause]

Hales: Thanks very much. Thanks for your advocacy.

*******:** We would like to thank you.

Hales: We have no requests for items to be pulled from the consent calendar. Is that right? And therefore, we'll take a roll call on the consent calendar.

Saltzman: Aye. **Novick:** Aye. **Fritz:** Aye. **Fish:** Aye.

Hales: Aye. And time certain.

Item 656.

Hales: This is for the adoption of findings.

Linly Rees, Deputy City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney: So today, staff provided the paper in front of you, and staff is here if you have any questions about that. At this point, if you do not, it would be appropriate to move that the council deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the design commission and adopt the findings.

Fritz: So moved.

Fish: Second.

Hales: Any further discussion or questions for staff? Roll call on approving, I'm sorry, denying the appeal and approving the findings.

Saltzman: Aye.

Novick: Aye.

Fritz: This was a good discussion and I am glad the appellants brought these concerns to us, and there are some things that preclude the design elements that walk onto the river and therefore, I support the motion. Aye.

Fish: Aye.

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Hales: I want to thank the staff for good work, both the bureau development services, and the city attorney's office on this case, and others. Thank you. Aye. [gavel pounded]

Hales: And now we have 657.

Item 657.

Hales: Similar situation.

Rees: On this one you have two options, so mr. Verrsue will read the second but the first one, I believe, just accept, having a motion to accept the report on the first one, second is an ordinance because it's a comp plan so you would then take a roll call vote on the second item.

Hales: Right.

Saltzman: Move to accept the report.

*******:** Second.

Hales: Any further discussion? Roll call on 657.

Saltzman: Aye.

Novick: Aye.

Fritz: No.

Hales: Aye. [gavel pounded]

Hales: Now 658, the comp plan amendment. Second reading.

Item 658.

Hales: Roll call.

Saltzman: Aye.

Novick: Aye.

Fritz: This is very unfortunate, the neighbors made a compelling case, this is not downtown, and the magnitude of the change does not support the nature and purpose of the albina plan, it's not the central city plan. This corridor is not, should not be about creating another downtown, with 85-foot tall buildings, and I do applaud the use of the lower floor if used as stated for commercial, and that is the best use of the street in that regard, however, I don't believe that the transportation and parking needs have been adequately addressed. The developer did try, but falls short on solar access, and its outer scale with the surrounding neighborhood does not meet the district plan. It could have been corrected. Metro measure 2611 says we're not supposed to be putting more density than is required in neighborhoods than is required to meet our density goals. This is something that I learned over the course of the last 20 years, that the urban growth boundary does not mean stuffing as much density everywhere. It means making sure that we have livable neighborhoods that fit together, and in my opinion, this is not warranted. 85 feet at this location will look very out of place. I believe that this entire process, including the current motion to amend the comprehensive plan, map designation should have been done as part of the comprehensive plan discussions. And not as a site-by-site decision, no.

Hales: We have a lot of work to do to make our plan fit the ideal you just described, miss Fritz, we don't need density everywhere but we need to get that legislated up front, I think the challenge in this case is that the combination of the special conditions, including the required type 2 design review, and the changes in the massing of the property, that we have approved, I think give us some hope, combination of the dialogue that we heard and those specifications will get us to a cobbled together good outcome in this case but i'm looking forward to getting the comp plan updated so that we don't have to cobble together many more cases in the future. Aye. [gavel pounded] ok. Now, we're ready to move to the regular agenda.

Parsons: We have two minutes to go. I have 9:58, is that correct?

Hales: I'm sorry?

Parsons: Oh, i'm sorry. You are correct, we have a 10:00 time certain?

Hales: No, I don't think -- oh, sorry. You are right.

Parsons: But, it's not quite 10:00.

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Hales: Let's take the regular agenda and come back to it.

Parsons: Ok.

Hales: 669 we can do.

Item 669.

Hales: Sam is here this morning and I think has informally met members of the council. Please come on up. I'm not sure if there will be any questions for you here this morning. But, we have gone through a very successful recruitment process, and got some very strong candidates applying for this really important position, to succeed, the very difficult to succeed Linda Jefferson as our fund administrator. Commissioner Saltzman and I participated in the final round of interviews, finalist and have selected Sam to fill this important position. So, thank you for your willingness to come into the public service after a long career, dealing with pension and disability issues on the private sector side. We think that Sam's management experience and depth of understanding of pension and disability claims will be really helpful, and I also the fact that he has had a background as an EMT and understands what police officers and firefighters do, and at a personal level, and I think that we'll serve him well, so I'm really looking forward to working with Sam. On this really important responsibility for both our firefighters and our police officers and is their families. And their heirs, but also for the community and the taxpayers that pay for this very important part of our employee benefit system. I don't know if there are any questions for Sam before we take action on the resolution this morning, but wanted to get him formally in front of the council and have him ready to go to work. Any questions? Then, Sam, welcome. And anything you want to add this morning?

Sam Hutchison: You did a good background. A good recall of my background on it. I'm looking forward to this as a change into the public sector, which is exciting for me to make that life, and, and occupation change. So I'm looking forward to it and following Linda will be an honor, she's done very well with the organization, and I am looking forward to taking it further. Thank you.

Hales: Thanks very much. And anyone else want to testify on this item? A roll call on the resolution.

Saltzman: I want to welcome Sam to the city. And to the big shoes you are filling of Linda Jefferson as the director of the fire, police, disability and retirement fund. And there is a great staff there. And I know that you will be very impressed with their commitment to making sure that the citizens and beneficiaries of the fire and police disability and retirement fund are well served. And so I look forward to your background, it is outstanding and a really good fit for this job that, this very important job that you are about to fill I am pleased to vote aye.

Novick: Thank you very much for being willing to take on this critical role. Aye.

Fritz: This is a huge challenge and I appreciate your willingness to serve, aye.

Fish: You are not the only person who formally worked at the standard who works now in this building. Jim Blackwood on my team was once, I think, in the i.t. world. Thank you for your willingness to step up, and I think someone with your background and experience will be a great asset to the city and we appreciate your willingness to take on this public service. Aye.

Hales: Welcome aboard, aye. [gavel pounded] thanks, Sam.

Hutchison: Thank you.

Hales: All right, now we should move back to the 10:00 a.m. Time certain.

Item 659.

Hales: Commissioner Fritz.

Fritz: Good morning, over a decade ago the citizens of Portland committed to a 20-20 vision for their park system, our park system. As part of that vision was a commitment to improve our sports fields, including converting existing grass sports fields to all weather synthetic turf fields and adding lights at Delta Park. The weather conditions including our famous rain, and the existing grass field at Delta Park, are closed for play for approximately six months a year while the one existing all weather sports field with lights is open year-round. In a public-private partnership with Portland

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parks and recreation the timbers and thorns have agreed to make a financial commitment to offset most of the cost of adding a new synthetic field with lights and a building which will include bathrooms, locker rooms and program field support space at delta park. This will benefit all field uses with better playing surface, amenities and including the restroom and change facilities, and knowing that you are playing on the surface where the thorns practice. Everyone will be able to play and practice in the rainy season. We are pleased this morning to have representatives from the timbers and thorns football clubs who after the presentation from Portland parks, will come up and provide some remarks. However, first, I must stop and give a special recognition to commissioner Fish who did the lion's share of setting up this great event and thank you for your hard work in support of community sports fields. This project is another shining example your leadership, and I wonder if you would like to have a few words.

Fish: Wow, i'm speechless.

Fritz: All right thanks. [laughter]

Fish: Thank you. I will say this, it's fitting that todd lofgren is the first person we'll be hearing from because todd has really pioneered the public-private partnership aspect of this, and we would not be successful without great partners, so I want to again, thank todd for his work, and if you want to see what the impact these fields is to a community, I would just say that last saturday night, I was at buckman field, which was the last example of a conspicuous partnership that got us to world class fields, in the inner part of Portland. There was a game between the timbers youth 23 squad and the national team of martinik. And about 1,000 people are watching world class soccer on a field that would not have been built had it not been for this partnership model that we're celebrating today. And I felt so fortunate to live in a city that is soccer city u.s.a. that has this kind of talent and has the field to showcase the talent. So, thank you, commissioner Fritz, for continuing to champion this work, and I look forward to supporting your efforts to continue this model in other parts of our city.

Fritz: Thank you. I will now turn it over to Todd lofgren, the Portland parks business development manager.

Todd Lofgren: I am todd lofgren, and I am the property and business development manager for Portland parks and recreation. We're pleased to be here today to, to make another investment in our 2020 plan, and improving community sports fields. And I just want to give you a reminder on may 29, we were here to present to Portland city council, of which we received approval to move forward with the community sports users to replace three grass fields with synthetic turf and lights, and that project is proceeding. The similar partner of Portland city nights soccer club, jeff and dave, who have been key partners in this, jeff is in the audience today so I want to thank jeff for his support. And also, in his group, also will be a partner in moving this fourth field forward. So today we're presenting a partnership between Portland parks and recreation, and the Portland timbers, and we have identified mutually beneficial opportunities to, to construct the field, as commissioner Fritz has mentioned, it will include public restrooms, and locker-room rooms that we'll be able to make it other sports users, and some field support programming space. And the Portland timbers will be using this for the youth development programs and academy programs, and coach's training, as well as the, Portland thorn's training, and Portland parks and recreation, will be making the facilities available to other sports user groups, using new field, and the locker rooms, and the bathrooms. And at the completion of this project, delta park will have five all weather synthetic turf fields with lights and will really put us on the map for not just locally expanded use of our sports fields, but for regional and national tournaments. Benefiting not just the city, but all the businesses, surrounding delta park so we're very excited to take this step forward. Portland parks and recreation and this partnership will be investing \$100,000 around the Portland parks and recreation system development charge funds, and as well as expending up to \$25,000 of our design and construction staff to help oversee the project. The Portland timbers will be contributing all the remaining funds, estimated today at \$1.1 million. The ordinance will also authorize the director of parks and

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recreation to execute the necessary use agreements and development agreements to accomplish the goals of this project. And finally, the ordinance will approve the operation and maintenance funds to care for the field and the building at the completion of the project. We will be coming back to Portland, to the city council once we have a finalized plans for the building. We're requesting that the ordinance be approved today as an emergency ordinance, and so this project can proceed during the current construction season. So, thank you for having me today, and we're, we're proud to bring this to you today. I think that commissioner Fritz would like to introduce the rest of the guests here today.

Fritz: Thank you. Does anyone have any questions for todd?

Hales: Good work, thank you.

Fritz: Thank you very much. May I have our, guests from the timbers and the thorns to come forward, please? We had some last-minute changes so I want to make sure that we get the right folks.

Hales: Good morning.

Fritz: As somebody who's been on the wait list for the timbers season tickets and a proud season ticket holder I'm very excited to see you all here. I will turn it over to mike golub and you can each introduce yourself, thank you.

Mike Golub: Thank you very much, commissioner. Good morning, we are very pleased to be here on this occasion. When we embarked on our efforts to bring major league soccer to Portland, four plus years ago, we made a commitment internally as an organization but also to the community that we would invest our resources and our effort and our platform to grow the sport of soccer at every level, and thanks largely to gavin's leadership over the last two and half years, we've done just that. We help administer the youth soccer association know oyssaa, throughout the state, we run the olympic development program for boys and girls, we started an elite academy for boys under 16 and under 18, we run more than 100 camps for kids of all ages, and abilities throughout the state. We have regional training centers throughout the state and this year, thanks to, support of season ticket holders like commissioner Fritz, and players like Rachael buehler, we have launched the thorns to a resounding success and only major league soccer teams take a team in the new women's league. This effort that todd described and commissioner Fritz described, allows us to take these efforts to a new level and gives us a permanent home, and the ongoing private public partnership that we have with the city around jeld wen field has been an unequivocal success at least in our point of view and we think this partnership will be the same. I want to now turn it over to gavin to describe what he envisions happening at this field.

Gavin Wilkinson: Good morning, and thank you very much. Just to reiterate what todd stated, a big thank you to jeff enquist and dave Cavanaugh and honestly todd has been phenomenal throughout this project. Making himself available to us on regular basis, and answering questions and, in a timely manner and giving us information, as we requested. So, thank you very much. Our vision for the state and the youth game in general, is for the timbers to be at the forefront everything that happens in soccer. With the leadership that we have with merritt, the level of investment and the quality of people that we have on the staff and the impact that we can have on soccer in general is phenomenal. So, the more that we can do for the youth, the more players we can get playing game, I think it's a tremendous benefit, not only to the timbers and the thorns, and the fans, but also, to just, just the activity levels of young players coming through schools and through high schools and giving them role models at the highest level, one of the things that has held us back has been the availability of field. The access that we have to those fields to get some of our plans out working with the young players to have those individuals working with young players, that, that can be of benefit to everybody, both the timbers and the thorns but also the players involved, a projects like this enables us to take the game one step closer to where we see it going. Mike did reference we had formed a strong partnership with the oysa. We are trying to get everybody back on one level

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playing field in the state of Oregon, instead of youth soccer being fractured in many, many ways where we are trying to lead everybody in the right direction, and time will tell if it's the right direction but we believe in it. And this project, where it is a partnership between the Portland parks and city and the timbers, I see it, as a phenomenal one. We can train our academy there at hours you generally wouldn't use for young players being developed. We have greater access to fields and players, and when we use the field for the thorns in the morning at the moment, we are struggling for a facility where we can house the thorns, make them feel as a strong part of our community and a strong part of the organization, and a project like this enables us to keep the thorns happy, developing and also bring on more quality players and, and a strong soccer environment, so, from my standpoint, adds not only to this soccer generation but many to come. So, thank you very much.

And I appreciate it. And I would like to make two introductions to very important people. First we have Rachel Buehler who's on the u.s. Women's national team, and that's secondary to being on the thorns, by the way, but, she's one of our star players with the thorns. A tremendous player, and I will let her speak in a second but I will introduce David Horst who is one of our star central defenders who is having a year off at the moment, and he also is a full-time player but now also a full-time rehab person, so, suffered a nasty injury in coming back but he'll be back mid september on the playing field. So Rachel.

Rachel Buehler: Yeah I just want to say thank you for having us here today. Playing for the thorns this season has been an incredible experience. I am new to Portland, and I heard it was soccer city, but, this is just more than I ever expected. And the community support that we felt is incredible. That type of enthusiasm for soccer here in Portland is exciting for us, as players and also makes us just want to help to develop the sport even more. And I think that this field renovation at Delta Park is a great opportunity for that. Not only to provide a place for us to train, on regular basis, and, you know, continue to further our game but for the general community, provide the fields year-round with great amenities, and that the entire community could really enjoy. So, I am very excited about this.

Fish: We, at the beginning of the season the council had the honor of welcoming the players, we had two players, Danny and Christine came in, and I arranged with Mike to buy one of the jerseys, which was not inexpensive, and I wore it to the next game with my daughter, and everywhere I went in the stadium, people were staring at me, and I thought it was because, they had gotten a leaked news about me becoming the new water and sewer commissioner, so I thought it raised my profile but I asked someone, and I realized because it had not come out for sale so I was wearing the jersey, and other than the ladies on the field, wearing jersey, I was the only other one so it was a thrill to wear it and get it from Christine Sinclair and a thrill to watch the women, outstanding women, congratulations.

Buehler: Thank you very much and for all the support. It's incredible playing in Portland.

David Horst: Thanks for having us this morning. But, you know, when I was growing up as a young soccer player, parks and projects like this were very vital to my development as a player, first all, but also, as a person and interacting with, you know, other people. I got some of my best friends growing up, you know, playing at parks like this, and as a remaining member of the inaugural MLS season here in Portland, I am very excited to give back to this community, to the best fan base in the country. So, it's very exciting to be a part that.

Fritz: Thank you all very much for being here.

Hales: Thank you very much.

Novick: Thank you very much, and I have to note that, that couple of weeks ago, I happen to pick up a copy of USA Today, which by the way is a highly underrated paper with a great sports section, and there was a huge article about the Portland Timbers, and how if major league soccer could bottle and sell the kind of fan excitement the Timbers have generated, the entire league would explode, and

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they said, we cannot sit down and read a national newspaper without seeing something about the timbers, you are inescapable.

*****: Thank you very much.

Fritz: I think the thorns haven't had a home attendance of under 10,000 yet, and they were recently playing somebody who was so excited they got 4,000 people there. So, from me, watching the live stream, and to the timbers' organization, my daughter could not attend one of the games because she had had surgery and she said the live stream is so much better from jeld-wen than from the other fields but even with a poor live stream you could see the thorns are playing on the surfaces that are so much better here than they are in other places. And as you mentioned it will be great for our youth to be playing on those surfaces, too, and to feel that they are part of this great soccer city usa, so thank you so much all of you for coming in.

Golub: Thanks very much.

Hales: Thank you. Anyone else signed up?

Fritz: That's all we had invited. Does anyone want to testify on this issue?

Parsons: we have one signed up and that's lightning.

Hales: Good morning and welcome back.

Lightning: I am lightning. I just have couple of concerns, I wanted to try to address here. I have real problem with understanding the city that has a general budget of approximately \$400 million, and yet, in this agreement, we have a, an insurance policy on each occurrence that may happen only a million dollars to 2 million. And in my opinion, that's just extremely too low. And there is going to be a great deal more people brought to this location. There is a chance for more things to happen, and I think that the insurance really needs to be reviewed, and at the very minimum, should be around 5 million. I think what you currently have in this agreement is, is far too low, and again, that's just my opinion. Another issue that I have on the option, and I will just go by memory on this agreement is that, is that the option, basically, expires upon when the turf has no useful life. And I find that an interesting definition because we have a warranty on the turf that goes to eight years. And, what happens after that eight-year warranty expires. Who is going to be responsible for that additional cost?

Fish: Can I just address that?

Lightning: Yes you can sir.

Fish: I want to showcase something that commissioner Fritz led in this agreement that's innovative. It's a sinking fund in this deal. Where money will be set aside to actually cover the replacement of the field, and that, that is addressing a chronic problem that we have in all of our bureaus, of not having the money to replace an asset once it has gotten its useful life so I want to compliment commissioner Fritz in this deal money will be set aside for the possibility of a replacement at the end of the useful life of the field.

Lightning: And I guess my point would be, is why not try to extend the warranty to the term of the option, might be another avenue to go because why just set aside funds that might come from another location when you can have a warranty to cover that cost? That's just my point being made. And another issue that I have is after the expiration of this agreement, they go into an automatic option mode again to renew. And, I think that, basically, extending that much time is not to the advantage of the city. What happens if somebody steps forward and says I want to place a bid to buy the whole, the whole property? That limits you for many, many years on what you are going to do with this property. And again, who is to say that this company that's currently going to this agreement, will be in existence in ten years, nobody really knows that. And there is no buy-out provisions on this, in the event that we want to buy them out sooner. So, again, I just have a few concerns on this, that I think that this is extended out too many years and after say, eight to 10 years, if we are not happy do we have a right to back out of this agreement? Or do they automatically go into the next phase? So, that's just my concern that I have. Thank you.

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Hales: Thank you. Anyone else signed up to testify?

Parsons: No.

Hales: We'll take a roll call.

Saltzman: Well, I want to, to thank Portland parks and recreation, commissioner Fish, commissioner Fritz, and the Portland timbers, an outstanding partnership. And we really appreciate the timbers and the thorns stepping up here to make such important investments in the youth development, not to mention better practice facilities for the timbers and the thorns. But, the timbers have made an impressive commitment to the community, it's really, it's been my pleasure, to observe how the excitement has built in this town for soccer, and at the professional level. And, in men and women soccer, and also, just the outstanding corporate citizens of the Portland timbers' organization has become. They lived up to all their commitments, in my mind that we talked about when we can made the decisions to partner with them to renovate Jeld Wen Park into an outstanding professional soccer facility. So, thank you all. Please to vote aye.

Novick: I am looking forward to seeing more public private partnerships with a ratio of private to public funds of 11-1, thank you very much. Aye.

Fritz: To reiterate the timbers and peregrine and delta development are putting \$1.1 million into this field, building the field, we're putting in 100,000, so, it's a huge payback to our community, and a recognition that the fans are supporting timbers and the thorns in record numbers. I do thank Mike Golub, the chief operating officer, and the general manager, Gavin Wilkinson, wonderful, defender Rachel Buehler and the timber's defender, David Horst. Also absolutely fantastic, we hope you get better soon, and you will find that here in Portland if you have not already that people know us on the council, by our first name, Charlie and Steve and Amanda and Nick and Dan, and people know you in sports, often because the name on the back, the last name, you are known by that, but we know you as, we know you as Carina and Becky and all the great role models, that by partnering on this field, and playing on this field, where our kids from all over are going to play, as well, and I think that it just takes it to whole new level, and it's, it certainly has exceeded my hopes when the original Jeld Wen stadium deal was done. And, so, we were not expecting the ticket taxes from the Thorns when we did that deal. I'm very happy with that too, because you are, and the timbers army and the Rosy the Riveters, the Thorns Riveters are exemplifying the best in soccer fans, rather than the soccer hooligans that I will be going home to in a couple of days. Traditionally soccer fans have not been known as pillars of the community and in the United States, but particularly in Portland, they have embraced that they want to give back to the community, and are doing so in so many ways. And that's a very Portland thing, and I appreciate it, thanks to everybody. Aye.

Fish: I want to start by saying to my friend, commissioner Fritz, you brought this home. And you drove a very hard bargain, and I am so grateful that you shared the passion of the rest of us for providing great opportunities for kids on world class pitches, and this, this field will be used for all sports, not just soccer. But you brought this home, and congratulations, and thank you. And I will remind people watching that the public investment here is system development money charge money so it's not out of our own fund but money paid by developers to cover the cost the impact of development on our community, and I think that it's a very appropriate allocation. When I saw our national team player here today, I was reminded of one of the benefits that we take for granted having national team players here, which is when the national team played an exhibition game, they invited the Broncos from Parkrose, the women soccer team to escort them onto the field. And there is a picture in my office of a young woman having practically a heart attack getting an autograph from Meghan Rapinoe, and the look on her face, and it was a cover picture of the Oregonian, and it is just one of the many benefits having world class players in our community. And we are so grateful and fortunate to have Rachel and people of her quality on the team. And I just want to observe that, that starting with Buckman Field and the Grant Field and now Delta Park, we are slowly fulfilling the 2020 goal of having these year-round pitches. For sports. And the reason that we do

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so is it cost less to maintain, and there are fewer injuries, and the world is moving to these all weather fields, but the fields coming into our community, are the best of the best. And these are the best all-weather fields in the country, and it's just, to me, it's extraordinarily gratifying that they will be used by both elite professional players but also be available to young people like my son. And finally, mayor, I just want to note that as a long-time soccer dad, that used to have to travel to seattle, or south on i-5 to get to world class facilities, like what commissioner Fritz was building, in delta park, that there is a larger vision here, because when all these fields are turfed, and we have the opportunity to compete for those regional tournaments, and west coast tournaments, which are a big deal across sports, that will have an amazing impact on the community and frankly will jumpstart the economic activity in jantzen beach. And a number of those hotel which is have not always fared so well are now in prime locations where families, can rent a room and walk to the fields. I hope in the not too distant time that we are the premiere venue for these events, and to lightning's comment, we will never consider selling delta park or any of those fields to any private entity, this is a public trust. And what commissioner Fritz is doing today is fulfilling a commitment that we made in a 2020 vision and moving towards the day when we will have a world class regional facility in that part of our community. And that's not only great for youth sports but phenomenally good for the local economy. Congratulations and thank you. Thanks to our partners for helping to make it happen. Aye.

Hales: I would be --

Fish: I would be remiss since her mother came up to me if I did not acknowledge Christa Thoeresz, who is here, the pride of the connecticut women's soccer team, 2000 Oregon woman's soccer player of the year, and most important, a member of the Portland parks board, and a great contributor to our local community. Christa, thank you, and your mom sends her regards.

Hales: Here, here. Wow, what a great project. And a great partnership. And great leadership. From members of the council, and from a sports organization that is really stepping up. I think you can count the benefits of these partnerships in quantifiable ways, and some of them were mentioned here, the amazing leverage, of your large contribution to relatively modest one from the public treasury. And the number of kids that will play and the number of successes that this will lead to for the thorns and the timbers. And, all those are real numbers and real, real good things. And I think it also leads to things that we don't see yet like how our growing sports and apparel economy are here in Portland will be augmented by the fact that we are greater and greater soccer city and will lead to connection and opportunities that we cannot see from here, but, we'll celebrate on some other day here. But, I think the best thing about this is just the relationship between this sports organization and this community and how genuine it is, and how, populist it is, and I love that tone and I love this example of why works so well for not just the sports organization, and not just the city's coffers, but for kids and families across the city, it's wonderful and thank you very much. Aye.

Fritz: Could we get a photograph?

Hales: We sure can.

Hales: We have a couple other items.

Item 670.

Hales: Good morning.

Elisabeth Nunes: Good morning. My name is elisabeth, and I am the class comp manager in the human resources, and I am here to present the ordinances to apply a cost of living adjustment to all non represented and had elected officials. In the amount .9%. This may look confusing because of the effective date, the majority of non represented classification, and elected officials, the change occurs on january 1st, 2014. So, there is just one non represented group who, whose structure changes effective july 1, 2013. And that is the seasonal classifications. So this does not apply, necessarily, to individual employees. It's just that group of classifications, the structure, moves up .9%, effective july 1 of this year. So, all the other groups are .9% increase effective january of next

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year. This is an emergency ordinance because the details were being worked on up until recently. And so, this is the first time that we could get it before you. The cost for, for the fiscal year 2012, 2013 is non existence for fiscal year 2013-2014, the cost is about \$650,000. \$300,000 of that from the general Fund. And for fiscal year 2014-2015, the total cost is about \$1.3 million with \$600,000 of that coming out of the general fund.

Hales: Questions?

Fish: When you refer to the cost, we already -- my understanding, my recollection is we had already budgeted in the five-year, based on cost of living. So, this is, this is, actually, below what the cpi was.

Nunes: Correct.

Fish: So, even, the additional cost, my understanding is that's below what our cal targets were?

Nunes: Exactly. The cpi estimate was 1.8%. So this is half of that.

Hales: That's an important point. Thank you. Anyone else signed up to testify? Ok. Come on up.

Parsons: We have 5 people signed up.

Joe Walsh: joe walsh, I represent individuals for justice. We have no objections to any of the cost of living raises with the exception of the elected officials. Unfortunately, for you, that is you. For you to give yourself a raise at this point, and spending the last six months, telling those, telling us how bad that we are, financially, and cut jobs. People on the street look at 100,000 because the federal government, on the sequesters, has lowered their contributions but you did not make it up. The county didn't make it up. So it's a loss no matter how you slice it. Its \$100,000 loss for the homeless. You just had a women here begging you to do something about shelters, So to give yourself a raise would be obnoxious. It would be disgraceful. A good word. There is an option in the ordinance. That you can opt-out individually. If I remember correctly, a paragraph that says, if you so choose, you can say, I don't want this raise. I don't think I deserve it. Whatever your reason is. And I'm suggestion, and the individuals are suggesting that you do that. And set the example, let the people get the cost living raise that actually work really hard. And i'm a big proponent of staff. I like them. They work hard. They should get the raise. Not you, you have not done your job well. You still have a d minus in your transparency, and you still have people on the street. And it is not 1500 any more but 1900, and if you read my shirt, 58 people died on your streets. Just 58 died on your streets. Doesn't count the people in a hospital so we don't know what the figure is. And unfortunately, commissioner Fish is not here, and he signed the report. I don't know if you read the report. But you should. It is disgraceful, and for you to give yourself raise, I don't know how you would look yourself in the mirror. I will be here to remind, if you do take this raise, thank you.

Lightning: I am lightning. Salaries are always a very touchy issue with everybody. And I am going to say something today that you might find rather interesting. If homelessness were reduce throughout the city, and we really get this level down and don't show increases, I am, one person here, that says that every one of you are underpaid. You are underpaid for what you do. Because if you can correct that problem, I think you deserve more money, if reduce homelessness, through the city, I believe you deserve more money. Right now, I can't say that because homelessness is increasing and that's my point at this time. And another issue that I have on the city, the city employees, for salaries is that the salaries are very healthy through this city, and if you compare them to other states, very healthy salaries. I don't have an issue with that. Not whatever. On every dime you make, congratulations. Here's my concern. We need to reduce the number of homelessness out through this city. We're asking for your assistance to do that. And what you get paid is not a concern to me. If that number reduces. You earn every penny that you get paid. Another thing that I would like to ask is all city employees understand one thing, when you have an employee option to give money. And to earmark it in a certain direction, remember, homelessness is the number one concern and priority in this city. Please earmark that money towards the Portland housing bureau, to reduce homelessness. Understand it is a group effort. All the city employees

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together, direct that money, reduce homelessness and I commend on your current salaries and your raises. Thank you.

Novick: Lightning. Can I just say that, I really appreciate the way you express yourself, and you are, the way you make your points and even when you have a sharp point to deliver, you make it without insults and thoughtfully, and respectfully, I want to, to say I really appreciate the way you approach your testimony.

Lightning: Thank you.

*******:** And don't worry, I won't be cussing or anything like that.

Hales: Your name.

Tequila: Everyone knows me, I am tequila. And i've been chatting on the, not at city hall but at a bank. But, what I would like to say is my two comments here, they pretty much summed it up, I came here to say something, but like I said, it's summed up, but I would like to say this, I agree that it will be disgraceful, and especially to take a pay raise, which i'm going to say is common sense, you know, common sense, why not. You know. At this time. And you know, look, you know, I don't like to admit that I watch the news from time to time, about I put it this way, amanda, steve, you two, honestly, when the fbi did, when you talked about the government, you got me -- [inaudible] I can, actually, my impressions before, it was like going, you know, charles, you are pretty new, and I am going to, I can't judge you immediately because this is your, you know, you are pretty new, but, right now, I am not going to pass judgment. Nick, there is no hope that you will get my vote. Sorry to say that, you would never get my vote. But, unless you do something drastic, but I would say this, when it comes to amanda and steve and charles, Dan you are neutral, I know. When it comes to this, taking this raise will definitely, as a voter, which I do vote, i've been voting since the age of 18, it will sway my vote because, a pay raise is not earned, is what I am looking at, and as i'm speaking, for what I see in the conditions, I am hearing 1900 homeless, and i'm hearing 1200 homeless, those numbers have got to be wrong, I know it has to be more, I know that there is a lot more homeless. And it ain't no way out of this, speaking for person that, that has an income and, and basically, they cannot make money off us. That's pretty much, it says a lot to me and, and i'm going to say, you just got to provide some kind of housing, but the pay raise, no, I would not -- I Do not -- I could not look at myself in the mirror so good luck on three on my vote, ok.

Charles Johnson: Good morning, it's good to be back in front of you, you are our commissioners now that you have had your shuffled portfolios issued. I think that it's important to connect this to one issue that mayor hales, charles johnson, for the record, again, and one issue that mayor hales has tried to hammer home during this difficult budget process his concerns about contingencies and reserves. So look, elisabeth just gave an opportunity to, to pass this ordinance, but, in the name of clarity and transparency, you can disclose how much that would be if each of you were to get a .9% raise, and then next week when we come back, you can pass another special emergency ordinance, and put it all in the contingency fund in the emergency reserves. You have worked hard, during this budget process, and but, I think that you all agree that your staff has worked even harder. And we'll be watching very closely to see if you have the courage and foresight to have your five raises earmarked for something better. Whether it's new fund. To, to reward innovation, and service among the staff. Or simply to fund those things that mayor hales feels a need to be backed up we stronger contingency reserves. I think you would send an excellent message to your contingency if you do something other than let the .9% increases appear in your paychecks. Good luck.

Fish: Can I ask you a Question, and I appreciate your testimony, and I will, for the fifth consecutive year, not take the cola, and I am doing so because for five years we've been cutting budgets, so I appreciate your comments, but, the issue before us today is whether our represented and non represented employees will take a pay cut. And under the contract, that we have negotiated with our labor partners, working families in the city are entitled to be made whole for the cost living. And if we don't make them whole for that, and they don't have additional resources to pay for food and

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transportation and basic services, that's a pay cut. As part of the budget this year, our labor partners have agreed to take cut, a one-half cola. So, they will not be keeping pace with inflation, which translates as Steve points out, in many of the hearings as a pay cut for working families. And so, we have had some testimony that this is inappropriate. And that we should not be giving people a cola, do you have a position on this matter before us --

Johnson: Oh, yeah, I think that's a problem, actually, with the way that this ordinance got worded. We're talking about item number 670, which says approve the cost living adjustment to pay rates for non represented classifications, and oops elected officials. And, and probably the best thing is over the next few weeks, is to bifurcate those two issues.

Fish: So by law, just to be clear, when these things are drafted, they cover all classes of employees. The actual ordinance, which is public record, which I'm sure you have had a chance to look at if you wanted to, says that elected officials can notify h.r. if they choose to opt out which is the way that we have done it, and a number of us have opted out. So, you make an important point. But the matter before us whether our families who work for the city, should take a pay cut. And, and they have agreed to do so, but we have had a lot of testimony during budget about, about the wisdom of austerity, about the wisdom of cuts. And this matter results in a pay cut for our representative employees, do you have position on it?

Johnson: Yes, I don't know whose question brought that out but Elisabeth says the CPI is estimated maybe around here to have been a 1.8% increase, and the hard working SEIU and other AFSCME employees whatever we have from the city, won't be getting a full cola adjustment, they are getting a half cola, so, I am encouraging the council to pass the resolution -- ordinance, and but, with mindfulness that there is the option, as you pointed out, Commissioner Fish, that there are ways that money doesn't have to come into your paycheck, or you could refund it back by personal check, and I don't know how you've been doing it in the past but, I want to congratulate you for in that and I hope that you will be a role model for your co-counselors.

Fish: The ordinance is a public record and it says that in the therefore, subsection g, and notwithstanding the above, the mayor and the individual commissioner salaries shall be frozen at the current rate upon their request, and that's been the standard language every year we have taken this up, individual commissioners, and the mayor have the right to opt out if they choose, that's been the system, but, I understand, that it has -- but, by rule, it has to apply to everybody. And then there is the opt out. So I want to make that clear in the record.

Johnson: Thank you. And I am sure Auditor LaVonne's office will be glad to get the information so we can see if it's been a unanimous decision among you good people or Nick Fish has been a noble exception, thanks.

Fritz: To answer your question, the commissioners make about 100,000 so .9 is \$900.

Johnson: Thank you Ms. Fritz. That's the end of my remarks. I never got to hear the final beep.

*****: Beep.

Hales: Welcome.

Joel Sievers: Hello. I am Joel Sievers, and I just say that I am sorry for what's going on with people being drunk out in front of the city hall. And taking bong rips, but, I still say that legalized marijuana to the fullest because that's one way Oregon could make money. And almost as easy as, you know, taking fireworks from Washington and bringing them back to Oregon. But, I also say that there is people sleeping out in front of banks, and people with pressure washers want to come by and, and pressure wash where they are sleeping. That's, that's a big, a big, that's a big no-no. You know. And it's for the ones that are here to sleep, and protest, but also, clean and safe, want to tell homeless people sleeping in, in doorways, that, that trespass, can't sleep, go in front of city hall, so, we're also having a big, a big problem on our hands getting rid, of train offers that, you know, want to pull knives out, or stick their dogs on people. So, we just kind of leave them alone. You know what I mean. Another, another big thing is, low income housing in Portland. If you guys

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want to build an astro turf field, what about apartments and charge \$350 a month. You know. And, work with people that are on ohp, Oregon health plan, and the obama administration. I think that, I think that that would look really good because I mean, I get Oregon health plan, I get Care Oregon, and I get share care. And Oregon health care plus. And I don't even know how to use it. Do you know how many doctors I went to go and see to see if I could get a doctor in Oregon, and none of them accept Oregon health plan. It doesn't make any sense. I mean, but, it's easy to get an Ebt food stamp card. Why, why it doesn't it make any sense at all, you know. Social security office, in downtown Portland, messed up our address five times. And we kept on telling them, where we lived was the right address. By the time I got my social security check, we had to move out because we could not pay the person rent. So that's why i'm homeless. That's why I am out here. I get money, but yet, i'm still fighting for a cause. And mayor sam adams tweeted that it was ok to have homeless people sleep in the park. I mean, really.

Hales: Thank you very much. Thanks for coming.

Sievers: No problem, man. Bye. [applause]

Hales: Ok. Any further council discussion, roll call on the emergency ordinance.

Saltzman: Aye.

Novick: Aye.

Fritz: So we are taking this action with the expectation and hope that our labor partners and bargaining will also agree to these same 0.9% increases as commissioner Fish pointed out is a pay reduction in comparison with the cost living raises, and we're also asking the non represented employees to sacrifice their cola for 11 months of this year to do so for another six months at this rate. For the first four years, I was in office, I did not take any cost living increases, and this year I will be taking the cost living increase, and dedicating the additional \$900 to services for victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. Aye. [applause]

Fish: Just to amplify on what commissioner Fritz just said, coppea has agreed to a cut in the cost living, so we're hoping that becomes the pattern with our other labor partners. We have all heard from people who have said that we should balance the budget, on the back of our workforce, and I disagree with that. The cost of living increase simply keeps pace with inflation, if we don't give our workers cost of living increase, then the additional cost milk and basic foods and services in their lives come out of their diminishing resources, but, we ask for this budget cycle, with shared sacrifice to cover \$21 million budget hole and, and today, we are asking, we are voting on resolution, excuse me an ordinance which requires the non represented employees to engage in shared sacrifice, and make no mistake when you cut the cola, it is effectively a pay cut. So I want to thank our non represented employees for sharing this sacrifice during a very tough budget year, and while I believe each of us has a claim to the cola, and this is a very hard working council, it has been my position in the five years I served as we have cut budgets, that I will, too, share in the sacrifice by foregoing a cola, and I will do so this year, as well. Aye.

Hales: I want to reemphasize that key point that we asked our employees, both represented and non represented, to help with the difficult budget by making sure that less people got laid off. Because as employees of the city, represented or non represented. And we hope that all of our unions follow this, the lead of coppea. And the lead of the non rep employees that we're establishing by passage, that it's better to get through this, together, than to have to what I off more of our fellow workers in the city. That's the bottom line here, and I am really proud of everyone involved and, of our workers for being willing to tighten their belt and to get through this, and to get the better days, which appear to be coming quickly. So, I am happy that this budget is done, and I am also happy that this is one of the elements that made it possible. Aye. [gavel pounded]

Hales: Ok. We have one more item.

Item 671.

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Hales: We continued this hearing for week for an opportunity for some additional discussions, and I think that they might have taken place commissioner Fritz, do you have 134 comments?

Fritz: Thank you, and thank you, commissioner novick, for partnering with me and inviting the Oregon department of transportation and the southwest neighborhoods for a meeting in my Office earlier this week. And I believe while none of us are entirely satisfied with the proposed improvements, we agreed that they are improvements and don't preclude some of the other changes that are needed to make particularly pedestrian and bike traffic in that area safer, so I appreciate the additional week to make sure that the information that we got was clarified. Which, in the future when we get complicated intersection improvements, if we got more information up front, hopefully we could avoid that thing, but it happened in a timely manner and I appreciate it very much. Thank you.

Hales: Commissioner Novick, any comments before? I see odot and p-dot staff here --

Novick: I think that, that, actually, if anybody wants to add additional testimony, that would be fine, and I think that we did continue this, so that we could have discussions with the neighborhood representatives. And odot and commissioner Fritz. And as always, and I am impressed by commissioner Fritz's attention to detail. Particular, although not exclusively in her own neighborhood, and appreciate odot's time, and mary anne's time. And hope that this is just one small step towards achieving the vision of the barbur concept plan, with envisions many further pedestrian and bike friendly improvements. So I think at this point we should be ready to move forward.

Hales: Anyone want to comment? Thanks for your collaboration and for your advocacy. So, we'll take a roll call on the item, is that correct? Yes.

Saltzman: Aye.

Novick: Aye.

Fritz: Since this is the intersection that my family walks and drives on, on multiple occasions I happen to be familiar with this one. And just so you know, if I get transportation issues in other neighborhood sites, I tend to visit them to make sure that I understand those, too, aye.

Fish: It's good that we have adjoining offices so you can go back and forth. Thank you both for your leadership on this, and I am pleased to vote aye.

Hales: Thank you very much. And we are adjourned until next week. [gavel pounded]

At 10:59 a.m., Council adjourned.