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**Council Item Memo**

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Item title: \*Authorize the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Portland (COP) and the all hazards preparedness organization known as the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization (RDPO). (Ordinance)

Council agenda section:  Consent  Regular  Time Certain @ \_\_\_\_\_

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Manager's Signature: Cameo

**Please note: For consent agenda item – answer A & B**

**For regular and time certain agenda item – answer A thru F**

1. A. Provide information about the item (What is it about? Why is it important? Is there anything controversial? If so, why is it controversial and how is the controversy addressed? Any pertinent background information?)

There is nothing controversial about this intergovernmental agreement. Its purpose is to establish an intergovernmental organization whose primary mission is to strengthen and coordinate the Region's disaster preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities and enhance its disaster resilience.

It is important because the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization is responsible for developing, maintaining, and implementing a regional disaster preparedness vision, strategy, work plan, and process for the geographic area encompassing Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington. This geographic area is referred to as the Region. The RDPO provides a forum and structure for advancing regional disaster preparedness coordination and enhancing the Region's disaster-related capabilities.

B. Provide three points of information that our Commissioner can use to introduce this item

1. Establish an intergovernmental organization whose primary purpose is to strengthen and coordinate the Region's disaster preparedness, response, and recovery capabilities and enhance its disaster resilience.
2. Creation of a disaster preparedness organization responsible for developing, maintaining, and implementing a regional disaster preparedness vision, strategy, work plan, and process.
3. The RDPO replaces the Regional Emergency Management Group (REMG) which was established in 1993 and reaffirmed in 2003.

## IMPACT STATEMENT

**Legislation title:** \* Authorize the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Portland (COP) and the all hazards preparedness organization known as the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization (RDPO). (Ordinance)

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### **Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

Discuss why the legislation is being proposed and any important background information.

- The purpose of this legislation is to authorize the IGA between the COP and the RDPO. This Intergovernmental Agreement (Agreement) is entered into, pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 190.010 to 190.030 and Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Chapter 39.34, by and among counties, cities, regional governments, and special districts within Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington (herein collectively “Participating Jurisdictions”), and supersedes previous agreements for regional disaster preparedness coordination within the aforementioned five-county region (hereinafter the “Region”). There has been no previous Council actions directly related to this legislation.
- The RDPO is a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional collaborative partnership of public, private and non-profit organizations that develops and advances all-hazards disaster preparedness efforts in the Portland Metropolitan Region. Now in its second year of start-up, the RDPO consolidates and integrates multiple disaster preparedness agencies and programs into a streamlined model that shares a common policy framework, strategy, work plan and associated funding plan.
- The RDPO replaces the Regional Emergency Management Group (REMG) which was established in 1993 and reaffirmed in 2003. The RDPO also incorporates the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) organization (i.e., the Portland Urban Area Work Group) that strategically plans for and implements the grant awarded to the Portland Urban Area and is administered by the Portland Bureau of Emergency Management.
- This agreement does not create a separate intergovernmental or legal entity within the meaning of ORS 190.010 to 190.030 and RCW Chapter 39.34 but establishes an organizational structure and processes for guiding, enhancing, and coordinating disaster preparedness efforts across the Region.

### **Financial and budgetary impacts:**

Discuss the impacts of the legislation relating to all of the following if relevant:

- **Long-term financial impacts.** Funding for the RDPO’s core operating and administration costs are derived from contributions made by a core group of participating jurisdictions who are asked to fund these costs. These jurisdictions include the City of Portland, the Region’s five counties, the Portland area metropolitan service district (Metro), the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (TriMet), and the Port of Portland. The jurisdictions who contribute to the core operating and administration costs are collectively known as the “Core Group”. Portland City Council has adopted ongoing funding for City of Portland’s contributions in the FY14/15 adopted budget.
- **Budget impacts.** Portland City Council has adopted ongoing funding for City of Portland’s contribution in the FY14/15 Adopted Budget; in the amount of \$38,000.00
- **Change in cost.** The legislation is not authorizing additional spending. Funds were budgeted in FY14/15 adopted budget for the City of Portland’s contributions.

- **Change in current and future revenues and expenses, including dollar amounts and funding sources.** The legislation will not cause a change in current and future revenues and expenses.
- **If the expense is a “project estimate”, identify the level of confidence about the accuracy of the estimate.** The amount has already been allocated and is not an estimate.
- **Current and future staffing levels – does the legislation create, eliminate or re-classify positions now or in the future? How much staff time will this legislation require (even if covered by an existing position)? What are the demographic impacts of changes in staffing?** In the FY 14/15 Approved Budget, the COP Council approved on-going funding to support a portion of the RDPO Manager’s position, which has existed in PBEM’s organizational chart since mid-2011. This position has transitioned from 1.0 FTE limited-term funded by the UASI grant to 1.0 FTE regular status funded through the local cost share mechanism defined in the RDPO IGA and supported with contributions from a core group of jurisdictions that includes the COP.
- **Financial agreements – indicate if the legislation results in a new financial obligation or benefit (or modifies an existing one) including interagency agreements, intergovernmental agreements, memoranda of understanding, grants, contracts or contract amendments.** This intergovernmental agreement will not result in a new financial obligation or benefit, nor does it modify an existing one.

#### **Community impacts and community involvement:**

Discuss the impacts of the legislation relating to all of the following if relevant. Describe who is impacted, how they are impacted, how any negative impacts have been addressed, and how the benefits are distributed.

Describe how public involvement and input shaped the bureau’s recommended action.

- **Different communities of people (age-specific, cultural, physical ability, ethnic, racial, religious, language, low-income, under-served populations, etc.)** – This legislation will help to better build and maintain regional disaster preparedness capabilities through strategic and coordinated planning, organizing, equipping, training and exercises in Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington; as a result of this these counties will be better able to respond to the needs of their citizens in the event of a disaster.
- **Geographic area, neighborhoods.** Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah (including all of COP), and Washington counties in Oregon and Clark County in Washington
- **Businesses (small, large, specific types); institutions; interest-based organizations.** [See the background information on page 1.]
- **City livability (contributes to a prosperous, educated, healthy, equitable Portland).** Supports efforts to build community resilience across the COP.
- **Summarize significant objections/concerns and support/agreement.** All five counties, several cities and special districts (e.g., fire, water, wastewater), and other regional entities (e.g., Metro, Port of Portland and TriMet) have already signed or are in the process of signing the RDPO IGA. There are no significant objections/concerns for the RDPO.
- **Describe how the bureau responded to or incorporated the concerns into the proposed legislation.**  
N/A
- **Indicate who/which groups will be testifying (if known).** The RDPO manager will be available to answer any questions pertaining to this ordinance.

