

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize City Attorney to Appear as Amicus Curiae in Support of Victims of Human Trafficking. (Resolution).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

- This is a Resolution to authorize the City Attorney to join in an amicus brief being prepared by the San Francisco City Attorney in support of plaintiffs seeking to sue online advertising services who knowingly promote human sex trafficking.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

- There are no financial or budgetary impacts. The City Attorney’s Office will spend a minimal amount of time reviewing San Francisco’s draft brief(s) and providing input. There are no out-of-pocket expenses for the City.

Community impacts and community involvement:

There has been no public involvement, because this is a litigation matter. We hope that Portland’s support of San Francisco’s amicus efforts will have a beneficial impact on young people of both sexes and of all orientations and identities, in all communities, in all neighborhoods, by diminishing the prevalence of human sex trafficking and online promotion of human sex trafficking. The intent is to enhance the livability of Portland by attacking one of our community’s scourges.

There is no known opposition, although on-line advertisers may resist any perceived weakening of the immunities provided under the federal Communications Decency Act of 1996. We are filing this Resolution on the Consent Agenda, but Harry Auerbach, Chief Deputy City Attorney, will be available if testimony is desired.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- YES: Please complete the information below.
- NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount