

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Accept the Report on the City of Portland 2016 Federal Legislative Agenda

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The purpose of the 2016 Federal Legislative Agenda is to advance the City's legislative priorities to the United States Congress and federal agencies. The Office of Government Relations opened the federal legislative agenda building process in September 2015. A work session was held with Council on December 1, 2015. This report will provide guidance for lobbying efforts in 2016.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Several items in the 2016 Federal Legislative Agenda could have a positive direct or indirect impact on City finances.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The City's 2016 Federal Legislative Agenda is focused on increasing access to housing, federal climate policy, environmental and ratepayer stewardship, public safety and preparedness, protected sick time and employee benefits, and supporting infrastructure finance tools. The Office of Government Relations, in partnership with the Office of Neighborhood Involvement, hosted a community event called "Advocacy 101" on December 2, 2015. The purpose of the event is to help community members become effective advocates at both the state and federal levels. The event featured a panel of state legislators, Portland City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, and staff from Oregon's congressional delegation and was attended by more than 70 members of the public. The Office of Neighborhood Involvement conducted broad outreach to a diverse set of community groups and all neighborhood associations in advance of the event.

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

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Updates to Federal and State Agendas Changes since December 1, 2015 Work Session

2016 Federal Legislative Agenda

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Affordable Housing and Homelessness:

- Updated to urge more flexibility in federal housing programs

Climate Change:

- Updated to include action from the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) in Paris, and includes a federal carbon tax.

Gun Violence Prevention:

- Move to priorities
- Added item barring those on watch lists or no-fly lists from obtaining firearms
- Added support for healthcare professionals and researchers to track and report gun violence accurately

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(New) Federal Protected Sick Time:

- Added to priority list.

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Federal Brownfields Tax Incentive:

- Moved to Investing in Infrastructure: Water, Parks, and the Environment

(New) Levee Ready Columbia:

- Added to Investing in Infrastructure: Water, Parks, and the Environment

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(New) Columbia River Treaty:

- Added to Investing in Infrastructure: Water, Parks, and the Environment

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(New) Sanctuary Cities:

- Added to Emergency Preparedness: Public Safety

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program:

- Updated to highlight seismic and other natural hazard mitigation projects

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Domestic Violence Prevention:

- Updated to support resources and policies to mitigate homelessness among victims of domestic violence

(New) Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women

(CEDAW):

- Added to Healthy and Equitable Communities: Human Services

2016 State Legislative Agenda

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Affordable Housing and Homelessness:

- Updated to include local construction excise tax preemption
- Updated with current data from the Portland Housing Bureau

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Climate Change:

- Updated content to capture more carbon reduction legislation

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Transportation Funding & Safety:

- Updated to include support for city vehicle registration fees

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Protecting Local Government Authority:

- Updated to add “worker protections” to the list of preemptions the City will oppose