## RESOLUTION No. 37227

Accept the Governor's Letter of Designation of the Lents Stabilization and Job Creation Collaborative as an Oregon Solutions Project. (Resolution)

Whereas, for more than 75 years, considerable employment and residential development has occurred in Johnson Creek's 100-year floodplain, including about 330 acres within the Lents and Powellhurst-Gilbert neighborhoods that are located within FEMA-designated flood hazard areas; and

Whereas, the flood hazard designation imposes real and perceived impacts that undermine development and job creation, and significantly burden hundreds of residents with the rising costs of flood insurance; and

Whereas, seasonal flooding of Foster Road and neighboring industrial land impact the health of Johnson Creek, a regional fish-bearing tributary of the Willamette River that is subject to requirements of the Endangered Species Act to restore and protect Chinook Salmon, steelhead trout and other indigenous fish species; and

Whereas, the City of Portland has invested significant resources over the past 30 years to address the combined and interconnected issues of environmental health, economic development, housing, and flooding along the Foster-Lents corridor and surrounding neighborhoods; and

Whereas, City planning and investment has been informed by a robust engagement of impacted residents, business and industrial property owners, commercial and community organizations, other local and regional jurisdictions, and the local watershed council; and

Whereas, the Lents Stabilization and Job Creation Collaborative brings diverse stakeholders to address these issues and improve community conditions in a way that may serve as a model for similar initiatives in the metropolitan region and the state; and

Whereas, the Collaborative provides an excellent opportunity to build on more than 30 years of investigation, planning, action and performance monitoring to inform an evidence-based set of strategies to achieve economic, social, environmental and equity goals for the impacted and underserved community; and

Whereas, the City Council has declared its support for the Collaborative, by providing a special appropriation in the FY 2016-2017 adopted budget; and

Whereas, Kate Brown, Governor of the State of Oregon, has designated the Collaborative as an Oregon Solutions Project, in recognition of the substantial and unique contributions that the Project will make to the community, city, region and state, as set forth in the Governor's Designation Letter dated July 12, 2016; and

Whereas, Governor Brown has appointed State Rep. Jeff Reardon and Portland Planning and Sustainability Commissioner Michelle Rudd as the co-conveners, who will lead the multi-agency and stakeholder process in developing strategies and projects to preserve existing housing, enhance industrial lands for job growth; and, mitigate and enhance floodplains along Johnson Creek; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Portland, hereby, receives and accepts the Governor's Letter of Designation of the Lents Stabilization and Job Creation Collaborative as an Oregon Solution Project, as substantially described in the attached request submitted by State Representative Jeff Reardon and Mayor Charlie Hales on June 10, 2016.

Adopted by the Council: AUG 1 0 2016

Mayor Charlie Hales Prepared by: Maggie Skenderian Date Prepared: August 1, 2016 Mary Hull Caballero Auditor of the City of Portland By: Gay a Termings

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Hales	CLERK USE: DATE FILED AUG 0 2 2016			
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	Mary Hull Caballero			
Mayor-Finance and Administration-Hales	Auditor of the City of Portland			
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz				
Position 2/Works - Fish	By:			
Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman	Deputy			
Position 4/Safety - Novick	ACTION TAKEN:			
BUREAU APPROVAL	AUG 10 2016 RESULTED TO AUG 10 2016 2 P.M			
Bureau: Bureau Head:	AUGI V ZUID			
Prepared by: Maggie Skenderian Date Prepared: August 2, 2016				
Impact Statement				
Completed Amends Budget				
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.				
Yes 🗆 No 🛛				
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances				
<b>City Attorney Approval:</b> required for contract, code. easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan				
Council Meeting Date				
August 10, 2016				

AGENDA	FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
			YEAS	NAYS
Start time:	1. Fritz	1. Fritz	$\checkmark$	
Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	2. Fish	2. Fish	$\checkmark$	
	3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	$\checkmark$	-
REGULAR	4. Novick	4. Novick	$\checkmark$	
Total amount of time needed: <u>15</u> minutes (for presentation, testimony and discussion)	Hales	Hales	$\checkmark$	