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Alisha Moreland-Capuia, M.D. Commissioner

William Myers
Commissioner

**Peter Platt**Commissioner

**Ted Wheeler**Mayor

Kimberly Branam
Executive Director

This document represents the official meeting record of the August 9, 2017, Prosper Portland Board of Commissioners (Board) meeting held at 222 NW Fifth Ave., Portland, OR 97209. The full video recording of this meeting can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nC3P7ixhd04

#### 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice Chair Gustavo Cruz called the meeting to order at approximately 3:05 p.m. Pam Micek, Prosper Portland Board recording secretary, called the Prosper Portland Board roll:

Vice Chair Gustavo Cruz

Commissioner Francesca Gambetti

Commissioner Alisha Moreland-Capuia

Commissioner William Myers

Commissioner Peter Platt

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#### 2. Commissioner Reports

## Commissioner Moreland-Capuia

 Attended the press event announcing the collaborative project involving the City of Portland, Prosper Portland, and Legacy Health on August 1

#### Vice Chair Cruz

- Attended the Northwest District Association Board meeting on July 17
- Attended the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber Board meeting on July 18
- Met with VOZ Workers Rights Education Project (VOZ) leadership on July 20
- Attended monthly check-in meeting with Executive Director Kimberly Branam on July 26
- Attended the kick-off meeting for Mayor Ted Wheeler's Council of Economic Advisors group on July 31
- Attended the groundbreaking for the Convention Center Hotel on August 4

#### 3. Executive Director Report

- Prosper Portland hosted its monthly North/Northeast Community Development
   Oversight Committee meeting on July 19
- Presented to the TiE Oregon's Charter Members luncheon event on July 19
- Prosper Portland released the findings of the Diversity Pledge hiring report on July 20
- Attended the Eco-Districts Open House event in the Central Eastside on July 20
- On July 31, Prosper Portland, in collaboration with the Mayor's Office and Worksystems
  Inc., hosted the first meeting of the Mayor's Council of Economic Advisors, a group of
  business leaders, institutional partners, and community leaders with diverse skill sets,
  professions, and backgrounds

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- On Tuesday, August 1, along with Mayor Wheeler and Legacy Health, Prosper Portland unveiled a
  collaborative effort to develop a vacant 1.7-acre block at North Russell Street and North Williams
  Avenue currently owned by Legacy Health The announcement marks a commitment to beginning a
  community-centered process that will result in a development that honors Portland's AfricanAmerican community and furthers Legacy Health's mission of promoting health and wellness for
  children and families
- On August 1, Verde, a northeast Portland-based nonprofit, launched a crowdfunding campaign to raise \$75,000 toward the final funding gap to convert a 25-acre former landfill into a public park for one of the city's most park-deprived places, the Cully neighborhood in northeast Portland.
- Spoke at the groundbreaking for the Convention Center Hotel on August 4
- Announced that the Alberta Street Fair is August 12
- Announced the application process opens for the next round of Prosper Portland's Community Livability Grant program funding on August 14
- Announced the Art in the Open Festival happening in Old Town the following weekend
- Announced the Jade International Night Market at the Jade District happening August 19 and August 26.

### 4. Meeting Minutes

Vice Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve the June 14 and June 28, 2017, Prosper Portland Board meeting minutes. Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Platt seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

#### 5. Public Comment for Items Not on Agenda

No public testimony was presented.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

6. Action Item: Resolution 7247 – Authorizing an Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services, Procurement Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \$682,400 for Business and Workforce Equity Contract Compliance Services

With this action, the Board authorized an amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Portland Bureau of Revenue and Financial Services, Procurement Services (Bureau). The IGA was first approved in fiscal year (FY) 2012-13 for the Bureau to provide Prosper Portland with business and workforce equity contract and hiring compliance services; the Bureau has provided these services every year since then. The purpose of the IGA amendment is to continue these services in FY 2017-18 for \$116,700, increasing the cumulative IGA amount to \$682,400, which exceeds the Executive Director's signature authority and requires Board approval.

The monitoring of Prosper Portland's Business and Workforce Equity Program is essential to delivering on the agency's 2015-2020 Strategic Plan goals of equitable construction and contracting, wealth creation, and quality jobs.



Vice Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve Resolution 7247; Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Gambetti seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 7. Action Item: Election of Officers

Vice Chair Cruz introduced a resolution to change the name of Board Secretary to Board Treasurer in the Prosper Portland bylaws.

Vice Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve Resolution 7251; Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Gambetti seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

Vice Chair Cruz called for a motion to nominate Board Officers. Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved to nominate Gustavo Cruz as Chair, Willy Myers as Vice Chair, and Francesca Gambetti as Treasurer; Commissioner Platt seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

# 8. Action Item: Resolution 7248 – Adopting the Ninth Amendment to the Amended and Restated Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area Plan

Prosper Portland staff presenting this item:

Tory Campbell, Entrepreneurship & Community Economic Development Manager Kim Moreland, Project Manager I

With this action the Board would adopt the Ninth Amendment to the Amended and Restated Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area Plan (URA Plan). If approved, the URA Plan boundary would expand to include approximately ten acres of land, allowing Prosper Portland to invest tax increment financing resources into community-serving projects that deliver on both the Prosper Portland 2015-2020 Strategic Plan goal to deliver widely-shared prosperity as well as the North/Northeast Community Development Initiative Action Plan goal to foster economic prosperity for African Americans and People of Color.

Following are the Amendment area locations and associated acreages:

- 1. 213-215 NE Hancock Street, 0.085 acres
- 2. 4236 NE 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 0.161 acres
- 3. Northwest corner of N Williams Street and N Russell Street, 6.681 acres

The Amendment would also add 3.052 acres of public right-of-way.



Ms. Moreland explained that the ninth URA Plan amendment would allow Prosper Portland to invest tax increment financing resources into three locations: Dean's Beauty and Barbershop, Allen Temple CME Church, and property at the northwest corner of North Williams and North Russel Street. Ms. Moreland continued by stating how the amendments align with Prosper Portland's Strategic Plan. Ms. Moreland described how the outcomes would benefit each amendment area, explained the potential equity impact, and listed the various community participation events and community feedback received.

Ms. Moreland distributed to the Board a copy of a letter from Kimberly Brown, (see attachment 1) granddaughter of the founder of Dean's Beauty and Barbershop. Ms. Brown's letter expressed support for the amendment which will allow for interior and exterior improvements.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Dr. LeRoy Haynes, Allen Temple CME Church, Sr. Pastor and CEO stated that his church has served the Albina community for 68 years. Dr. Haynes emphasized that they have programs that serve the community and its many needs such as providing programs for drug abuse, alcohol and opiate addiction, HIV/Aids education as well as an emergency food center that provides free personal hygiene items and items for infants.

Michelle Harper, Allen Temple CME Church, Volunteer Project Manager, explained how the church has always reached beyond their four walls helping everyone no matter their faith. Ms. Harper noted that they reach an average of 2,400 people a year and that Prosper Portland's support is not just for the church but for the community.

Mr. Campbell continued the presentation by speaking to the collaborative project on N. Russell Street and N. Williams Avenue. Mr. Campbell noted that the project has the support of the City of Portland and Legacy Health in addition to Prosper Portland. He continued by stating that the project could not succeed without the community's involvement. Mr. Campbell described a potential process and program for the project, noting two specific areas of emphasis: 1) supporting and honoring the African American community and furthering Legacy's health mission of promoting health and wellness, and 2) implementing a transparent and community-centered process with significant community engagement. He also shared a draft timeline and key topics for discussion with the community.

Commissioner Moreland-Capuia remarked that all three projects are consistent with the goals and the spirit with which Prosper Portland is moving.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Dr. Brown, President and CEO, Legacy Health, noted that the Board of Legacy Health unanimously supports the project. The Legacy Board sees the project in keeping with its mission to serve the community. Dr. Brown assured the Board that Legacy Health will fully and completely participate in the process as it unfolds.

Charles Wilhoite, Board Chair, Legacy Health, stated that no one is viewing this as a remedy of what took place in the past. It will create jobs and opportunity. He noted that he and the Legacy Board are fully supportive of this effort and look forward to partnering with Prosper Portland and the community.



Maurice Henderson, Chief of Staff to Mayor Ted Wheeler, thanked Dr. Brown and Mr. Wilhoite for their leadership and partnership, and for their willingness to truly and thoughtfully engage in the process. He continued by stating that Mayor Wheeler is committed to making sure an outcome is based on and for the people of the community, particularly the African-American community which have been effected by past wrongs.

Commissioner Gambetti expressed support to expand the boundaries and to allow the project to move forward. She noted that moving forward with a robust and transparent public process of engagement is really important. Commissioner Gambetti noted that this is an opportunity to take some really bold and innovative steps to increase the supply of affordable and workforce housing, in order to expand employment opportunities for minorities and other historically disadvantaged groups.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Leesha Posey, N/NE Community Development Initiative (CDI) Oversight Committee. Ms. Posey provided the Board with written testimony as well as making a statement, (see Attachment 2). Ms. Posey stated that she opposed the amendment and requested the vote be postponed until the Board receives input from the oversight committee. She remarked that the N/NE CDI Oversight Committee had not been a part of any conversation around the amendment or the collaboration with Legacy Health. She noted that the use of the TIF dollars will reduce the amount available to the N/NE area without their input. Ms. Posey referred the Board to the document for the Amendment to the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area the committee received; it included only two properties, Deans Barbershop and Allen Temple. Ms. Posey noted that postponing the vote will allow time to address the inclusion of the Oversight Committee and the African-American community at large.

Shannon Olive, N/NE Oversight CDI Committee member, stated her opposition to adopting the amendment. She stated that the goal of the committee is to ensure the thirty-two million dollars are allocated to the target population. Ms. Olive asked why there had not been any community outreach or information shared with the committee members to enable their voices to be heard. She requested the Board seek feedback and insight before voting to allow them to learn of the possible impacts on their lives.

Chonitia Smith, N/NE Oversight CDI Committee member stated that neither the African-American community nor Oversight Committee had been provided an opportunity to provide input or be in the decision-making process. She emphasized the importance of the community's involvement when talking about development and change. She asked the Board to postpone the vote until the community is involved.

Commissioner Moreland-Capuia asked those testifying if they would clarify if they were upset because they felt like they were not made aware of the process, which she clarified as a framework, or were they opposed to the process of including the property within the Interstate Corridor URA boundary.

Ms. Posey answered, "Both." She emphasized that the Committee was created for the very purpose to review how projects are chosen. She said she wants an opportunity to bring in the community voice as well as the Committee's voice.

Ms. Olive stated that she now felt leery; asking the Board if they were really going to do what they said they were going to do and asked if she can trust what is going on behind the scene.



Commissioner Gambetti asked whether they were informed of amendments one and two.

Ms. Posey answered that numbers one and two predated the organization and the action plan. Number three was never presented to them.

Executive Director Branam noted that if the Board moves forward with item three of the amendment, it does not guarantee that any resources would be allocated from the Interstate URA budget and the Oversight Committee would determine whether resources would be allocated or not. The amendment would allow Prosper Portland to dedicate staff and go through the process of hiring a facilitator to do the community engagement.

Executive Director Branam asked attorney Bob Betcone to comment on whether item three could be separated from Dean's Beauty & Barbershop and Allen Temple CME Church items.

Mr. Betcone stated that it is permissible to separate the projects.

Executive Director Branam suggested that item number three be addressed at the September 13, 2017 Board Meeting.

Chair Cruz asked that the role of the N/NE Oversight Committee be more defined at the next meeting as well as the extent of their authority so the Board could understand the interplay.

Ms. Olive asked whether Legacy would be contributing any funds to the 32 million.

Chair Cruz responded that all of that is still to be determined.

Commissioner Moreland-Capuia recommended that the Board move forward with items one and two of the amendment and defer the conversation around item number three.

Ms. Posey invited the commissioners to attend the next N/NE Oversight Committee meeting on August 23.

Michael Davis, N/NE Oversight CDI Committee member, stated that he does not approve of amendment number three to access the TIF Funds and asked the Board not to approve it.

Rahsaan Stuart Muhammad, representative of the Emmanuel Displacement People's Association (EDPA). Mr. Muhammad acknowledged the current effort to right some wrongs. He asked the Board to build affordable housing that was promised to the original EDPA who he stated signed an agreement with the City of Portland and Prosper Portland, formerly Portland Development Commission. Mr. Muhammad asked that the vote be postponed so the community members who are still residing in and outside the proposed amended area could receive a report on the specifics of what will be built and developed on the site. He concluded that EBPA is opposed to anything other than housing being built on the property.

The Board agreed that splitting off amendment three would be a good idea and to defer its discussion to the next meeting scheduled for September 13, 2017.



Chair Cruz called for a motion to defer consideration of the third amendment of Resolution No. 7248 until the September 13, 2017 Board meeting; Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Gambetti seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve Resolution 7248 as amended; Commissioner Gambetti moved and Commissioner Moreland-Capuia seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

9. Information /Action Item: Resolution 7249 – Update on the Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership and Authorizing a Subrecipient Contract with Portland State University to Implement a Portion of the Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership during Fiscal Year 2017-18

Prosper Portland staff presenting this item: Katherine Krajnak, Project Manager I Morgan Masterman, Project Manager I

Ms. Krajnak and Ms. Masterman provided an update on the Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership (SBTAP), a new Prosper Portland initiative that provides partner service providers with critical resources to assist minority and women business owners and entrepreneurs. With this action, the Board authorized the execution of one of the eleven contracts, as it exceeds the Executive Director's signature authority.

Implementation and funding of SBTAP supports Objective Three of Prosper Portland's 2015-2020 Strategic Plan: Foster Wealth Creation within Communities of Color and Low-Income Neighborhoods.

Specifically, SBTAP supports the advancement of actions 3.1 (Inclusive Innovation) and 3.2 (Business Growth): to support and cultivate high-growth entrepreneurs from underrepresented populations, and encourage thriving businesses that provide wealth creation opportunities for Portlanders of color and within low-income neighborhoods.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Genevieve La Marchal, Founder, XXcelerate Fund, described her organization as a pure lending fund designed for high-performing, women-led business in the growth stage. Ms. La Marchal stated that they are greatly looking forward to the partnership with SBTAP.

James Parker, Executive Director, Oregon Native American Chamber (ONAC), stated that ONAC's work has been guided by the belief that Native American businesses are a foundation for emerging Native economies to break the generational cycle of poverty. Mr. Parker stated that the SBTAP is an intuitive and thoughtful opportunity that the ONAC is already fully invested in and excited about.



Diana Nunez, Executive Director, Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce, describe having a long partnership with Prosper Portland providing small business technical assistance.

Chaunci King, Owner and Founder, Royalty Spirits, winner of the 2015 PDX Start-Up Challenge, described receiving help through partners to secure a first loan, marketing strategy, building a website and help with profit and loss statements.

Khadro Abdi, Business Owner, was helped by PSU in marketing her product and her business is thriving.

Herb Jenkins, Business Owner, participated in a class offered by Prosper Portland through TiE Oregon which helped him gain the traction needed to move forward on his public safety product.

Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve Resolution 7249; Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Platt seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

## 10. Information Item: Update on Workforce Development Services

Prosper Portland staff and others presenting this item: Bobby Lee, Economic Development Director Patrick Gihring, Chief Program Officer, Worksystems, Inc. Stacey Triplett, Community Programs Manager, Worksystems, Inc.

On June 28, 2017, the Board through Resolution No. 7246 authorized the Executive Director to execute a contract with Worksystems, Inc. to administer youth and adult workforce development services as part of the Economic Opportunity Initiative as well as implement the Community Workforce Navigator Program during fiscal year FY 2017-18.

Prosper Portland staff, providers, and recipients provided an update on workforce development activities and accomplishments. Patrick Gihring shared information about the services that are provided to the community through its partnership with Prosper Portland.

Stacey Triplett explained that she focuses on the low income Portlanders that are receiving opportunities through the program such as career coaching.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Ombre Dance, Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center (POIC) client, described her experience with the career connection network and the various opportunities as a result of participating in the program.

Mulu Terefe, POIC, Community Workforce Navigator, noted that she spent time with local supervisors and managers to understand why they were not employing local individuals. She also worked with local unemployed individuals to see what they needed and then connected them with resources where available.



Holly Whittleton, SE Works, Director described there prisoner re-entry program and its outstanding one percent recidivism rate. SE Works also offer an Immigrant Credential Program and assist individuals with securing employment. (See attachment 3.)

Liudmyla Puika, Human Solutions, client, participated in the Pathway to Success program. As a nursing student she and her family were experiencing financial hardship and Pathway to Success helped her with transportation and rental assistance. This assistance allowed her to focus on school. Ms. Puika subsequently passed her state board exam and is now employed full time as a nurse.

Wesme Pia Beltran, SE Works client, arrived from Cuba in 2015 with his wife and two small children. Mr. Beltran and his wife were both teachers in Cuba and were now homeless in Portland. SE Works helped him navigate a path back to teaching and also connected him with rental assistance. He is now employed as a teacher at Portland Public Schools.

11. Action Item: Resolution 7250 – Authorizing a Leasehold Purchase and Sale Agreement to Convey Approximately 3.00 Acres of Leased Property in the Airport Way Urban Renewal Area to Mortenson Development, Inc

Prosper Portland staff presenting this item: Will Thier, Project Manager I

With this action the Board authorized the Executive Director to execute an Agreement for a Leasehold Purchase and Sale between Prosper Portland and Mortenson Development, Inc (Buyer) for the conveyance of the easternmost portion of Cascade Station Parcel G (Property), which Prosper Portland leases from the Port of Portland in the Airport Way Urban Renewal Area (URA).

The purchase price will be approximately \$1,568,160 depending on the final size of acreage. The Buyer is purchasing the Property to construct a mid-rise 200-room hotel that will serve business travelers and tourists flying into and out of Portland International Airport. Construction of the building shall be subject to Prosper Portland's Equity and Green Building policies. Strategic Plan outcomes furthered by this transaction are Outcome 3.4 (Equitable Construction and Contracting) and Outcome 5.3 (Financial Sustainability & Stewardship). Proceeds raised from this transaction will be made available for further Airport Way URA priorities.

Chair Cruz called forward guests to testify.

Brian Gunn, Mortenson Development, described their previous work in Portland and their excitement to pursue another hospitality opportunity with Cascade Station. Mr. Gunn anticipates the creation of 70 new jobs upon opening, additional tax revenue, lodging revenue and additional revenue to local retail and restaurants.

Commissioner Gambetti proposed an amendment to Resolution No. 7250 to read, "NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute a leasehold purchase and sale agreement with Buyer, for the conveyance of the Property according to the attached Letter of Intent, except that the Leasehold Sales Price in the Letter of Intent shall be amended to read 'The greater of \$12.00 per square foot or the appraised value'."



Chair Cruz called for a motion to approve Resolution 7250 as amended; Commissioner Moreland-Capuia moved and Commissioner Platt seconded the motion.

AYES: Cruz, Gambetti, Moreland-Capuia, Platt

NAYS: None

# 12. Adjourn

There being no further business, Chair Cruz adjourned the Prosper Portland Board meeting at approximately 5:50 p.m.

Approved by the Prosper Portland Commission on September 13, 2017

Pam Micek, Recording Secretary

August 9, 2017

Prosper Portland Kimberly Branam, Executive Director 222 NW Fifth Avenue Portland, Oregon 97208

Dear Mrs. Branam,

As the property owner and granddaughter of the founder of Dean's Beauty and Barbershop, I am looking forward to being including in the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area. This property was built by my grandparents in 1956 and has been part of our family legacy for three generations.

If my property is included in the boundary I can access Prosper Portland resources to make much needed improvements to the interior and exterior of the 61 year old building. As a longtime property owner, I have witness many changes in our community and Prosper Portland resources will help our business stay in our community and remain financially sustainable.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions you may reach me at 503-282-3379.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Brown

Oral Testimony for Prosper Portland Board Meeting August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Adopting the Ninth Amendment to the Amended and Restated Interstate

Corridor Urban Renewal Area Plan

Good Afternoon Commissioners,

My name is Leesha Posey. I reside in NE Portland and I am a member of the N and NE

Community Development Initiative Oversite Committee. I am here today in opposition of the

vote on RESOLUTION NO. 7248 - ADOPTING THE NINTH AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND

RESTATED INTERSTATE CORRIDOR URBAN RENEWAL AREA. I ask you to postpone this vote to

allow for process that will include full and true transparency, including review, discussion and

consideration, and finally recommendations from the N and NE Community Development

Imitative Oversite Committee and from the very African-American Community that is purported

to be the benefactors of the resolution including amendment #3.

The N and NE Community Development Initiative Oversite Committee has been charged with reviewing, advising and monitoring investments according the strategic policy areas, timelines, metrics and allocation amounts outlined in the Action Plan. As of today, the oversight committee has not been privy to any such collaborations between Legacy Health, Prosper Portland and the City of Portland. Nor have we been made aware of any plans to amend the Interstate Urban Renewal area to include the site at N. Russell St. In fact, I myself did not find

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out about this purposed amendment #3 until August 1<sup>st</sup>. And some of the committee members were still unaware of this plan even as late as yesterday. There may still be some committee members that are still in the dark. And if the very committee members who sit on a committee to oversee such changes and projects are uninformed, I can imagine that the community at large is even further disadvantaged. This does not demonstrate the new era of transparency and inclusion that Prosper Portland is touting.

In total, we have had three Oversight Committee meetings and subsequent subcommittee meetings. At our first meeting, the oversight committee was given a binder chock full of documents, including this memo titled N/NE Proposed Amendment to the Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area (ICURA). In the document, members were given information about a two-phase processing of a minor amendment to the ICURA to include two properties. In the document, it explains to the oversight committee that phase 1 of the amendment requests, pre-dates the N/NE community Development Initiative public outreach process and the adoption of the Action Plan.

In phase two, the documents states "that in late 2017 and 2018, Prosper Portland and Portland Housing Bureau staff will work with the Action Plan Oversight Committee to identify whether there are additional opportunities to deliver on the action plan by amending the Interstate Corridor URA plan". Subsequently, a ICURA subcommittee was formed to consider phase two. To my knowledge, this subcommittee has not met yet.

To be clear my objection today is not to the development of the proposed site, that sits three blocks from the house I grew up in and used as a short cut on my way to school. My gripe is not

with Legacy Health's decision to finally abide by their contractual obligations and agree to develop the property. I agree with Mayor Wheeler when he said "this is a positive step about what Portland will be going forward, and particularly this location in north-northeast Portland". Develop the site! But please, do not bulldoze and rush through resolutions in a closed-door process, organized around the needs of the private and public institutions represented in this collaborative project. That is how we got here in the first place and it's no different from the storied history that PDC epitomizes. By postponing this vote today, you will allow time to address the exclusion of the oversight committee and African-American community at large. As well as the lack of transparency overall.

- On May 25<sup>th</sup> Amendment one and two were presented to the oversight committee
  as a defacto document in the binders provided for us, with no discussion or
  feedback. Notice that amendment three was not listed on this document.
- At the May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting the agenda was full of a variety of project updates, including the community livability grant and Business Navigator Request for Proposals. There was no intent made to have an open and inclusionary process and/or discussion around including amendment 3 to the URA to access TIF resources.
- The oversight committee has met three times since our initial meeting on May, 25<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>. During those meetings, there was no intent made to have an open and inclusionary process around including amendment 3 to the URA to access TIF resources.

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- On July 27<sup>th</sup>, I attended the first Cultural Business Hub subcommittee. During that
  meeting, there was no intent made to have an open and inclusionary process around
  including amendment 3 to URA to access TIF resources.
- On August 1<sup>st</sup>, Prosper Portland announced a new collaborative project with Legacy
   Health, Prosper Portland and the City of Portland.

The lack of transparency means that:

- This vote, scheduled eight days after the public announcement of the proposed
  project was made, does not allow sufficient time for the oversight committee or the
  African American community to review and provide recommendations. This vote
  should be postponed to allow for a transparent resolution.
- If allowed into the ICURA, the project will have access to the 32 million dollars
  earmarked in the N/NECDI action plan. This reduces the opportunities for
  community driven projects and development, that have not yet been determined by
  the oversite committee or by the African American community at large.
- A decision was made without full community input and at the very least, without the oversight committee's review and recommendations.

Commissioners, today I ask you, "what is the urgency"? Postpone this vote to allow time for the process outlined in the Oversight Committees outlined scope to take place.

Thank you for your time.

 I would also like to note, that Resolution No 7248 Adopting the ninth amendment to the amended and restated Interstate Corridor Urban Renewal Area Plan does not include the same descriptive narrative for amendment 3, as out lined in Report 17-34 from Kimberly Branam, Executive Director. If this resolution is approved, I am concerned that the descriptive narrative no longer aligns with the goals and mission of the N/NE CDI action Plan.

Thank you for your time.

# SE Works, Inc. Briefing Note

	Briefing Note	
Economic Opportunity Programs		
Economic	Prisoner Reentry Employment Program (PREP): Since 2008 the SE Works	
Opportunity	PREP program has been funded by PDC and now Prosper Portland. The goal of the	
Programs	program is to assist 80 returning citizens annually to secure occupational training and	
	career track employment and reduce recidivism.	
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	Professional Immigrant Credential Program (PICP): Since 2008 the SE Works	
	PICP program has been funded by PDC now Prosper Portland. The PICP program	
	works with 40 immigrants and refugees annually to certify credentials for foreign	
	born professionals. These certified credentials lead to career track employment in	
	health, engineering, accounting, legal, teaching, IT and Administrative fields.	
Location	SE Works services are located in high poverty communities:	
	Rosewood Community Initiative NPI- services on site	
	Jade and Division Midway NPI- services onsite	
	SE Foster Road- Worksource Portland Metro-SE -services onsite	
Who Benefits?	Low Income Immigrants and refugees who wish to rebuild their career in the	
	United States. These individuals must navigate the complexity of re-entering their	
	professional field, as well as the obstacles they face to employment and relicensing.	
	Research shows that college-educated immigrants are often unemployed or working	
	in low-skilled occupations, which results in a significant waste of skills, also known	
· I	as skill underutilization or "brain waste."	
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	Low Income Returning Citizens who have committed to a crimefree and pro-social	
	lifestyle. Individuals who must shift away from survival, street thinking to short and	
	long-term career planning.	
	Employers benefit by hiring skilled, certified and trained workers.	
	Employers benefit by filling skilled, certified and framed workers.	
	Business benefits through client ability to purchase in their local community, buy	
	cars and homes to build family wealth.	
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Program Model	Funding through Prosper Portland and WSI provides a 3-year case management	
7106141111111111111111111111111111111111	model that provides the needed support, training opportunities, employment	
	placement and credential certification for those transitioning from incarceration back	
	to their community and for those setting into a new country. Relationship building,	
	trust and follow up provide the needed supports to ensure success.	
Leverage	The Worksource system leverages opportunities for cost free internet for those	
8	experiencing digital inequities due to the cost; employment workshops, cost free	
	occupational training including: health care training: Academic Navigation for basics	
	skills upgrading in health care; hands on training in IT and Banking. Job leads are	
	provided through the onsite Oregon Employment Department, Rent Well workshops,	
	Affordable Health Care Certifier assistance, supportive services and targeted	
	employment workshops for English Language Learners, reentry and youth ages 18-	
	24.	
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# SE Works, Inc. Briefing Note Neighborhood Navigator Manufacturing Liaison

	Manufacturing Liaison		
Services	Neighborhood Navigator Jade & Division Midway		
	Manufacturing Liaison		
Location	Manufacturing Liaison: services are targeted to manufacturing/production		
	employers throughout Portland, but with specific focus on the Central Eastside.		
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	Neighborhood Navigator: services are targeted to low income individuals in Jade &		
	Division Midway NPI's.		
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	Both are co-located in SE Works - Worksource Portland Metro-SE		
Who Benefits?	Low Income communities and communities of color.		
	Youth, especially low-income, disconnected youth who can be connected to stable		
	entry-level jobs in manufacturing and production without need of post-secondary		
	education.		
	Employers benefit by hiring a skilled and diverse workforce, many of whom are		
	certified and trained.		
	Business benefits through client ability to purchase in their local community, buy		
C	cars and homes to build family wealth.		
Service Model	Funding through Prosper Portland provides:		
	Manufacturing Liaison: This role serves as a single point of contact for small to medium sized manufacturing/production employers in the Portland area to promote		
	and market middle-wage job opportunities to unemployed and under-employed		
	individuals. The Liaison works closely with the Neighborhood Navigators in the		
	NPI's to communicate information about job openings, employer needs and culture,		
	such that the Navigators can disseminate to the job seekers they encounter. The		
	Liaison also coordinates job fairs in various locations to reach the unemployed /		
	under-employed job seeker.		
İ	Neighborhood Navigator: This role serves the Jade District and Division-Midway		
	Alliance NPI's. The Navigator works in the communities to reach unemployed and		
	under-employed job seekers and to assist them in accessing services that help with		
	training and employment. The Navigator may refer customers to WorkSource, GED		
	programs, training programs, and will assist with job leads and job readiness skills.		
Leverage	The Worksource system leverages:		
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1	WSI Business Services team, Oregon Employment Department, Opportunities for		
	cost free internet for those experiencing digital inequities- lack of computers and		
	internet at home due to the cost; cost free occupational training including: health care		
	training: Academic Navigation for basics skills upgrading in health care; hands on		
	training in IT and Banking. Job leads are provided through the onsite Oregon		
	Employment Department, cost free workshops, Rent Well workshops, Affordable		
	Health Care Certifier assistance, supportive services and targeted employment		
1	workshops for English Language Learners, reentry and youth.		
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