

# Notice of City Measure Election

26-92

SEL 802

rev 1/06: ORS 250.035, 250.041, 250.275, 250.285, 254.095, 254.465

Name of City Portland

Notice is hereby given on *date of election* May 15, 2007. A measure election will be held in

*name of county or counties* Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington County, Oregon.

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters on this date: 2/7/07

**CAPTION** 10 words

Amends Charter: Defines mission, increases oversight of Portland Development Commission.

**QUESTION** 20 words

Shall the Portland Development Commission budget be subject to City Council oversight with financial and performance audits by City Auditor?

**SUMMARY** 175 words

Under the current Charter, the Portland Development Commission (PDC) is the City's urban renewal agency. This measure directs PDC to implement the City's urban renewal, affordable housing and economic development vision and goals. If authorized by state law, the Council will be the budget committee for the Commission. The Commission budget will be required to incorporate City goals and will be submitted to the Council in conjunction and conformity with the City budget process. The measure provides that the Commission shall advance social equity, involve the constituencies of the City, and promote home ownership and the creation and retention of multi-family housing.

The measure authorizes the Mayor to appoint and remove PDC Commissioners, with approval of the City Council. The measure provides that the Commission shall be subject to financial and performance audits by the City Auditor. The measure requires that the annual Commission report to Council include an evaluation of Commission activities with respect to City adopted vision and goals. The measure would be effective July 1, 2007.

RECEIVED  
07 FEB 22 AM 9:30  
JOHN KAUFMAN  
DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS

↓ **signature**

The following authorized city official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete, which includes completion of the ballot title challenge process.

Andrew J. Carlstrom  
signature of authorized city official *not required to be notarized*

2/22/07  
date signed

Andrew J. Carlstrom  
printed name of authorized city official

City Elections Officer  
title

# MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

## Required for all Measures Submitted with Multnomah County Elections

ELECTION DATE May 15, 2007	MEASURE NUMBER 26-92	
BALLOT TITLE CAPTION Amends Charter: Defines mission; increases oversight of Portland Development Commission		
NAME OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT OF STATEMENT Mayor Tom Potter		
NAME OF JURISDICTION PERSON REPRESENTS Portland, Oregon		
E-MAIL mayorpotter@ci.portland.or.us	TELEPHONE NUMBER 503-823-4120	FAX NUMBER 503-823-3588

*Please use space below or attach text on a separate sheet of paper.*

Please see attached document.

WORD/NUMBER COUNT TOTAL (500 word/number limit) 361

Tom Potter  
SIGNATURE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT OF STATEMENT

3/15/07  
DATE

This measure is one of four recommendations by the 26 citizen-member Charter Review Commission.

It gives authority to the City Auditor to conduct financial and performance audits of the Portland Development Commission and provides budget oversight by the City Council.

### **Background**

In November 2005, Portland City Council appointed a panel of 26 Portlanders to take the first comprehensive look at the City Charter since 1913. This independent volunteer citizen committee – the Charter Review Commission – represented a wide range of ages, ethnicities, experiences and backgrounds.

To facilitate its work, the Commission held over 100 public meetings, collected information from a variety of sources, including review of written reports, invited testimony from legal and academic experts, and public testimony, including:

- Testimony from current and former elected officials of Portland and other municipalities, City employees, community organizations, neighborhood associations and other stakeholder groups and individuals;
- Testimony of outside experts in government studies and public administration; and
- A survey of comparably-sized cities.

### **What does the measure do?**

The Portland Development Commission has a \$250 million budget and is responsible for implementing the City's vision and goals relating to urban renewal, economic development and affordable housing. Additionally the Portland Development Commission has been directed to involve the constituencies of the city to create, maintain, and promote a diverse, sustainable community in which economic prosperity, quality housing and employment opportunities are made available to all residents.

The measure:

- Provides that the Portland Development Commission shall be subject to financial and performance audits by the City Auditor;
- Provides that the Portland Development Commission's budget will be subject to City Council oversight;
- Requires the Portland Development Commission to report its progress on meeting urban renewal economic development and housing goals to the Council each fiscal year; and
- Requires the Portland Development Commission to involve the constituencies of the City in promoting home ownership and the creation and retention of multi-family housing.

The measure helps define the mission of the Portland Development Commission and provides City Council with budget oversight and City Auditor with more authority to review the Portland Development Commission's work.

If passed, the measure will be effective July 1, 2007.