## RESOLUTION NO.

Endorse the Community Workforce Agreement on Standards and Community Benefits in the Clean Energy Works Portland Pilot Program. (Resolution)

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 36548 directs City bureaus to develop a strategy to reduce carbon emissions 80 percent by 2050; and

WHEREAS, the City's draft Climate Action Plan calls for a 40 percent reduction in local greenhouse gas emissions by 2030; and

WHEREAS, energy-efficiency retrofits to residential buildings are a critical strategy in achieving these emissions reductions; and

WHEREAS, green jobs are a growing component of the regional economy, with products and services related to clean energy providing living-wage jobs throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, the City is proposing to dedicate a significant portion of its federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant allocation to the Clean Energy Works Portland pilot; and

WHEREAS, the Regional Equity Atlas demonstrates the need for ongoing advancement of equity for historically disadvantaged communities, including low-income households, people of color, and women, as a key component of the region's development, and the City's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Resolutions underscores its commitment to improving social equity; and

WHEREAS, the City's ARRA Resolutions also recognizes that well-trained workers earning decent wages and benefits produce quality work as they contribute to the good of the community; and

WHEREAS, Clean Energy Works Portland is a leading national model for saving energy, creating jobs, improving homes, reducing carbon emissions and promoting equity by creating economic opportunities and career pathways for historically disadvantaged populations; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to growing green businesses and a green economy that puts people back to work and provides new employment opportunities to disadvantaged communities, as reflected in the five-year Economic Development Strategy and other documents; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No 36713 calls for creating contracting, subcontracting, training and employment policies that will strive to:

- o Provide pathways to prosperity for all workers;
- o Offer competitive wages that lead to a lasting career-track;
- Involve stakeholders and community members in developing and enacting policies and processes;
- o Drive accountability and continuously evaluate performance towards goals, and

WHEREAS, the development of Clean Energy Works Portland has been marked by an extraordinary collaboration among and contributions from public, private, nonprofit, community, and labor institutions; and

WHEREAS, a broad set of stakeholders have worked intensively to identify the ways in which Clean Energy Works Portland can be successful while setting high standards for inclusive economic development and broad community benefits,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City endorses the Community Workforce Agreement on Standards and Community Benefits in the Clean Energy Works Portland Pilot Program in a form substantially in accordance with the agreement attached as Exhibit A to create local jobs and to promote equity by creating economic opportunities and career pathways;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Community Workforce Agreement on Standards and Community Benefits applies to the duration of the pilot phase and will sunset at completion of the energy retrofit of 500 homes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the Evaluation and Implementation Committee within the Community Workforce Agreement be established, the Bureau of Purchases be directed to perform outreach to ensure participation in Clean Energy Works Portland and that the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability work with the Portland Development Commission to develop related business and training support; and

THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the Office of Management and Finance and the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability shall work with community stakeholders and program partners to collect and analyze program baseline data to develop standards that ensure the broadest opportunity for equity as the program scales up after completion of the pilot phase.

Adopted by the Council,

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