ORDINANCE No. 181746 AS AMENDED

Direct Auditor to treat July 15, 2008 special runoff election as General Election for purposes of Code Chapter 2.10 and provide for reduced distribution of campaign funds available to participating publicly financed candidates (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

The Council finds:

1. On January 9, 2008, the City Council passed Resolution 36566, calling for a special election on May 20, 2008, to fill the unexpired term of Commissioner Position No. 2. The resolution also called for a special runoff election on July 15, 2008, if no one candidate receives a majority of votes cast at the May 20, 2008 special election.

2. Although Code Chapter 2.10 (Campaign Finance Fund) grants the Auditor authority to adopt administrative rules establishing procedures for application of the code to special elections, in the absence of these rules it is desirable to provide direction to the Auditor regarding the special runoff election that will be held, if necessary, on July 15, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

a. The July 15, 2008 special runoff election shall be a "General Election" for purposes of Code Chapter 2.10, except for purposes of timely distribution of funds under Section 2.10.100 A , the amount of funds distributed under Section 2.10.110 A.2 and the limits on matching funds made available to participating candidates under Section 2.10.150 B.

b. Notwithstanding any provision of the City Code, the funds distributed to Certified Candidates for the July 15, 2008 Special Election shall be reduced due to the short time period between the Primary and the date of the Special Election. Thus, the amount of funds available to a Certified Candidate in the July 15, 2008 special runoff election pursuant to Section 2.10.110 A.2 will be $115,000. The maximum amount of matching funds available under 2.10.150 B will be 150% of $115,000 or $172,500. For purposes of the July 15, 2008 special runoff election, the Initial Financial Threshold in Section 2.10.145 will be $115,000.

c. Other than as provided in subsections a. and b. above, for purposes of the July 15, 2008 special runoff election, the provisions of Code Chapter 2.10 regarding General Elections shall apply and control over any provisions regarding special elections.

d. As provided in 2.10.100 A.5, the Auditor shall establish a schedule for timely distribution of funds for the July 15, 2008 special runoff election.

e. The period from May 21, 2008 through August 4, 2008 shall be the "General Election Period" under City Code Chapter 2.10 for the July 15, 2008 special runoff election.

Passed by the Council: April 16, 2008

GARY BLACKMER
Auditor of the City of Portland
By /s/Emily Matasar

Deputy

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COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
	YEAS	NAYS
ADAMS	===	===
LEONARD	X	
SALTZMAN	X	
POSITION NO. 2 VACANT	===	===
POTTER	X	