

# Broadway Corridor Project

## Let Your Voice be Heard

*Letter from Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler and Kimberly Branam, executive director of Prosper Portland:*

### Dear Community:

More than a year ago, the city of Portland and Prosper Portland embarked on a once-in-a-generation opportunity to develop the 34-acre Broadway Corridor site in Northwest Portland. The location, size, and scale of this property present a rare chance to build in a way that puts people first, particularly those who traditionally have not benefited from past development projects.

As a Portlander, you have a stake in this neighborhood, its planning and development. You have a right to participate in the jobs and economic prosperity generated by the neighborhood that will be transformed by the Broadway Corridor project. The city's future is yours as well.

On Wednesday, November 28, you are invited to the Broadway Corridor Open House at the Asian Health & Service Center in Lents Town Center, from 5-7:30 p.m. You'll be able

to view and comment on three refined design concepts and share your ideas, questions and concerns. There are additional opportunities to participate including:

An online Open House available until Dec. 9: [www.broadwaycorridorpx.com/openhouse](http://www.broadwaycorridorpx.com/openhouse)

Mobile open houses: Nov. 30 at the Union Station lobby from 4 – 6 p.m., and Dec. 6 at the Hollywood Library from 5 - 7 p.m.

Four million square feet of development is possible on the Broadway Corridor site, which includes the downtown Portland U.S. Postal Service property. That's more than 3 times the combined square feet of the US Bancorp Tower and the Wells Fargo Center and has the potential to add 4,000 jobs and 2,400 new households.

We are asking for your feedback on what should be built and experienced in the Broadway Corridor so that its development includes the right mix of uses, activities, programs and public spaces.

We're calling on residents from all corners of Portland to participate in this project and we want to hear from you, your family, and your communities.

The door is open for your involvement. Let your voice be heard on how you and your fellow Portlanders will live, work, and play in this new development.

# Mayor's Protest Curbs Draw Fire

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taxpayers over \$440,000.

Hardesty, who became the first black woman elected to Portland City Council just two days prior to the City Hall hearing on the issue, and will succeed Saltzman, testified that Wheeler's curbs would disproportionately be enforced against people of color.

"We don't all experience police the same way," Hardesty said. "We cannot have a police force for white people, and then a police force for everybody else." She added she's been "extremely disappointed" how Portland police have responded to "out of town hate groups who show up and take over our downtown streets."

Though Hardesty said she trusts in Portland Police Chief Danielle Outlaw, the city's first female black chief, she said that the former Oakland, Calif. police officer "is absolutely mistaken that we should give the police chief the power to decide who protests and how."

Hardesty urged postponing deciding on the proposal until after she's sworn in, in January. She also criticized police for not telling the truth about why they resorted to using force against left-wing antifascists in response to an Aug. 4 protest in downtown Portland. The police response was also referenced by City Commissioner Eudaly in her line of questioning about past police action.

The protest in question saw multiple injuries of leftist protesters, but few reported actions taken against right-wing group Patriot Prayer, despite a report more than a month later that some members of that group held weapons on a rooftop. That protest was one of many in the past two years in which right- and left- wing groups have clashed, some of which resulted in violence.

"How many lawsuits is the city fighting related to police use of force against demonstrators, and how much money has defending these suits cost Portland?" Eudaly asked.

Deputy Attorney Robert Taylor replied, "Thirteen, but the suits don't cost anything to defend because the city has staff attorneys." (Eudaly responded that had the lawsuits not been filed, the lawyers could spend their time working on other things).

When Eudaly asked why police used exploding munitions and pepper spray against non-violent protesters who disobeyed dispersal orders, Assistant Chief Ryan Lee responded that disobeying such an order is breaking the law.

Eudaly also wanted to know why police kettled and photographed the IDs of more than 300 left-wing protesters in July 2017; why some police told Independent Police Review investigators that far-right extremists seemed "more mainstream;" and whether any of the Patriot Prayer protesters had been injured by crowd-dispersal munitions, as Antifa protesters had on Aug. 4. Officials said pending lawsuits prevented them from commenting directly on many of the issues raised.

Eudaly said she's going to vote "no" on the proposed ordinance. While the measure was first referred to the council as an emergency, the mayor pulled the emergency clause just before its hearing and as a result, the measure could go into effect 30 days after it is passed, instead of right away, and does not require unanimous approval by the council. The measure will be taken up again on Thursday.

Commissioner Amanda Fritz said she's against the proposal. Commissioner Nick Fish has not voiced a position.



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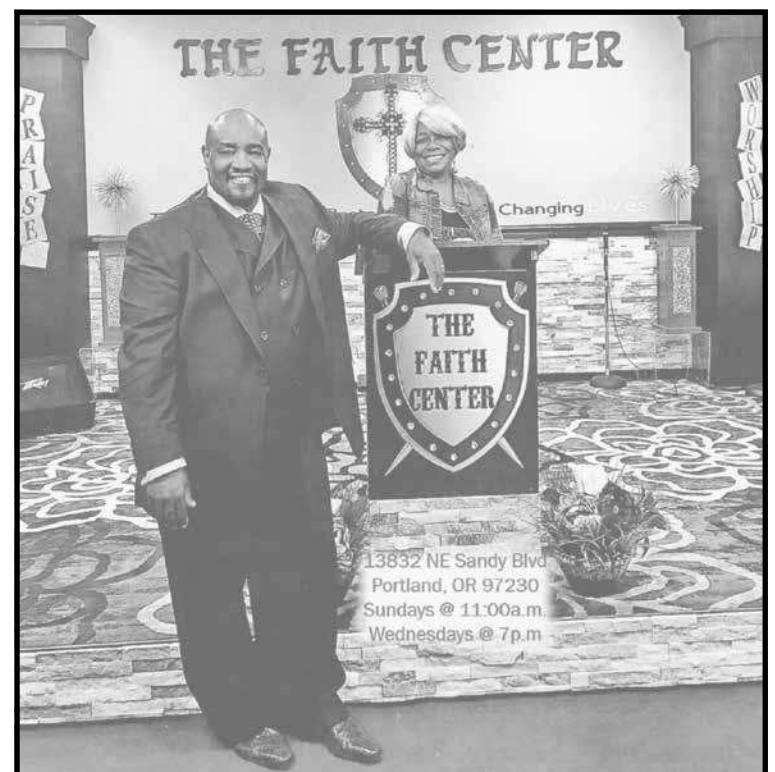
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