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# BAN THE BUNKER



Mayor Hales speaks about Terminal 1 at the Portland City Council meeting on August 10, 2016.

## City Council Approves Shelter

Controversial Terminal 1 space expected to cost \$100 million

By Arashi Young  
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**P**ortland City Council members voted to approve a temporary lease for a massive homeless shelter in NW Portland. The split 3-2 council vote came after three hours of contentious testimony from neighbors, developers, community organizers and the houseless.

The vote allows private developer Homer Williams to begin planning for a \$100 million homeless complex at Terminal 1. Williams has six months to create a plan for the Oregon Trail to Hope project, which is modeled after San An-

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Ashley D. Bell was one of the 18 black delegates at the Republican National Convention in Cleveland and has been hired as RNC senior strategist and national director of African American engagement.

## Republicans Court Black Voters

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## Gospel Singer Kathy Taylor Ministers to the World With Her Singing

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PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Activists interrupted a Seattle City Council meeting Aug. 15 during the public comment period about a proposed new police precinct in North Seattle. The Seattle City Council chamber was filled to capacity with people who opposed what they call the \$149 million dollar Police "Bunker." At one point the meeting was suspended when dozens of people tried to enter the already over crowded chamber. Despite overwhelming opposition the City Council voted to approve a resolution to proceed with a the project following a closer look at costs and a racial equity analysis.

## Youth and the Law Project Helps Educate Students

Comic book will educate PPS students interacting with law enforcement

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**W**hen Portland Police officers used a Taser on a 16-year-old Roosevelt High School student two years ago, Skye Skalbeck — who is about to embark on her senior year there — wanted to do something about it.

"Kids were really upset, but nobody knew what they could do about it," Skalbeck said.

Then a sophomore, Skalbeck got involved with the Youth and the Law project — a collaborative project

between schools and community groups intended to educate young people about their rights in interactions with police.

The project has produced two publications so far, and the third — which publishes this week — is a comic book by and for youth: a small group of students in the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization's SummerWorks program is completing production this week after eight weeks of research, discussion with community groups and writing and drawing.

The book will be distrib-

uted to incoming freshman throughout Portland Public Schools this fall.

The comic features five different scenarios youth may be likely to encounter with law enforcement (including one scenario involving an interaction with a school resource officer).

The project is also developing training manuals to train youth and their parents on their rights, and organizer JoAnn Hardesty said if funding becomes available organizers would like to hold training sessions throughout the year for youth and their parents to understand their rights

when interacting with law enforcement.

Students have researched laws, spoken with lawyers, talked to community groups representing different communities of color and participated in ride-alongs with Portland Police officers. Hardesty also said the Portland Police Bureau has made a donation to help with printing expenses, though *The Skanner* was not able to confirm the amount of the contribution with the bureau.

"One of the things that's most wonderful about this

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## PFLAG Black Chapter Splits

Group will reform as an independent organization, separate from PFLAG Portland

By Arashi Young  
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**T**he first PFLAG Black Chapter in the country has shut its doors and is in the process of reforming as an independent organization. The group has focused on serving the Black LGBTQ community in the Portland area.

Khalil Edwards, co-director of the former organization, said the new

group will continue this work under a new name with full agency and autonomy — a move that required leaving the PFLAG Portland organization.

"We still have at the center of it, lifting up Black LGBTQ families and individuals and working towards liberation of all Black peoples in this country, in this state, in this city," Ed-

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According to Khalil Edwards, co-director of Portland Black PFLAG, the organization has shut its doors and is in the process of reforming as an independent organization.