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Commissioner Francesconi comments on Charter Change

Today the Portland City Council voted unanimously to remove requirements that only the Commissioner in Charge of a bureau can place matters on the Council Agenda. The issue arose at last week's council meeting because of a resolution that was introduced by Commissioners Francesconi and Leonard to improve diversity and training in the Portland Police Bureau.

In voting to support this ordinance, Francesconi said, "We need to be able to fight for change in City Hall regardless of the issue. Commissioner Saltzman's measure recognizes that it is the responsibility of each of us to address any issue or challenge that is facing the city, without limiting it to those assigned by the Mayor."

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