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NEW VIDEO FEATURE LETS PORTLANDERS JUMP TO CITY COUNCIL MEETING ITEMS IN A SINGLE CLICK OF A MOUSE

Thanks to new video indexing service, public can now control their public video sessions

(Portland, OR) New video indexing promises to enhance online public access to City Council meetings. While the City of Portland has offered real-time video streaming and archived video postings of City Council meetings for years, recent strides to index all Council meeting videos will ensure that Council meetings are even more accessible to the community.

This new video-indexed service is now available to the public. Council videos – available at www.portlandonline.com/councilvideos – are now posted with a play list that is indexed so that viewers can jump to any specific City Council meeting agenda item they desire without either playing through the entire meeting or guessing with their cursor. “This is a good step forward for making City Council more open and accessible to all,” noted Mayor Sam Adams. “Now the community can easily watch the part of our City Council meeting that is important to them instead of searching through hours of video for their item of interest.”

This new feature also helps when items are taken out of order or discussions last longer than expected. “Video indexing takes the guesswork out of the public’s ability to view archived Council meetings,” said the City’s Chief Technology Officer Mark Greinke. “This is another example of using technology to make the public’s experience with government easier and more accessible”

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