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APPLY TO THE HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING
COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL OF THE FIRE/PARAMEDIC
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE FOR
PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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STRATEGIC THEME: Academic Excellence: Student Success, Delivery, and Programming
Community Engagement: Workforce, Education, and Industry Alignment

REPORT: The proposed 105 credit Fire/Paramedic AAS degree is designed to prepare students for entry-level work in the fire and paramedic services field. This program is the result of extensive listening sessions, surveys, employment data, and interviews with industry leaders across the Portland-Metro area.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the Fire/Paramedic AAS degree for Portland Community College.