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To review copies of the Rural/Natural Resources Plan Element, go to www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/publicat.htm

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Thursday, October 15, 2009
7:00 p.m.

Jackson Bottom Wetlands Education Center
2600 SW Hillsboro Hwy

AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions- Dick Smith

Public Safety Updates:

- a. Sheriff's Deputy (if available)
- b. Fire District 2 (if available)

Program: Dean Moberg, District Conservationist, USDA

Works with Natural Resource Conservation Service and Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District staff in the Hillsboro Office. He will share the latest on the programs and technical/ financial resources that may benefit you and your property.

Brainstorming Activity-Darrell Hedin, the Washington County

Watermaster (Oregon Water Resources Department) will participate in the November CPO meeting. What questions would you like him to be prepared to answer? Please bring your questions and a neighbor to this planning activity.

Updates and Reports:

- a. Land Use Ordinances, Developments, and Urban and Rural Reserves Process
- b. Rural Road Operations and Maintenance (RROMAC)
- c. Other

Adjourn



Dear Friend,

This month's council newsletter brings a change that I hope you will embrace. Starting now, I'll be delivering Metro news to you as it occurs, sometimes on a daily basis, through my online newsfeed at www.oregonmetro.gov/harrington. My goal is to make it faster and easier for you to stay informed about issues you and your family care about, and to provide you a way to give me feedback whenever it's most convenient for you. Please check the site regularly and take advantage of the subscription features that let you choose the way you want to stay updated.

We are embarking on some decision-making that will affect you and your family that I want you to know about. This current and important topic is a planning and conservation effort we call "Making the Greatest Place." (See <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=31389>). During the next three decades, about 1 million more people will call the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan region home, with up to 700,000 of them living within the urban growth boundary. To plan for this growth, Metro and its partners are collaborating to make good choices in order to maintain the quality of life we all enjoy in this beautiful region.

In the next few months, the Metro Council and other local governments will make decisions about how much farm and forest land to protect, where we should grow during the next 50 years and the best way to invest our limited money on creating jobs and making the most of our existing bridges, roads, trails and public transit. I am interested in hearing from you about these decisions.

Last week, Metro's chief operating officer Michael Jordan released a set of proposed strategies to inform those decisions and to inspire a regional dialogue about our future:

Strategy 1: Make the most of what we have

Invest to maintain and improve our existing communities.

Strategy 2: Protect our urban growth boundary

To the maximum extent possible, ensure that growth is accommodated within the existing boundary to protect farm and forest land and the outdoor recreation opportunities we enjoy with our families.

Strategy 3: Walk our talk

Be accountable for our actions and responsible with the public's money.

Review the recommendations, plans and reports at <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=31389>

We can't "make the greatest place" alone. We need to hear from you. Please let me know what you think and what is most important to you by attending an open house, commenting online, sending mail or e-mail, or testifying before the Metro Council.

Find out how to share your views at <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=31079>

Thanks for your interest and for weighing in about how best to preserve our urban growth boundary and the farm and forest land it protects; how to make the most of our existing cities and neighborhoods; and how to ensure we create enough good jobs for the people who live here now and the people who will come in the future.

And in the meantime, check my newsfeed often. I'll have updates about Making the Greatest Place and other Metro news. Let me know what you think of this new way to deliver information, and if you have any ideas for how to make it better.

All the best,

Kathryn Harrington, Metro Councilor, District 4, www.oregonmetro.gov/harrington

Kathryn Harrington represents District 4 includes Northern Washington County, Cornelius, Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Northwest Beaverton, Bethany, Aloha, Bonny Slope, Raleigh Hills, West Slope, Cedar Mill and Cedar Hills. Councilor Harrington can be reached at 503-797-1553 or send e-mail to Kathryn.harrington@oregonmetro.gov.

Land Use and Development Applications Updates

Case File	Application/Location	Proposed Action	Status
08-416 Type II EFU	Andre & Kathy Meyer 235 SW Scholls Ferry Rd/State Hwy 210	Alteration/expansion of a non-conforming use (labor camp) to replace 54 existing cabins with 12 cottages and 10 RV pads and convert an existing dwelling to a berry processing facility. Also a modification of conditions VII.2 & 3 of casefile 83-036-C (to retain a health hardship.	Approved.
09-003 Type II AF 20	Vincent and Deborah Reyes 32585 SW Laurelview Rd	Modification of conditions of casefile 06-238-REP to convert and retain the old dwelling as an accessory structure.	Hold.
09-110 Type II AF 20	Darline Felton 14395 SW Campbell Rd.	Request for a temporary health hardship permit.	Hold
09-170 Type II EFU	Ankiom Moisan Architects No address provided	Development review and special use approval for a winery in the EFU district, "Ardiri Winery".	Approved.
09-195 Type II EFU	Larry and Leslie Waters No address provided.	Request for approval of a temporary health hardship renewal.	Application received. Status is pending.
09-231 Type II EFU	Jeff Boswell & Loretta Flint Scholls Ferry Rd	Approval for a dwelling pursuant to Measure 49 claim, 49CL0208.	Application received. Public comment period 9/8/09 – 9/22/09.
09-232 Type II AF 5	Frederick Morris 12350 SW Poppy Dr.	2-lot partition & dwelling in conjunction with a Measure 49 claim, 49CL0523	Application received. Status is pending.
09-239 Land/CIP-C EFU, AF 10, AF 5	ODOT Region 1 – Nathan Potter State Hwy 219 between milepost 8.5 and 9.8 (SW Midway Rd to SW Wolsborn Ave.	Development review for realignment and roadside improvements on Hwy 219 (ODOT) between Midway Rd and Wolsborn Ave.	Approved.
09-248 Type II AF 20	Ann and Scott Shull SW Hillsboro Hwy.	Special use and development review for a winery in the AF 20 district.	Application received. Public comment period 9/9/09-9/23/09
09-279 Type II EFU	Cora Morilon 30000 SW Morilon Rd.	Renewal of a temporary health hardship permit (07-400-TR).	Application received. Awaiting public notice.
09-294 Type II AF10	Blanche Schmotzer 19820 SW Tile Flat Rd.	Renewal of a temporary health hardship permit.	Application received. Awaiting public notice.
09-295 Type II EFU	Matthew Bergey 8160 SW Jacktown Rd.	Preliminary review of a temporary health hardship permit.	Application received. Awaiting public notice.
09-299 Type II AF20	Daral and Virginia Pearson (Trustees) 17515 SW Holly Hill Rd.	Request for extension of marginal lands designation to allow for a single family dwelling.	Application received. Awaiting public notice.

Type II land use applications have a 14 day public comment period. No public hearing is held unless decision is appealed.

All Type III land use hearings are held at the Charles D. Cameron Public Services Building.

Mailing Address: Washington Co. DLUT, 155 N. First Ave Hillsboro, OR 97124.

<http://washtech.co.washington.or.us/LDS/index.cfm?id=4> Tel: 503-846-8761 Fax: 503-846-2908

Hillsboro Shred Event

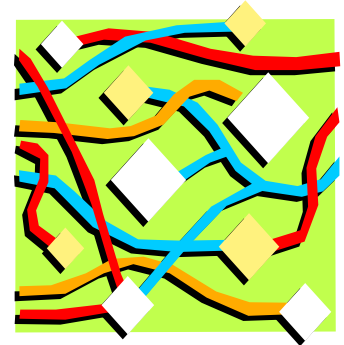
Cleaning out old files with sensitive personal information? Don't toss them without shredding them.

Saturday, November 7, 2009, 8:00AM to 12:00PM

Hillsboro Post Office, 125 S. 1st Avenue, between Main and Washington.

Hillsboro Police Department's Domestic Violence Response Team is requesting a \$5.00 donation for shredding services. All monies will be used to purchase temporary emergency housing for victims of domestic violence in the City of Hillsboro. The 48-hour housing gives victims time to create a safety plan for themselves, children, and pets.

Secure shredding is done onsite. There is a two banker box limit.



Why is Household Hazardous Waste a Problem?

Small quantities of hazardous materials are common in the homes of most Oregonians. Examples include pesticides, herbicides, poisons, corrosives, solvents, fuels, paints, motor oil, antifreeze, and mercury and mercury-containing wastes. Risks from household hazardous wastes stem from improper use, handling, storage and disposal. Some of these can be toxic in small quantities and represent significant hazards to human health and the environment.

According to national estimates, each home contains from three to eight gallons of hazardous materials in kitchens, bathrooms, garages, and basements. Throwing them in the garbage can threaten sanitation workers, who can be injured or poisoned by acids, fires, and explosions. The outcome of improper use and handling of household hazardous wastes is the potential contamination of surface water, groundwater, and air resulting in exposure to humans. **Do not dispose of your household toxic trash down the sink, on the ground, down a storm drain or in your garbage can.**

How to Minimize Hazardous Waste in Your Home

1. Use safer alternatives.
2. Read labels before purchasing. Watch for the words "caution," "warning," and "danger." Follow label directions.
3. Buy only what you need and will use up.
4. If you do have products left over, give them to friends, neighbors, or charitable institutions to use up.
5. Take unwanted products to a hazardous waste collection site.

For more information on the dangers of hazardous household products and how you can reduce them, go to

<http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/sw/hhw/products.htm>

Washington County Cooperative Recycling Program



Metro GreenScene, Your Guide to Great Places and Green Living

GreenScene provides a comprehensive calendar of nature activities, gardening workshops and volunteer ventures offered by Metro and more than 100 other organizations. Click here to view the calendar: <http://calendar.oregonmetro.gov/events/?l=4>.

To sign up to receive the Metro GreenScene by email go to <http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=29030>

County to Consider Temporary Discount of Transportation Development Tax

The Washington County Board of Commissioners will soon consider adopting a temporary discount for the Transportation Development tax. This methodology adjustment could affect development on all properties within Washington County, including urban unincorporated, within cities, and rural areas. The purpose of the proposed temporary discount is to provide a temporary reduction in the transportation Development Tax within Washington County due to the current economic situation.

The Board will consider the proposed methodology adjustment at their regularly scheduled public hearing on October 20, 2009. Public testimony about the proposed Transportation Tax Temporary Discount may be submitted in writing prior to or at the hearing. Oral testimony may also be provided at the hearing. Written testimony may be mailed to the Board in advance of the hearing in care of the Long Range Planning Division, 155 N. First Ave, Suite 350-14, Hillsboro, OR 97124, or faxed to 503-846-4412. **They are unable to accept e-mail as public testimony.**

If you have any questions about the proposed Transportation Development Tax temporary discount, please contact Steve L. Kelley at 503-846-3519. A memorandum explaining the proposed reduction and a copy of the methodology are available on-line at:

www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/PlanningPrograms/TransportationPlanning/transportation-development-tax.cfm.

Save Time and Save Money with E-mail Notices Through Your Washington County Libraries

The Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) is urging library patrons to choose to utilize its email notification service to receive notices for holds that are ready for pickup, courtesy reminders for items that will soon be due, as well as notification regarding any overdue items.

The email service saves both the patrons and the libraries time and money. Patrons will be able to avoid overdue fines – receiving email notices *before* items are due, a benefit only available through the email service. Quicker delivery of notices – email is days faster than the U.S. mail method. And, it is a better and more timely use of your tax dollars by cutting down on the volume of printing and postage to mail overdue notices. With an increase in the use of email notices the service will enable the Cooperative Library Services to limit the number of phone lines required to operate the automatic phone notification service.

WCCLS realizes that not all residents have email accounts, nor will they all prefer the electronic email notification method. The Cooperative will still maintain the mailed and phone notification system. “We believe that once people understand the benefits of email notification – faster, cheaper and more specific – they will want to switch,” says Eva Calcagno, Manager of the Cooperative Library Services.

Email provides more specific information than phone notification, so patrons will know the titles of materials that are waiting to be picked up or are about to be due.

With email notification library users may also stay current with updates from the fourteen local member libraries and the countywide Cooperative Library Services through newsletters, book reviews and much more.

It is easy for patrons to opt-in to the email notification service. Staff will be happy to make the necessary switch to the library card account. Bring your library card or a valid piece of identification (in addition to your library card barcode number), and email address and phone number. For additional details please visit the Cooperative Library Services website, www.wccls.org, or visit one of the WCCLS member libraries.



Dry Herbs to Keep Their Flavor Up To a Year

When chopped or ground, the leaves and seeds of fresh herbs release their oils and make food tastier. If dried at the right temperatures and stored effectively, herbs can continue their flavoring for as long as a year.

The best time to harvest herbs for drying is just before the flowers first open (the bursting bud stage), according to Carolyn Raab, food and nutrition specialist with Oregon State University Extension Service.

"Gather herbs in the early morning, after the dew has evaporated to minimize wilting," she said. "Label them when you pick them, because after drying many look alike. Rinse the herbs in cool water and gently shake to remove excess moisture. Discard bruised, soiled or imperfect leaves and stems."

You can dry herbs with a dehydrator or microwave, or air drying works for hardy herbs such as sage, thyme, rosemary, summer savory and parsley. It's important to keep the temperature below 100 degrees because high temperatures cause flavor loss.

Here are a few guidelines for different methods:

Dehydrator: Herbs dry quickly in a dehydrator and will produce high quality herbs. Place them on the trays and cover with a fine screen to catch dried leaves that fall from the stems. Preheat the dehydrator to 90 to 100 degrees. Dry one to three hours or until the herbs are dry and crumble easily.

Microwave: Microwave ovens are a fast way to dry herbs, but dry no more than one to two cups at a time. Place herbs in a single layer between two sheets of plain white paper towels; recycled towels often contain metal scraps that can arc and catch on fire. Check manuals for recommended times for drying herbs and OSU Extension publication SP 50-921, Drying Herbs (<http://bit.ly/muuTM>), for a general guide for drying. Stir the herbs every 30 seconds after the first minute until almost dry, and then let them finish drying at room temperature. Herbs commonly dried in the microwave are parsley, celery leaves, chives, thyme and sage.

Air Drying: Sturdier herbs are the easiest to dry and can be tied in small bundles and air dried indoors for best color and flavor. Tender leaf herbs – basil, tarragon, lemon balm and the mints – are high in moisture and should be tied together in small bunches and hung inside a paper bag with cut vent holes. Close the top with a rubber band and place where air currents will circulate, such as an attic, kitchen or other warm location. The herbs with leaves, such as bay, mint and sage, can be placed on paper towels on a tray to dry in about five to 10 days. Sun drying is not recommended.

Herbs are dry when they crumble easily and brittle stems break when bent; leaves and seeds should fall from the stems. To store them, place dried herbs in an airtight container and keep in a cool, dark, dry location for optimum flavor and color. Use them within six months to a year. Whole seeds and leaves have the longest shelf life. For the fullest flavor crush or grind just before using.



A Message from the Sheriff



On behalf of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, please accept my appreciation of each neighborhood that participated in this year's National Night Out events around Washington County. I am certain that there were many friendships made, partnerships and alliances forged, and commitments rekindled, all because of three or four hours spent getting to know our neighbors and local law enforcement personnel.

This is also an excellent opportunity for our Deputies and Sheriff's Office staff to become more familiar with our neighborhoods and be better acquainted with the people we have been entrusted to serve and protect.

Again, thank you to all who participated, for helping to foster these relationships, and supporting our mission to act as Conservators of the Peace in Washington County.

Public Affairs Forum Topics for October 2009



Special note: forum is meeting in a new location.

The meeting location for the forum is at the Tanasbourne Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124, 503-617-7614.

For a map go to: <http://washingtoncountyforum.org/time-place>

October 12, 2009

Topic: Biking Lessons Learned from Amsterdam and Copenhagen.

Speaker: Dick Schouten (Washington County Commissioner), Dr. Philip Wu (Kaiser Permanente) and Eileen Brady (New Seasons).

October 19, 2009

Topic: The Old Spaghetti Factory - a National Success Story.

Speaker: Chris Dussin, CEO and Chris Hein, Marketing Director.

October 26, 2009

Topic: Earthquakes! in Oregon.

Speaker: James Roddey, Earth Sciences Information Officer, Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.

Time: Mondays 11:15 am - 1 pm except on major holidays.

Location: Tanasbourne Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124, 503-617-7614

For last minute updates and additional information about the forum, visit: www.washingtoncountyforum.org



Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter Thanks Community *Shelter received some 3,800 pounds of pet food*

The Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter in Hillsboro recently asked for the community's support. The shelter announced a request for pet food, especially for the kittens and cats.

"The community really responded!" says Deborah Wood, Animal Services manager.

"We want to say thank you! We are so grateful for the outpouring of support. Residents from as far away as Camas in Washington and throughout the Portland metropolitan area donated nearly 3,800 pounds of pet food during the last two weeks.

"Their giving spirit is truly remarkable considering the current economic climate. This just goes to show you how much our community cares for companion animals and values the work that we do," Wood said.

This year the animal shelter will receive about 3,000 cats and kittens. The numbers of kittens admitted to the animal shelter are always highest during the kitten season, which generally runs from May through November.

Almost 100 percent of the food the shelter serves to the pets is donated. Items that the animals also need include topical flea treatment, such as Frontline or Advantage. And, cash is always welcomed. Donations may be brought to the Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter at 1901 SE 24th Avenue, Hillsboro during regular business hours. (Saturdays 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM; Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM; Thursdays noon to 6:00 PM; closed Sundays).

Donations are tax-deductible. For more information on the Bonnie L. Hays Small Animal Shelter's services, adoptable pets and donations, see www.co.washington.or.us/pets.

For more information contact: Deborah Wood, Animal Services Manager, 503-846-7148,
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Sign-Up Now for Fall Tours of Innovative Recycling Center & Wetlands

The new recycling center is open for free public tours in September and October, in response to community requests.

The centerpiece of the 90-minute tours will be the ultra-green recycling center that opened this summer to help local and regional governments achieve aggressive new sustainability goals. The center sorts and reclaims construction and demolition debris that, in the past, ended up in landfills.

Of special interest is the facility’s innovative and sustainable design, which includes a massive translucent roof for natural lighting and less energy consumption.

Participants will also tour the landfill and the adjacent wetlands, which is home to 100 bird and mammal species, including great blue heron, deer, beaver, and rabbits. Waste Management owns and manages the wetlands as part of a company wide commitment to protecting wildlife habitat. The wetlands are also important to the community because they serve as a treatment system for neighborhood storm water and for floodwaters from the Tualatin River.

Tours will begin at Waste Management, 3205 SE Minter Bridge Road, Hillsboro, at 1 p.m. on the following dates:

Wednesday, October 21st

Space is limited and registration is required. Children ages 10 and older are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Closed-toe shoes are required.

Jackets and binoculars are recommended. To register, call (503) 640-9427 ext. 271.

