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To review the Bull Mountain Community Plan and the West Tigard Community plan, go to www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/publicat.htm

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No August 2009 Meeting

The next CPO 4B meeting will be September 10, 2009, 7:00PM

Washington County Seeks Public Input on Urban and Rural Reserve Draft Recommendations

A public hearing is scheduled for **Thursday, August 20, 2009, 4:00-8:00PM** in the Hillsboro Civic Center, 150 East Main St., Hillsboro. At 4:00PM you may review maps and materials with staff. Testimony will begin at 5:00PM.

The hearing offers you an opportunity to provide official written or oral testimony on proposed urban and rural reserve areas within Washington County. All input will be included in the public record for the urban and rural reserves project. If you plan to provide oral or written testimony, please reference the "factors" that are available on our website at:

<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/breaking-news> .

Urban reserves will identify areas outside the existing Urban Growth Boundary where future growth could be accommodated over the next 40-50 years. Rural reserves will be areas protected from urbanization during the same time frame.

The public hearing will also include an informational open house where you can learn more about the project background and how the current reserves recommendations were identified. More information and comment opportunities are on the project website at www.co.washington.or.us/reserves.

Please plan to attend and invite your neighbors and others interested in helping shape the future of Washington County.

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CITY OF TIGARD LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

FILE NOS.	FILE NAME	APPLICANT/ PROJECT LOCATION	PROPOSED ACTION	STATUS
MLP2008-00008	Gilbert Partition	Michele & Jay Gilbert 6816 SW Walnut Terrace 1S125DA, Tax Lot 04100	2 Lot Minor Land Partition	1/5/09 Application Incomplete
DCA2008-00005	Sensitive Lands Permit Requirements	City of Tigard Location: Citywide	To remove section 18.775.070.B.5 of the Sensitive Lands Permit requirements which reads "5. The plans for the pedestrian/bicycle pathway indicate that no pathway will be below the elevation of an average annual flood;". Removal of this section would allow pathways to be installed in areas which would benefit the public (access to and educational appreciation of ecological areas). Removal of this requirement does not affect the protection of sensitive habitats or floodplain requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Planning Commission Hearing: 2/23/09, continued to 4/6/09. The Commission recommended approval as amended to the Council. ✓ City Council Hearing: 5/12/09 ✓ City Council Hearing Continued to 7/14/09 ✓ <i>City Council Hearing Continued to 8/11/09</i>
MLP2009-00001	Sanders Partition	Steven Sanders 12390 SW 106 th Drive 2S103AA, Tax Lot 01916	2 Lot Minor Land Partition	<i>Decision Appealed To be scheduled for hearing before the Hearings Officer</i>
CUP2009-00002	St. Anthony's Church Pkng. Lot Expansion	Ankrom Moisan Architects 12515 SW Grant Avenue 2S102BB, Tax Lot 01700	Major Modification to expand accessory parking for the church	<i>7/9/09 Application Incomplete</i>
SDR2009-00003 LLA2009-00005 VAR2009-00011 VAR2009-00012	<i>Luke-Dorf, Inc.</i>	<i>Scott Edwards Architecture</i> <i>11895 SW Greenburg Road</i> <i>2S102AA, Tax Lots 01200, 01300, 01400</i>	<i>Proposal to consolidate 3 tax lots, convert the formerly residential house on Center to commercial use (office), remodel two commercial buildings on Greenburg, add approximately 4,000 sq. ft of new building (1/2 office, 1/2 medical office) to the three existing buildings</i>	<i>7/21/09 Application Incomplete</i>

DCA2009-00003	Legislative Update: Omnibus “Housekeeping” Items	City of Tigard Citywide	Development Code Amendments to promote consistency among the Code Chapters. These “housekeeping” items are from Community Development Code Chapters 18.120 Definitions, 18.220 Zoning Administration, 18.310 Summary of Land Use Permits, 18.330 Conditional Use, 18.350 Planned Developments, 18.360 Site Development Review, 18.385 Miscellaneous Permits, 18.390 Decision-Making Procedures, 18.410 Lot Line Adjustments, 18.430 Subdivisions, 18.510 Residential Zoning Districts, 18.520 Commercial Zoning Districts, 18.530 Industrial Zoning, 18.640 Durham Quarry Design Standards, 18.705 Access, Egress, and Circulation, 18.710 Accessory Residential Units, 18.715 Density Computations, 18.730 Exceptions to Development Standards, 18.742 Home Occupations, 18.745 Landscaping and Screening, 18.760 Non-Conforming Situations, 18.765 Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements, 18.775 Sensitive Lands, 18.780 Signs, and 18.798 Wireless Communication Facilities.	Planning Commission Hearing: 7/6/09 <i>City Council Hearing: 8/11/09</i>
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Note: Information in *Bold & Italics* indicates an update from the previous month.

TO GIVE WRITTEN OR ORAL TESTIMONY ON LAND USE APPLICATIONS

Written comments may be sent to Tigard City Hall, 13125 SW Hall Blvd, Tigard, OR 97223, Attention: Planning Dept.

For a council agenda, go to http://www.tigard-or.gov/city_hall/city_council/agenda.asp or call 503-639-4171.

For a Planning Commission agenda, go to http://www.tigard-or.gov/city_hall/boards_committees/planning_commission/default.asp.

For a Hearings Officer agenda, go to http://www.tigard-or.gov/city_hall/boards_committees/hearings_officer/default.asp. You may also contact Patty Lunsford (patty@tigard-or.gov) or call 503-639-4171.

For a record of major land use decisions made since October 2003, check the city's web-page at http://www.ci.tigard.or.us/city_hall/departments/cd/current_planning/land_use/default.asp

Fall Master Recycler Program – Registration Now Open!

Registration for the Fall 2009 Washington County class is now open through August 11th at 5:00 pm. This popular volunteer program (30 spots) fills up quickly. Master Recyclers support communities by delivering presentations to clubs, groups, and other organizations about recycling, waste prevention, and more!



The popular eight-week course includes two field trips and instruction in topics such as waste prevention, recycling processes, alternatives to hazardous household products, green building and composting.

Participants agree to attend all class evenings and field trips. After completing the course, graduates put their skills to work to help others learn the three Rs: Reduce the amount of solid waste generated; Reuse material for the purpose for which it was intended; and Recycle material that cannot be reused. Master Recyclers volunteer to staff information booths at community events, provide presentations and work on special projects. Participants agree to volunteer at least 30 hours after completing the course.

Attendance at all classes and tours and an agreement to complete the 30 educational outreach volunteer hours is required to be considered for the Master Recycler Certification.

Dates: Wednesdays (September 9 through October 28) 6:30 pm -9:30 pm **PLUS** Saturday September 19 and October 18 from 8:00am-2:00pm. Attendance is required all 10 dates. Please do not register if you have a conflict with one of the dates.

Location: Hillsboro Civic Center 150 E Main St., Hillsboro

Cost: \$50. Visa, MasterCard, or check made out to the City of Portland. 3 scholarships are available.

Registration: Registration closes Wednesday, August 11, 2009 at 5:00pm. Once registration closes, applications will be selected by a weighted lottery. All applicants will be notified as to whether they are in the class. If at the time you are selected for the program, you will receive instructions on payment. Please only register if you plan to attend every class and complete the 30 hour volunteer payback commitment.

Please visit www.masterrecycler.org for details and registration.



National "Safe Routes to School" Conference in Portland

The international event promoting walking and biking to school safely takes place in Portland on **August 19-21, 2009**. The Oregon Department of Transportation has dedicated money to sending Oregonians to the conference and Metro has committed funds to residents of the metropolitan Portland area.

Cycle Oregon, understanding the uniqueness that rural bike and walk infrastructure brings to the discussion, is devoting resources to bring rural Oregonians to the conference.

Themed "Two Steps Ahead," the international conference will highlight how Safe Routes to School programs are changing the habits of an entire generation of children and keeping thousands of families ahead of health, traffic safety, and environmental concerns. The conference program, a full list of speakers, and sponsor list is available online at <http://saferoutesconference.org/conference.php>.

Scholarships are available from the Bicycle Transportation Alliance for Oregon residents to attend the Safe Routes to School National Conference. See <http://www.bta4bikes.org/> for more information.

Participants will share unique knowledge, highlight best practices, form potential partnerships, and keep Oregon on track to becoming the premiere walking and bicycling state in the country. The Conference includes standard 90-minute workshops, plenary speakers, walking, streetcar, and bicycle tours, 180-minute interactive training opportunities, hands-on events, discussion panels, and a dance party.

Free Public Wireless Internet in Downtown Tigard

The City of Tigard has launched a free public wireless Internet service in downtown Tigard along Main Street. The service is made possible by a partnership with the Tigard Chamber of Commerce who is providing the facility and the City is providing the hardware and the Wi-Fi service. The public will need a wireless ready laptop or PDA and this service does not require a subscription or logon.

The launch of the free public wireless Internet access helps to complement both the City's goal of promoting Tigard as a Place to Call Home and the City's current redevelopment of downtown Tigard to attract business and people. The Wi-Fi service will be available along the length of Main Street, Burnham Street, portions of Fanno Creek Park, and the Tri-Met WES station. Free public wireless hotspots are also located at Cook Park and the Tigard City Hall complex.

The implementation of the wireless access uses low cost devices to repeat the Internet signal throughout downtown and the devices were installed by City of Tigard Public Works staff, reducing installation and maintenance costs.

Street Maintenance Dollars at Work

Tigard's street network represents residents. Protecting and maintaining this street network is a priority of the city. Recognizing this, the City Council adopted a Street Maintenance Fee several years ago to provide funding for pavement overlays, slurry seals, and other treatments to keep our streets in good condition. This fee raises approximately \$800,000 per year for road maintenance.

Asphalt overlays involve a full paving crew placing a couple of inches of new pavement on streets with higher traffic volume and/or poor pavement condition. Slurry seals are a much less expensive thinner coating used on lower volume streets with good pavement. Our paving plan for this summer is:

Asphalt Overlay:

- McDonald Street from Hall Blvd. to 97th Avenue
- Durham Road from 72nd Avenue to Upper Boones Ferry Road
- Shady Lane from Greenburg Road to 95th Avenue
- 72nd Avenue and Ventura Drive from Oak Street to Ventura Court
- Tigard Drive from 115th Avenue to Summercrest Drive
- Springwood Drive from Cottonwood Lane to Ironwood Loop



Slurry Seal:

Slurry seals are scheduled for several local and lower-volume streets near the Ventura Drive, Springwood Drive, and Tigard Drive areas. For a complete list of streets, see the map posted at www.tigard-or.gov/construction

The overlay process includes a few days of construction on each street. Slurry seals are typically done within a day or two. Staff and contractors will work with residents, businesses, and visitors to maintain access and minimize disruption as much as possible throughout the project.

Not Enough \$\$:

Unfortunately, the cost of asphalt has more than doubled in recent years. The cost of oil has increased (asphalt is an oil product) and refineries have figured out how to get more gasoline (and thus less asphalt) out of a barrel of oil. This means that the \$800,000 collected is no longer enough to keep up with normal pavement deterioration. While we are doing our best to use the existing funds to keep our streets in good condition, there are many streets that are good overlay candidates that are not being paved. The reason is simple. We do not have the funding to overlay all of them.

For answers about the construction process, contact Vannie Nguyen at 503-718-2460 or vannie@tigard-or.gov. For information about which streets get (or don't get) treated, contact Mike McCarthy at 503-718-2462 or mikem@tigard-or.gov. For a complete list of projects, log onto www.tigard-or.gov/construction.

Fanno Creek Restoration & Short-term Trail Closures

Stream restoration work and trail closures in Fanno Creek Park will begin in late July between Main Street and Hall Boulevard. Trail closures will be short-term and not affect connectivity through the park. Work will occur over the next two years with stabilization and restoration of eroding creek banks in the summer of 2009. This project is a joint effort between the City of Tigard and Clean Water Services to improve the form and function of Fanno Creek.

For more information and trail closure updates, please visit the City website at www.tigard-or.gov/fannocreek. Or call: City of Tigard with general questions/trail closures **Cheryl Caines 503-718-2437**. Clean Water Services (technical/construction) **Peter Guillozet 503-681-4470**.

New Feature in Tigard Maps!



Buying locally just got easier. Want to find out which licensed businesses are close to your home? The city recently joined its geographic information system (Tigard Maps) with the business license database.

Now users can map registered businesses in their neighborhood. Log onto Tigard Maps at www.Tigardmaps.com and simply type in your address. All licensed businesses within a 1/2-mile radius will appear on the map. Tigard Maps also displays the company's address and type of operation.

City of Tigard, Cityscape, July 2009

In A Pickle About How to Preserve Food? Call The OSU Hotline: 1-800-354-7319

Want to know how to can salsa? Stumped about what kind of vinegar to use for pickling your cucumbers? Puzzled over hot packs and raw packs?

The Oregon State University Extension Service can help. Its statewide toll-free food safety and preservation hotline (1-800-354-7319) that operates each summer is now open. Trained volunteers and Extension staff will answer calls **Monday to Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through mid-October**. The volunteers have completed intensive training in food preservation and safety and have passed a certification exam.



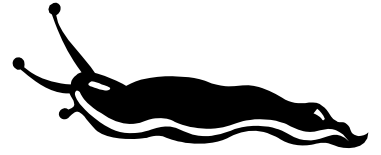
Operators received more than 4,470 calls last summer, and half of them involved questions about canning, said Carolyn Raab, a food and nutrition specialist with OSU Extension. She said she expects more calls this year as the number of people growing and preserving their own food increases. Raab said part of the reason for this is that consumers are tightening their budgets during the economic downturn, trying to control the ingredients in their food, and aiming to eat food grown close to home. This is what county Extension faculty around the state are hearing from the public, she said.

Home canning is a science that must be done correctly. If it isn't, a life-threatening foodborne illness called botulism could result. Foods that have lower acidity (meat, seafood, poultry and nonpickled vegetables) should be processed in a large pressure canner to kill the harmful bacteria. Foods higher in acid (fruits, pickled vegetables and tomatoes) may be safely processed in a boiling-water canner. The length of time and pounds of pressure needed to process low-acid foods is influenced by the type of food, the way it's prepared, the size of the jar and the altitude.

Instructions for preserving various foods are available from the OSU Extension catalog at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog>. (Click on "nutrition and foods" and then "food preservation and storage") A printed catalog of these and other OSU Extension publications is available by calling 1-800-561-6719.

Home Remedies Can Get Rid of Garden Pests

If silent, uninvited guests with voracious appetites have been eating your vegetables and other plants, the good news is that ingredients to stop the intruders can be found at home in the kitchen or medicine cabinet.



The most likely culprits can range from minute aphids to the more obvious ground squirrels and deer.

A few of several safe household chemicals to use are vinegar, dishwashing soap and rubbing alcohol, according to an Oregon State University Extension Service publication called “Using Home Remedies to Control Garden Pests.” (EC 1586) The publication, complete with photos, is available free of charge online at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/pdf/ec/ec1586.pdf> .

As a precautionary measure, test your mixture on a small number of plants or part of a plant to evaluate toxic effects. Plants with hairy leaves tend to hold soap solutions on their leaf surfaces where it may burn. The greater the strength of the solution, the hotter the day, and the more a plant is water-stressed, the greater the likelihood of burning.

Here are tips from the publication on how to control some of these pests.

Aphids are soft-bodied insects that show up on new shoots, crowns and undersides of leaves. They insert a needlelike stylet into the plant and remove the sap. Symptoms of aphid damage are curled leaves, yellowish spots and glossy leaves from sticky honeydew. A “weeping” tree that drips a sticky substance commonly has an aphid infestation. Black sooty mold may develop on leaves and reduce photosynthesis.

Insecticidal soap, available at most garden centers, controls aphids by clogging their breathing holes. Alternatives: Mix a teaspoon of vegetable oil, a teaspoon of dishwashing liquid and a cup of water. Or, mix three tablespoons of liquid soap and a gallon of water. Spray to wet the entire plant thoroughly, particularly the undersides of leaves, because aphids must come into contact with the soap solution to be affected. After a few hours, wash off the oil and soap with a garden hose to protect sensitive plants. Repeat the application every few days as necessary.

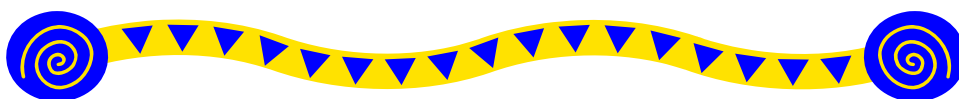
Slugs and snails like damp places and usually feed at night, preferring tender new growth and seedlings. Although they are ground dwellers, they can climb plants and cause damage well above the ground. Confirming damage by slugs or snails can be difficult but you may see them early mornings or evenings or find their glistening slime trails on hard surfaces.

Cultivate the soil and remove weeds, debris, and decaying organic matter that provide breeding and hiding places. Shaded areas beneath decks can be slug “heaven.” Keep shaded areas weed- and litter-free. You can remove slugs and snails by hand or trap them in shallow pans containing beer throughout the garden. Beer is effective for about three days.

Spider mites are very small pests that are difficult to see without a magnifying lens but can cause substantial plant damage. Most is caused by two-spotted spider mites, recognized by the two spots on their upper backs. They are particularly damaging late in the season or on plants near a dusty road or during hot days. Plants or leaves damaged by spider mites appear off-color or have speckled green and light-colored spots.

An easy way to confirm spider mite damage is to tap the plant while holding it over a sheet of white paper. Look at the small spots on the paper with a magnifying glass to identify spider mites. To get rid of them, mix three tablespoons of dishwashing soap with a gallon of water. Wet leaves thoroughly and reapply every five or six days if necessary. Rubbing alcohol also can treat plants infested with spider mites, aphids and whiteflies. Apply with cotton balls. After a few hours, wash off the soap solution or alcohol with a garden hose. After a few applications, these pests should be eliminated.

The OSU publication also recommends treatments for other insects, as well as moles, gophers and ground squirrels.





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Barrows Road to Close for Bridge Repair

Washington County's Department of Land Use and Transportation plans to close Barrows Road from Murray Boulevard east to Scholls Ferry Road to repair the bridge over Summer Creek. The road will be closed July 27 through August 18. Motorists are advised to use Murray Boulevard and Scholls Ferry Road as alternative routes. About 6,500 vehicles a day travel on Barrows Road, according to 2008 traffic counts.

The bridge repair is being jointly funded by Washington County and the cities of Beaverton and Tigard. The county is managing the repair project. Once the work is complete, jurisdiction of Barrows Road from Murray Boulevard east to Scholls Ferry Road, including the bridge, will transfer to the cities.

This schedule may change due to weather, sub-contractors' schedules, or availability of materials. For a current schedule, check the Washington County Roads web site at www.wc-roads.com

For more information, please e-mail wc-roads@co.washington.or.us or call 503-846-ROAD (503-846-7623). Washington County thanks you for your patience and careful attention to driving.

Washington County is committed to building and maintaining the best transportation system, ensuring the safety of all roadway users, and to operating the county roadway system in a cost-effective and environmentally responsible manner.