

CPO #7 NEWSLETTER

Citizen Participation Organization #7

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To review the Bethany and Sunset West Community Plans go to <http://www.co.washington.or.us/deptmts/lut/planning/publicat.htm>

Citizen Participation Organization 7

Monday, September 14, 2009

7:00 p.m.

Community Room of Bethany Village

15220 NW Laidlaw Rd, above Huntington Learning Center,
Corner of 152nd and Laidlaw, enter through the back door.

AGENDA

- 7:00 PM** Welcome
- 7:10 PM** Nominate CPO 7 Officer Candidates
- 7:15 PM** Your Neighborhood Watch, Crime Prevention Specialist, Darlene Schnoor will present some information and answer any questions you have about Watch Programs.
- 8:00 PM** "Beginning Dialogue about a New City" Lori Waldo, Cedar Creek Community group will present information on the movement to form a city north of Highway 26. For background, please see "Residents plan effort to create a new city" in the August issue of Cedar Mill News, <http://www.cedarmill.org/news/809/new-city.html>.
- 9:00 PM** Adjourn

Want to Know What's Happening in Your Community?

Are you interested in receiving regular emails from CPO 7 on

- Late-breaking land development applications?
- Neighborhood review meetings?
- Notices received from Washington County and the cities of Beaverton and Hillsboro?

If so, email CPO 7 past chair Mary Manseau at pastcpo7chair@gmail.com and she will make sure you receive the updates.



Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington

Hey Kids, We're Planning Your Future!

While the title of my spotlight message this month is “Hey Kids, We’re planning your future” it could also be put more dryly as “Urban Growth Management: Living 20 years out, Planning 40 to 50 years out.”

Look around you. Like me, I am certain that there are many young children and young people in your life: your children, grandchildren, children of friends, kids of your neighborhood. Imagine them and their life context, 10 years out, 20 years, even 40 years out, from elementary school onward through college, to business careers, adulthood, having children themselves, managing finances for their children’s college opportunities, their retirement needs, healthcare needs, the clean air and clean water we all know their bodies need as well as the healthy ecological system their lives depend upon. Our own life experience has been blessed by our thoughtful approach to planning, and the future for our young people will be shaped by the choices that we are making today.

How will our urban environment evolve as our population grows? Where will new homes and jobs be in the future? How will people get from place to place in the region and beyond? We are making decisions to achieve and maintain lively communities, economic prosperity, safe and reliable transportation, environmental leadership, clean air and water, and equity in the benefits and burdens of growth and change. These decisions are being made at the community, city, county and regional levels, in concert. We need you to offer your vision, your perspective, your opinions as to how the future should unfold for the young people in your life. Come help shape these decisions. We need to hear from you, NOW.

Want to share your views with us or listen to those of others? Please do, I welcome and encourage it. We will be holding multiple open houses and public hearings to help you visit with us at times that work for your busy lives. Please come as you can to one of these events. Come talk to us, and share your thoughts and viewpoints for your community, your future.

- September 21, 2-4 PM, Hillsboro Civic Center – Open house, written comments
- September 22, 5-7:45 PM, Multnomah County Library (Killingsworth St) - Open house, written comments
- September 24, 4 PM Open House, 5:15 PM Public hearing, Beaverton City Hall
- October 1, 4 PM Open House, 5:15 PM Public hearing, Gresham City Hall
- October 8, 4 PM Open House, 5:15 PM Public hearing, Happy Valley City Hall
- October 15, 4 PM Open House, 5:15 PM Public hearing, Metro Council Chambers

For detailed times and directions, please see the Metro website calendar, at calendar.oregonmetro.gov. Please help as we forge a path to the future through the 21st century.

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.

Metro Councilors Launches New Web Page

Beginning September 2009, your Metro Councilor will launch a new web-based page that will take the place of his or her monthly newsletter. When the new page is live, you’ll get an e-mail inviting you to check it out. After that you’ll be able to choose from a variety of ways to stay in touch, including regular e-mail updates or an RSS feed. (Don’t worry if you don’t know what an RSS feed is—we’ll explain it and help you set it up.)

The new and improved Council news pages will bring you more timely and relevant information. Your Councilor will be able to let you know what’s going on at Metro as it’s happening. You’ll find out about events and activities in your neck of the woods and be invited to participate in the decisions that shape the future of the region.

We’re also excited to reduce our use of paper – one more step towards meeting Metro’s waste reduction goals. That said, if you would prefer to receive print mailings from your Councilor, please contact us to let us know your interests and we will work to accommodate you.

As we develop and implement these changes, there will be no August newsletter. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we make this transition. Any and all feedback is welcome; please contact Milena Hermansky at 503-797-1540 or milena.hermansky@oregonmetro.gov with questions or comments.

LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

CASE FILE TYPE	APPLICANT/LOCATION	PROPOSED ACTION	STATUS
08-296 Type II To: R18-24	Divot Development SW 204 th Terrace	Development review for “Veridian Ridge Apartments,” 144 attached units in 6 buildings and for recreation Bldg all in a transit-oriented district.	Denied.
08-336 Type II R6	West Hills Development 13525 NW Thompson Rd	Preliminary review of a 12-lot subdivision, “Cascadian Heights No. 6”	Hold.
09-192 Type II To: R9-12	Hue Nguyen 174 SW 206 th Ave	Preliminary review of a 3-lot partition in the to:R9-12 district.	Application received. Public comment period 8/14/09-8/28/09

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.

Public Affairs Forum Topics for September 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>

September 14, 2009

Topic: Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue: Providing Strategic Emergency Response to a Changing Community.
Speaker: Deputy Chief Mike Duyck.

September 21, 2009

Topic: Oregon's 2009 Legislature – How did they do?
Speaker: Jim Moore, Instructor, Department of Politics and Government, Pacific University.

September 28, 2009

Topic: New Seasons: A Northwest Natural Success story.
Speaker: Brian Rohter, CEO.

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



Sign up for the Sheriff's Citizen Academy!

Learn the inner workings of your Sheriff's Office by attending the 23rd Citizen Academy! Citizen-students receive more than 50 hours of training that consists of classroom and hands-on instruction, interaction with deputies, demonstrations of police equipment, presentations by special response teams, and participation in jail activities. You'll learn the responsibilities and duties of Sheriff's Office personnel, tour criminal justice facilities, including the jail, and much more. New topics this year include presentations by the Robbery/Homicide Unit and our new robot team! Academies are limited to 40 students, so apply online: <http://www.co.washington.or.us/sheriff/citizens/academy.htm> today!

Contact darlene_schnoor@co.washington.or.us, extension 2774 for more information

Stormwater Management: One Backyard at a Time

What if each of us implemented just one of the ideas from this workshop

A **FREE** video-stream workshop will be held **Tuesday, September 15, 9:00am to 11:30 am** at OSU Extension Service, Room 1411E, 18640 NW Walker Road (corner of 185th and Walker). Enter at door marked D1.

This presentation will also be hosted at two other locations:

Tigard Water Building
8777 SW Burnham St., Tigard
Host: Tualatin Riverkeepers
503-620-7507

2701 NW Vaughn St. Ste450, Portland
Host: West Multnomah Soil & Water
Conservation District
Please pre-register at 503-238-4775

Learn how home and business owners, developers, city engineers and mayors are trying green solutions to manage the pollution running to surface and ground waters. See ideas from Whidbey Island, Washington; Bend, Oregon; and Ketchum/Sun Valley Idaho that you may implement in your backyard or town.

Some of the questions we will answer on September 15 include:

- What is a rain garden?
- How big does it need to be?
- What plants should I include?
- Why does that house have plants growing on the roof?
- Does rainwater run off your property into the street?
- Does your neighbor's rainwater run onto your property?



This workshop should interest all gardeners, natural resource educators and students, developers, landscape companies, watershed groups, city and county engineers, planning staff, watershed groups, and caring and interested individuals.

This free workshop comes to us from the video team of Washington State University. Please call or email Sally Yackley (503.821.1128 or email: sally.yackley@oregonstate.edu) by Thursday, September 10 to reserve a space at the OSU-hosted workshop (Walker Road location) so that we may plan for handout materials and refreshments.

October Harvest Festival Offers Seminars

Mark your calendar for **Saturday, October 10, 2009**. That's the day the annual Harvest Festival comes to the Washington County Fair Complex- Floral Building, Cornell Road, Hillsboro.

There will be free parking and admission.

Special seminars include:

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| 9:00am | Urban Poultry, James Hermes, OSU Extension Poultry Specialist |
| 10:00am | Food Preservation Update, Jeanne Brandt, Extension Family and Community Health |
| 11:00 am | Edible Landscaping, Weston Miller, Metro Extension Community Horticulture |
| 12:00 pm | Integrated Pest Management for Edibles, Weston Miller, Metro Extension Community Horticulture |
| 1:00 pm | Gardening in the Pacific Northwest, A workshop for beginning gardeners, Oregon Food Bank, Learning Garden Volunteers |
| 9 am – 3 pm | OSU Master Gardeners Demo Garden. Guided tours and answers to your gardening questions |

Be sure to visit the 4-H Youth Harvest Festival and Home Orchard Society All About Fruit Show at the same time.

Comment Period Ends October 15

Public Comment Opportunity for Making the Greatest Place

On Sept. 15, Metro will open a 30-day public comment opportunity in preparation for a series of decisions the Metro Council and its regional partners will make in the coming months as part of the integrated land-use and transportation planning effort called Making the Greatest Place. **The comment period will close at 5 p.m. on Oct. 15.**

Several important decisions under this combined initiative are scheduled to be made by Dec. 17. The Metro Council will consider a resolution approving the policies, projects and investment strategies in the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan. In addition the Council anticipates accepting the Urban Growth Report, an analysis of the capacity of the current urban growth boundary to accommodate the region's anticipated growth in employment and housing over the next 20 years. The Metro Council will also consider agreements with Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties to establish urban and rural reserves. Under these agreements, the Metro Council, in 2010, will designate urban reserves to accommodate future urban growth over the next 40 to 50 years and the counties will designate rural reserves to protect farms, forests and natural areas from urbanization for the same period.

Comments on any of these topics may be submitted in writing at any time during the comment period by email to greatestplace@oregonmetro.gov, by mail to Greatest Place Comments, Planning and Development, 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland, OR 97232, or online through a link on the project web page, www.oregonmetro.gov/greatestplace

In addition, Metro is sponsoring six open houses and four public hearings to provide opportunities to learn more and provide verbal and written comments. All the sites have transit service. For current schedules, go to the TriMet web site, trimet.org. See page 2 of this newsletter for the times, dates and locations of the open houses

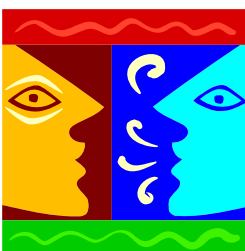
All Metro meetings are wheelchair accessible. Listening devices for people with a hearing impairment are available in the Council Chamber upon request. Interpreter services for people with limited English or the hearing impaired are available with 48 hours advance notice. Please call Metro at 503-797-1551 or TDD 503-797-1804 to request these services.

Guidelines for preparing testimony

- Oral testimony is limited to two minutes, so prepare to present brief highlights only.
- To ensure that your comments are accurately reflected in the public record, please come prepared to submit your remarks in writing whether you testify orally or not. You may bring written material you have prepared in advance, or use Metro comment forms available at the hearing.

More information about the projects and programs

For more information about the projects and programs that are the subject of this comment opportunity, visit Metro's web site at www.oregonmetro.gov/greatestplace. If you have questions about how to comment or about the public open houses and hearings, call 503-797-1735.



CPO Email News and Discussion Group

CPOTalk, an email news and discussion group for CPO members, focuses on land-use and livability issues in Washington County. Sign up to receive the latest information on land use and livability in Washington County. Regular postings include articles from local newspapers, state legislative updates, and local/regional/state reports relating to land use and livability.

To sign up for *CPOTalk*, send an email to cpo.wash.co@oregonstate.edu with your name, street address, zipcode and email address. We'll do the rest!

To keep email messages to a minimum, you can elect to receive messages in digest form (one email a day with all messages received within a 24-hour period). For more information, contact Patt Opdyke, CPO Coordinator, 503-821-1124 or patt.opdyke@oregonstate.edu.

Organize a Neighborhood Walk Today!

Building a stronger sense of community helps overcome many community barriers to walking. One way to bring neighbors together and expose residents to the experience of walking in their neighborhood is to organize a neighborhood walk. Some examples include:

- A walk to visit a new park or pathway
- A walk to an event (neighborhood fair, local coffee shop)
- A nighttime holiday walk to view decorations
- A fitness walk or walking just for the sake of walking



The simplest way to improve walking in your neighborhood is to get more people walking! There is safety (and comfort) in numbers. As more people start walking:

- You'll get to meet more of your neighbors and thus start building a stronger community
- More people will notice barriers to walking and may add their voice to yours
- Motorists will be more aware of pedestrians and may change their behavior
- There will be more "eyes on the street" to discourage crime and graffiti

While lack of pedestrian facilities may certainly deter people from walking, lack of knowledge about walking routes or how close some popular destinations are may be a large reason why people don't think to walk. Following are some ideas on how to encourage your neighbors to walk.

Safety Tips for Pedestrians:

- Be safe and be seen: make yourself visible to drivers
 - Wear bright/light colored clothing and reflective materials.
 - Carry a flashlight when walking at night.
 - Cross in a well-lit area at night.
 - Stand clear of buses, hedges, parked cars or other obstacles before crossing so drivers can see you.
- Be smart and alert: avoid dangerous behaviors
 - Always walk on the sidewalk; if there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic.
 - Stay sober; walking while impaired increases your chance of being struck.
 - Don't assume vehicles will stop; make eye contact with drivers; don't just look at the vehicle. If a driver is on a cell phone, they may not be paying enough attention to drive safely.
 - Don't rely solely on pedestrian signals; look before you cross the road.
 - Be alert to engine noise or backup lights on cars when in parking lots and near on-street parking spaces.

For more information, please visit: www.walkinginfo.org

Neighborhood Watch News (Vol_23 issue_8-August, 2009)

SOLV Beach Cleanup Set for September 19th



25th Anniversary Fall Beach Cleanup, Oregon Coast,: Join SOLV to celebrate 25 years of working together to keep the Oregon coastline clean and pristine! The 25th anniversary of the SOLV Great Oregon Fall Beach Cleanup will take place on September 19, 2009 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

For the first time ever, pre-registration is available at http://www.solv.org/programs/fall_beach_cleanup.asp#sitelist . If you are organizing a group of 20 or more or have special needs, you may also contact the appropriate Zone Captain. Their contact information is listed on the website: http://www.solv.org/programs/beach_cleanup_zone.asp . Groups of less than 20 and individuals are encouraged to register online and need not call ahead.

You've Been Asking - How To Report a Road Problem or Code Violation

"Who you gonna call? Code Enforcer"

What frequent complaints are dealt with by county agencies?

- **Hazards in the road right-of-way** – Land Use and Transportation Operations, (503) 846-ROAD (846-7623) <http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/Operations/request-service.cfm>
- **Violations of Community Development Code** – Land Use and Transportation Current Planning, (503) 846-8761 <http://washtech.co.washington.or.us/LDS/formDocs/CodeViolation.pdf>
- **Inoperable vehicles in the public right-of-way** – Sheriff's Office (503) 846-2524 http://www.co.washington.or.us/sheriff/service/veh_faq.htm
- **Noise or public health issues such as tall weeds, accumulated trash or lack of proper sanitation** – Health and Human Services, Solid Waste (503) 846-8609 <http://www.co.washington.or.us/HHS/SWR/Regulatory/feedback-form.cfm>
- **Animal issues** – Bonnie Hays Small Animal Shelter (503) 846-7041 <http://www.co.washington.or.us/HHS/AnimalServices/AnimalControl/Complaints/index.cfm>

If your complaint is with your neighbor, we suggest you try talking with them first. Sometimes, the problem is solved with a simple discussion. If talking directly doesn't work, consider mediation. The Beaverton Dispute Resolution Center and the Hillsboro Mediation Program are both successful at helping people resolve their differences. The Beaverton Dispute Resolution Center serves Washington County residents who live east of 185th Avenue, including Tigard, Tualatin, and Sherwood. The Hillsboro Mediation Program serves the county west of 185th Avenue, including Cornelius, Forest Grove, North Plains, and Banks.

Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District Fourth Annual Barbeque

Come enjoy a Barbeque Lunch, visit with friends and neighbors, and learn about the District's activities and USDA conservation programs!

Saturday, September 12, 2009, rain or shine, 12:00-4:00 p.m. Meal: 12:00-2:00 p.m.
Location: Twin Oaks Air Park, 12405 SW River Road, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123
RSVP by September 5th to Judy at 503-648-3174 ext 117.



Please join us for Conservation Tours demonstrating installed conservation practices! Tours will leave every 30 minutes

Enjoy seeing the very first Enhanced Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (ECREP) project planted in Washington County on McFee Creek and then take a short ride to the nearby Gotter Wetlands to see the conservation project funded by USDA's Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP).

Directions to Twin Oaks Air Park: from Hillsboro, go south on 1st Ave (it will turn into OR-219) about 5.4 miles. Turn left onto Farmington Road, continue for about 2.1 miles. Turn right onto SW River Road. Go about 2 miles. Twin Oaks Air Park will be on your right.

From 217, take the Scholls Ferry Road exit, turn west onto Scholls Ferry Road (210). Follow road for approximately 7 miles. There will be a T, do not turn but go straight, Scholls Ferry Road turns into River Road. Twin Oaks Air Park is about 3/4 of a mile on your left.

From SW Pacific Hwy W take SW Roy Rogers Road to Scholls Ferry Road. Turn left onto Scholls Ferry Road. There will be a T, do not turn but go straight, Scholls Ferry Road turns into River Road. Twin Oaks Air Park is about 3/4 of a mile on your left.

If you have any questions about directions, please call Judy at 503-648-3174 ext.117



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Neighborhood Review Meetings

Note: Some of the following meetings may have already occurred. They are listed here because we want you to be aware of potential development on sites within your CPO.

- ◆ Proposal to partition the property located at 4600 NW 174th Ave in to 3 lots. Neighborhood meeting was held on August 4th, 2009.

 - ◆ The first phase of the development at Arbor Oaks community on NW Springville Rd. is currently under construction with lots for 162 detached single-family homes. A second phase of development of 149 additional detached single-family homes was approved in August, 2008. The neighborhood requested significant changes to the conceptual plans for the third phase. Neighborhood meeting was held on August 24th, 2009.
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