Citizen Participation Organization 1

CPO #1 will not meet on January 4, 2011

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 1st, 2011
7:00PM

St. Vincent Medical Center
Souther Auditorium

At our February meeting Weston Miller, Community and Urban Horticulturist, OSU Extension Service will discuss the Master Gardener Program. Please join us and learn about the great services provided by the Master Gardeners.

Tree Planting Party in Cedar Mill

Join the Wetlands Conservancy and the Joint CPO Tree Code Group partnering with CPO 1 for a community volunteer planting event at the cedar mill wetland preserve.

Volunteers are needed to plant native dogwood and spirea cuttings and bare root shrubs at the Cedar Mill Wetland Preserve on Saturday, January 22, 2011 from 9:00 AM till 12:00 PM at 12020 SW Barnes Road, Portland, OR 97225 -- Meet in the Farmers Insurance parking lot.

Questions? Contact Jennifer Wilson at 503.957.6980 or jennifers@wetlandsconservancy.org.

Please RSVP to Erik Mace at 503.662.2350 or ebm@WashCoTreeGroup.org
Dear Readers,

Thoughts concerning the Urban and Rural Reserves Project: The Annual Draft Horse Plowing Exhibition, held on the Portland Community College's Rock Creek Campus, is heading towards its 45th anniversary. In the mid 1970’s I attended it regularly and one year got a treat: part of the plowing exhibition was moved to a special location where the soil was especially rich and the plowing easy, well-suited for demonstrations. There were four old farmers with teams of horses who would take a pass at plowing a furrow then fall to their knees tasting the dirt, appreciating its tilth and sweetness (pH). One exclaimed it was the best dirt he had ever seen (eaten?).

A few years later I was driving past the site on NW Cornell Road and was shocked to see earth-moving equipment scraping off that same top soil and carrying it away. I began my high-tech career in 1979 at Intel’s Hawthorne Farms 1 building which was built on that very site. Thinking about it realistically (later), I had to concede that the economic value of the crops produced on those dozens of deliciously fertile acres over a 50 years period could have never equaled the wages of the hundreds of the Intel employees from working just one year.

From the time I was born in Forest Grove in 1951 until today, the population of Washington County has grown by 1000%, from about 50,000 to almost 550,000 people. As we attempt to meet the goals of the Urban/Rural Reserves (‘Reserves’) charter and plan 50 years into the future, not one of us knows what life will look like in 2020 let alone 2060. We may never get it totally “right” until the future is upon us and we come to know what lands we actually need.

Keep in mind the two-fold reasons the Urban/Rural Reserves work was undertaken: 1) to change the criteria by which lands could be selected for future inclusion into the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB), and 2) to add a measure of certainty regarding which agricultural, forest and natural resource land will be protected from urbanization for the next 50 years, and make more objective the process by which lands are identified as suitable to maintain Metro’s required 20-year supply of buildable land over the next 50 years. Throughout the course of implementing Oregon’s land use laws until now, soil classification was the primary measure of suitability for urbanization. As the result of the work on the Reserves, a broader set of criteria was used to determine which lands are appropriate for urbanization. Citizen activists, professional county staff and elected officials worked together to identify the land in the county proposed for future urban development. Through our joint efforts the amount of land for future urbanization in Washington County was reduced by more than 90% from the amount originally studied.

In June, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners and Metro jointly approved the first step in beginning to use the new criteria when they approved an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) formalizing the lands chosen for potential urbanization (and protecting vast amounts of land from potential urbanization) over the next 50 years. On December 14, the Board approved a supplemental IGA for Metro’s consideration. The supplemental IGA responds to the State’s Land Conservation and Development Commission’s decision to remove a small portion of designated urban reserves north of the City of Cornelius. Other key decisions must still be made and the big question lingers: Will any of this land realistically be developed in our lifetimes?

- Bruce Bartlett

When Water’s On the Rise

Heavy, sustained rain strains the community's sanitary sewers and storm drainage systems. Prepare for heavy rains by:

- Keeping leaves, debris and trash out of streets and off storm drains
- Making sure gutters and downspouts are clear
- Keeping yard debris and leaf piles away from ditches and streams so rising water doesn't carry material downstream, blocking culverts

With our best efforts, rising water may still occur. Sand and sandbags are available for flood prevention at sites throughout Washington County. For a list of sites, please go to: http://www.tvfr.com/safetytips/emerg_prep/Sandbags.aspx. Call ahead to confirm hours of operation and supply.
Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington


Recent 2010 elections resulted in two re-elected Councilors and two new members as of January 2011. I have been asked – what changes will we see with this new Metro Council collection? While the members’ faces and names change, the Metro Council charter (approved by the region’s voters in 1992) ensures our role and responsibilities remain constant. The challenges of our time seem to remain the same as a couple of years ago. I suspect that even our policies and programs likely won’t see major changes. What a new member formation does provide is an opportunity for renewed energy in our work for the region.

As we did in my first term, I expect we will continue to focus on shaping the communities we want and the economy we need. I intend to seize the opportunity for renewed energy and complete the transition to collaborative problem-solving while working with regional partners in local governments, private businesses, and residents, as we focus on community evolution. I suspect we will also continue our current operations model: providing tools and services to local communities to support vibrant and healthy urban environments as embodied in our 50-year vision aptly named the ‘Regional 2040 Growth Concept.’

As a new Metro Council in January 2011, I ask that you please join me in welcoming our new Metro Council members, Shirley Craddick and Tom Hughes. Ms. Craddick represents district 1, located in the eastern part of our region in Multnomah and Clackamas Counties. Mr. Hughes serves as the second ever regionally elected Metro Council President.

And as for me, I look forward to continuing to serve you as I begin my second four-year term. I hope to see and hear from you in this new year as I continue my presence throughout our community, District 4, working on your behalf. This is a great place and I am glad you are here.

Metro News

Master Recycler Program

Master Recyclers take an eight-week course on the latest information on waste prevention and recycling. They then share this information to their neighbors in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington County. There are more than a 1,000 Master Recyclers, volunteering more than 25,000 hours. Washington County spring applications are now open. See Class Registration for details at http://www.masterrecycler.org/class-registration.php.

Course details: 8 Wednesdays 6:30 pm -9:30 pm on March 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 11, 18 and Two Saturdays 8 am - 2 pm April 9 and May 7. Attendance is required at every date.

Location: Hillsboro Parking Garage 110 SW Washington, Hillsboro

Deadline for Applications is February 17 at 12 pm. This is a popular course. To ensure a positive learning experience and adequate support for volunteers, class size is limited to 30 people. Applications will all be received up to the deadline and then 30 people will be select on a weighted lottery. All applicants will receive notification of their status in the class and next steps.

For more information go to http://www.masterrecycler.org/index.php or call 503-823-7530.
## CPO #1 LAND USE ITEMS UPDATED

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Because of space constraints, only Type II and III Development Applications of interest to a majority, are listed in the Newsletter – for Type I Applications or for latest updates, please visit the County’s website at [http://washims.co.washington.or.us/GIS/index.cfm?id=31](http://washims.co.washington.or.us/GIS/index.cfm?id=31)

All land use hearings are held at the Charles D. Cameron Public Services Bldg.
Mailing Address: Wash. Co DLUT, 155 N. First Ave. #350 Hillsboro, OR 97124
503-846-8761 / fax: 503-846-2908

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### Metro Promotes Best Practices for Walkable, Accessible Downtowns

Ian Lockwood, a specialist in designing pedestrian-friendly cities from the consulting firm AECOM, shared a vision in early November with a joint session of the Hillsboro City Council and the planning commission for making downtown Hillsboro more walkable. A video of the presentation on best practices for accessible, walkable downtowns and main streets is now available on the Metro website. To view the presentation go to [http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id/33681](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id/33681)

Lockwood was visiting the region as a follow up to the walking audits that AECOM and Dan Burden from the Walkable Communities Institute conducted last June in Hillsboro, Southeast Portland and Beaverton in coordination with Metro.

Lockwood’s presentation outlined the evolution of city building from ancient settlements clustered around waterways to the automobile-centric designs of the 20th century. He illustrated the ways in which cities have become increasing unfriendly to the first and most basic form of transportation, walking.

The world’s most progressive cities, Lockwood argued, are trending toward “rewarding the short more sustainable trip, rather than encouraging the longer more unsustainable trip.” For Lockwood, rewarding the short trip means designing walkable neighborhoods where people can work, shop and play all within one area rather than having to drive across town to reach an office, school or shopping center.

Lockwood urged the city council and planning commission to use the litmus test of asking, "Does the project, policy or initiative directly advance the utility of the pedestrian?” when making decisions that affect the built environment of Hillsboro. Lockwood ended his presentation by proposing that Hillsboro change the streets in the downtown area north of Baseline Street from one-way back to two-way streets. This change, Lockwood said, could be the first step in creating a more vibrant, walkable and accessible downtown area.

Pedestrian-friendly downtowns and main streets help support the region's six desired outcomes by creating vibrant communities where people can choose to walk for pleasure and to meet their everyday needs.
Parents Reminded to Check Children’s Immunization Records — Before Exclusion Day
Required vaccines have changed for 2011

The new year will be here before we know it, and the Oregon Immunization Program wants to remind parents that now is the time to make sure kids’ vaccination records are complete. State law requires that all children in public and private schools, preschools, Head Start and certified child care facilities have up-to-date immunizations, or have a religious or medical exemption.

Parents or guardians will receive a letter in late January or early February 2011 if their child’s immunization record shows that he or she has not received the required vaccinations. Children will not be able to attend school or child care starting Feb. 16, 2011, if their records on file show missing immunizations. “The goal is to make sure children are fully protected against vaccine-preventable diseases. If school and child care shot records are not up-to-date, the child will be sent home,” said Lorraine Duncan, Oregon Public Health Division immunization manager.

This year, parents should take note of some new information:

- **Hib vaccine requirement**: Hib is a severe bacterial disease that mostly affects young children. In recent years, there was a shortage of this vaccine, so children weren’t required to be up-to-date on Hib immunizations to stay in child care and preschool. Hib vaccine, which is now plentiful, is back on the required list for children through age 4.
- **Tdap vaccine requirement**: Tdap vaccine is required for seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders. Tdap is a tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough) booster. Whooping cough is a serious health concern in Oregon with more than 255 cases recorded this year. In California, whooping cough is at epidemic levels; there have been about 6,800 cases reported this year, and 10 babies have died.
- **Hepatitis A vaccine requirement**: The hepatitis A vaccine, which protects against a communicable viral infection, is a two-dose series now required for children 18 months through second grade.

Parents seeking immunizations for their children should contact their health care provider or local health department, or call Oregon SafeNet at 1-800-SAFENET or 1-800-723-3638. No one can be turned away from a local health department because of the inability to pay for required vaccines. Additional information on school immunizations can be found at www.oregon.gov/DHS/ph/imm/school. Follow the Oregon Immunization Program on Facebook and Twitter.

- Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Department of Human Services

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**Save the Date – Thursday, January 27, 2011**

For Washington County’s NW Bethany Boulevard Improvement Project  
NW Bronson Road to NW West Union Road

**Neighborhood Open House**

Thursday, January 27, 2011  
5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
Sunset Presbyterian Church  
(East Entrance)  
14986 NW Cornell Road  
Beaverton, OR  97006
Washington County Response to LCDC Action on Urban and Rural Reserves - Supplemental IGA and Map

The Washington County Board of Commissioners adopted the revised supplemental Urban and Rural Reserves Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Metro on Tuesday, December 14, 6:30 p.m. Please see the last paragraph for links to find current detailed information.

In a decision on October 29, 2010 the Land Conservation and Development Commissions (LCDC) directed the County to remove the Urban Reserve designation on lands north of Council Creek, near the City of Cornelius and to provide additional findings for the Urban Reserves north and east of Council Creek, north of the City of Forest Grove. The decision also provided the County and Metro an opportunity to reconsider rural reserves in Washington County to comply with the LCDC decision.

Washington County used the substantial record of research and analysis, and record of public comment, to develop a proposed Supplemental IGA responsive to the LCDC decision. The County reviewed options and conferred with numerous, but not all, interested parties in considering its response. The supplemental IGA posted on the County website on December 7, 2010 proposed to replace the reduced Urban Reserves acreage north of the City of Cornelius (lands suitable for employment) with other lands in an amount not to exceed the reduced UR acreage and that are also suitable for employment. The Supplemental IGA also proposed to change a limited amount of acreage from Rural Reserves to Undesignated as discussed during the LCDC deliberations. Note that Metro Council President Carlotta Collette issued a brief statement on December 7 indicating Metro councilors were not supporting the draft proposal.


The proposed Supplemental IGA maps were revised and posted on the County website on December 14, 2010 along with comparison chart illustrating the previous proposal with the December 14th revisions. Changes included reducing proposed urban reserves to a total of 585 acres (a net regional loss of 67 acres of urban reserves), reducing proposed undesignated lands from 592 acres proposed to 290, and leaving 832 acres reserves earlier proposed to become undesignated.

The Board adopted the revised Supplemental IGA at their December 14, 2010 hearing. The revised documents include an amended Agenda, Resolution and Order and Addendum Staff Report. Although not required as part of the adoption of an Intergovernmental Agreement, the Board agreed to allow up to one hour of testimony at the December 14 meeting. Twenty-four community members provided oral testimony. The County’s, Metro’s and LCDC’s subsequent processes will have opportunity for additional public testimony prior to a final decision.

The IGA and R&O are not “land use actions.” The R&O includes a process leading to adoption of Comprehensive Plan amendments by March 31, 2011. If the Supplemental IGA is adopted by the County and Metro, the Comprehensive Plan amendments will be considered through a land use ordinance process, which will include notice of hearings and public testimony. Adoption of a new reserves ordinance in Washington County would be accompanied by a similar consideration for adoption by Metro to the Regional Framework Plan. Findings supporting both the County’s ordinance and Metro’s decision would then be forwarded to LCDC for their review early next summer.

The adopted IGA materials, including maps and staff report are on the website: http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/PlanningProjects/reserves/whats-new.cfm. The map is also included on page 7 of this newsletter. Updates, schedules and background information are also available on the website: www.co.washington.or.us/reserves. For more information contact Mike Dahlstrom, Program Educator, 503 846-8101, mike_dahlstrom@co.washington.or.us.

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Public Affairs Forum Topics for January 2011

Special note: forum is meeting in a new location. You are welcome and encouraged to attend. 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

In winter conditions Washington County's Public Affairs Forum follows the open/close decisions of the Hillsboro school district. Please follow local media information or check http://hsd.k12.or.us/.

January 10, 2010
Speaker: Bill McKenzie, Communications and Government Relations Manager for Intel.

January 17, 2010
Topic: Introducing the Chief Justice of Oregon's Supreme Court
Speaker: The Honorable Paul J. De Muniz.

January 24, 2010
Topic: Oregon Congressional and Legislative Redistricting in 2011.
Speaker: TBA.

January 31, 2010
Topic: Muslims in America’s Public Square – Hopes Dreams and Aspirations.
Speaker: Representative of the Muslim Educational Trust Center of Portland, Oregon,

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