Citizen Participation Organization 1

Tuesday, June 7, 2011
7:00 p.m.
St. Vincent Medical Center
Souther Auditorium

AGENDA

7:00 PM Welcome

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue Report

CPO Announcements and Discussion (neighborhood meetings and development status)

Community Announcements: THPRD Purchases 23 Acres for Future Park. Our park district, Tualatin Hill Park & Recreation District (THPRD) recently purchased 23 acres from Teufel nurseries, located at the intersection of NW Miller Road and NW Barnes Road. Hal Bergsma, THPRD development director, will visit us to describe the property and give us a time frame for its development. Please see the related article on page 5.

“It’s Your CPO” Open Mic

7:30 Metro Update. Our Metro Councilor for District 4, Kathryn Harrington, will visit us to provide an update on how Metro and their regional partners are working on some important topics over the next six months. These include urban growth management decisions (including a potential expansion of the urban growth boundary), determining natural areas resources, Metro redistricting, advancing our Community Investment Strategy, and working through the Oregon Zoo master planning process.

8:15 City By Choice. Members of CPO 1 are no strangers to the issue of governance, especially when the term “annexation” is mentioned. The question of how to best govern the Unincorporated Urban Area (UUA) has been deburring us for decades and to address it head-on, the group City By Choice (www.acitybychoice.org/) was formed. Led by Lori Manthey-Waldo, they will visit us to describe their vision and work accomplished to date, plus plans for the future.

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From your Washington County Board of Commissioners:

We Appreciate Our Volunteers as They “Plant the Seeds of Kindness”

This month we celebrate the dedication and contribution of nearly 1,500 individuals serving the Washington County organization. Their contributions, in alignment with Washington County’s mission, have helped support a healthier, more peaceful, safer and more sustainable community for all.

History teaches us that government alone cannot meet the vast challenges and requirements of our county, nor solve all of its problems. Washington County’s Strategic Plan recognizes this fact and positions our organization to collaborate and partner with others to better serve our community.

Volunteers with our organization are a critical part of this successful approach. As suggested by the theme for this month’s recognition event, our volunteers “Plant the Seeds of Kindness” throughout our community, sowing their good work for others to benefit from and emulate.

Volunteers contribute to our County and community in countless ways, including helping to care for "orphan" pets, keeping roadsides clean, greeting visitors to County buildings, assisting victims of all types of crime, engaging in County policymaking through citizen involvement meetings and events, providing spiritual or psychological counseling to inmates or families, patrolling handicapped parking spaces, making health and nutrition services available to those who do not have medical insurance, helping to maintain County parks and recreational areas, and searching for lost people and sometimes criminal evidence. The list goes on and on.

As a grateful Board of Commissioners, we thank our volunteers for their role in advancing the County’s mission. The act of giving one’s self through volunteering is inherent and enduring in our community’s history and character. We are all better off for the service of our volunteers.

Chairman Andy Duyck
Commissioner Greg Malinowski
Commissioner Roy Rogers
Commissioner Dick Schouten
Commissioner Bob Terry

Are You Interested in Transportation Improvements in Washington County?

In early June, your local elected officials are considering some transportation project investment decisions to benefit pedestrian, bicycle, and freight movement in our local communities. Their decision will advance projects by allocating regional flexible funds for transportation projects and programs in your community. At the June 6th meeting of the Washington County Coordinating Committee, Mayors and Councilors are expected to approve project prioritization and select specific projects. The meeting information is expected to be available in advance of the June 6th meeting on the WCCC website at [http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/PlanningPrograms/TransportationPlanning/washington-county-coordinating-committee.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/PlanningPrograms/TransportationPlanning/washington-county-coordinating-committee.cfm). You are invited to provide input on potential projects at the June 6 meeting scheduled for noon in the Beaverton Library Conference Room, 12375 SW 5th St.

Flexible funds, though they comprise only about 4 percent of the transportation investment in our region, attract considerable interest because they may be spent on a greater variety of transportation projects than can most federal transportation funds. The Washington County regional flexible funding target for this 2014-2015 cycle totals just under 7 million dollars. You can learn more about the regional flexible funds program, MTIP/RFF, on the Metro website [www.oregonmetro.gov/regionalflexiblefund](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/regionalflexiblefund).

-Metro Councilor Kathryn Harrington
Economic Health – “Jobs Now, Please!”

“A place where families and businesses thrive” is the community moniker for the City of Forest Grove, and it seems to be an aspiration for all communities in our region. The economic news of the day is telling us that there are signs that our economy is recovering, but our high unemployment rate demonstrates that there is much more improvement needed. But the number of jobs isn’t the only goal – we need higher wage jobs too, since higher wages deliver a higher quality of life for our residents.

A study was done comparing our metropolitan region to other peer regions in the country¹. The comparative information serves as a call to action for all of us, public sector (government), private sector (business) and all community residents too. We need to keep private-sector job creation as our immediate and top priority. Why? Oregon is an income-tax dependent state, which means that lower wages and incomes result in fewer resources for schools, law enforcement, parks, fixing streets, and other important public services that your quality of life depends on. Portland-metro residents have lower wages and incomes than in recent decades and lower than other peer regions of the U.S.A. We have fallen behind and unless we turn the corner, further decline may ensue.

Our region does have attributes to leverage in order to recover from the current state of affairs. These include our strategic position relative to the Pacific Rim, our varied transportation infrastructure (rail, marine, air) for products to get to global markets, and a strong entrepreneurial and small business climate. We have many private companies to be proud of in our region, large, medium and small. We need to keep them here and help them grow here, employing you and your neighbors. All thriving regions in our country depend on major anchor companies. For example, Intel alone employs over 15 thousand workers here and utilizes many local companies to manufacture and distribute their products and support their operations in Oregon. There is a dependency between large and small companies in our region. While small companies employ a majority of people in our region, small companies alone cannot carry our region – we need a healthy mix of large and small businesses. But what does it take to have such a healthy mix?

Many in the business and economic development community sum it up in one word – Choice. Locational choice and land use is often where the work of Metro, your regional government, and economic development intersects. That choice is generally why we Metro Councilors hear so much from business groups during our urban growth boundary decision-making. It is helpful to hear from site selectors and economic development experts about the latest trends, which local companies are expanding, and what kinds of companies from elsewhere are looking to take root here. And I know from our conversations that you want more in your community, better funding for education, more parks, and improved transit while also having as much money as possible in your pocketbook to care for yourself, your family and your future.

Looking ahead, good jobs are not a given. Having a good quality of life is not a given either. The public sector and the private sector must keep working together, striving to cultivate that mix of businesses large and small. Working together to have a region which attracts and retains young professionals seeking employment in sectors that thrive like technology, finance, health care, and energy— sectors that can and do provide high-wage jobs. Having a wonderful area to live in, with a network of parks, trails, and natural areas helps too. As a Metro Councilor, I will continue to do what I can to help our region provide for good jobs now and in the future, with large companies and small companies, while providing significant protections for the valuable farm and forest lands that are essential to our economy and define the character of our region.

Sources

Kathryn Harrington
Metro Councilor, District 4
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Volunteer Opportunities with Washington County Disability, Aging & Veteran Services

Did you know that approximately 60% of seniors, veterans and persons with disabilities are not receiving the benefits for which they are entitled to get? Would you like to be the person that ensures that everyone receives what they deserve?

We are looking for volunteers to fill two special opportunities in our Benefits Enrollment Center, an **Office Benefit Specialist** based in our Hillsboro Office and a **Community Benefit Specialist** who will meet with clients in the community (client homes, senior centers, coffee shops etc.).

**Duties**

- Work one-on-one with client either in-person or over the telephone (both positions)
- Receive telephone calls and enter information into database to determine service needs (Office Benefit Specialist)
- Work one-on-one with clients (both positions)
- Share information with senior, veteran and/or family caregiver about community services available (both positions)
- Ensure that data is accurately entered into the client database and/or on application forms. (both positions)
- Background check required for both positions

**Estimated Time Involved:** Two to three days per week for three to four hours per day. Days and hours are flexible.

**Outcome:** The goal of these positions is to reach out to seniors, veterans, persons with disabilities, and/or family caregivers and help them access services that meet their needs. These services enable them to live independently and with dignity.

Please contact Rebecca Tabra, Program Educator for Washington County Disability, Aging & Veteran Services by email at Rebecca_Tabra@co.washington.or.us or by phone at 503-846-3087 to receive an application to apply.

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2011 Community Wellness Forum

*Staying healthy and independent*

Prepare for a healthy, active later life at the 2011 Community Wellness Forum **Friday, June 3rd, 2011 8:30am to 12:30pm** at the Washington County Public Parking Structure, ground level classrooms, 225 S. First Ave (and Washington St.). This event is free and open to the public. The parking is free in the parking structure. If taking MAX, take the Blue Line.

Classes offered include:

- **9:00-12:30, Free medication review** with Pacific University Pharmacy interns. Pre-registration is required for these private consultations.
- **9:00-9:40, Safe and Healthy Aging in Place**, Mary Platt, Occupational Therapist.
- **10:00-10:40, Using Medicine Wisely**, Jeanne Brandt, OSU Extension Service.
- **11:00-11:40, Mastery of Aging Well**, Leslie Foren, Elders in Action.
- **9:00-12:30, Resource and Information Fair**, representatives from local agencies and organizations with services of interest to seniors.

Call 503-846-3089 to reserve a space and schedule medication review.

This event is co-sponsored by Washington County, Disability, Aging and Veteran Service and OSU Extension Service.
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

### CPO #1 LAND USE ITEMS UPDATED

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**23-Acre Teufel Site to Be Future Park; THPRD Also Buys Land for Natural Area, Trail Connection**

Continuing to implement its 2008 voter-approved bond measure, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District has purchased a 23-acre property in the Cedar Mill area for a future community park.

Separately, the Park District acquired a 0.76-acre vacant parcel in Cedar Mill to be used as a natural area. It will also help expand the local trail network.

The 23-acre acquisition was closed on April 29 after almost two years of negotiation with the former owner, Larry Teufel. The site is currently operated as a wholesale nursery by Teufel Holly Farms, Inc. It will continue to be used that way and leased back to Teufel for the time being, according to terms of the sale.

The Park District has no immediate plans or funding to develop the property. No development will occur until an extensive public planning process has been completed.

THPRD General Manager Doug Menke believes the size, location and layout of the Teufel site are ideal for a future community park, which the Park District defines as 10-25 acres in size with an ample variety of amenities to serve residents.

“When it’s developed, this will be a complete community park serving the Cedar Mill area including athletic fields, sport courts, open areas, play structures and picnic facilities with a natural area and trails near a stream,” Menke said.

Besides having value as a future natural area, the property will provide a trail connection to Foege Park. As part of its Timberland project, developer Polygon Northwest has built a nature trail near the newly purchased parcel. According to THPRD’s Planning Department, Polygon plans to donate the trail to the Park District to add to the Cedar Mill Community Trail. When funding becomes available, the trail will be continued through the new parcel to Foege Park.
County Boards Seek Candidates

Boards, committees and commissions advise the Board of Commissioners on matters of interest to people who live and work in Washington County. Committees themselves do not pass ordinances or establish policy; their purpose is to study issues and make recommendations. Commission members are volunteers appointed by the County Board of Commissioners. Members must be residents of Washington County. Serving on an appointed board or commission is a great way for Washington County residents to participate in decisions that affect them and to learn more about how local government works.

The following boards are currently seeking applications for new members:

- **Aging and Veteran Services Advisory Council** (3 vacancies; 3 terms to expire 6/30/11). Length of Term: 3 years
- **Audit Committee** (3 terms to expire 6/30/11). Length of Term: 3 years
- **Commission on Children and Families** (3 vacancies). Length of Term: 4 years
- **Park and Recreation Advisory Board** (4 vacancies, plus 3 terms to expire 6/30/11). Length of Term: 3 years
- **Metzger Park Advisory Board** (4 vacancies, plus 2 terms to expire 6/30/11). Members: Nine who own property within the Metzger Park Local Improvement District. Length of Term: 3 years
- **Planning Commission** (1 vacancy plus 3 terms to expire 6/30/11 – (1) At-Large, (2) District 3, (1) District 4 positions) Length of Term: 4 years. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms
- **West Slope Community Library Advisory Board** (1 term to expire 6/30/11). Members: Five members who are registered users of the West Slope Library. Length of Term: 3 years
- **Civil Service Commission** (1 vacancy; 3 terms to expire 5/31/11). Length of Term: 2 years
- **Farm Board of Review** (1 term which expired 6/30/11). Members: Two members appointed by the Board of Commissioners. Length of Term: 2 years.

Per Board of Commissioner procedures, nominations will be solicited for these committees for a six-week period or until filled. The County Administrative Office will work with the affiliated departments to solicit applications from qualified individuals. Staff will keep the Commissioners apprised of applications received and of approaching deadlines.

As specified in the revised "Recruitment, Selection & Appointment Process," there will be an opportunity for the Board to discuss appointments at a work session prior to scheduling any formal action.

**The application deadline is June 7, 2011**, or when all vacancies are filled. Applications may be obtained by visiting the web site or by calling (503) 846-8685. Descriptions of all the boards can also be found on the Boards and Commissions website. [http://www.co.washington.or.us/CAO/BoardsCommissions/index.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/CAO/BoardsCommissions/index.cfm)

For more information contact: Marian Larkin, Sr. Administrative Specialist (503) 846-8685, cao@co.washington.or.us

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**Washington County Master Gardeners**

*These meetings are free and open to the public.*

The meetings will be held at First Baptist Church 5755 SW Erickson Ave., Beaverton, OR 97005, located between Farmington Rd. & Allen Blvd.

**Upcoming programs:** Tuesday, June 7, 2011, 7:15 to 8:15PM. “From Garden to Kitchen with Recipes” by Vern Nelson, Garden Columnist

For more information please go to [http://www.washingtoncountymastergardeners.org/](http://www.washingtoncountymastergardeners.org/).
Public Affairs Forum Topics for June 2011

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 a map go to: http://washingtoncountyforum.org/time-place.
You are welcome and encouraged to attend.

June 6, 2011
Topic: An inside look at Centro Cultural.
Speaker: Jose Rivera, Executive Director of Centro Cultural

June 13, 2011
Topic: To increase awareness of needs, interests and problems and solutions for people living with autism.
Speaker: A Beaverton area professional which works with Autistic kids and their families for the Autistic Society of Oregon and Project P.A.C.E.

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

Waste Management Invites the Public to Visit Ultra-Green Recycling Center and Blue Heron Rookery

Reducing waste is a challenge that continues to galvanize communities, local governments and businesses across Oregon. Waste Management is inviting the public to learn more about how the company’s new and ultra-green recycling facility reduces waste by diverting construction and demolition debris from landfills. The free tours are on select Thursdays, beginning in May.

The $10 million recycling center is Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified and has been recognized as a model for sustainable design. The massive translucent roof allows natural lighting to save energy, and rainwater is harvested from the roof and stored underground for operational use.

Participants will tour the recycling center, landfill and adjacent wetland. Newly re-certified by the prestigious Wildlife Habitat Council, the wetland is home to 100 bird and mammal species, including great blue heron, deer, beaver, and rabbits.

Waste Management owns and manages the wetland as part of a company commitment to protecting wildlife habitat. The wetland also serves as a treatment system for neighborhood stormwater and for floodwaters from the Tualatin River.

Tour information: The 90-minute tours will begin at Waste Management, 3205 SE Minter Bridge Road, at 1:30 p.m. on the following Thursdays. Guests should arrive by 1:15 p.m. Tour space is limited and registration is required. Children ages 10 and older are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Dress for weather. Closed-toe shoes are also required. RSVP to 503-640-9427.

Tour dates – all Thursdays:
- June 9 and June 23
- August 4 and August 18
- September 8 and September 22
- October 6 and October 20

Waste Management is the leading provider of recycling and environmental services in the Pacific Northwest and North America. The company provides innovative sustainability solutions for 20 million residential, commercial, industrial and municipal customers. In Oregon, Waste Management employs 500 people, providing recycling and waste collection in the Portland metro area, Washington County, Columbia County, parts of Yamhill County and the Klamath Falls area. The company operates three landfills in Oregon and uses landfill gas to generate renewable energy for 7,500 homes in Oregon and Washington. For more information, go www.ThinkGreen.com or join the recycling conversation at www.facebook.com/WMpacificnorthwest.
2011 Food Preservation Classes at OSU Extension Service, Washington County

All classes will be held at the OSU Extension Service, 18640 NW Walker Rd, #1400 Entrance D-1, Beaverton

Classes are 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Class size is limited. Preregistration required. Cost is $20.00 per class. $70.00 if all 4 classes are taken.

- Introduction to Food Preservation, Jams and Jellies. **Wednesday, June 15, 2011** Basic techniques used for all methods of preservation. Make jams/jellies in class. Low sugar and freezer jam options included.

- Fruits and Pie Fillings. **Wednesday, July 6, 2011**. Preservation of fruit products; canning, freezing and drying reviewed. Learn to control the amount of sugar, to can fruit in juice and make pie fillings.

- Vegetables and Meats. **Wednesday, July 20, 2011**. Canning vegetables and meats requires use of a pressure canner. Review the use and care of a pressure canner as well as pickling and freezing tips.


For more information, contact OSU Extension Service at 503-821-1150 or go to [http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/). Look at the Upcoming Events section.