Citizen Participation Organization 4K

Monday, September 20, 2010
7:00 p.m.
Highlands Club House
12930 SW Peachvale

AGENDA

- Welcome and Announcements
- Understanding Tigard's Proposed Rate Increases for Water Service. Tigard is planning to join forces with Lake Oswego to upgrade and expand Lake Oswego's water facilities to serve customers in both communities. This proposal will provide water when the current contract with Portland expires in 2016. In order to build the necessary water system improvements customers in the Tigard Water Service Area (Tigard, King City, Durham, and Tigard Water District) will see their water rates double over the next three years. A representative from the City of Tigard will discuss the options that have been explored, and the proposed solution.
- Community Clean-up Project - What's Next? Several areas have been proposed for future clean-up projects. We'll evaluate the latest clean up event, identify changes and improvements and make plans for future activities.
- Open Forum: An opportunity to bring up neighborhood issues, concerns or ideas for future CPO meetings.
- Adjournment
Community Investment Strategy: Get involved

How can we make the most of limited resources and invest in our communities? What kinds of investment do you want to see in your community? Where and how should we grow?

Metro's chief operating officer issued a set of recommendations on Aug. 10, calling for a regional approach to community investment for everything from pipes to parks to green jobs. The strategy recommends that the region: invest in safe, livable communities, promote economic development and good jobs, protect our natural areas and reduce inefficiency, foster innovation and demand accountability. To review the report and get more information go to: [http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment) or contact Metro Land Use Planning at 503-797-1735.

Your comments and ideas about community investments as well as about potential urban growth boundary expansion areas will help inform decisions this fall. The chief operating officer's recommendations are intended to inspire a public discussion about community investment and to kick off decision-making process, specifically about growth management choices related to the urban growth boundary. Some key dates for those decisions are:

- Aug. 10 through Sept. 27, public comment period on the recommendations
- Early October, Metro Policy Advisory Committee and Metro Council review of public comment
- Mid-October, Metro Council decision on the urban growth boundary study areas
- November, public comment period on growth management ordinance
- Mid-November, final Metro Policy Advisory Committee recommendation on growth management decisions and public hearings on the growth management ordinance
- December, final growth management decisions by Metro Council.
- Share your views on the chief operating officer's recommendations for a Community Investment Strategy. Attend an open house and subscribe to updates.

You're invited to learn more and share your views at a public open house:

- **Monday, September 13, 5 to 7p.m.**
  Lents Boys and Girls Club, 9330 Southeast Harold St. Portland OR 97266

- **Tuesday, September 14, 5 to 7 p.m.**
  Wilsonville City Hall, Conference Rooms I & II, 29799 SW Town Center Loop E, Wilsonville, OR

- **Thursday, September 16, 5 to 7 p.m.**
  Sherwood City Hall, Sherwood Library/City Hall, 22560 SW Pine St., Sherwood, OR

- **Monday September 20, 5 to 7 p.m.**
  Oregon City – Clackamas County Development Services Building, 150 Beavercreek Road, Oregon City, OR 97045

- **Tuesday, September 21, 5 to 7 p.m.**
  St Johns Community Center, Classroom 4, 8427 N. Central, Portland

- **Wednesday, September 22, 5 to 7 p.m.**
  Hillsboro Civic Center, 155 E Main St, Room 113C, Hillsboro, OR

**Online questionnaire available September 13**

Beginning Sept. 13, you can share your views by completing an online questionnaire. The survey will invite your feedback about the Community Investment Strategy and the areas being studied for possible expansion of the urban growth boundary. Analysis of any additional urban growth boundary study areas submitted by the cities or counties will also be available by September 13.

Submit comments by e-mail to 2040@oregonmetro.gov, or mail to: Metro Community Investment Strategy comments, 600 NE Grand Ave.,Portland, OR 97232.

These dates and locations are subject to change. Please check the website [http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment) or contact Metro Land Use Planning at 503-797-1735.
Measure 34-179: Renewal of Local Option Levy for Countywide Public Safety

Washington County voters will consider a Public Safety Levy Renewal this November called Measure 34-179. If the measure were to pass, it would continue funding for public safety services countywide. A five-year local option levy is proposed to replace the expiring four-year levy that ends in June 2011. The renewed levy would continue a fixed tax rate of 42¢ per $1,000 assessed value, which is unchanged from the current rate, and would run from July 2011 through June 2016.

Renewal of the Public Safety Levy would continue funding to maintain the current balance in the public safety system serving all areas of the county. These public safety services are provided to cities, urban unincorporated communities and rural areas. Specifically, the Public Safety Levy Renewal would provide funding for personnel and services to:

- Maintain supervision and compliance monitoring of registered sex offenders;
- Operate the jail and work release center at full capacity to minimize the early release of offenders;
- Investigate crimes and prosecute criminals, including the use of crime scene specialists and forensics experts;
- Serve all areas of the county with special enforcement teams (including the Major Crimes, SWAT, Fraud and Identity Theft, Gang and Narcotics teams), probation and parole officers, juvenile counselors and other public safety personnel;
- Support emergency shelters for women and children who are victims of domestic violence.

**Proposed Rate, Term and Tax Impact:** As mentioned earlier, Measure 34-179 would continue a fixed rate of 42¢ per $1,000 of assessed value, which would be unchanged from the current rate. A five-year local option levy is proposed to replace the expiring four-year levy that ends in June 2011. A longer length is proposed for the levy to provide greater funding stability for public services and to decrease election-related expenses that occur when levies are put on the ballot.

Homeowners with an average assessed value of $215,089 (different than market value) would pay $90 in property taxes for this levy in 2011-12. The tax due in future years would depend on changes in assessed value.

More information about Measure 34-179, the Public Safety Levy Renewal, is available at the County’s Web site at: [www.co.washington.or.us/levies](http://www.co.washington.or.us/levies).

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**Kick the Bottle Water Habit**

Like The Story of Stuff, this new film uses simple words and images to explain a complex problem, in this case manufactured demand: how you get people to think they need to spend money on something they don’t actually need or already have.

Over the last two decades, consumers have been marketed to that to be sure that our water is clean—not to mention be hip and fashionable, too—we should buy bottled water.

Unfortunately, it worked.

In the United States alone, we consume approximately 500,000,000 bottles of water each week even though our water is regulated for health, cleanliness and public safety. All of this assurance at just pennies a glass versus much more per bottle.

There’s good news: Last year, for the first time in a long time, bottled water sales fell—not by much, but they reduced. Consumers who want economy, portability and convenience are switching to refillable metal bottles. Restaurants are proudly serving tap water. And cities, states, companies and schools around the world are ditching the bottle to save money and do their part for the environment.

For more information, please go to [http://storyofstuff.org/bottledwater/](http://storyofstuff.org/bottledwater/).
Levy Renewal for Countywide Library Services Measure 34-180

Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) has provided funding for public library operations, central support and outreach programs linking together city and community libraries for 34 years.

Measure 34-180 would continue support for countywide library services. A five-year levy is proposed to replace the four-year levy expiring in June 2011. The 17¢ rate per $1,000 of assessed value would remain unchanged. Owners of a home with average assessed value of $215,089 (not market value) would pay about $37 in 2011-2012. The expiring levy provides approximately 1/3 of funding for WCCLS.

What would the levy renewal do? Approximately 80% of funds would be distributed to support public library operations and services in twelve communities including Banks, Beaverton, Cedar Mill, Cornelius, Forest Grove, Garden Home, Hillsboro, North Plains, Sherwood Tigard, Tualatin and West Slope. Libraries have responded to increased use from residents over the last few years. Checkouts topped 11 million in 2009-2010 and over 4 million people visited WCCLS libraries (over 7.7 visits per capita).

Funds would support children’s reading and literacy programs designed to build preschooler’s reading readiness and maintain reading skills between school years. Over 170,000 people participate in library reading programs for children each year, including over 25,000 children who participate in summer reading program activities.

Funds would purchase books and materials available to residents through all libraries. Funds would continue library services that provide information, resources, and instruction to assist residents who are looking for jobs.

Funds would support central and outreach services that link libraries together, such as maintaining daily book deliveries among libraries to fill patron requests, maintaining the WCCLS website and shared catalog, and providing outreach to special populations such as mail delivery to homebound residents, and early literacy training for parents and child care providers.

What happens if the renewal is not approved? The expiring levy provides approximately 1/3 of WCCLS funding. Without levy funding, reductions in hours, book purchases and services would be determined by member libraries based on local service priorities.

For more information (including sources of statistics cited) visit www.wccls.org/levy or call 503.846.3222.

Reviewed by Oregon Secretary of State Elections Division for compliance with ORS260.432, 8/2010.

Tualatin Valley Veterans Stand Down 2010

Calling all veterans!

Tualatin Valley Veterans invite you to attend this event Wednesday, October 6, 2010, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Forest Grove Armory, 2950 Taylor Way, Forest Grove, OR 97116-1963.

You will be able to:
- Meet Employers
- Connect with Local Resources
- Meet Veteran Benefit Counselors
- Receive Health Screenings
- Register With the VA Hospital

Lunch will be provided

For more information, please call Yvette Potter, 503-846-4776 or go to http://www.co.washington.or.us/Housing/
West Bull Mountain Community Planning Continues

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Stakeholder Work Group (SWG) continue working with the project team to refine the draft Concept Plan map and develop implementing strategies. The goal is to forward the final Concept Plan to the County Board of Commissioners for adoption by Resolution & Order this year. Prior to adoption, the Concept Plan will be presented at an open house (date and location to be determined).

Adoption of the Concept Plan is the initial step in developing a Community Plan for West Bull Mountain. The Implementing Strategies will guide the development of the West Bull Mountain Community Plan. They will ensure that the adopted Concept Plan’s vision is accurately reflected in the future Community Plan.

At the next TAC and SWG meetings, the committees will review the final Concept Plan maps and the Concept Plan report, including Implementing Strategies. We look to the committees to conclude their deliberations at the end of their next meeting and forward the final Concept Plan report to the Board of Commissioners for consideration and approval this year.

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* Please note that these are new dates. TAC was previously scheduled for August 26, 2010 and SWG was previously scheduled for August 31, 2010.

The meeting dates were changed to provide the additional time needed for the project team to complete the Concept Plan report document. The project team is also preparing fact sheets to respond to key issues and to provide answers to related questions. The final report draft and fact sheets will be posted on-line concurrent with distribution to the committees.

County Commission on Children and Families Seek Candidates

The Commission on Children and Families (CCF) is currently seeking applications for new members:

**Description:** The Commission's charge is to help every child reach their full potential and to support families and the community in achieving that goal. Working with many partners, the Commission looks at conditions in the community that affect children and families and recommends planned strategies and funding to improve those conditions.

**Members:** Fifteen members who represent the geographic and cultural diversity of the county, and bring expertise and knowledge about the developmental stages of childhood and adolescence, and issues facing children and families. At least eight of the members must be lay citizens who do not derive income from children & family services.

The time commitment is the second Thursday of each month, 7 p.m. The length of the term is 4 years.

The application deadline is **October 5, 2010** or when all vacancies are filled. Applications may be obtained by visiting the website: [http://www.co.washington.or.us/News/county-boards-seek-candidates-10.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/News/county-boards-seek-candidates-10.cfm) or by calling (503) 846-8685. Descriptions of all the boards can also be found on the Boards and Commissions web site: [http://www.co.washington.or.us/CAO/BoardsCommissions/index.cfm](http://www.co.washington.or.us/CAO/BoardsCommissions/index.cfm).

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.
Metro grants and technical assistance
Helping Make the Region a Great Place

The liveliest cities and neighborhoods don’t happen by accident. It takes vision, leadership and investment. But how do you turn a good idea into a great project? Metro can help.

If you have an innovative idea to integrate the natural world into your community, please join us at the workshop about Metro’s Nature in Neighborhood grant programs. Participants will learn about the goals, criteria and application procedures of the grant programs. In addition, participants will learn about how to create a program plan and the resources available to help get a project started.

The Metro Council’s 2006 Natural Areas bond measure established $15 million for the Capital Grants Program to inspire innovative partnerships that enhance ecological functions and increase the presence of nature where people live, work and play. This includes projects that acquire land for public ownership or result in a capital improvement on public land.

A workshop focusing on the Capital Grant program will be offered at two locations:

**Wednesday, September 29, 2010, 7 to 9 p.m.**  
Beaverton City Hall, 4755 SW Griffith Drive

This workshop is being co-sponsored by OSU Extension, Washington County Citizen Participation Program, City of Beaverton Neighborhood Program, Clean Water Services, Tualatin Riverkeepers and the Tualatin Watershed Council.

**Saturday, October 2, 2010, 9 to 11 a.m.**  
Metro, 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland

One workshop will focus on Metro’s Restoration and Enhancement Grants Program, **Saturday, November 13, 2010** at Metro.

The deadline for Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration and Enhancement Grants pre-applications is 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 18, 2011. Invited full applications will be due 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, 2011.

To RSVP or for more information, contact Kristin Blyler at 503-797-1834 or Kristin.Blyler@oregonmetro.gov.

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**4-H Fall Harvest Festival**

Please join us for this free, family event at the Washington County Fairgrounds in the Cloverleaf Building on Saturday, **October 9, 2010**, 10am to 1pm.

This is your chance to learn more about 4-H and meet other 4-H members, leaders and volunteers.

Also visit the Home Orchard Society Event, the OSU Master Gardeners demonstration garden and participate in healthy living programs from the OSU Extension Service which will also be held at the Washington County Fairgrounds.

For more information, please go to [http://extension.oregonstate.edu/metro4h/home](http://extension.oregonstate.edu/metro4h/home) or call 503-821-1150.

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**Joint CPO Tree Code Group Meeting**

The Joint CPO Tree Code Group will be meeting on Thursday September 23 from 6:00-8:00 pm at the Beaverton Library 12375 SW 5th Street, **Beaverton Oregon** in Meeting Room A [http://www.beavertonlibrary.org/about/hoursLocation.aspx#map](http://www.beavertonlibrary.org/about/hoursLocation.aspx#map). The agenda includes strategies for future activities and an update on the August 4, 2010 Metro Technical Advisory Meeting where a regional urban forestry project was discussed. Come and join the group discussion. New members always welcome. For more info contact For more information, please contact 503-821-1114 or info@washcotreegroup.org.
Public Affairs Forum Topics for September/October 2010

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

September 27, 2010
Topic: Governor Candidates - unconfirmed
Speakers: Chris Dudley (R) and John Kitzhaber (D)

October 4, 2010
Topic #1: Senate District 13
Speakers: Larry George (R) incumbent and Timi Parker (D)
Topic #2: Senate District 17
Speakers: Suzanne Bonamici (D) incumbent and Steven Kirkpatrick (R)
Topic #3: Senate District 15.
Speakers: Chuck Riley (D) and Bruce Starr (R) incumbent
Topic #4: Senate District 19
Speakers: Richard Devlin (D) incumbent and Mary Kremer(R)

October 11, 2010
Topic #1: House District 33
Speakers: Michael Bieker (R) and Mitch Greenlick (D) incumbent
Topic #2: House District 27
Speakers: Dan Lucas (R) and Tobias Read (D) incumbent
Topic #3: Metro Presidential Candidates
Speaker: Bob Stacy and Tom Hughes

October 18, 2010
Topic #1: Treasure Candidates
Speakers: Chris Telfer (R) and Ted Wheeler (D) incumbent
Topic #2: Selected Initiatives on the ballot

October 25, 2010
Topic #1: House District 29
Speakers: Katie Eyre Brewer (R) and Katie Riley (D)
Topic #2: House District 37
Speakers: Will Rasmussen (D) and Julie Parrish (R)
Topic #3: House District 28
Speakers: Jeff Barker (D) and Bill Berg (R)
Topic #4: House District 38
Speakers: Rob Gardier (R) and Chris Garrett (D)

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

Fall For Natives

As summer winds down it's time to start thinking about your fall planting. Start with healthy soil which requires less water and fewer chemicals. If your soil needs a little TLC, compost and mulch may be the key.

Add homemade compost to your soil at planting time to retain water and give nutrients to plants. See http://www.oregonmetro.gov/index.cfm/go/by.web/id=553

Organic mulch—aged manure, bark chips and wood chips—cover and cool soil, minimizing evaporation, erosion and weed growth.

Once your soil is ship-shape consider planting natives. They are beautiful, drought tolerant and require fewer chemicals. Use our native plant finder: http://www.cleanwaterservices.org/Residents/ToolsAndTips/NativePlantFinder for suggestions to fit your landscape.

Look for upcoming fall native plant sales including Tualatin Hills Nature Park's on Saturday, October 2 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. See http://www.thprd.org/facilities/naturepark/nativeplantsales.cfm for more information.
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 house a non-profit preschool at the property located at 12830 SW Beef Bend Rd. Neighborhood meeting was held on August 27, 2010.