Citizen Participation Organization 7

Monday, September 27, 2010
7:00 p.m.
Community Room of Bethany
15220 NW Laidlaw Rd.
(Above Huntington Learning Center, corner of 153rd and Laidlaw, enter through the back door.)

AGENDA

7:00 PM Welcome
CPO Announcements and Updates
Open Form

7:15 PM CPO 7 Nominations - Help Wanted: Please submit your nominations (including yourself) for CPO 7 officers. See article on page 5. We will vote in October.

7:20 PM 185th Avenue and Bethany Boulevard Project Focus Group (PFG) Updates. Mary Beth Cottle from the 185th Avenue PFG and Bob McMillan from the Bethany Boulevard PFG will provide updates on what has happened since the groups formed and what is planned for this fall.

8:00 PM Safe Path to School. Children just a few blocks from the new Springville K-8 school are being bused across Springville Avenue because there is no safe crossing. Cedar Mill citizens had similar safety concerns about crossing Saltzman Boulevard near the Cedar Mill library. Virginia Bruce from CPO 1 will talk about the successful citizen effort to add stoplights at the intersection of Dogwood Street and Saltzman Boulevard in Cedar Mill.

8:30 PM Active Transportation. Susan Peithman from the Bicycle Transportation Alliance (BTA) works on organizing folks in Washington County around active transportation issues. She will talk with us about CPO 7 transportation concerns and ideas, and about upcoming opportunities for involvement including active transportation forums hosted by the BTA, 1000 Friends of Oregon, and the Willamette Pedestrian Coalition.

8:50 PM Wrap-up and adjourn

Oregon State University Extension Service supports CPOs through an intergovernmental agreement with Washington County, the sole funder of the CPO program. Extension CPO coordinators provide information on land use and livability issues, resource referrals, and work with CPO members to increase understanding of public policy and decision-making processes.

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To review the Bethany plans go to http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/Publications/bethany-cp.cfm

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Serving: Rock Creek ◆ Bethany ◆ West Union ◆ Neighborhoods south to Baseline Rd.
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CPO 7 Map: http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/sites/default/files/cpo7_0.pdf

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What Do You Want for Your Neighborhood, Your Future, Your Kids’ Future?

There are many things we each love about our neighborhoods and our local communities. There are also things that we would like to see change, improve. But what are the things that you want the most?

I hear regularly that cities and citizens throughout the region desire to enliven their downtowns and main streets. As your Metro Councilor, I am working with my colleagues on new approaches to how public and private partnerships can foster the kinds of communities that you and your fellow residents of our great region desire. As an elected official with planning responsibilities, certainly there are new policies or regulations to consider and no single tool is sufficient by itself. Metro planning experts, led by our Chief Operating Officer Michael Jordan, have recently issued an updated set of recommendations to all of us, calling for unprecedented collaboration to make more effective investments in public structures critical to maintaining our quality of life and shaping our future. This recommendation asks us to focus our attention on a new community investment strategy, designed to:

- Invest in safe, livable communities
- Promote economic development and good jobs
- Protect our natural areas
- Reduce inefficiency, foster innovation and demand accountability

A strategy like this will require collaborative action across local, regional and state governments. In all, there are over 45 different recommendations, 2 of which call for limited strategic expansions of the existing urban growth boundary. Unlike 20 year urban growth decisions of the past, this isn’t some big UGB decision. It IS a big collection of investment decisions we should discuss and consider making. So what do you think?

I want to hear from you, and we need to hear from you right now! If you are on your computer, check out [www.oregonmetro.gov/investment](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment). Take an online questionnaire beginning September 13 or e-mail your comments to [2040@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:2040@oregonmetro.gov). If you prefer face-to-face interaction, there are 5 open houses in various locations, so pick the one that works for your schedule. They are for you and your children, and why not also bring your relatives and neighbors too. There will be easy to understand displays, surveys that ask you questions meaningful to your everyday life and people to talk with and ask questions of. We need to receive your input on this strategy and these recommendations by the end of September.

A few things are certain about “the future” – our future – it’s coming, and one way or another, we’ll all be experiencing it together, so why not shape it now, together. I’m looking forward to hearing from you!

Open House listing: specific location information available on [www.oregonmetro.gov/investment](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/investment)

- **5 to 7 p.m. Monday, September 20**, Clackamas County Development Services Building, Community Room, 150 Beavercreek Rd, Oregon City, OR 97045
- **5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 21**, St Johns Community Center, Classroom 4, 8427 N. Central, Portland
- **5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, September 22**, Hillsboro Civic Center, 155 E Main St, Room 113C, Hillsboro, OR

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](mailto:Kathryn.harrington@oregonmetro.gov).

**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 construct a new fire station on the corner of NW Thompson and NW Evergreen St. *Neighborhood meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2010, 7:00PM at Findley Elementary School, 4155 SW Saltzman Rd.*
**LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

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<td>Beaverton School District No. 48J 7805 NW Kaiser Rd Portland 97229</td>
<td>Preliminary review approval for a 2-parcel partition.</td>
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<td>1000232  Type II R9</td>
<td>Arbor Lakes, LLC NW Brugger Rd</td>
<td>Preliminary review approval for a 96-lot subdivision, “Arbor Lakes No. 5.”</td>
<td>Application received. Awaiting public notice.</td>
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All Type III land use hearings are held at the Charles D. Cameron Public Services Building.  
[http://washims.co.washington.or.us/GIS/index.cfm?id=31](http://washims.co.washington.or.us/GIS/index.cfm?id=31)  
Mailing Address: Washington Co., DLUT, 155 N First Ave, Hillsboro, OR 97124

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**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](http://www.wccls.org/levy) or call 503.846.3222.

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

Upcoming Transportation Capital Project Focus Group Meetings:

185th Avenue West Union to Westview High School
The Project Focus Group meets on the first Tuesday of the month, from 5:00-7:00 pm at Rock Creek Community Church, 4470 NW 185th Ave. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, October 5, 2010. For agendas and additional information go to: http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/TransportationProjects/185th-avenue-west-union-to-westview-high-school.cfm?page=Events or contact Matt Meier Project Manager, (503) 846-7829, Email: matt_meier@co.washington.or.us

Bethany Boulevard (Bronson to West Union)
The Project Focus Group Meets on the first Thursday of the month from 5:00 -7:00 pm. The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, October 7, 2010 at 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Sunset Presbyterian Church, 14986 NW Cornell Road, Student Center (2nd Floor). For additional information go to http://projects.whpacific.com/bethanyblvd/ or contact Matt Costigan, Senior Project Manager at (503) 846-7825 or via email at matthew_costigan@co.washington.or.us
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

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

The September 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.

One additional workshop will focus on Metro’s Restoration and Enhancement Grants Program on **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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**Help Wanted**

CPO’s are somewhere to turn when you want to have your say, raise concerns, or learn about community issues. Our CPO provides an opportunity for citizen involvement in local land use and livability issues and is supported by Washington County and coordinated by the OSU Extension Service.

Each fall CPO 7 elects a steering committee to help coordinate future programs and speakers for meetings. This is a great chance to learn new skills, polish up old ones, and get to know your community better.

Please consider volunteering for these important officer positions. For more information contact Margot Barnett, CPO Coordinator, OSU Extension Service, 503-821-1114 or margot.barnett@oregonstate.edu.

*Andy Miller, CPO 7 Chair*

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**Our Green Washington County**

Partners for a Sustainable Washington County is teaching a PCC Community Education class called “Our Green Washington County”. This 8-week long Wednesday night course starting on October 6th combines in-class discussions and site visits to local sustainability locations. This is a chance to meet experts and community members interested in sustainability.

The cost for this course is $35. For more information on the curriculum and to register please go to [http://www.pcc.edu/schedule/default.cfm?fa=dspCourse2&thisTerm=201004&crsCode=GREENWC&topicCode=ENV&subtopicCode](http://www.pcc.edu/schedule/default.cfm?fa=dspCourse2&thisTerm=201004&crsCode=GREENWC&topicCode=ENV&subtopicCode).
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 #1: House District 33
Speakers: Michael Bicker (R), Mitch Greenlick (D), Incumbent

Topic #2: House District 27
Speakers: Dan Lucas (R), Togias Read (D), Incumbent

October 4, 2010
Topic #1: Senate District 13
Speakers: Larry George (R) Incumbent, Timi Parker (D)

Topic #2: Senate District 17
Speakers: Suzanne Bonamici (D) Incumbent, Steven Kirkpatrick (R)

Topic #3: Senate District 15.
Speakers: Chuck Riley (D), Bruce Starr (R) Incumbent

Topic #4: Senate District 19
Speakers: Richard Devlin (D) Incumbent, Mary Kremer(R)

October 11, 2010
Topic #1: Metro Presidential Candidates
Speakers: Bob Stacy , Tom Hughes

Topic #2: Governor Candidates/Invited
Speakers: Chris Dudley (R), John Kitzhaber (D)

October 18, 2010
Topic #1: Treasure Candidates
Speakers: Chris Telfer (R) and Ted Wheeler (D) Incumbent

Topic #2: Selected Initiatives on the ballot

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

Washington County 2010 Land Use Ordinances Update

Provided below is a partial list of land use ordinances from 2010. Official communications on ordinances must be received in writing or through oral or written testimony at hearings.
NOTE: Washington County is unable to accept e-mail as public testimony.

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<td>730</td>
<td>Ordinance No. 730 proposes to amend the Washington County Comprehensive Plan to adopt the North Bethany Subarea Plan and its implementing regulations.</td>
<td>Please see website for previous hearings and information.</td>
<td>September 21, 2010, 10:00am</td>
<td>Long Range Planning Division, Mike Dahlstrom 503-846-8101</td>
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<td>732</td>
<td>Ordinance No. 732 proposes to amend the Comprehensive Framework Plan for the Urban Area, the Cedar Hills-Cedar Mill Community Plan and the Community Development Code, relating to general updates and housekeeping.</td>
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<td>September 15, 2010</td>
<td>October 5, 2010, 10:00am Long Range Planning Division, Anne Elvers, 503-846-3583.</td>
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For more information about land use ordinances, contact the division at:
155 N. First Avenue, Suite 350
Hillsboro, OR 97124
503-846-3519 Telephone, 503-846-4412 Facsimile,
http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Divisions/LongRangePlanning/2010-land-use-ordinances.cfm
E-Mail questions to: lutplan@co.washington.or.us
Inquiring Minds Want to Know - How do I Prepare to Testify at a Board of County Commissioners Meeting?

Why should you bother to testify?
Testimony can have emotional impact, it indicates that you are concerned enough about an issue to come to a meeting and can be picked up by the press covering a meeting which communicates your concerns more broadly. Your comments will be considered by decision-makers along with other information submitted as part of the public record.

The Board of Commissioners welcomes public attendance and participation at its meetings. Anyone wishing to speak on an agenda item at a regular business meeting should feel free to do so. There are also two opportunities for citizens to address the Board on items that are not on the agenda.

When you get to the meeting you will need to sign in at the table located to the left of the auditorium entrance. Make sure you sign up for the specific agenda item or one of the other communication times whichever is appropriate for your testimony. When your name is announced, seat yourself at the table in front and state your name and home address for the record. If a number of people have signed up to speak two people may be called up at the same time. Groups or organizations wishing to make a presentation are asked to designate one spokesperson in the interest of time and to avoid repetition. If more than one person is testifying on the same issue it is helpful to avoid repetition in your comments. You can state that you agree with the comments by a particular speaker and then add any additional information that you want to highlight that has not been addressed by a previous speaker.

Testimony about Items on the Agenda
Public testimony for ordinances may be presented within the following time limits:
- First and second hearing - 3 minutes for individuals and 12 minutes for groups
- Additional hearings - 2 minutes for individuals and 5 minutes for groups
This may vary if there are many people signed up to testify, so pay attention to instructions provided at the meeting. If you are testifying about a contentious issue you will want to arrive early to sign up to testify, or be prepared to wait a long time.

Oral Communication on Topics Not On the Agenda
Speakers may select only one Oral Communication opportunity. The first opportunity occurs immediately following Board adoption of the consent agenda, members of the audience who have completed the sign-in procedure may step forward to address the Board. This opportunity is time-limited to two minutes per individual. If more time is needed, another (longer) oral communication opportunity is available at the end of the regular agenda. This second opportunity is time-limited to five minutes per individual and ten minutes per topic. The maximum time for Oral Communication is 30 minutes.

Tips for Effective Testimony
- Prepare your presentation to include two or three key points. Practice or role-play your testimony to be comfortable and to stay within the time limits.
- State your position in a clear way in your own words.
- Speak from your own experience - Talk about how the policy or decision affects you and others like you. Present facts relevant to the item being considered.
- Use your oral testimony time to highlight or summarize written testimony rather than reading written testimony
- Offer solutions and/or request specific actions, and remember to close your comments by thanking the Board.
- If submitting written testimony in person provide multiple copies and have an extra copy or two for the press if they are there. Written comments may also be submitted by mail or fax; email is not accepted.

If you have questions or want advice about the process described here contact your CPO Leaders or the CPO Program. Note that if you are testifying before a city council or other public body the specific rules for signing in and the amount of time you are allotted may vary. Check for specific rules by looking at the agency’s website or calling the administrative office. For dates, times and agendas of Board of Commissioner meetings see: http://www.co.washington.or.us/BOC/.
Introduction to Rainwater Harvesting Workshop

Please join us for a free 4-hour class to learn the basics of rainwater harvesting on **Saturday, November 13th, 9:00am to 1:00pm** at Clean Water Services, 2550 SW Hillsboro Hwy, in the Tualatin Room.

Topics to be covered:
- Rainwater collection for both urban and rural settings (<550 gallons)
- Potable and non-potable uses
- Parts needed to install a system
- How to calculate amount of water available for collection
- Water uses and irrigation efficiency
- Pump systems, gutters and downspouts
- Concept of large tanks (>550 gallons)
- Case studies

Please call Lacey Townsend, 503-648-3174, Ext 102 or email lacey.townsend@or.nacdnet.net to register by **Friday, November 5, 2010**. Event co-sponsored by: Clackamas County Soil and Water Conservation District, Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District, Tualatin River Watershed Council, OSU Extension Service, and Tualatin River Watershed Partners Clean Water.