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<http://www.co.washington.or.us/LUT/Division/s/LongRangePlanning/Publications/east-hillsborocp.cfm>

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Monday, September 12, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

Public Services Building, Room 140,

155 N. First Ave. Hillsboro

Between Main and Lincoln Streets.

Please use the back (west) doors, and park in the lot west of railroad tracks.

AGENDA

- 7:00PM** **Welcome, introductions and agenda review**
- 7:15PM** **Meet the City of Hillsboro's new Manager, Michael Brown.**
Come and ask Mr. Brown your questions about Downtown Revitalization, Airport issues, Public Works or anything having to do with the City's administration. (Learn more about Mr. Brown in the brief biography below.)
- 8:00PM** **Announcement and confirmation of CPO 9 Officers selected by the Steering Committee:**
Chair: Albert Stanfield
Vice Chair: Tom Black
Secretaries: Kimberly Culbertson, Heather Robinson
CCI Reps: Albert Stanfield, Heather Robinson (alternate)
Members at large: Glenna Dryden, Shaun Starr
- 8:05PM** **Committee for Citizen Involvement Update – Albert Stanfield**
- 8:15PM** **Open forum and announcements - A time for community members to bring up issues of concern, ideas for future meeting agendas or announce upcoming events of interest.**

The new Hillsboro City Manager, Michael Brown is an Oregon native who grew up on a small coastal range farm. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from the University of Oregon and a Masters in public administration from the University of Kansas. He has worked for governments in Corvallis, Oregon, Lexington, Mass., Olathe, Kansas and Colchester, Vermont. Most recently he served as manager in Douglas County, Nevada since 2008. He has volunteered with Big Brothers Big Sisters, the Boys & Girls Club, Special Olympics and Senior Meals on Wheels programs.

Turning Community Visions into Reality – Urban Renewal

Many places in our metropolitan region have crafted visions that identify key improvements to enhance their communities. In order to implement these visions, interested property owners who are willing to invest in positive future development are required. While community visions and property owner interest is paramount, selected public investments are also needed to help prime the pump and catalyze additional private investments in these areas. There is a proven community investment tool available to help –urban renewal. It is a program to help Oregon cities and counties renew specific areas within their boundaries. Urban renewal uses tax increment financing as a way for local governments to focus investments on a particular area in order to bring about public and private improvements. By targeting local investments in specific areas like downtowns, selected public projects and programs can address declining areas, provide incentives to attract private business and housing, build sidewalks, streets and utilities, address traffic flow and public safety, and support private investment in an area. As property values increase in the focus area, that value is captured and reinvested in projects which have been designed to enhance the focus area. Urban renewal is used frequently in Oregon, largely because it is not a new tax on someone's property or the general public – it shifts future property tax revenues in the target area to the present day to pay for improvements.

But why is urban renewal sometimes thought of as controversial? In Washington County, urban renewal has been very selectively and successfully used, with clearly defined plans, in places such as Hillsboro and Sherwood. In the City of Portland, there are many urban renewal areas which have built many great structures which exemplify Portland as we know it today – places like Pioneer Courthouse Square, Ira Keller Fountain, the Chinatown Gateway, Waterfront Park and the Eastbank Esplanade Trail. Currently, the City of Portland, through the Portland Development Commission (PDC) has 10 active urban renewal areas, each with unique needs and programs and not all of the Portland investments are easily understood. With multiple complex programs going on simultaneously, doubt and misinformation can complicate matters for everyday people who wish to understand Portland's urban renewal programs. But here in Washington County, urban renewal is used on a more limited basis. It is also more focused and guided by adopted community visions and plans which increase the likelihood for successful outcomes in the intended area as well as for our whole community.

Your regional, county, and city elected officials and staff work hard to make your community vision a reality, so that this continues to be a great place for you and your family to live and prosper. You have contributed to exciting community visions, and together with interested property owners and strategic public investments made through tools like urban renewal, we are *Making a Great Place*.

-Kathryn Harrington

'It's Our Nature' outreach initiative brings Metro natural areas to you, and vice versa. Like any good hike, the journey to preserve the Portland metropolitan area's natural treasures warrants a stop along the way to reflect on where the region has come from and where it's going. That's why Metro is engaging the community this summer with the "It's Our Nature" outreach initiative. Find out more here: <http://news.oregonmetro.gov/5/post.cfm/it-s-our-nature-outreach-initiative-brings-metro-natural-areas-to-you-and-vice-versa>.

Household hazardous waste fee reinstated, solid waste rate increases. To help cover the costs of operating the program, Metro is reinstating a Household Hazardous Waste fee. The \$5 fee will be charged for a load up to 35 gallons of waste; each additional 35 gallons will be charged an additional \$5. Disposal rates at Metro's two transfer stations will also be increasing, effective Aug. 1. Find out the details here: <http://news.oregonmetro.gov/5/post.cfm/household-hazardous-waste-fee-reinstated-solid-waste-rate-increases>.

Washington County Disability, Aging & Veteran Services Seeks Input to Develop their New Strategic Plan

Washington County Disability, Aging & Veteran Services (DAVS) is seeking input from the community to include in the development of their three-year strategic plan. The new strategic plan will be for 3 years beginning in 2012 through 2014. DAVS is looking for members of the community of all ages to participate in the planning process by engaging in one of several community discussions. DAVS is interested in the opinions of Washington County residents about retirement and what services and activities they need and want as they grow older. Anyone interested can also take a short survey by going to <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CVL58YN>.

Chris Larson is serving as the contract facilitator for the process. She is committed to gathering as much community input as possible. Chris states, "Our society has never experienced a time when so many people are living to advanced ages. Right now, more than 25 percent of Washington County residents are over the age of 50. Planning for such a large group of individuals is challenging for agencies like DAVS charged with developing services to meet the needs of older people as well as veterans and those with disabilities. We need the community's help to make sure we are on the right track in planning for current and future needs."

The 3-year plan will address the needs and the gaps in services for seniors, veterans and people with disabilities.

The focus groups will be available for the community to attend at the following dates, times and locations:

- **Forest Grove Community Auditorium**, Thursday, September 15th, 12:00pm-2:00 pm
- **Washington County Public Services Building**, Monday, September 19th, 6:00pm-8:30 pm
- **Tualatin Public Library**, Thursday, September 22nd, 10:00am-12:00pm
- **Beaverton City Library**, Monday, September 26th, 6:00pm-8:00 pm

For more information about the focus groups, the strategic planning process, or if you would like a paper copy of the survey, please contact Janet Long at (503-846-3081) or E-mail to: janet_long@co.washington.or.us.

Rent Well, a Free Tenant Education Program

Free training begins Thursday, September 29, 2011, 9:00am to 11:30am every week for 6 weeks to be held at Willow Creek Center, 241 SW Edgeway Dr (off 185th Ave), Beaverton, Room 204.

- Learn about your responsibilities as a tenant
- Learn about Landlord - Tenant Laws
- Start taking steps to finding housing

This is for you if you are:

- Looking for affordable housing,
- Getting denied because of barriers
- Unsure of your rights as a renter



Registration starts September 22nd at 8:00 am. Call: 503-640-3263 to add your name to the list. Child care is not available, and kids are not allowed in the classroom.

New Website for Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD)

The Tualatin SWCD has a brand new website! Please visit <http://www.swcd.net/> to check it out! The new site is easier to use and includes lots of useful conservation information. While you're there, sign up for the e-newsletter to get information about upcoming events and SWCD news. Hope you enjoy it!



CITY OF HILLSBORO LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

CASE #/ZONE	APPLICANT/LOCATION	PROPOSED ACTION	STATUS
ZC 4-11 Island Annexations Area 5	City of Hillsboro Zone changes are being addressed by geographic sub- areas.	The Board will consider a City-initiated request for approval of a zone change on several properties. The subject properties were recently annexed into the city limits during the voluntary Island Annexation process.	Approved 8/16/11
AN 2-11 ZC 5-11 Price	City of Hillsboro Located on the western side of NW 10 th Ave, south of NW Padgett Rd, north of NW Darnielle St.	Request for annexation of one property about 0.35 acres into the City Limits of Hillsboro and a City-initiated request for approval of a zone change from County R-9 to City R-7 Single Family Residential (7000 sq. ft. minimum lot size) on the same property.	Approved 8/02/11 Pending State Acceptance
DR 19-11 Subway	Thomas Sconzo on behalf of Subway North of SW Walnut St, south of SW Oak St, east of SW 17 th Ave, west of SW Armco Ave.	Proposal to construct a new, stand-alone Subway restaurant with drive-thru and sit-down food service. The proposed building would be about 1800 square feet and would be located within the existing parking lot directly north of 1400 SW Oak St.	Pending
DR 22-11 Spalding Accessory Dwelling Unit	Hoben Spalding and Hiroko Sekiguchi 475 SW 16 th Ave	Proposal to construct a detached accessory dwelling unit about 750 square feet. The new dwelling is proposed to be located on the northwest corner of the subject property.	Approved 8/02/11
VAR 1-11 Arbor Pass Creekside Apartments	West Hills Development North of NW Wilkins St, east of NW Cornelius Pass Rd, west of NW Arroyo Place.	Requests a variance to increase the maximum off-street parking spaces allowed within a proposed 193-unit multi-family residential project. The applicant proposes provision of a total of 374 parking spaces, which exceeds the maximum allowed parking by 39 spaces.	Approved 8/10/11
Downtown core conversion of 1- way grid back to 2-way travel	Main St and Lincoln St from 1 st Ave to 6 th Ave. 2 nd through 5 th Avenues from Lincoln St to Walnut St.	Review a Draft City Council Ordinance regarding the proposed conversion of streets in Downtown Hillsboro from one-way to two-way streets.	Pending
FA 1-11 Jackson Bottom North Viewing area Multi-use Trail	City of Hillsboro East of SW Hillsboro Hwy, south of SE Maple St.	Proposal to elevate the grade at the north end of the proposed multi-use trail, which will connect the Jackson Bottom north viewing area with the Jackson Bottom Wetlands Education Building.	Pending
DR 24-11 Bruce Chevrolet Renovations	Bruce Chevrolet 1084 SW Oak St	Proposal to remodel and renovate the exterior of the existing building with new siding, parapet façade and signage. The signage will be reviewed separately and a sign permit will be required. Additional parking, a new stairway to the main entry door and an accessible ramp are also proposed.	Pending
DR 23-11 Tokola 4 th and Main	Tokola Properties 350 East Main St	Proposal to construct a mixed-use development consisting of two buildings, one of which would be the existing building that would remain and be refurbished for commercial/retail uses. A new four-story building is proposed to include commercial/retail uses and “urban loft” residential units on the ground floor and residential units on the upper floors for a 71 multi-family units. Below grade parking is proposed for residential tenants.	Pending

CITY OF HILLSBORO LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS Continued

CASE #/ZONE	APPLICANT/LOCATION	PROPOSED ACTION	STATUS
DR 25-11 Intel Ronler Acres – D1X Central Utility Building (CUB4)	Intel Corp North of NE Butler St, south of NW Evergreen Pkwy, east of NW Shute Rd, west of NW 229 th Ave.	Proposal to construct a new two-level, 99,703 square-foot central utility building (CUB4) intended to support the new D1X fabrication building. The new CUB4 will be constructed within the same building footprint as the RS3 building, which is being demolished. The application also includes interconnecting trestles between the D1X and CUB 4 buildings, and cooling towers.	Pending
DW 2-11 Withdrawing previously annexed properties from Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD)	City of Hillsboro	City Council to consider a request to withdraw properties previously annexed into the Hillsboro city limits, from the Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD).	Pending
DR 26-11 Umpqua Technology and Service Center	Howard S. Wright Construction 20085 NW Tanasbourne Drive.	Proposal to make exterior alteration to the existing building, including window replacement with metal siding, and tow mechanical/generator equipment enclosures. The enclosures will screen and contain mechanical equipment and cooling towers. One is to be located at the northern end of the existing building and a second at the NW side. The applicant also proposed to create a covered patio area for employees on the NW side of the building.	Pending
ZC 6-11 Island Annexations Area 6	City of Hillsboro Subject properties are located northeast of the Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve, and southwest of SE 7 th Ave.	Consider a City-initiated request for approval of a zone change from County IND Industrial to City R-7 Single Family Residential on portions of two properties.	Pending
ZC 7-11 Hillsboro and Rickett Properties	City of Hillsboro Northeast of the Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve, and southwest of SE 7 th Ave.	Consider a City-initiated request for approval of a zone change from County IND Industrial to City M-2 Industrial on three properties. The subject properties were previously annexed into the city limits.	Pending
AN 3-11 and ZC 8-11 Thompson	City of Hillsboro Located generally south of SE Witch Hazel Rd, west of SE 45 th Ct, east of SE 48 th Pl.	Consider a request for annexation of one property, about 0.87 acres into the City Limits of Hillsboro. Second hearing to consider a City-initiated request for approval of a zone change from County R-9 Residential to City R-7 Single Family-Residential and from County R-15 Residential to City A-1 Duplex Residential on the same property.	Pending
DR 28-11 Harewood Pool House Expansion	Jackson School Home Owners Association 450 NE Harewood St.	Proposal to expand the existing Jackson School neighborhood pool house to provide an additional 246 square feet for storage. The proposed addition would be located on the east side of the existing pool house.	Pending.

Hillsboro Planning Department, 150 E. Main St. Fourth Floor, Hillsboro, Oregon. 503-681-6153
Planning and Zoning Hearings Board; Planning Commission and City Council meetings are held in the Auditorium,
Hillsboro Civic Center, 150 E. Main St, Hillsboro. www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/Planning
Order of testimony: applicant; other proponents; opponents; applicant's rebuttal. Refer to DR Monthly Report on the City
of Hillsboro website at <http://www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/Planning/DevReviewMonthReport/Default.aspx>

Join the Transportation Plan Update Citizen Advisory Committee

Washington County is planning to update its transportation plan and is looking for area residents to serve on a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to help guide the project.

Transportation issues continue to be of major concern in Washington County and throughout the region. As growth continues and the challenge of accommodating travel needs becomes more difficult, these concerns are unlikely to abate. Although minor modifications to the plan occur fairly frequently, the last comprehensive review of the plan was completed in 2002. This update, which is expected to occur over the next 18-24 months, provides an opportunity for residents and local government officials and staff to work together to respond to and identify innovative approaches for addressing future transportation needs.

County Board members will be reviewing specific proposals for CAC composition and a selection process over the next few weeks. It is anticipated that CAC membership will reflect a diversity of perspectives and experiences and a balance of geographic, modal and stakeholder interests.

An application packet is being developed and is expected to be available shortly. People who think they may be interested in serving on the committee and would like an application packet when they're available should contact the Long Range Planning Division at 503-846-3519.

Project staff also are compiling a list of people interested in being kept aware of plan update progress and participation opportunities, though they may not be interested in committing to serve on the CAC. Residents interested in this level of participation may also call 503-846-3519 and ask to be included on the appropriate notification list.



The Museum Chronicle – Family Day Begins in September

Family Day begins in September. The **free** monthly event returns for family fun and activities at the Washington County Museum on Saturday, **September 10, 2011 from 10:00am to 2:00pm.**

Join Washington County Museum staff and Print Arts Northwest volunteers for free hands-on history and art activities for the whole family.



This year's theme is Discovery. Bring the kids and create a project to take home, enjoy stories, see and touch artifacts, learn about local history and more. A book-making project and pioneer toys are on the September 10th schedule. Family Day is held monthly on the second Saturday at the Museum from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Museum is located on the PCC-Rock Creek Campus, 17677 NW Springville Road, Portland. Family Day is open to the public and no reservations are required. And it's FREE!

Other upcoming events: Crossroads Lecture, Sent to Serve: The Chaplains of 9/11. Beaverton author Wally Johnston shares his experience at Ground Zero 10 years after the terrorist attack in 2001. **Wednesday, September 21, 2011, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.** Museum members: free. Nonmembers: \$3.00. National Museum Day. Bring a picnic lunch and listen to the sounds of the Minidoka Swing Band from noon to 2:30 p.m. **Saturday, September 24th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Free admission all day.

For more information please go to www.washingtoncountymuseum.org or call 503-645-5353, ext. 103.



Want to Extend Your Interest in the Woods, Waters and Natural Areas of Washington County?

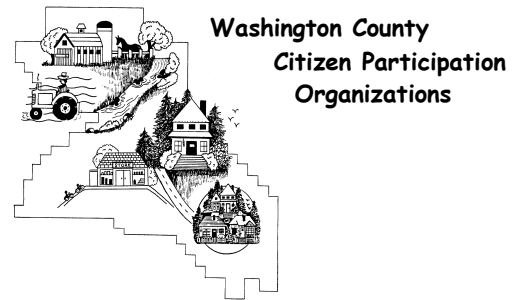
Washington County Citizen Participation Organizations seek Representative for Tualatin River Watershed Council

If you live, own property or a business in Washington County you are eligible to become the Citizen Participation Organization (CPO) representative member on the Tualatin River Watershed Council. Serving on the Council is a great way to use and learn new skills, and meet others interested in natural resource management, government and education. The Tualatin River Watershed Council is a watershed-stewardship organization that promotes and encourages *sustainability and watershed-wise practices* in the Tualatin River watershed. The Council was formed in 1993 and is comprised of 20 stakeholder representatives, including representatives from the basin's agricultural, forestry, business, citizens, education, environmental, fisheries, county, city and special service districts (such as water, sewage and parks) interests.

The Council's mission is to foster better stewardship and understanding of the Tualatin River watershed resources; address natural resource issues; and ensure sustainable watershed health, functions, and uses. The council works by connecting volunteers, friends groups, and landowners with resources to restore and protect the land; providing watershed stewardship education; sharing information on watershed conditions; and improving watershed health by implementing the Council's 10-point Action Plan. More information such as watershed analysis for the basin and sub-basins, basin activities, the Council current members and projects can be found at www.trwc.org.

Council representative's responsibilities:

- Attend monthly TRWC meetings, participate on a Council Committee and participate in additional Council activities that match your interests. The Council meets from 7 – 9 pm on the first Wednesday of each month at Clean Water Services Administrative building in Hillsboro, Oregon.
- Share information about CPO activities with the Council, share information with CPO stakeholder groups about Council activities and provide CPO input, participate on a Council committee and in Council activities.



<http://extension.oregonstate.edu/washington/cpo>

For more information, contact Washington County CPO Program 503-821-1128, cpo.wash.co@oregonstate.edu or April Olbrich, Council Coordinator, 503-846-4810, trwc@easystreet.net.

9-1-1 is calling YOU . . . if You Sign Up!

We all know to call 9-1-1 when we need help, but now 9-1-1 wants to call you! Our central dispatch center, Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency, has implemented a new emergency notification system, also known as reverse 911.

Reverse 911 allows dispatch to send emergency messages to people within a given area or radius of an emergency. The messages will provide information or instructions to help you know how to react. You can receive the messages via your landline telephone, cellular phone, email, and Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) phone. Sign up today at

<http://www.wccca.com/wcens/>



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Bicycle Lighting – A Life or Death Decision

One tragic night at about 9 pm on August 3rd, three friends were riding their bikes on a dark rural road near North Plains. They were riding in the roadway, but had no lights on their bikes or reflective clothing. As they rounded a curve in the road, they were struck from behind by a pickup truck traveling 55 mph, the speed limit on this stretch of roadway. Without lights or light clothing, they were virtually invisible in the darkness until it was too late. The ensuing crash took the life of one cyclist and injured the other two.

What type of lighting does your bicycle have? What about your child’s? Will your children be riding at dusk or in hours of darkness? Sergeant Steve Thompson of our Bike Patrol Unit explains that the law only requires a bicycle to have a white light to the front and a red reflector to the rear at times of limited visibility. However, that alone may not keep you safe. In addition to the white light on the front of your bike, we recommend that you invest in and always use an illuminated red light for the rear.



Be more visible with proper lighting:

- Lights that strobe or flash are more noticeable than continuous lights
- Higher wattage and lumens are brighter and therefore easier to see
- Consider secondary lights that clip to the rider’s clothing, front and rear.
- Wear light colored clothing or, even better, reflective clothing
- The more you shine and stand out, the more likely motorists will notice you.

You can learn a lot by visiting one of the many helpful bike shops and outdoor sporting goods stores located throughout Washington County.