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METRO

Agenda

MEETING: METRO COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
DATE: May 11, 2006
DAY: Thursday
TIME: 2:00 PM
PLACE: Metro Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

3. PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY/METRO CAPSTONE PROJECT Weigand

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Consideration of Minutes for the April 27, 2006 Metro Council Regular Meeting.

4.2 **Resolution No. 06-3681**, For the Purpose of Certifying to the Federal Transit Administration the Authority of Metro's Chief Operating Officer.

5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1 **Resolution No. 06-3687**, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Enter Into Options to Purchase Property Under the 1995 Open Spaces Bond Measure and Proposed 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure in Accord With the Open Spaces Implementation Work Plan and Providing Funding. McLain

5.2 **Resolution No. 06-3691**, For the Purpose of Approving Information Materials For the 2006 Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Bond Measure. McLain

5.3 **Resolution No. 06-3697**, For the Purpose of Approving First Round Funding For the Nature in Neighborhood (NIN) Grants. Park

6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

ADJOURN

Television schedule for May 11, 2006 Metro Council meeting

Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties, and Vancouver, Wash. Channel 11 -- Community Access Network www.yourtv.org -- (503) 629-8534 2 p.m. Thursday, May 11 (live)	Portland Channel 30 (CityNet 30) -- Portland Community Media www.pcmv.org -- (503) 288-1515 8:30 p.m. Sunday, May 14 2 p.m. Monday, May 15
Gresham Channel 30 -- MCTV www.mctv.org -- (503) 491-7636 2 p.m. Monday, May 15	Washington County Channel 30 -- TVC-TV www.tvctv.org -- (503) 629-8534 11 p.m. Saturday, May 13 11 p.m. Sunday, May 14 6 a.m. Tuesday, May 16 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 17
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MINUTES OF THE METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, April 27, 2006
Metro Council Chamber

Councilors Present: David Bragdon (Council President), Susan McLain, Robert Liberty, Rex Burkholder, Carl Hosticka, Rod Park, Brian Newman

Councilors Absent:

Council President Bragdon convened the Regular Council Meeting at 2:01 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS

There were none.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Consideration of minutes of the April 20, 2006 Regular Council Meetings.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt the meeting minutes of the April 20, 2006 Regular Metro Council.
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Vote:	Councilors Burkholder, McLain, Liberty, Park, Newman, Hosticka and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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4. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

4.1 **Ordinance No. 06-1113**, For the Purpose of Adopting the Annual Budget For Fiscal Year 2006-07, Making Appropriations, and Levying Ad Valorem Taxes, and Declaring an Emergency.

Motion:	Councilor Newman moved to adopt Ordinance No. 06-1113.
Seconded:	Councilor Liberty seconded the motion

Council President Bragdon explained the process for today's budget amendments and opened a public hearing on Ordinance No. 06-1113.

Mary Kyle McCurdy, 1000 Friends of Oregon, 534 SW 3rd Portland OR 97202 said they supported the budget proposal concerning capture value. They thought this was an essential part of the New Look.

Marcus Simantel, 2024 SW Howards Way Portland OR 97201 said he had provided a letter, which summarized his recommendation on easement options (a copy of which is included in the meeting record).

Councilor Park asked Ms. Kyle McCurdy about the windfall tax. He asked why it should apply to only one particular area and not others. Ms. McCurdy said this was the first step. The important issue was that there was a lack of funding for urban planning. We needed to be creative in our funding sources. She felt Councilor Park suggestion was positive, to look at other areas as well. Mr. Simantel added his comments in support of the windfall taxes. Councilor Park explained why he asked the question.

Councilor Liberty asked Mr. Simantel about conservation easements costs. Did he have sense of prices and receptivity of farmers? Mr. Simantel said he was unsure he could respond to the comment.

Council President Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Motion to amend:	Councilor Burkholder moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with in a block the technical departmental amendments.
Seconded:	Councilor Newman seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder said they had reviewed these technical amendments and explained why these amendments were before Council. He noted that these amendments were not substantive.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Burkholder moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with MERC amendment #2, 3, and 4.
Seconded:	Councilor Liberty seconded the motion

Jeff Miller, General Manager, explained all three Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission (MERC) amendments (a copy of these amendments is included in the meeting record).

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Newman moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Planning Amendment #2.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Newman explained the Planning amendment concerning Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP). This increased funding for certain projects.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Hosticka moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Parks Amendment #5.
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Seconded:	Councilor Liberty seconded the motion
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Councilor Hosticka explained the amendment concerning the Tonquin Trail Master Plan.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Burkholder moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with HR Amendment #2.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder summarized the amendment concerning a budget note about health care tiered rates. Council President Bragdon felt this was a good move.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Alexis Dow, Metro Auditor, said she had an opportunity to study the budget. She asked that the Auditor amendments be withdrawn.

Motion to amend:	Councilor Liberty moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with General Amendment #3 and noted he was withdrawing General Amendment #2.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor McLain asked for a friendly amendment, which would have the funds released after November 10, 2006. The friendly amendment was acceptable to the maker and seconder of the motion.

Councilor Liberty said the amendment was to increase finding to further explore and develop a proposal for a tax on development in Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) expansion areas. He provided a history to support the amendment. He spoke to the work that still needed to be done. Councilor Hosticka asked about copy right on this idea? Councilor Liberty responded to his question. Councilor McLain supported the amendment as amended. Councilor Park said he would be voting in favor of this with the added friendly amendment. Council President Bragdon echoed his support. He also thanked Councilor McLain for her suggestion on timing. He noted that this empowered the Chief Operating Officer (COO) to do his job. Councilor Liberty asked Councilor McLain what happened after November 10, 2006. Councilor McLain felt there were still things that needed to be answered. Councilor Liberty explained why he would be voting for this amendment as amended. He also spoke to the issue of timing. He appreciated the support.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Burkholder moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with General Amendment #8.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder explained his amendment concerning the Regional Leadership Initiative and a limited pilot project. He noted a proposed council project concerning health care. This would provide the administration to support the initiative. Councilor Newman thanked Councilor Burkholder for the changes he had made to the amendment. He asked Bill Stringer, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), to explain the attached graph. Mr. Stringer could not explain the graph. Council President Bragdon thanked Councilors Burkholder and Hosticka for the work on this idea. They needed to make sure the rest of the Council was involved in the initiative. Councilor Burkholder's amendment would allow continuation of the initiative. Councilor Newman said he was comfortable with the proposal today with the changes in funding source. Councilor Park felt there was a great need for a convener role at Metro as well as other governments. Councilor Burkholder indicated that projects had not been chosen yet. Michael Jordan, COO, said we provide a number of services to other entities.

Vote to amend:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.

Motion to amend:	Councilor Newman moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with General Amendment #5.
Seconded:	Councilor McLain seconded the motion

Councilor Newman said this budget amendment had to do with an increase in Councilor district accounts \$500.00 primarily due to inflationary costs over the past eight years.

Vote to amend:

Councilors Park, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 aye/1 nay/1 abstain, the motion passed with Councilor Hosticka abstaining from the vote and Council President Bragdon voting against the amendment.

Motion to amend:	Councilor Newman moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with General Amendment #6.
Seconded:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion

Councilor Newman talked about the amendment having to do nature friendly design competition. Councilor Hosticka enthusiastically supported this amendment, indicating this was another method to generate activity in the community concerning Nature in the Neighborhood. Council President Bragdon said he would also be supporting this amendment.

Vote to amend:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.

Motion to amend:	Councilor McLain moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with General Amendment #7.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Councilor McLain said this amendment would establish a diversity internship in the Council Office. This would give credence to the goal of a diverse workforce. Councilor Newman

supported the amendment. Councilor Burkholder also supported this amendment and called attention to Amendment HR #1 which had similar goals. Councilor Liberty felt the internship had helped Council projects move forward. Council President Bragdon thanked Councilor McLain for her extra effort on this issue.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Liberty moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Planning Amendment #2.
Seconded:	Councilor Burkholder seconded the motion

Councilor Liberty provided an explanation of the amendment, which restored staffing to continue work on housing choices task force. There was slight modification as proposed on Tuesday, no money was being taken from the New Look. Councilor Park asked how the data would be collected. Councilor Liberty responded to his question. Councilor Park asked further clarifying questions. Mr. Jordan said he didn't think he had the answer to his questions yet. He was not sure how far this amendment would go to help the situation on affordable housing. Councilor Burkholder said they were looking for useful data and not overburdening jurisdictions. He explained how the concept would work using known federal data as a start. Councilor Newman appreciated the change in the funding but would vote no on the amendment. He explained his vote. Councilor McLain felt that there were not enough partners, FTE, data or appropriate solutions for affordable housing. She shared why she supported the amendment yet she understood Councilor Newman's concerns. Council President Bragdon expressed his appreciation for Councilors Burkholder and Liberty change in direction. Councilor Burkholder said this was a difficult issue and it took attention by Council and staff. They wanted to have results. Councilor Liberty said he felt this was a modest financial commitment to looking at housing choices.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 aye/1 nay, the motion passed with Councilor Newman voting no.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor McLain moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Planning Amendment #3.
Seconded:	Councilor Liberty seconded the motion

Councilor McLain summarized her amendment concerning outreach effort to talk about key issues, trade-offs and direction of the New Look. She provided a history of outreach efforts to reach citizens concerning land use issues. She felt this financial investment was very modest. She urged support. Councilor Park said he supported the amendment to expand the scope between transportation and land use. Councilor Liberty said he supported this because he felt it was a nice match to a proposed amendment having to do with the web.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Liberty moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Public Affairs Amendment #1.
Seconded:	Councilor Burkholder seconded the motion

Councilor Liberty talked about his amendment concerning Year 2 of the economic development speaker series. He explained the difference between this year's series and next year's series. Mike Wetter, Council Office, provided comments on the speaker series and his suggestion for changes for the upcoming year. Councilors Liberty and Hosticka provided comments on this year's events and their hopes for next year. Councilor Newman also supported the amendment. This activity allowed Metro to act as a resource. He suggested scheduling these during the lunch hour. Council President Bragdon said he felt this was an important amendment and explained why it wasn't part of the original recommended budget.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Liberty moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with Public Affairs Amendment #2.
Seconded:	Councilor McLain seconded the motion

Councilor Liberty provided a summary of the amendment having to do with adding \$100,000 to enhance our website. He noted the value of the Metro website. It was becoming more important to how we do outreach to the public. He spoke to savings in time and resources. He talked about the history of the web and the need for additional tools and resources. Councilor Burkholder said he used the web all of the time. It was a very critical tool to get information to the public. He suggested using general fund contingency rather than Planning funds. Council President Bragdon noted that the proposal allowed the COO to adjust where the funds came from. Kathy Rutkowski, Budget Coordinator, explained the funding sources. Councilor Newman acknowledged that the website had greatly improved over the last four years. The web could be used for the New Look as an interactive tool. Councilor McLain felt it was important to have a variety of tools to serve our citizens. Councilor Park asked Ms. Rutkowski about the solid waste funds. Ms. Rutkowski said this would be folded into the cost allocation plan. Council President Bragdon spoke to the cost allocation funds and cautioned use of these funds. Councilor Liberty detailed the amendment and urged support.

Vote to amend:	Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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Motion to amend:	Councilor Burkholder moved to amend Ordinance No. 06-1113 with HR Amendment #1.
Seconded:	Councilor Newman seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder said this would establish an internship program for at risk youth. 10 to 12 students every year would participate in this internship program. Councilor Newman said the Oregon Zoo had a similar program. Their program had been very successful. He suggested not using the word "at risk". Councilor Park asked about the success of the program. Kevin Dull, Human Resources Department, responded to his question.

Vote to amend:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, McLain, Newman, Liberty and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.

Council President Bragdon announced that the budget would now go the Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission (TSCC) for review and be back at Council on June 22nd for final consideration.

5. RESOLUTIONS

5.1 **Resolution No. 06-3670**, For the Purpose of Approving the FY 2006-07 Budget and Transmitting the Approved Budget to the Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission.

Motion:	Councilor Hosticka moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3670.
Seconded:	Councilor Park seconded the motion

Council President Bragdon said this resolution would provide TSCC the opportunity to review Metro's upcoming budget. He urged support.

Vote:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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5.2 **Resolution No. 06-3685**, For the Purpose of Amending the 2006-09 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program to Add a Preservation Project on Highway 213 Between I-205 and Conway Drive.

Motion:	Councilor Burkholder moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3685.
Seconded:	Councilor McLain seconded the motion

Councilor Burkholder said this was part of their responsibilities as a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). He further explained the project. Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) had approved this MTIP amendment. Councilor Liberty asked about repaving and pedestrian issues. Councilor Burkholder responded to his question.

Vote:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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5.3 **Resolution No. 06-3692**, For the Purpose of Designating an Additional Council Project and Confirming a Lead Councilor and Council Liaison For Spring 2006.

Motion:	Councilor Hosticka moved to adopt Resolution No. 06-3692.
Seconded:	Councilor Burkholder seconded the motion

Councilor Hosticka said health care costs continued to increase at a rapid rate. There were increased costs to the citizens we represented. There was talk about what Metro should do about this. He wished to address this question through public policy. This resolution would establish a

council work project to examine what role Metro should take in the health care issue. Should Metro play a role, what was the nature of the role, what would it cost and was it in their authority. At the end of the pilot project, they would determine if Metro had a role on this issue.

Council President Bragdon opened a public hearing on Resolution No. 06-3692.

Ellen Lowe, Make Health Care Work Campaign Steering Committee, 901 SW King Ave Portland OR said she had been involved in health service benefit design for many years. She noted the letter from the steering committee supporting this idea. Her effort in outreach was not through public hearings but through libraries, etc. She discovered that citizens were interested in hours and place of service, family friendly accessibility. There was a need for facilities to be family friendly and accessible. She encouraged Council to make use of the policy questions. She did not have the answer but knew the questions were there. This was a community collaboration effort.

Bruce Bishop, Harrang Long Gary Rudwick PC for Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, 333 High St NE #200 Salem OR 97301 said he was the lobbyist for the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. He summarized the letter from Andrew Davidson and shared the concerns they had with the scope of the project. There was a lack of specificity in the project. Councilor Burkholder said they did not know where this might lead. Metro may not play a role even if they helped convene a group for discussion. They were using a collaborative problem-solving model. Councilor Park provided his comments. Councilor Liberty said he had two interests; 1) issues about setting facilities outside centers, and 2) building new facilities and impacts on making health care more expensive. Mr. Bishop said Metro had a responsibility for land use and transportation planning and where health care facilities might be placed. He felt the project was vague. The construction of new facilities had a financial impact. He was concerned that Metro might have a regulatory impact on health care facilities. Ms. Lowe added her comments. She said they would be hearing from people about what they needed, particularly accessibility. She felt this would provide a voice for the citizens.

Felisa Hagins, 3526 SE 26th Ave Portland OR 97202, Service Employees International Union Local 49 talked about the history of their union. They were asking Metro to convene a group of people to talk about health care regionally. She talked about what Metro did well such as livability and land use planning. Metro planned for the future of the region.

Councilor Hosticka noted an email, which had to do with this issue (a copy of which is included in the meeting record). He also entered an article from the Business Journal.

Council President Bragdon closed the public hearing.

Councilor McLain said the speakers covered a gamut of issues about health care. She spoke to the challenges. They had people come to Metro all of the time to look at regional issues. She talked about the taxicab-licensing request. After they had looked at the issue, they determined that they would not deal with this request. They had a responsibility to look at this issue. They were responding to the public with this request. Councilor Newman said he supported the resolution. In the role of planning, Metro had not been an implementer but a coordinator. He spoke to Metro's assets as a convener and coordinator. These project proposals were relatively new. It was an iterative process. He felt this was a subject that was worth looking into. They wanted to bring people to the table to have a dialogue.

Councilor Liberty said complete communities included physical access to health care facilities. He felt this was important first step.

Councilor Park said he would be interested in the scoping phase. They can address the land use transportation connection. Access to health care was very important. He was in favor of this but wanted the end result to be useful.

Councilor Burkholder said the health care system is broken. He said they needed to have discussion about how the system could be fixed. If they can do anything to help this discussion go forward he felt they should do it.

Councilor Hosticka appreciated the Councilors' comments. He also appreciated those who were in attendance in the audience. They knew it was a difficult issue but we needed to move forward to help scope the project. He talked about the history of cost increases and access decreases to health care. They were trying to determine if there was an appropriate Metro role. They had to find out what they could do. He urged support.

Vote:

Councilors Park, Hosticka, Burkholder, Newman, McLain, Liberty, and Council President Bragdon voted in support of the motion. The vote was 7 aye, the motion passed.
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6. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION

Michael Jordan, COO, thanked the budget staff for their efforts with less resources than they had ever had. Second, he thanked the Council for their work last fall on the budget. It made it much easier to put a comprehensive budget together. Finally, he thanked the senior managers for the effort to make the budget more sustainable.

7. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

Council President Bragdon said there would be no May 4th council meeting but they would be back in session for May 11th.

Councilor Burkholder said he had attended a meeting last night on I-5 corridor. The project staff would be presenting various options.

Councilor Hosticka said the panel of Economic Advisors had their first meeting today. He talked about their discussion.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Metro Council, Council President Bragdon adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Prepared by

Chris Billington
Clerk of the Council

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2006

Item	Topic	Doc Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
3.1	Minutes	4/20/06	Metro Council Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2006	042706c-01
5.3	Letter	4/26/06	To: David Bragdon and Metro Council From: Andrew Davidson, CEO and President of Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems Re: Resolution No. 06-3692	042706c-02
4.1	Memo	4/27/06	To: Metro Council From: Francois LaFitte, FAS Intern Re: Regional Leadership Initiative	042706c-03
4.1	Amendment packet	4/19/06	To: Metro Council From: Kathy Rutkowski, Budget Coordinator Re: Proposed amendments to the FY 2006-07 Budget	042706c-04
4.1	Amendments revisions	4/27/06	To: Metro Council From: Kathy Rutkowski, Budget Coordinator Re: Revisions to Councilor Generated Amendments to the FY 2006-07 Proposed Budget	042706c-05
4.1	Amendment summary	4/27/06	To: Metro Council From: Kathy Rutkowski, Budget Coordinator Re: FY 2006-07 Proposed budget summary of amendments and actions	042706c-06
5.3	Letter	4/26/06	To: Council President Bragdon and Metro Council From: Richard Cagen Chief Administrative and Strategic Officer Providence Health System – Oregon Re: Resolution No. 06-3692 concerns	042706c-07
4.1	Memo	4/27/06	To: Metro Council From: Marcus Simantel Re: Conservation Easements for Farmland protection	042706c-08
5.3	Article	4/17/06	To: Metro Council From: Councilor Hosticka Re: Article in Portland Business Journal – <i>Hospital building boom will show up in the bill</i>	042706c-09
5.3	Email	4/26/06	To: Councilor Hosticka From: Grant K Higginson Re: Certificate of need program and Metro Health Care Planning	042706c-10

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING TO THE FEDERAL) RESOLUTION NO. 06-3681
TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION THE AUTHORITY OF)
METRO'S CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER) Introduced by Council President
) David Bragdon

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award federal financial assistance for a transportation project; and

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for federal financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon Metro as the applicant, and may require Metro to provide the local share of the project cost; and

WHEREAS, Metro has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to the Federal Transit Administration required for the transportation project; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council, pursuant to Section 25(1) of the Metro Charter and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 delegated authority to Metro's Chief Operating Officer to administer Metro and to take official actions on behalf of Metro; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administration, an operating administration of the United States Department of Transportation, for federal transportation assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code and other federal statutes administered by the Federal Transit Administration, requires that the Metro Council officially certify to the Federal Transit Administration the authority of the Metro Chief Operating Officer; and

WHEREAS, Metro has received authority from TriMet, the Designated Recipient, to apply for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby:

1. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute and file applications for federal assistance on behalf of Metro with the Federal Transit Administration for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code, or other Federal statutes authorizing a project administered by the Federal Transit Administration and that Metro has received authority from TriMet, the Designated Recipient, to apply for Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program assistance;
2. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute and file the annual certification and assurances and any other documents the Federal Transit Administration requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement; and
3. Certifies to the Federal Transit Administration that the Chief Operating Officer or his/her designee has the authority to execute grant and cooperative agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of Metro.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of May 2006.

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3681, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFYING TO THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION THE AUTHORITY OF METRO'S CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Date: May 11, 2006

Prepared by: Andy Cotugno

BACKGROUND

Metro is one of six federally mandated Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Oregon. It is both regulated by federal planning requirements, and also a direct recipient of federal transportation grants.

In order to meet federal transportation planning requirements, Metro, through the Planning Department, receives federal financial assistance through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). To apply for this assistance, Metro must authorize a designated official to file and execute applications, execute and file annual certification and assurances and other documents that the FTA requires before grant assistance can be awarded, and execute awarded grants.

Pursuant to Section 25(1) of the Metro Charter and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 delegates authority to Metro's Chief Operating Officer to administer Metro and to take official actions on behalf of Metro.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition:** There is no known opposition to this legislation.
2. **Legal Antecedents:** 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code; Metro Charter Section 25(1); and Metro Code Chapter 2.20.
3. **Anticipated Effects:** The ability to apply for and execute FTA grants.
4. **Budget Impacts:** Without the ability to apply for these funds, Metro would be unable to receive FTA financial assistance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the adoption of Resolution No. 06-3681.

STAFF REPORT

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BACKGROUND

Metro is one of six federally mandated Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Oregon. It is both regulated by federal planning requirements, and also a direct recipient of federal transportation grants.

In order to meet federal transportation planning requirements, Metro, through the Planning Department, receives federal financial assistance through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). To apply for this assistance, Metro must authorize a designated official to file and execute applications, execute and file annual certification and assurances and other documents that the FTA requires before grant assistance can be awarded, and execute awarded grants.

Pursuant to Section 25(1) of the Metro Charter and Metro Code Chapter 2.20 delegates authority to Metro's Chief Operating Officer to administer Metro and to take official actions on behalf of Metro.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition:** There is no known opposition to this legislation.
2. **Legal Antecedents:** 49 U.S.C. chapter 53, Title 23 United States Code; Metro Charter Section 25(1); and Metro Code Chapter 2.20.
3. **Anticipated Effects:** The ability to apply for and execute FTA grants.
4. **Budget Impacts:** Without the ability to apply for these funds, Metro would be unable to receive FTA financial assistance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Staff recommends the adoption of Resolution No. 06-3681.

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE) RESOLUTION NO. 06-3687
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO ENTER)
INTO OPTIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY)
UNDER THE PROPOSED 2006 NATURAL)
AREAS BOND MEASURE IN ACCORD WITH)
THE OPEN SPACES BOND MEASURE) Introduced by Chief Operating Officer
IMPLEMENTATION WORK PLAN AND) Michael J. Jordan, with the concurrence of
PROVIDING FUNDING) Council President David Bragdon

WHEREAS, the Metro Council has taken a leadership role in identifying remaining natural areas in the Metro Area and planning for their protection; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 06-3672B “For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection,” adopted by the Metro Council on March 9, 2006 (the “2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure”), recommended submission to the voters of a general obligation bond, to preserve natural areas and clean water and protect fish and wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 05-3612 “For the Purpose of Stating an Intent to Submit to the Voters the Question of the Establishment of a Funding Measure to Support Natural Area and Water Quality Protection and Establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee; and Setting Forth the Official Intent of the Metro Council to Reimburse Certain Expenditures out of the Proceeds of Obligations to Be Issued in Connection with the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Program,” adopted by the Metro Council on September 29, 2005, directed staff to work on obtaining options to purchase specific properties approved by the Metro Council, as part of the preliminary work associated with the proposed funding measure; and

WHEREAS, in accord with Resolution No. 05-3612, Metro staff has identified opportunities to purchase specific properties in the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, which properties are identified and further described in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, expenditure authority exists in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Adopted Budget totaling \$75,000 to pay for due diligence and provide earnest money for the entry into agreements to purchase property in the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure and Metro Council approval, as directed by Resolution No. 05-3612 as set forth on the schedule attached as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, additional expenditures of \$100,000 are anticipated for due diligence expenses and to provide earnest money for future opportunities to enter into agreements to purchase property in the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure and Metro Council approval, as directed by Resolution No. 05-3612; and

WHEREAS, all terms of the transactions contemplated herein shall be governed by the 1995 Open Spaces Bond Measure Implementation Work Plan, set forth in Metro Council Resolution No. 95-2228A “For the Purpose of Authorizing the Executive Officer to Purchase Property with Accepted Acquisition Guidelines as Outlined in the Open Spaces Implementation Work Plan,” adopted on November 21, 1995; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE METRO COUNCIL THAT:

1. Metro Council hereby authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to enter into agreements of purchase and sale and/or agreements for options to purchase the properties identified in Exhibit A, conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure and in accord with the parameters of the Open Spaces Bond Measure Implementation Work Plan.
2. Metro Council hereby authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to henceforth enter into agreements of purchase and sale and/or agreements for options to purchase properties located within the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, conditioned upon Metro Council approval, passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure and the standard terms and conditions set forth in the Open Spaces Bond Measure Implementation Work Plan. Said agreements shall provide for the return of Metro's earnest money or option money if Metro Council disapproves the purchase.
3. Metro Council hereby authorizes the further expenditure of an additional \$100,000 from existing budget authority in either the General Fund or the Metro Capital Fund for due diligence expenses, and to provide earnest money to enter into agreements with property owners to acquire property in the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure, which agreements shall be brought forth to Council for approval, said earnest money or option money to be not more than 2% of estimated purchase price.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of April, 2006.

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Target Area: COLUMBIA SLOUGH - Graphic Packaging

Description: This 26.6-acre property is comprised of 2 undeveloped parcels adjacent to Heron Lakes, known site of Heron Rookery. The City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services recently completed a five-year half million dollar restoration project on this site and parts of surrounding parcels. The site includes an open emerging wetland planted with bull rushes, sedges, Wapato and cattails and a unique Columbia River floodplain forest of black cottonwood, Oregon ash and pacific willow. Inhabitants include bald eagles, grey horned owls, herons, nesting red tail hawks, coyote and a diverse frog population.

Option Criteria Addressed:

- Unique opportunity to enhances water quality in the Columbia River Floodplain
- Protects and enhances a diverse habitat
- City of Portland Strongly Supports this acquisition, public support for protection of Heron Rookery
- Trail potential
- Connected to publicly owned Heron Lakes Golf Course

Managers: City of Portland's Bureau of Environmental Services will manage the property

Sellers: Graphic Packaging et al.

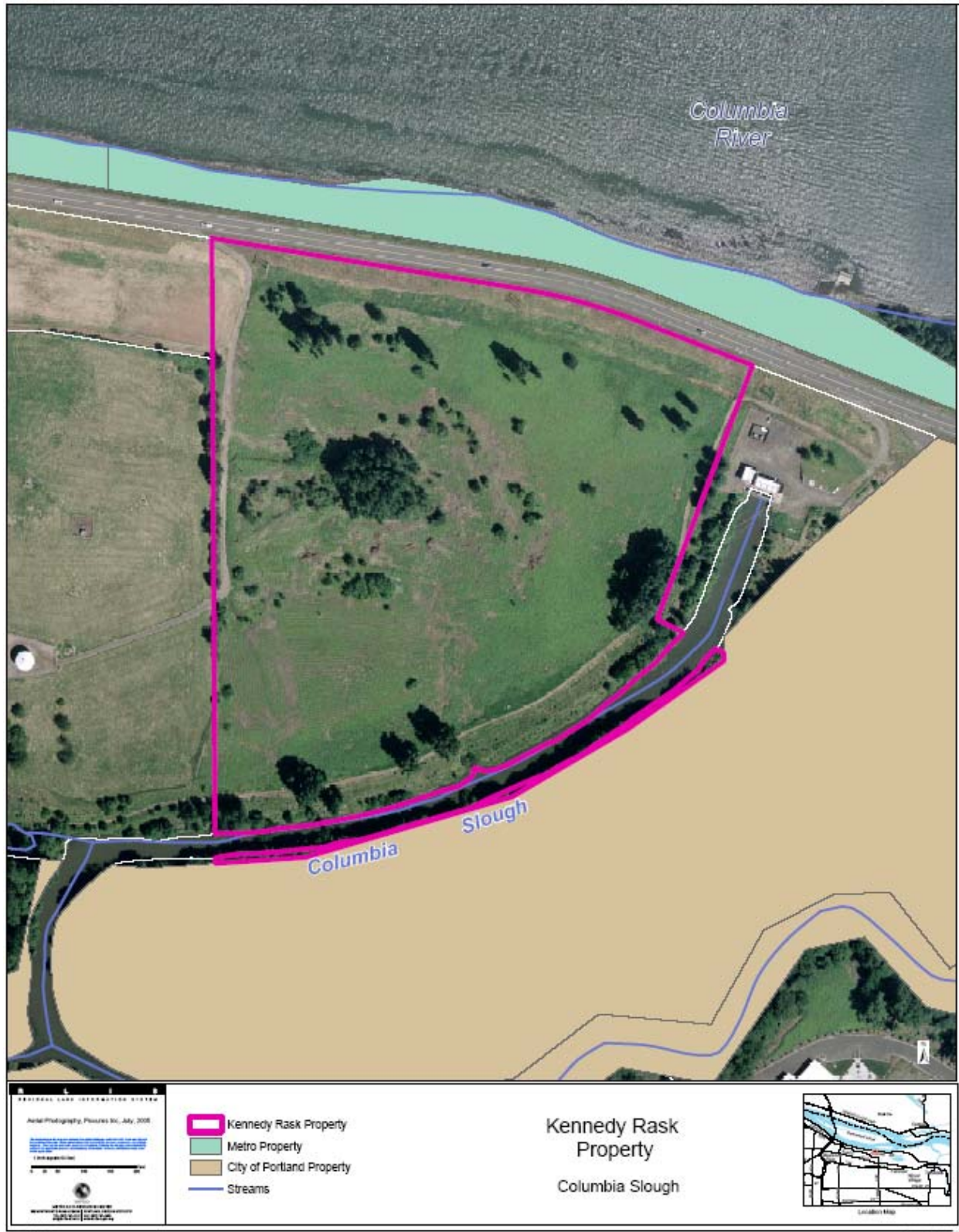
Size: 26.6 acres

Stream Frontage: Columbia Slough West

Option Price: \$2,000

Conditions: Metro Council Approval, Appraisal and Environmental Review, Bond Measure





Target Area: JOHNSON CREEK – Spani Seely Property

Description: 1-acre parcel with frontage on Johnson Creek is directly adjacent to the Springwater Corridor (Three Bridges) and Johnson Creek Park. There is an opportunity to protect this site from development and restore with native vegetation.

Option Criteria Addressed:

- Protects / Enhances Water Quality
- Protects / Enhances Habitat
- Acquisition strongly supported by City of Portland
- Public Access from adjacent Johnson Creek Park
- Connectivity to Springwater Trail and Johnson Creek Park

Managers: City of Portland will manage the property

Sellers: Spani Seely.

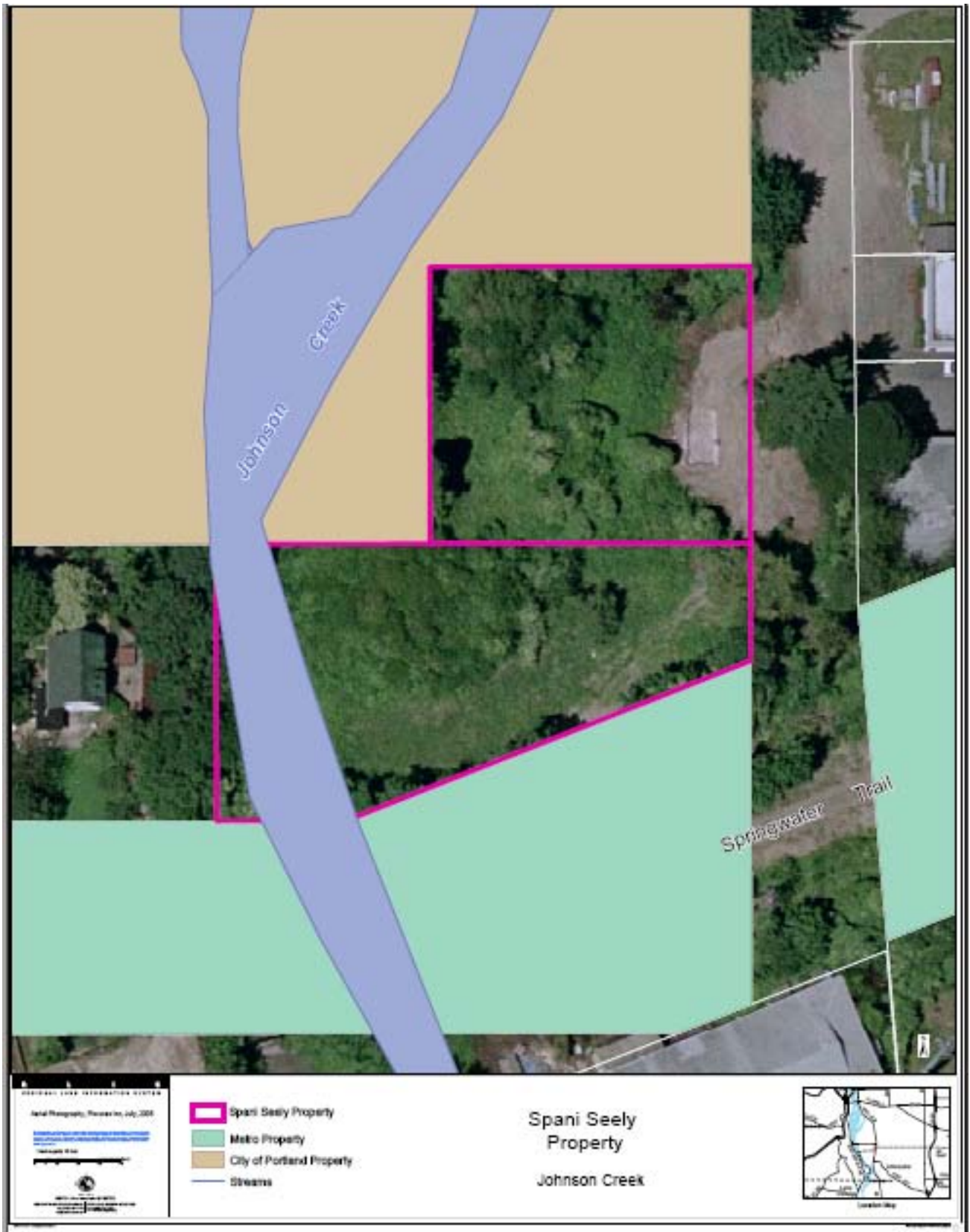
Size: 0.98 acres

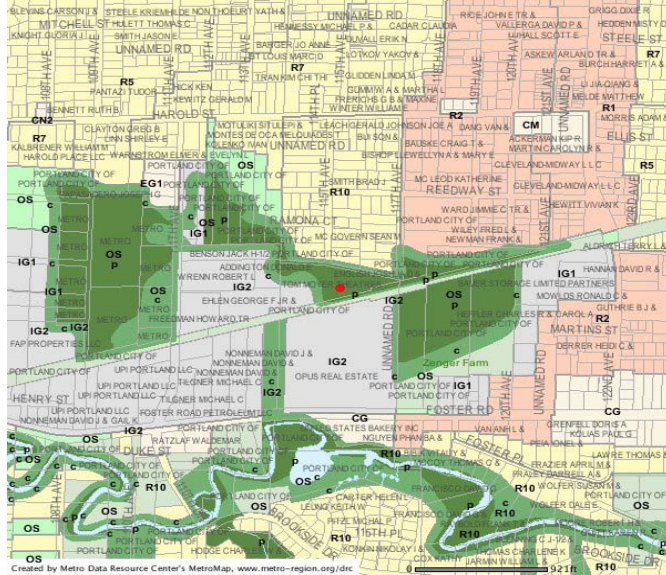
Stream Frontage: Johnson Creek

Option Price: \$2,500 in cash for 9 month exclusive option

Conditions: Metro Council Approval, Bond Measure







Target Area: JOHNSON CREEK – Moyer Property

Description: This 4-acre wetlands along the Springwater Trail, provides habitat connectivity between existing publicly owned properties including Zenger Farms and other City of Portland owned property at SE 115th Avenue

Option Criteria Addressed:

- Protects / Enhances Water Quality in the Johnson Creek Watershed
- Protects / Enhances Habitat opportunities to restore the wetlands habitat on this site
- Strongly supported by City of Portland’s Bureau of Environmental services who wish to include this site in area restoration management plans
- Public Access from neighborhood and adjacent Springwater Trail corridor.
- Connectivity with other publicly owned open space.

Managers: City of Portland’s Bureau of Environmental Services will manage the property

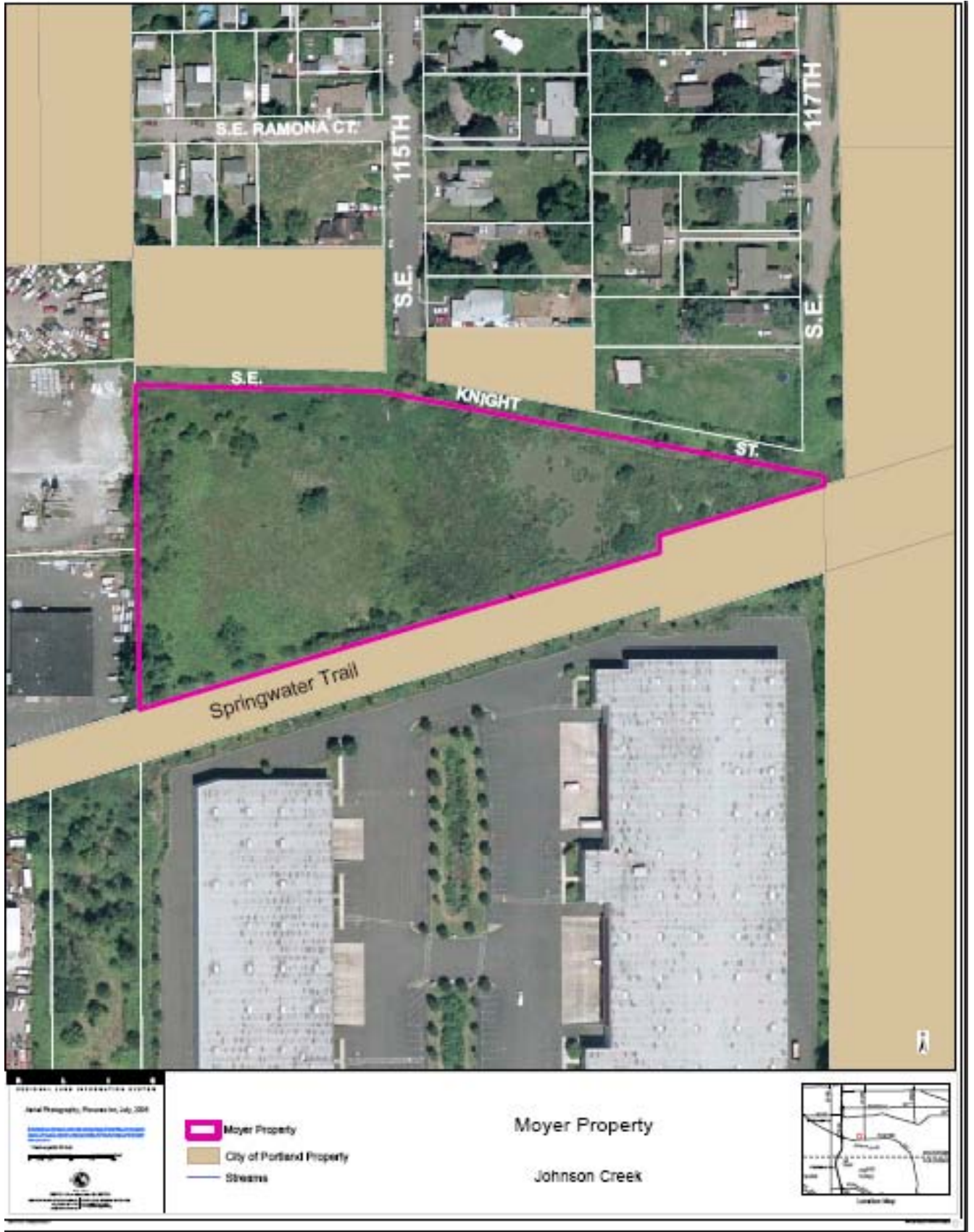
Sellers: Tom Moyer Theatres Inc.

Size: 4.23 acres

Stream Frontage: None

Option Price: \$500.00 in escrow to be deducted from Purchase Price on Closing

Conditions: Metro Council Approval, Bond Measure, Environmental Review



Target Area: NEWELL CREEK – Spady Property

Description: This 51-acre site represents a substantial holding in publicly owned property along the west side of Newell Creek, a major tributary to Abernathy Creek. Abernathy Creek is a Target Area identified in the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure. The property has approximately 1/3 mile of frontage along a seasonal tributary to Newell Creek, and Metro owns land to the south, east and north of this site. The property has a platted development approval for up to four residential building sites ranging in size from 1.4 – 1.9 acres. Topography is moderately to steeply sloping down towards Newell Creek, and the property contains a mixed coniferous and deciduous forest of western red cedar, Douglas fir, big-leaf maple and red alder.

- Option Criteria Addressed:**
- Fills a “gap” in public ownership and provides connectivity with publicly owned properties to the south, east and north
 - Protects / Enhances water quality in Newell and Abernathy Creeks
 - Protects / Enhances riparian and upland habitat
 - Provides potential public trail connections
 - Strong local support

Managers: Metro will manage the property

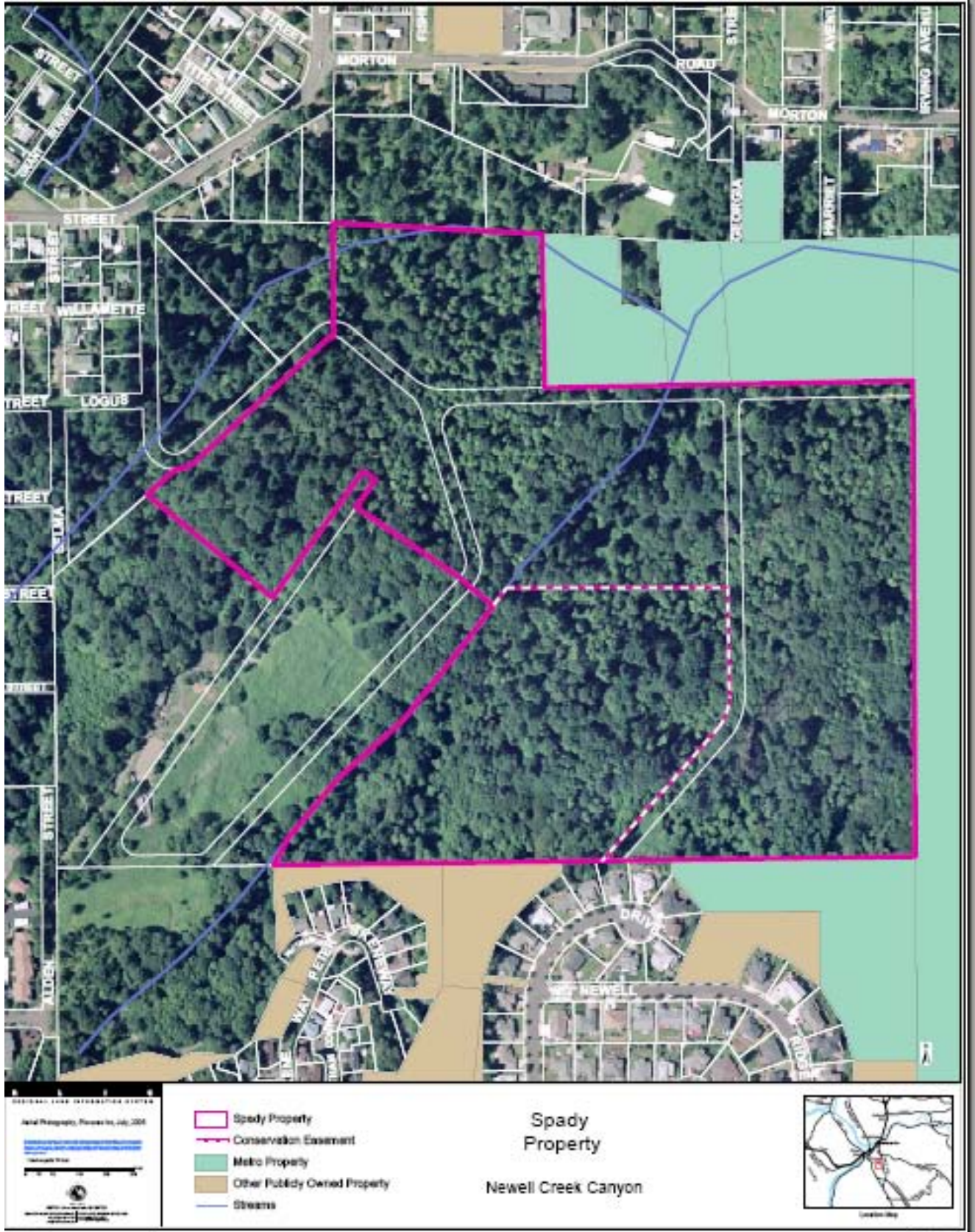
Sellers: Patricia Kay Spady.

Size: Approximately 51 acres. Exact size to be confirmed by survey

Stream Frontage: Yes, along unnamed seasonal tributary to Newell Creek

Option Price: \$500.00 in escrow for an exclusive 12-month option.

Conditions: Metro Council Approval, Bond Measure, Environmental Review



**Target Area: TUALATIN HEADWATERS: BAKER CREEK
Burge Property**

Description: This 52.93- acre property contains the confluence of Heaton Creek with Baker Creek plus an unnamed tributary to Baker Creek. The property has over 1-3/4 miles of stream frontage along these three creeks and is located within 1/2 mile of Metro's Gotter Prairie property adjacent to the Tualatin River. The property is approved for two single-family building sites on its upland portions and if not purchased by Metro will most likely be developed. In addition to the substantial riparian corridors along the creeks, the property contains a mixed upland forest of conifers and deciduous trees.

Option Criteria Addressed: - Protects / Enhances water quality of two major tributaries to the Tualatin River
- Protects / Enhances riparian and upland habitat

Managers: Metro will manage the property

Sellers: Robert W. and Barbara R. Burge .

Size: 52.93 acres

Stream Frontage: Baker Creek, Heaton Creek, unnamed tributary

Option Price: \$4,500.00 escrow deposit for a 12-month exclusive option. Purchase price to be adjusted by the amount of the escrow deposit at Closing.

Conditions: Metro Council Approval, Bond Measure passage; Metro agrees to complete an appraisal within 90 days from the Effective Date of the Agreement.

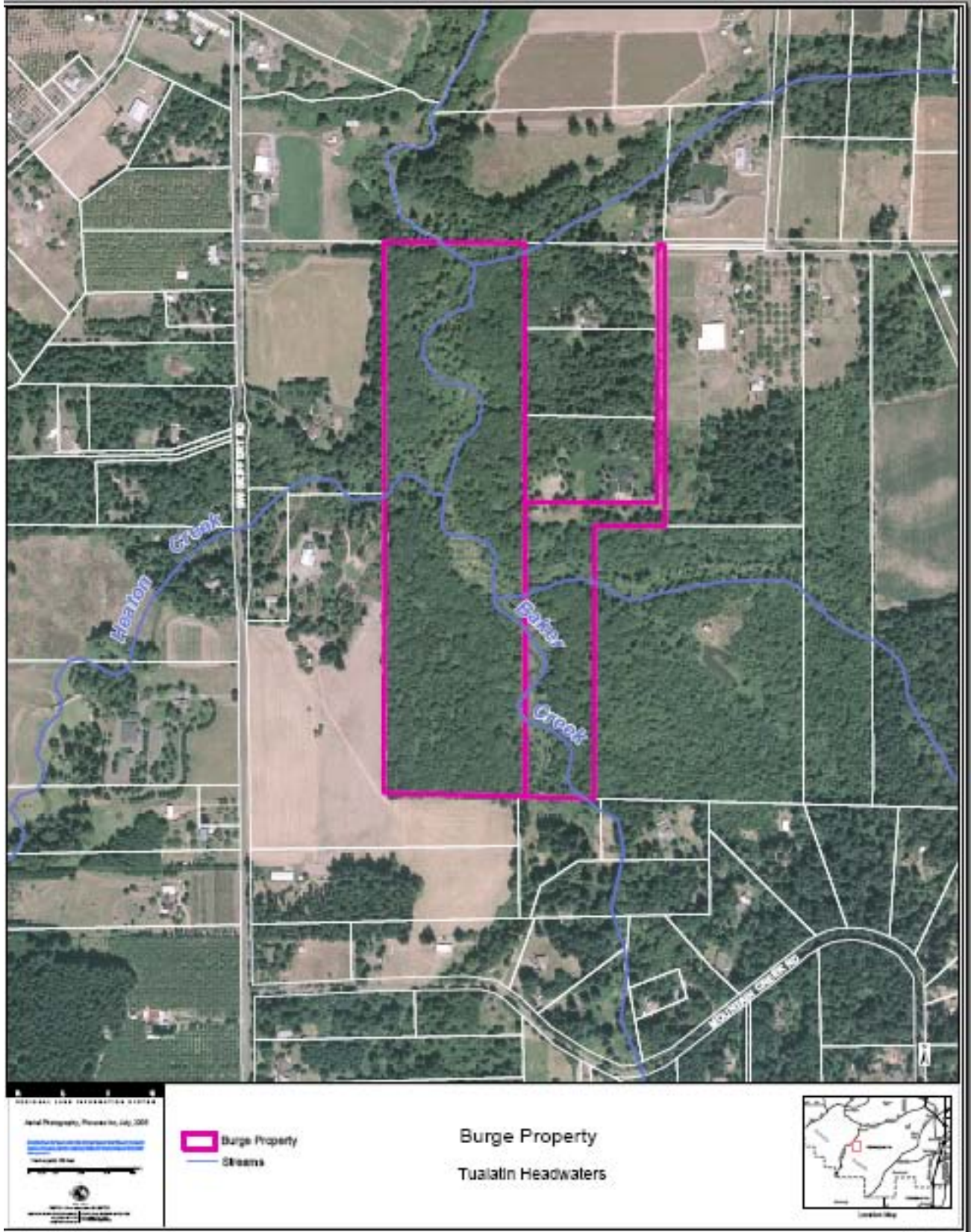


EXHIBIT B

FUNDING FOR OPTIONS

Target Area	Property Owner	Size (acres)	Estimated Option Funds Required
Columbia Slough	Kennedy Rask	19.95	\$25,000
Columbia Slough	Graphic Packaging	26.6	\$2,000
Johnson Creek	Spani Seely	0.98	\$2,500
Johnson Creek	TMT Development	4.23	\$500
Lower Tualatin Headwaters	Burge	52.93	\$10,000
Newell Creek	Spady	51.0	\$500
			\$45,000

Staff Report

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3687 FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO ENTER INTO OPTIONS TO PURCHASE PROPERTY UNDER THE 1995 OPEN SPACES BOND MEASURE AND PROPOSED 2006 NATURAL AREA BOND MEASURE IN ACCORD WITH THE OPEN SPACES IMPLEMENTATION WORK PLAN AND PROVIDING FUNDING

Date:

Prepared by:

Hillary Wilton
William Eadie

BACKGROUND

Metro staff was directed by Metro Council on September 29, 2005 (Resolution No. 05-3612 “For the Purpose of Stating an Intent to Submit to the Voters the Question of the Establishment of a Funding Measure to Support Natural Area and Water Quality Protection and Establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee and Setting Forth the Official Intent of the Metro Council to Reimburse Certain Expenditures Out of the Proceeds of Obligations to be Issued in Connection with the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Program”) to obtain options to purchase specific properties approved by Council, as part of the preliminary work for the 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure. As part of the FY 2005-06 Adopted Budget, the Metro Council approved spending up to \$75,000 for the purchase of options or as earnest money in preparation for the 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure.

Metro staff has identified opportunities to enter into purchase and sale agreements to acquire property in the proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas, conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure, Metro Council approval and funding to provide earnest money for these opportunities. Council approval is necessary to enter into these agreements.

Columbia Slough Properties

The Columbia Slough is one of the very few sites in North Portland with the potential to recreate habitat and improve water quality. The Columbia Slough is a Target Area identified in the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure.

Staff has identified an opportunity to acquire a 20-acre IG-2 zoned site at NE 175th and Marine Drive (“Kennedy Rask”). The parcel is part of a larger group of sites known as the “Big Four Corners”, one of the two-anchor habitat sites on the Columbia Slough, (the other being Smith and Bybee Lakes). The Columbia South Shore Slough Trail runs along the southeast property boundary, where a revegetation project is also ongoing. The City of Portland recently acquired the 120-acre site on the other side of the Slough, known as the Catellis property. Acquisition of the Kennedy Rask parcel strongly enhances public capacity to protect water quality and habitat, and provides public access opportunity via existing trail. The City of Portland and the Columbia Slough Watershed Council strongly support this acquisition, which is part of the 2003 Watershed Council Action Plan.

Staff has also identified a 26-acre site comprised of 2 undeveloped parcels directly adjacent to Heron Lakes Golf Course, owned by the City of Portland, and known site of a Heron rookery (“Graphic Packaging”). The site is important for water quality on the Columbia Slough and is also a potential alignment for the nature trail behind Heron Lakes. The Bureau of Environmental Services has recently

completed a 5-year half million-dollar revegetation project on the site and is interested in continued management.

Johnson Creek Properties

Johnson Creek remains the most densely urbanized creek in our region. Staff has identified several opportunities along the creek and in its watershed. Johnson Creek is a Target Area identified in the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure.

The City of Portland recommends acquisition of a 1-acre parcel on the creek, also adjacent to the Springwater Trail and Johnson Creek Park (“Spani Seely”). This parcel, otherwise subject to development, provides opportunity for botanic restoration, enhances the trail view shed and contributes to neighborhood open space resources. The City of Portland’s Bureau of Parks and Recreation will manage the property.

A 4-acre wetland parcel has also been identified on the Springwater corridor in the Johnson Creek watershed (“Moyer”). The property provides habitat and botanical connectivity between Zenger Farms and other City of Portland managed wetland areas. The City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services is interested in managing and restoring this site in conjunction with its stewardship of adjacent properties.

Lower Tualatin Headwaters Property

Baker Creek is an important watershed in the Lower Tualatin Headwaters Target Area. Acquisition of land in this headwaters creek protects water quality in the lower Tualatin River basin, as well as providing important habitat. The Lower Tualatin Headwaters Creek is a Target Area identified in the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure.

Staff has identified two adjacent parcels (“Burge”) totaling 52.93 acres located off Scholls-Sherwood Road in Washington County. These properties are within ½ mile of Metro’s Gotter Prairie property adjacent to the Tualatin River. The parcels contain the confluence of Heaton and Baker Creeks as well as a small un-named tributary to Baker Creek. The two parcels have over 1-3/4 miles of stream frontage along the three creeks as well as substantial upland habitat. As such, these two parcels will protect and enhance water quality in the creeks as well as protect and enhance upland habitat. Each of the parcels is approved for a single-family building site in the upland portion. Both parcels are currently listed for sale; acquisition by Metro will protect the parcels from development. Metro will manage this site as part of its land stewardship program.

Newell Creek Canyon Property

Newell Creek is the major tributary to Abernethy Creek. Newell Creek Canyon is a Target Area identified in the 1995 Opens Spaces Bond Measure, and Abernethy Creek is a Target Area identified in the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure.

Staff has identified a 51- acre parcel (“Spady”) that represents a substantial in-holding in publicly owned property located along the west side of Newell Creek Canyon. Metro owns adjacent land to the north, east, and south of this site. The property has approximately 1/3 mile of frontage along a seasonal tributary to Newell Creek, and the property exhibits a moderate to steep slope down toward Newell Creek. The property also contains a mixed coniferous and deciduous forest. As such, this property will protect and enhance water quality in Newell and Abernethy Creeks as well as protect upland habitat. The property will also fill an important gap in public ownership along the west side of Newell Creek Canyon and provide potential public trail links.

The property has a platted development approval for up to four residential building sites ranging in size from 1.4 - 1.9 acres. Acquisition by Metro will protect the property from future development. Metro will manage this site as part of its land stewardship program.

Details of these options are outlined in Exhibit A and B of the Resolution.

Other Opportunities

Staff is pursuing other specific opportunities in 1995 Target Areas: Forest Park, Tryon Creek; Fanno Creek, and Canemah Bluff and in 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure Target Areas: Rock Creek, Stafford, Columbia Slough, Damascus Buttes, Johnson Creek and Cazadero Trail. The combined opportunities are representative of the region, geographically diverse and strongly represent measure goals.

Whilst negotiations remain preliminary and specific opportunities are not ready for consideration at this time, to facilitate negotiations, staff is requesting further allocation of \$100,000 from existing budget authority in either the General Fund or the Metro Capital Fund to pay for due diligence and to provide earnest money, not more than two percent of estimated purchase price, to enter into agreements with property owners. These agreements to acquire property in the 1995 Open Spaces Bond Measure Target Areas and proposed 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure Target Areas, will be conditioned upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure, and shall be brought forth to Council for approval.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. Known Opposition

None known.

2. Legal Antecedents

Resolution No. 06-3672B, "For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisitions and Water Quality Protection"

Resolution No. 05-3612, "For the Purpose of Stating an Intent to Submit to the Voters the Question of the Establishment of a Funding Measure to Support Natural Area and Water Quality Protection and Establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee; and Setting Forth the Official Intent of the Metro Council to Reimburse Certain Expenditures Out of the Proceeds of Obligations to be Issued in Connection with the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Program"

3. Anticipated Effects

- Metro will enter into Purchase and Sale Agreements for properties as identified on Exhibit A
- Metro will utilize additional funding to negotiate and bring forth to Council additional opportunities to enter into agreements of purchase and sale for properties in 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure Target Areas conditional on the bond measure passing

4. Budget Impacts

This Resolution does not increase budget authority.

In the 2005-06 Adopted Budget, the Metro Council designated \$75,000 in the General Fund toward the purchase of options and to use as earnest money on properties that would be purchased upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure.

Adoption of this Resolution would allow staff to use up to an additional \$100,000 of existing budget authority, either within the General Fund or the Metro Capital Fund, to be reallocated toward this program and eventually reimbursed from the sale of bonds upon passage of the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure in November 2006. Expenditures toward properties not already identified in this resolution would still require Council approval. Expenditures may include the purchase of Options, escrow payments as Earnest Money toward property purchases, or on associated Due Diligence expenditures, such as appraisals and environmental assessments.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Chief Operating Officer Michael Jordan recommends passage of Resolution No.06-3687.

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING) RESOLUTION NO. 06-3691
INFORMATION MATERIALS FOR THE 2006)
NATURAL AREA ACQUISITION AND WATER) Introduced by Council President
QUALITY BOND MEASURE) David Bragdon

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2005, the Metro Council adopted Resolution No. 05-3612, “For the Purpose of Stating An Intent to Submit to the Voters the Question of the Establishment of a Funding Measure to Support Natural Area and Water Quality Protection and Establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee; and Setting Forth the Official Intent of the Metro Council to Reimburse Certain Expenditures Out of the Proceeds of Obligations to be Issued in Connection with the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Program,” stating the Metro Council’s intent to submit to the voters of the Metro Area a general obligation funding measure to protect habitat, river and stream frontages and natural areas, through land acquisition, restoration, and enhancement, and establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee to make specific recommendations to the Metro Council regarding aspects of the bond measure program, said bond measure to be included on either the primary or general election ballot no later than November 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Blue Ribbon Committee returned its report to the Metro Council on December 8, 2005, recommending that the Metro Council undertake \$220 million in bond indebtedness to protect habitat, river and stream frontages and natural areas through acquisition, restoration, and enhancement; provide \$44 million to cities, counties and local park providers for acquisition, restoration, and enhancement of habitat, river and stream frontages and natural areas; and create a \$11 million Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program Fund; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2006 through Resolution No. 06-3672B (For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection), the Metro Council referred a \$227.4 million Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection Bond Measure for voter consideration on November 6, 2006 General Election; and

WHEREAS, Metro Council is authorized under the laws of the State of Oregon and the Metro Charter, to provide public information in the form of factually accurate and advocacy neutral statements to inform the public regarding ballot measures placed on the ballot by action of the Metro Council; and

WHEREAS, at the time the Metro Council approved Resolution No. 06-3672B, the Metro Council revised the map of target areas as recommended by the Blue Ribbon Committee and considered a more detailed description of the specific projects proposed by cities, counties and local park providers; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby authorizes the Chief Operating Officer to publish on the Metro website and in other appropriate places the attached Exhibit A, which is the revised target area map as approved by the Metro Council, which includes the general location and description of projects proposed by cities, counties and local parks providers.

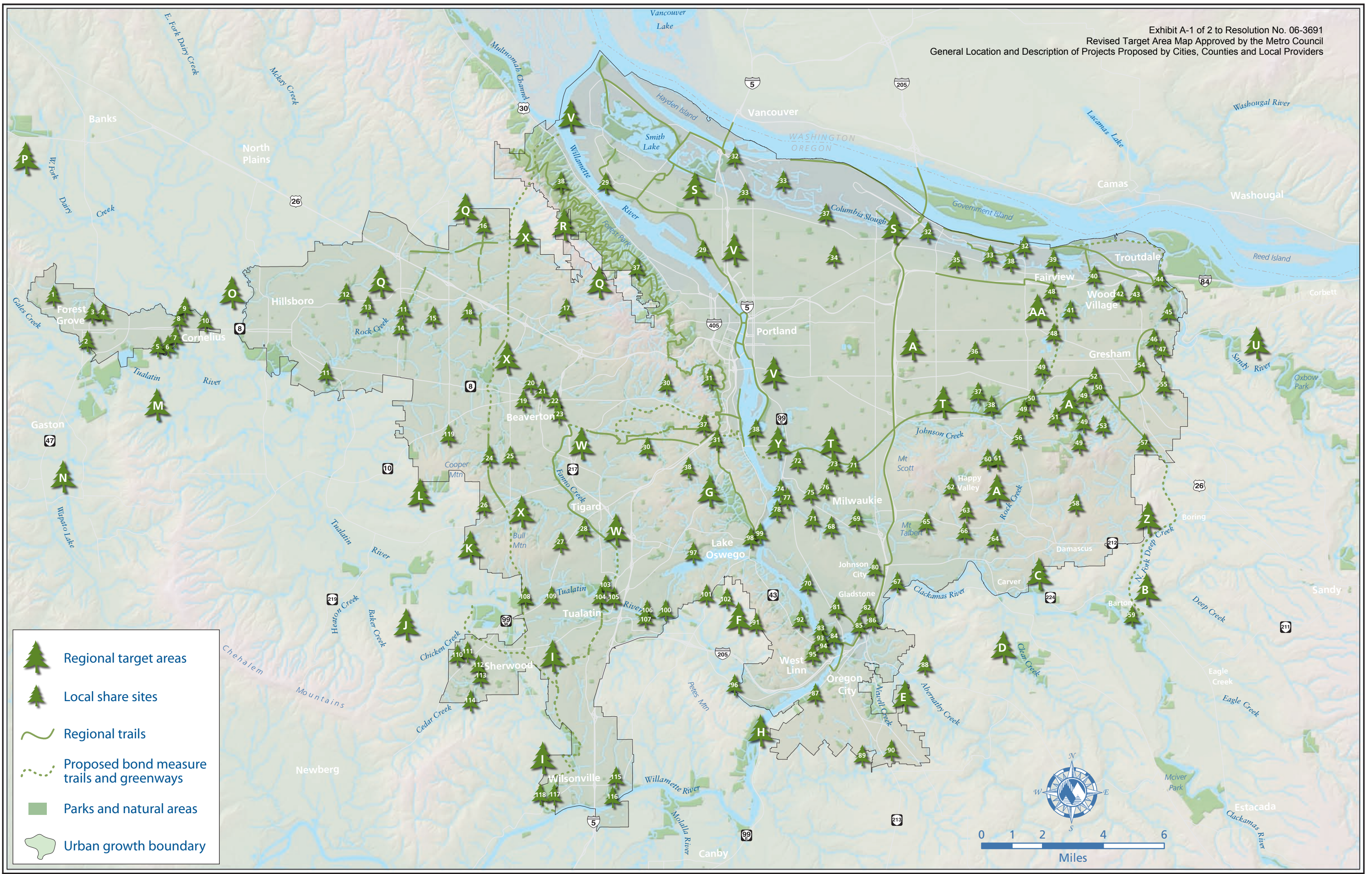
ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of May 2006.

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

Exhibit A-1 of 2 to Resolution No. 06-3691
Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by Cities, Counties and Local Providers



-  Regional target areas
-  Local share sites
-  Regional trails
-  Proposed bond measure trails and greenways
-  Parks and natural areas
-  Urban growth boundary

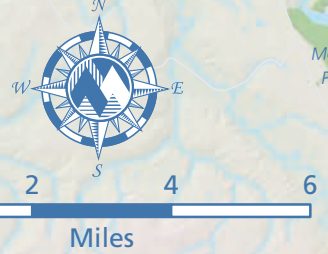


Exhibit A-2 of 2 Map Index to Resolution No. 06-3691
Approving Information Materials for the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure
Referred by Metro Council Reso. No. 06-3672B

Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by
Cities, Counties and Local Providers

Regional Target Areas

- A. East Buttes
- B. Deep Creek and Tributaries
- C. Clackamas River Bluffs and Greenway
- D. Clear Creek
- E. Abernethy and Newell Creeks
- F. Stafford Basin
- G. Tryon Creek Linkages
- H. Willamette Narrows and Canemah Bluff
- I. Tonquin Geologic Area
- J. Lower Tualatin Headwaters
- K. Tualatin River Greenway
- L. Cooper Mountain
- M. Chehalem Ridgetop to Refuge
- N. Wapato Lake
- O. Dairy and McKay Creeks Confluence
- P. Killin Wetland
- Q. Rock Creek Headwaters and Greenway
- R. Forest Park Connections
- S. Columbia Slough
- T. Johnson Creek and Watershed
- U. Sandy River Gorge
- V. Willamette River Greenway
- W. Fanno Creek Linkages
- X. Westside Trail
- Y. Springwater Corridor
- Z. Cazadero Trail
- AA. Gresham-Fairview Trail

Exhibit A-2 of 2 Map Index to Resolution No. 06-3691
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Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by
Cities, Counties and Local Providers

Local Share Providers

1

Forest Grove, Thatcher Park

Acquire forested area to expand existing public natural area and develop visitor facilities

2

Forest Grove, Gales Creek

Acquire trailhead near Gales Creek to provide access to the regional trails system

3

Forest Grove, Lincoln Park

Acquire land to expand Lincoln Park

4

Forest Grove, Stites Nature Park

Acquire property to provide access to public natural area; develop trail, play area and parking facilities at Stites Nature Park

5

Cornelius, Tualatin River

Acquire and improve land near tributaries of the Tualatin River close to South Linden Street

6

Cornelius, Tualatin River Greenway

Acquire and improve land to provide public access to the Tualatin River Greenway near South 12th Avenue

7

Cornelius, Free Orchard Park

Acquire land to expand Free Orchard Park

8

Cornelius, upland park

Acquire land for future upland park off Holladay Drive

9

Cornelius, Council Creek

Acquire and improve land along Council Creek for future park and trail

10

Cornelius, Council Creek natural area

Acquire and restore natural area in Job's Ditch

Exhibit A-2 of 2 Map Index to Resolution No. 06-3691
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Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by
Cities, Counties and Local Providers

Local Share Providers

11

Hillsboro, Rock Creek Greenway Trail

Acquire and develop land to extend the Rock Creek Greenway Trail

12

Hillsboro, Dawson Creek

Acquire and/or develop land for greenway and trail along Dawson Creek

13

Hillsboro, Orenco Creek

Acquire and/or develop land for greenway and trail along Orenco Creek

14

Hillsboro, Beaverton Creek

Acquire and/or develop land for greenway and trail along Beaverton Creek

15

Hillsboro, Bronson Creek

Acquire and/or develop land for greenway and trail along Bronson Creek

16

Washington County, parks and trails north of Sunset Highway

Acquire land for parks and trails in newly developing areas north of Sunset Highway in Washington County

17

Beaverton, Jordan-Husen Park

Develop visitor facilities at Jordan-Husen Park

18

Beaverton, Willow Creek

Acquire land along Willow Creek linking two existing parks

19

Beaverton, central area park

Acquire land to expand an existing park site in central Beaverton; develop visitor facilities

20

Beaverton, Beaverton Creek

Restore Beaverton Creek channel between Cedar Hills Boulevard and Hocken Avenue

Exhibit A-2 of 2 Map Index to Resolution No. 06-3691
Approving Information Materials for the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure
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Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by
Cities, Counties and Local Providers

Local Share Providers

21

Beaverton, Beaverton Creek Trail

Acquire and develop a segment of the Beaverton Creek Trail

22

Beaverton, Griffith Park

Construct trail around Griffith Park which will provide future regional trail connections

23

Beaverton, Beaverton Creek Trail and park

Acquire land west of Highway 217 and north of Allen Boulevard for future Beaverton Creek Trail and park

24

Beaverton, Sexton Mountain

Acquire natural area near Sexton Mountain Elementary School

25

Beaverton, Sexton Mountain

Restore and enhance reservoir site near Sexton Mountain Meadows Park

26

Beaverton, southwest area park and natural area

Acquire land for a new park and/or natural area

27

Tigard, various locations

Acquire natural areas

28

Tigard, various locations

Acquire land for future parks

29

Portland, Willamette Bluffs

Acquire natural areas in the Willamette Bluffs corridor area

30

Portland, Westside stream corridor

Acquire natural areas in the westside streams area

Exhibit A-2 of 2 Map Index to Resolution No. 06-3691
Approving Information Materials for the 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure
Referred by Metro Council Reso. No. 06-3672B

Revised Target Area Map Approved by the Metro Council
General Location and Description of Projects Proposed by
Cities, Counties and Local Providers

Local Share Providers

31

Portland, Westside wildlife corridor

Acquire natural areas in the westside wildlife corridor area

32

Portland, Marine Drive

Acquire land for regional trails and connections along Marine Drive

33

Portland, Columbia Slough

Acquire land for regional trails and connections near the Columbia Slough

34

Portland, Cully neighborhood

Acquire land for future parks in the Cully neighborhood

35

Portland, Argay neighborhood

Acquire land for future parks in the Argay neighborhood

36

Portland, Centennial neighborhood

Acquire land for future parks in the Centennial neighborhood

37

Portland, various locations

Improve trails in natural area parks throughout Portland (example projects)

38

Portland, various locations

Restore habitat in natural area parks throughout Portland (example projects)

39

Fairview, Gresham-Fairview Trail

Acquire and construct segments of the Gresham-Fairview Trail

40

Fairview, natural area

Acquire natural area near Blue Lake

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41

Fairview, Salish Ponds Nature Park

Construct trails and boardwalk, install signage and security lighting and other improvements at Salish Ponds Nature Park

42

Wood Village, Donald L. Robertson City Park

Restore wetlands at Donald L. Robertson City Park

43

Troutdale, natural area

Acquire natural area on west side of Troutdale

44

Troutdale, Sandy River trail

Develop a trail along the Sandy River

45

Troutdale, Beaver Creek Greenway Trail

Improve Beaver Creek Greenway Trail

46

Troutdale, Mt. Hood Community College

Restore and improve Mt. Hood Community College natural area

47

Troutdale, natural area

Acquire natural area on southeast side of Troutdale

48

Gresham, Gresham-Fairview Trail

Acquire and construct segments of the Gresham-Fairview Trail

49

Gresham, East Buttes

Acquire natural areas in the East Buttes

50

Gresham, Johnson Creek

Improve habitat along Johnson Creek

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Gresham, Butler Creek Park

Restore natural areas and develop public use facilities at Butler Creek Park

52

Gresham, Main City Park

Restore natural areas and develop public use facilities at Main City Park

53

Gresham, Hogan Butte Nature Park

Develop trails and public use facilities at Hogan Butte Nature Park

54

Gresham, Kane Road Park

Restore natural areas and develop public use facilities at Kane Road Park

55

Gresham, East Gresham Park

Restore natural areas and develop public use facilities at East Gresham Park

56

Gresham, Pleasant Valley area

Acquire environmentally sensitive lands in the Pleasant Valley resource area

57

Gresham, Springwater area

Acquire environmentally sensitive lands in the Springwater resource area

58

Damascus, parks and greenways

Acquire and develop land for future parks and greenways

59

Clackamas County, Barton Park

Acquire land to expand the park, develop campground and other visitor facilities

60

Happy Valley, Mitchell Creek

Acquire natural area near Mitchell Creek

61

Clackamas County, Scouter Mountain

Acquire natural area on Scouter Mountain

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62

Happy Valley, Mt. Scott Creek Trail

Procure easements and construct Mt. Scott Creek Trail

63

Happy Valley, Aldridge Road

Acquire and develop nature park near Aldridge Road

64

Happy Valley, Rock Creek Trail

Procure easements and construct Rock Creek Trail

65

Clackamas County, Mt. Scott Creek Trail

Acquire and construct Mt. Scott Creek Trail segments

66

Clackamas County, future park

Acquire park land near Southeast 142nd

67

Clackamas County, Clackamas River

Acquire land along the Clackamas River

68

Milwaukie, North Clackamas Park

Improve visitor facilities at North Clackamas Park

69

Clackamas County, District Park

Improve visitor facilities at District Park

70

Clackamas County, Stringfield property

Develop visitor facilities at the Stringfield property

71

Johnson Creek acquisition

Acquire natural area near Johnson Creek

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72

Milwaukie, Ardenwald Neighborhood

Acquire future park or natural area land in the Ardenwald Neighborhood

73

Milwaukie, Johnson Creek

Acquire natural areas along Johnson and/or Kellogg creeks

74

Milwaukie, Milwaukie Riverfront Park

Enhance natural areas and/or paths at Milwaukie Riverfront Park

75

Milwaukie, Minthorn Wetland

Develop trail at Minthorn Wetland

76

Milwaukie, Homewood Park

Develop play area at Homewood Park

77

Milwaukie, Kellogg Creek

Acquire natural areas along Johnson and/or Kellogg creeks

78

Milwaukie, Spring Park

Enhance wetland and develop trail at Spring Park

79

Milwaukie, Lake Road Neighborhood

Acquire future park or natural area land in the Lake Road Neighborhood

80

Johnson City Park habitat enhancement

Enhance habitat at Johnson City Park

81

Gladstone, Abernethy Lane

Improve Abernethy Lane path

82

Gladstone, natural area

Restore natural area

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83

Gladstone, Meldrum Bar Park

Extend bicycle and pedestrian path and install restrooms at Meldrum Bar Park

84

Gladstone, Dahl Beach

Build trail and install restrooms at Dahl Beach

85

Gladstone, Cross Memorial Park

Install restrooms at Cross Memorial Park

86

Gladstone, High Rocks Park

Install restrooms at High Rocks Park

87

Oregon City, Canemah

Acquire land for future park or natural area

88

Oregon City, Holcomb Creek

Acquire land for future park or natural area

89

Oregon City, Caufield Creek

Acquire land for future park or natural area

90

Oregon City, High school area

Acquire land for future park or natural area

91

West Linn, Rosemont Road Trail

Develop trail from Carriage Way to Luscher Farm

92

West Linn, Mary S. Young State Park

Restore and enhance forested areas at Mary S. Young State Park

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93

West Linn, Burnside Park

Restore and enhance forested areas at Burnside Park

94

West Linn, Maddox Woods Park

Restore and enhance forested areas, improve visitor facilities at Maddox Woods Park

95

West Linn, Wilderness Park

Restore and enhance forested areas, remove parking lot at Wilderness Park

96

West Linn, Joseph Fields Homestead

Acquire Joseph Fields homestead site

97

Lake Oswego, Iron Mountain Park

Restore natural areas at Iron Mountain Park

98

Lake Oswego, Willamette shore

Develop bike and pedestrian pathway

99

Lake Oswego, Tryon Creek

Construct pedestrian bridge over Tryon Creek

100

Lake Oswego, Canal Area

Implement Canal Area master plan

101

Lake Oswego, Stafford Basin

Acquire land for future parks or natural areas

102

Lake Oswego, Stafford Trail

Develop Stafford trail extension

103

Durham, Fanno Creek Greenway Trail

Extend trail from Durham City Park to Fanno Creek Greenway Trail

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104

Durham, Durham City Park

Improve neighborhood trail connections to Durham City Park

105

Durham, Heron Grove Park

Restore natural areas and improve trails at Heron Grove Park

106

Rivergrove, Lloyd Minor Park

Enhance habitat and improve visitor facilities at Lloyd Minor Park

107

Rivergrove, Tualatin River

Restore river bank and improve river access

108

King City, King City Park

Enhance wetlands at King City Park

109

Tualatin, Tualatin River Greenway

Acquire land in the Tualatin River Greenway

110

Sherwood, natural area

Acquire natural area in urban growth expansion area

111

Sherwood, Edy Road

Acquire and develop land for trail along Edy Road

112

Sherwood, Senior Center to Stella Olsen Park

Acquire and develop land for trail from Senior Center to Stella Olsen Park

113

Sherwood, Stella Olsen Park

Restore habitat and improve interpretive facilities at Stella Olsen Park

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114

Sherwood, Cedar Creek

Acquire land for Cedar Creek Trail

115

Wilsonville, Boeckman Creek Trail

Acquire easements for trail access to Boeckman Creek Trail

116

Wilsonville, Memorial Park

Construct trails and develop Willamette River overlook at Memorial Park

117

Wilsonville, CREST Environmental Center

Develop gateway to Graham Oaks Natural Area at the CREST Environmental Center

118

Wilsonville, Graham Oaks Natural Area

Restore natural areas, develop trailhead, paths and interpretive facilities at Graham Oaks Natural Area

119

Washington County, various locations

Acquire natural areas and land for future trail corridors

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3691 FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING INFORMATION MATERIALS FOR THE 2006 NATURAL AREA ACQUISITION AND WATER QUALITY BOND MEASURE

Date: April 28, 2006

Prepared by Jim Desmond and
Patricia Sullivan

BACKGROUND

On September 29, 2005, Metro Council adopted a resolution stating its intent to submit to the voters of the Metro Area a general obligation funding measure to protect habitat, river and stream frontages and natural areas by acquiring land and through restoration and enhancement projects. A Blue Ribbon Committee was also established to make specific recommendations to the Metro Council regarding aspects of the bond measure, which is slated to be included on either the primary or the general election ballot by November of 2006.

The Blue Ribbon Committee presented its report to Metro Council on December 8, 2005. The Committee recommended that Council undertake a \$220 million bond measure to protect habitat, river and stream frontages and natural areas through acquisition, restoration, and enhancement with \$44 million provided to cities, counties and local park providers for the same goals, and \$11 million for a Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grants Program.

Through a resolution passed by Metro Council on March 9, 2006, a \$227.4 million Bond Measure to fund natural area acquisitions and provide water quality protection in the Metro area was referred for voter consideration in the November 6, 2006 general election. The Metro Charter and laws of the State of Oregon authorize the publication of factually accurate and advocate-neutral information regarding measures placed on the ballot by Metro Council. Such information includes the map of target areas recommended by the Blue Ribbon Committee with further changes approved by the Metro Council, and a detailed description of specific projects proposed by cities, counties and local park providers.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition:**

None.

2. **Legal Antecedents:**

- Resolution No. 05-3612 (“For the Purpose of Stating an Intent to Submit to the Voters the Question of the Establishment of a Funding Measure to Support Natural Area and Water Quality Protection and Establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee; and Setting Forth the Official Intent of the Metro Council to Reimburse Certain Expenditures Out of the Proceeds of Obligations to be Issued in Connection with the Regional Parks and Greenspaces Program”), adopted September 29, 2005.

- Resolution No. 06-3672B (“For the Purpose of Submitting to the Voters of the Metro Area a General Obligation Bond Indebtedness in the Amount of \$227.4 Million to Fund Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Protection”), adopted March 9, 2006.
- Resolution No. 06-3687 (“For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Enter into Options to Purchase Property Under the Proposed 2006 Natural Areas Bond Measure in Accord with the Open Spaces Bond Measure Implementation Work Plan and Providing Funding”), being submitted concurrently to Metro Council on May 11, 2006 with resolution No. 06-3691.

3. **Anticipated Effects:** This resolution will authorize the Chief Operating Officer to publish on the Metro website and in other appropriate locations, factually accurate and advocate-neutral information regarding the 2006 Natural Area Acquisition and Water Quality Bond Measure being referred to the voters of the region in November 2006. The information may include a map of target areas recommended by the Blue Ribbon Committee with further changes approved the by Metro Council and a detailed description of specific projects proposed by cities, counties and local park providers.

4. **Budget Impacts:**
None.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Chief Operating Officer recommends adoption of Resolution No. 06-3691

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING FIRST) RESOLUTION NO. 06-3697
ROUND FUNDING FOR THE NATURE IN)
NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS) Introduced by: Michael Jordan, Chief
Operating Officer, with the concurrence of
David Bragdon, Council President

WHEREAS, Metro has established a regional fish and wildlife protection, restoration and greenspaces initiative named "Nature in Neighborhoods", as provided in Resolution No. 05-3574A adopted May 12, 2005 ("Establishing a Regional Habitat Protection, Restoration and Greenspaces Initiative Called Nature in Neighborhoods"); and

WHEREAS, Metro has established a grants program funded by \$1,250,000 of the Recovery Rate Stabilization Reserve fund, as provided in Resolution No. 05-3580A adopted June 9, 2005 ("Transferring \$1,250,000 from the Balance of the FY 2004-05 Recovery Rate Stabilization Reserve to a General Fund Reserve for Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration Projects"); and

WHEREAS, Metro has solicited and received applications for this grants program and selected the projects which best meet the criteria for the grants program and the Nature in Neighborhoods initiative; and

WHEREAS, fish and wildlife habitat depends on healthy functioning watersheds that follow the natural contours of the landscape, while political and organizational boundaries frequently split watersheds and divide the natural landscapes; and

WHEREAS, illegal dumping frequently occurs in natural areas near or in streams and rivers, posing a particular threat to our region's clean water, to the health of our watersheds, and to healthy functioning fish and wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, by protecting natural areas from illegal dumping and restoring and enhancing our natural areas, that is, by protecting nature in neighborhoods, the region can enjoy the benefits of nature in neighborhoods for years to come, protecting our region's clean water and the health and vitality of our watersheds; and

WHEREAS, it will take concerted and sustained efforts to restore and protect the region's wildlife habitat areas and this challenge provides new and unique opportunities for the solid waste community, habitat restoration organizations, education community, building trades firms and organizations, industry groups, environmental groups, business people and property owners to create new partnerships to protect and restore the region's natural areas; and

WHEREAS, attached to this resolution is the listing of grant award recipients and respective funding amounts (See Exhibit A); now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby approves the first round funding for the Nature in Neighborhoods grants to those recipients listed in Exhibit A and for the amounts listed for each individual award.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this _____ day of _____ 2006.

David Bragdon, Council President

Approved as to Form:

Daniel B. Cooper, Metro Attorney

EXHIBIT A
RESOLUTION NO. 06-3697
PLACEHOLDER

GRANT AWARD RECIPIENTS AND AMOUNTS

STAFF REPORT

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06-3697, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING FIRST ROUND FUNDING FOR THE NATURE IN NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS

Date: May 11, 2006

Prepared by: Janelle Geddes

BACKGROUND

On June 9, 2005, Council adopted Resolution 05-3580A (“Transferring \$1,250,000 from the Balance of the FY 2004-05 Recovery Rate Stabilization Reserve to a General Fund Reserve for Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration Projects”). Of the monies transferred, \$1,000,000 was provided for a two-year grants program for use in restoration projects. In October 2005, Metro Council discussed and agreed that approximately 60% of the available monies would be allocated for the first round of grants.

The first round of grants was launched in November 2005 with invitations to apply sent to more than 3000 potential applicants - local jurisdictions, private landowners and organizations throughout the Metro region. In January 2006, 83 pre-applications were submitted to Metro, which included 99 total projects in the region. Proposals were evaluated and invitations to participate in the final grant application process were sent to over 40 applicants who submitted a pre-application.

In April 2006, 44 final applications were received by the Nature in Neighborhoods team. An interdisciplinary team made up of twelve individuals within Metro reviewed these applications and recommended those projects which best met the criteria and intent of the Nature in Neighborhoods grant program.

Of the 44 final grant applications received, 32 are recommended for either full or partial funding. The projects recommended for funding best met the criteria for funding and are located throughout the region. The recommended projects represent innovative partnerships, the education community, the solid waste community, groups, organizations and individuals doing on-the-ground restoration work, hands-on education and curriculum development and community/partnership building.

The total for the first round of funding is \$560,000. It is anticipated that another round of funding will be announced in the early fall of 2006.

ANALYSIS/INFORMATION

1. **Known Opposition:**

None.

2. **Legal Antecedents:**

- Resolution 05-3551, (“For the Purpose of Designating Council Projects and Assigning Lead Councilors and Council Liaisons”) Metro Council Project Proposal titled “Nature in Neighborhoods”.

- Resolution 05-3574A, (“Establishing a Regional Habitat Protection, Restoration and Greenspaces Initiative Called Nature in Neighborhoods”).
- Resolution 05-3580A, (“Transferring \$1,250,000 from the Balance of the FY 2004-05 Recovery Rate Stabilization Reserve to a General Fund Reserve for Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration Projects”).

3. **Anticipated Effects:** This Resolution approves the first round funding and award for Nature in Neighborhood grants and begins the individual contract award process for the selected grant applicants with an anticipated start project date of July 1, 2006. Projects are from one to three years in length.
4. **Budget Impacts:** A total of \$1,000,000 has been approved for this program. The budget exists in the FY2005-06 budget and is included in the proposed FY 2006-07 budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Chief Operating Officer recommends adoption of Resolution No. 06-3697.