



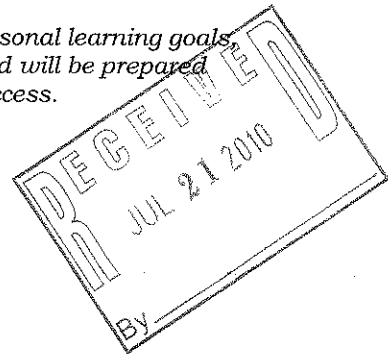
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District Goal for 2010-15:

All students will show continuous progress toward their personal learning goals, developed in collaboration with teachers and parents, and will be prepared for post-secondary education and career success.

July 19, 2010

Metro Policy Advisory Committee
Metro Technical Advisory Committee
600 NE Grand Ave.
Portland, OR 97232-2736



Re: Urban Growth Boundary Study

Dear Committee Members:

The Beaverton School District has carefully reviewed the Metro UGB Analysis Areas map dated June 28, 2010 and is concerned that the areas designated for analysis by Metro staff do not support the new school construction requirements needed by our District. As required by ORS 195.110, our School Board has adopted a new 2010 Facility Plan, which estimates our new land acquisition and school construction requirements to meet future enrollment growth. Pursuant to state statute, local jurisdictions, including the City of Beaverton and Washington County, will now include our 2010 Facility Plan in their Comprehensive Plans.

Our School Facility Plan demonstrates that the Beaverton School District will need a new comprehensive high school in the southern portion of our district to be operational within the next 4 to 6 years. Our analysis of potential sites suitable for development of a high school that would meet the expectations of our community and serve future enrollment growth patterns shows that there are very few options to provide the new high school where the anticipated need will occur. We believe the most viable sites are contained within the land designated in the UGB Analysis Areas map as *6B Urban* which has been excluded from Metro's analysis.

The issue of school sites, both elementary and secondary, in the SW Beaverton area has long been a discussion piece between the School District and Metro. Several years ago, the District was implored to avoid purchasing property in the Murray-Scholls Town Center area for these purposes, so that this locale could be used for high density residential and associated commercial development (which it now has). Based on the housing densities then being programmed, the District was actually in negotiations and even prepared to use its eminent domain authority to secure one or more school sites. These acquisitions would have proceeded had Metro not committed to the

District that it would support school site acquisition and ultimate construction in locations outside the present UGB. Therefore, our request returns the discussion to its original point of departure.

From the Beaverton School District's perspective, it is essential that the land within *6B Urban* that lies within our service boundary be included in the next UGB expansion in order to allow sufficient time for development of the concept plan and infrastructure planning necessary to support the high school. (We have no interest in expanding our school district service boundary by acquiring any *6B Urban* land that is currently in the Hillsboro School District.) We are also working closely with the Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District in a potential joint land acquisition strategy in the *6B Urban* area to more efficiently serve residents in both districts. Accordingly, I request that area *6B Urban* be included in the analysis and in the next UGB expansion.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jerome Colonna". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name and last name clearly distinguishable.

Jerome Colonna
Superintendent

cc:

Denny Doyle, Mayor, City of Beaverton

Jeff Johnson, Fire Chief, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue District

Tom Quillin, Chair, Beaverton School Board of Directors

Mike Scott, Superintendent, Hillsboro School District