

Meeting: Metro Council

Date: Thursday, July 12, 2012

Time: 2 p.m.

Place: Metro, Council Chamber

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

- 1. INTRODUCTIONS
- 2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION
- 3. 2012-13 NORTH PORTLAND ENHANCEMENT GRANT CYCLE: RECOMMENDED SLATE FOR 2012-13 FUNDING CYCLE
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA
- 4.1 Consideration of the Minutes for June 21, 2012
- 4.2 Consideration of the Minutes for June 28, 2012
- 5. CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION
- 6. COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION

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Television schedule for July 12, 2012 Metro Council meeting

Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties, and Vancouver, WA Channel 30 – Community Access Network Web site: www.tvctv.org Ph: 503-629-8534 Date: Thursday, July 12	Portland Channel 30 – Portland Community Media Web site: www.pcmtv.org Ph: 503-288-1515 Date: Sunday, July 15, 7:30 p.m. Date: Monday, July 16, 9 a.m.
Gresham Channel 30 - MCTV Web site: www.metroeast.org Ph: 503-491-7636 Date: Monday, July 16, 2 p.m.	Washington County Channel 30– TVC TV Web site: www.tvctv.org Ph: 503-629-8534 Date: Saturday, July 14, 11 p.m. Date: Sunday, July 15, 11 p.m. Date: Tuesday, July 17, 6 a.m. Date: Wednesday, July 18, 4 p.m.
Oregon City, Gladstone Channel 28 – Willamette Falls Television Web site: http://www.wftvmedia.org/ Ph: 503-650-0275 Call or visit web site for program times.	West Linn Channel 30 – Willamette Falls Television Web site: http://www.wftvmedia.org/ Ph: 503-650-0275 Call or visit web site for program times.

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2012-13 North Portland Enhancement Grant Cycle: Recommended Slate for 2012-13 Funding Cycle

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2012-13 North Portland enhancment grant cycle Recommended slate for 2012-13 funding cycle

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Applicant	Project Summary	Project Description	Request	Award	Funding goals *	New Applicant
Chess for Success	After-school educational programs	Funds for chess coaches, equipment, supplies for 250 students in 7 North Portland schools	\$5,000	\$2,845	8, 9	No
Community Energy Project	Volunteer Services program support	Funds for staff salary, direct mgm't support to recruit, train volunteers to reach 60-90 isolated seniors, weatherize, make safety repairs to homes of 20-25 seniors.	\$2,500	\$2,500	1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9	No
Impact NW	Urban Opportunities program at Roosevelt High School	Funds for program mgr, student stipends, supplies for job-readiness training, internships, elective credit for approx 25 students.	\$5,750	\$4,250	5, 8, 9	No
Oregon Partnership- Lines for Life	Youth prevention outreach for North Portland students	Funds for salaries (coordinators, interns), overhead, materials and equipment, transportation for Youth Advisory Council's peer education efforts.	\$5,000	\$4,250	8, 9	Yes
St. Andrew's Episcopal Pantry	Facility enhancement, on-going operations	Funds to buy food, shelving, racks, gasoline to support food pantry serving 720 North Portland families.	\$1,155	\$1,155	5, 6, 8	No

North Portland enhancement grant program funding goals:

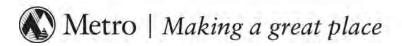
- 1. Result in increased employment/economic opportunities for North Portland residents.
- 2. Result in rehabilitation, upgrading or direct increase in the market value of a significant portion of the housing stock of residential land in North Portland.
- 3. Result in the preservation or enhancement of existing wildlife and marine areas of North Portland, or improve public awareness or opportunity to enjoy them.
- 4. Result in improvement to or increase in recreational areas of North Portland.
- 5. Result in improvement in the safety of the area of North Portland.
- 6. Result in an improvement of the appearance or cleanliness of the areas of North Portland.
- 7. Result in a significant increase in the utilization or occupancy of a North Portland commercial area.
- 8. Are directed to the aid of residents, non-profit corporations and small businesses as defined by the Small Business Administration.
- 9. Result in programs such as training opportunities to benefit North Portland youth and elderly

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Consideration of the Minutes for June 21, 2012

Consent Agenda

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METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary June 21, 2012 Metro, Council Chamber

<u>Councilors Present</u>: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilors Rex Burkholder,

Barbara Roberts, Carl Hosticka, Kathryn Harrington,

and Shirley Craddick

Councilors Excused: Councilor Carlotta Collette

Council President Tom Hughes convened the regular council meeting at 2 p.m.

1. <u>INTRODUCTIONS</u>

There were none.

2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

There were none.

3. FINANCIAL CONDITION OF METRO: FY 2001-02 TO FY 2010-11 AUDIT

Metro Auditor Ms. Suzanne Flynn provided a presentation on a recent audit of the financial condition of Metro for FY 2001-02 to FY 2010-11. The audit provided a check-up on Metro's financial standing based on a set of financial indicators recommended by the International City/County Management Association. Ms. Flynn stated that in an attempt improve the overall quality of information the audit also contained expenditure information for each Metro department. She stated that the majority of the information found in the audit was derived from the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) produced by the Metro's Finance and Regulator Services. The audit and Ms. Flynn's presentation focused on the audit's scope and methodology and the agency's revenues, expenditures, spending by department, financial health, and broader demographic and economic trends. (Full presentation included as part of the meeting record.)

Ms. Margo Norton of Metro provided a brief management response. Ms. Norton thanked the Auditor for her report and stated that the report was helpful. She indicated that the audit's results did align with Metro's five-year planning threshold and that Metro can expect to see the effects of decisions from FY 2008 – 2014 in the next two10-year cycles.

Council discussed the Oregon Convention Center expansion and depreciation, how the value of Metro's land holdings is determined, the audit's adjustments for inflation and population increases, and staff's revenue shortfall estimates.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion:	 Councilor Shirley Craddick moved to adopt the consent agenda: Consideration of the Minutes for June 14, 2012 Resolution No. 12-4355, For the Purpose of Authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to Enter into a Lease with City of Portland Parks and Recreation and World Forestry Center for the West Parking Lot in Washington Park.
Second:	Councilor Barbara Roberts seconded the motion.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u>.

5. HEARING ON ENFORCEMENT OF TITLE 13 OF METRO URBAN GROWTH MANAGEMENT FUNCTIN PLAN – CITY OF TROUTDALE

Council President Hughes stated that the hearing was a continuation of a proceeding the Council commenced on April 12, 2012 to consider possible action to ensure the City of Troutdale came into compliance with Metro's Title 13 regarding Nature in Neighborhoods. The Council agreed to continue the hearing in April after learning the city was considering revisions to its program.

Councilor Craddick stated that since April she and Metro staff have worked with Troutdale Council President Doug Daoust, and Councilors Norm Thomas and Glenn White to craft city code language that meets Title 13 requirements. The code amendments, approved by the City Council on June 12, satisfy Title 13 in multiple ways:

- It provides clearer standards that provide certainty to developers for the mitigation steps they must take when developing in areas with sensitive fish and wildlife habitat.
- It places the same protection and mitigation standards on publicly owned land as on private lands.
- It creates a special planning district for the city's urban renewal site, the master plan for which must come back to Metro for review.

Councilor Craddick stated that the city's leaders have adopted measures that keep with the local values and regional goals, and will ensure that Troutdale has adequate protections for sensitive wildlife habitat and water quality while enabling development to occur.

Motion:	Councilor Shirley Craddick moved for an order that dismisses the Council's previous enforcement action.
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

Metro staff Brian Harper stated that Metro and Troutdale staff have worked together since 2009 to bring the city into compliance with Title 13. He confirmed that the City adopted a set of code

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revisions on June 12, 2012 that satisfy Title 13 and recommended the Metro Council support the motion to dismiss the enforcement action.

Council President Hughes opened a public hearing on Resolution No. 12-4344:

- <u>Jim Kight, City of Troutdale</u>: Mayor Kight stated that Metro and the City have worked together to come to a great compromise that protects private property rights while also meeting the requirements of Title 13. He thanked both city and Metro staff for their work.
- Norm Thomas, City of Troutdale: Councilor Thomas thanked the Metro Council and stated that the outcome is a solution that can be used by all. He expressed the City Council's thanks and appreciated for the collaborative approach.

Seeing no additional citizens who wished to testify, Council President Hughes closed the public hearing.

Council thanked the Mayor and City Council for their work and stated that this was a good outcome for the City, Metro and the region as a whole as Title 13 is a statewide goal. Members emphasized Troutdale's beauty and stated that it was clear the city's elected officials value their citizens, property, and the environment.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u>.

6. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

6.1 **Ordinance No. 12- 1279**, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2011-12 Budget and Appropriations Schedule and Amending the FY 2011-12 through FY 2015-2016 Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion:	Councilor Rex Burkholder moved to approve Ordinance No. 12-1279.
Second:	Councilor Roberts seconded the motion.

Councilor Burkholder introduced Ordinance No. 12-1279. The ordinance, if adopted, would approve three budget amendments for the current FY 11-12 budget and Capital Improvement Plan:

- Metropolitan Exposition Recreation Commission Food and Beverage: MERC venues have
 experienced greater food and beverage sales in the current fiscal year than originally
 anticipated. He stated that the budget requires an update for the changes in revenue and
 costs. Staff requested a transfer of contingency funds to material and services to provide for
 the needed increase in food and beverage expense.
- Council Chamber Audio System Upgrade: The Council Chamber's audio visual system was upgraded to comply with FCC standards and requirements outlined with the Americans with Disabilities Act for the hearing impaired. The total cost of the project increased from \$60,000 to \$96,127 due to additional necessary components. If approved, under spent FY 11-12 funds from a position vacancy would be transferred to the general fund to cover the additional cost of the system. The system is used by the Metro Council as well as committees such as the Metro Policy Advisory Committee.

• Front Plaza Planter Project: The amendment, if approved, would amend the CIP to increase the project from \$90,000 to \$126,000. The planters have a history of leaks; if unchecked the planters could threaten the integrity of the Metro building. Councilor Burkholder stated the plant material from the current boxes would be recycled.

Council President Hughes opened a public hearing. Seeing no citizens who wished to testify, the public hearing was closed.

Vote: Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u>.

6.2 **Ordinance No. 12- 1280**, For the Purpose of Amending and Re-Adopting Metro Code 7.03 (Investment Policy) for Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Motion:	Councilor Carl Hosticka moved to approve Ordinance No. 12-1280.
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

Councilor Hosticka introduced Ordinance No. 12-1280. Councilor Hosticka stated that Metro, like many governments, has an uneven flow between incoming revenues and outgoing expenditures and as a result at any given time the agency has cash on hand to be invested. He stated that state law requires that each year the budget is adopted, the policy that specifies how funds are to be invested must also be readopted. Metro Code includes a list of eligible investments including local government securities and state securities for the state of Oregon. It was recently noticed and approved that in addition to the approved list of Oregon securities, Metro could invest in securities of the states and local governments of Washington, Idaho and California. Councilor Hosticka noted that Metro can only invest in local Oregon governments with an "A" or better rating and only an "AA" or better for out of state governments. If approved, the technical amendment would provide the agency more options for investing funds.

Council President Hughes opened a public hearing. Seeing no citizens who wished to testify, the public hearing was closed.

Council asked clarifying questions regarding Washington, Idaho and California specifications.

Vote: Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion passed.

6.3 **Ordinance No. 12- 1274A**, For the Purpose of Amending the FY 2011-12 Budget and Appropriations Schedule and Amending the FY 2011-12 through FY 2015-2016 Capital Improvement Plan.

Council President Hughes passed the gavel to Deputy Council President Burkholder while he carried the following three pieces of legislation.

Motion:	Council President Hughes moved to approve Ordinance No. 12-1274A.
Second:	Councilor Hosticka seconded the motion.

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Council President Hughes stated that approval of Ordinance No. 12-1274A would be the final action in the process of adoption of Metro's financial plan for FY 2012-2013. In April 2012 Ms. Martha Bennett presented the Council – acting as Metro's Budget Committee – with a proposed budget for FY 12-13. Council President Hughes highlighted the Council's work completed over the past few months including work sessions, public hearings, and a meeting and public hearing with the Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission. In addition, the Council proposed and adopted budget notes and medications from June 14 were incorporated into the ordinance's "A" version. He stated that if approved the FY 12-13 – effective July 1 – would total approximately \$535 million with 740.5 FTE positions. The permanent tax levy for operations would be 9.66 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value and the general obligation debt levy set at \$40,557, 224. He thanked Metro staff for their work.

Deputy Council President Burkholder opened a public hearing. Seeing no citizens who wished to testify, the public hearing was closed.

Councilors stated that the FY 12-13 budget was a culmination of months of work by the Council and staff. Members thanked Ms. Bennett and staff for their work and emphasized that FY 12-13 budget does a good job directing resources to support the region's goals and objectives.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u>.

7. **RESOLUTIONS**

7.1 **Resolution No. 12-4352**, For the Purpose of Adopting the Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Years 2012-13 through 2016-17; and Readopting Metro's Financial Policies. Council President Hughes confirmed that the following motion was carried over from the May 24 Council meeting.

Motion:	Council President Hughes moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4352.
Second:	Councilor Harrington seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Resolution No. 12-4352. The resolution if adopted would approve Metro's five-year Capital Improvement Plan and the agency's financial policies including the capital asset management policies. Council President Hughes stated that each year Metro prepares the five-year CIP to accomplish:

- Identification of future capital needs, both new and replacement;
- Consideration of financial capacity to undertake these projects;
- Measurement of the impact on operating costs of the proposed projects;
- Approval to proceed with specific projects and budgetary allocation for the upcoming year; and
- Opportunity to plan for and assemble funding for longer term projects.

He highlighted examples of completed projects for FY 11-12 such as the Oregon Zoo's penguin filtration system and the Solid Waste Information System scheduled to launch on July 1.

The FY 12-13 CIP, if approved, would include 114 projects with an anticipated spending of \$187 million during the five-year period. Of that estimated total, \$144 million will come from Oregon Zoo

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and natural areas bond funds and the balance from renewal and replacement funds. In addition to the CIP, the resolution if approved would adopt the financial policies for the agency. Council President Hughes stated that the financial policies are the principles by which Metro staff plan, budget and manage the agency's funds in a transparent, accountable and smart way and that the policies are important in securing "AAA" bond ratings. He stated that no changes to the financial policies are currently recommended.

Vote: Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka,

Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes,

the motion passed.

7.2 **Resolution No. 12-4353,** For the Purpose of Accepting the May 15, 2012 Primary Election Abstract of Votes for Metro and Finding the Candidates Qualified.

Motion:	Council President Hughes moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4353.
Second:	Councilor Roberts seconded the motion.

Council President Hughes introduced Resolution No. 12-4353 which if approved would accept the May 15 primary election abstract of votes for Metro and find that the candidates Mr. Craig Dirksen, Mr. Sam Chase, and Mr. Bob Stacey qualify for Metro Districts 3, 5 and 6 respectively. Oregon Election Law requires that the Multnomah County Elections Division deliver to Metro the Official Certified Results of the election, and the Canvass of the Official Abstract of Votes. Upon receipt of the results, the law requires Metro to make a Determination of Qualification and Accept the Official Results. Pending the Council's action, the County Elections Division will be allowed to issue certificates of election to the winners. Additionally, according to the Metro Charter "if one candidate for a Metro office receives a majority of the votes cast at the primary election for all candidates for that office, that candidate is elected." All three councilor terms will be for four years commencing on the 1st Monday of January 2013, and ending on the 1st Monday of January 2017.

Council requested that the staff report to the resolution be corrected to include Metro's District 3, which was inadvertently left out. Members discussed the outgoing councilors' historical expertise and also expressed confidence in qualifications of the incoming councilor-elects.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Hosticka, Craddick and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 6 ayes, the motion passed.

Deputy Council President Burkholder passed the gavel back to Council President Hughes to chair the reminder of the meeting.

8. <u>CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION</u>

Ms. Martha Bennett commented on the FY 12-13 budget process and stated that this cycle was the most effective budget process for her to date. She thanked Council and staff for their work. Additional updates included the recent Community Investment Initiative Leadership Council retreat and release of the draft CII Strategic Plan.

9. <u>COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION</u>

There were none.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Council President Hughes adjourned the regular meeting at 3:35 p.m. The Council will reconvene the next regular council meeting on Thursday, July 12 at 2 p.m. at the Metro Council Chamber.

Kelsey Newell, Regional Engagement Coordinator

ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2012

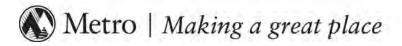
Item	Topic	Doc. Date	Document Description	Doc. Number
	Agenda	6/20/12	Revised June 21 council agenda	62112c-01
3.0	PowerPoint	N/A	Financial Condition of Metro – FY 2001-02 to FY 2010-11	62112c-02
4.1	Minutes	6/14/12	Council minutes for June 14	62112c-03
4.2	Legislation	N/A	Resolution No. 12-4355, exhibit and staff report	62112c-04
5.0	Letter	6/21/12	To: Metro From: Craig Ward RE: City of Troutdale Compliance with Metro Urban Growth Management Functional Plan, Title 13 – Nature in Neighborhoods	62112c-05

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$Consideration\ of\ the\ Minutes\ for\ June\ 28,2012$

Consent Agenda

Metro Council Meeting Thursday, July 12, 2012 Metro, Council Chamber



METRO COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Summary June 28, 2012 Metro, Council Chamber

<u>Councilors Present</u>: Council President Tom Hughes and Councilors Rex Burkholder,

Barbara Roberts, Kathryn Harrington, and Carlotta Collette

Councilors Excused: Councilors Shirley Craddick and Carl Hosticka

Council President Tom Hughes convened the regular council meeting at 2:35 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

There were none.

2. <u>CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>

There were none.

3. **RESOLUTIONS**

Motion:	Councilor Carlotta Collette moved to approve Resolution No. 12-4356
Second:	Councilor Kathryn Harrington seconded the motion.

In 2006 the region's voters passed a natural areas bond measure to support water quality and wildlife habitat protection in 27 target areas across the region. A recent opportunity in one of the target areas, Johnson Creek, prompted staff to request Council direction on a specific property as required when a transaction falls outside parameters laid out in Metro's work plan. The resolution, if approved, would authorize staff to proceed with a natural areas acquisition according to the direction given by the Council in executive session. Due to the nature of the discussion regarding real property, the specifics of the Council's direction to staff will remain confidential until the property is purchased.

Council President Hughes read a statement from Councilor Shirley Craddick who was excused from the meeting. The statement expressed Councilor Craddick's support for the resolution stating that the property is located in Councilor Craddick's district and acquiring the property would protect an important section of the creek. She emphasized in her statement that the resolution, if approved, would carry forward the Council's goals for the Johnson Creek and Watershed target area including improved water quality, habitat restoration and overall watershed health.

Vote:

Council President Hughes, and Councilors Burkholder, Roberts, Collette and Harrington voted in support of the motion. The vote was 5 ayes, the motion <u>passed</u>.

4. <u>CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER COMMUNICATION</u>

Ms. Martha Bennett stated that Metro was randomly selected by the IRS for an audit of the 2006 natural areas bond measure. The audit will look at the use of bond funds and determine if the use of funds is truly tax exempt.

Additionally, Ms. Bennett noted that she will be out of the office July 5 – 6, 2012. Deputy COO Scott Robinson will serve as the agency and Council's contact in her absence.

5. <u>COUNCILOR COMMUNICATION</u>

There were none.

6. ADJOURN

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Kelsey Newell, Regional Engagement Coordinator

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2012

There were none.

Materials following this page were distributed at the meeting.



Community Energy Project, Inc (CEP) mission is to empower people to maintain healthier, more livable homes, control their utility costs, and conserve natural resources.

With a goal of building community and awareness every step of the way.



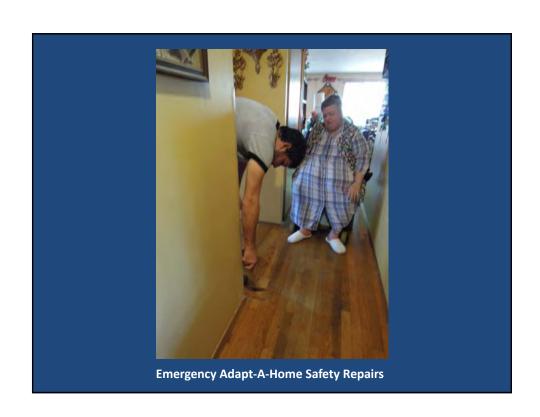
What does CEP do?

Serving Portland since 1979, Community Energy Project (CEP), provides free workshops on small-scale weatherization and lead poisoning prevention, as well as free weatherization and safety repairs to low-income seniors and people with disabilities.



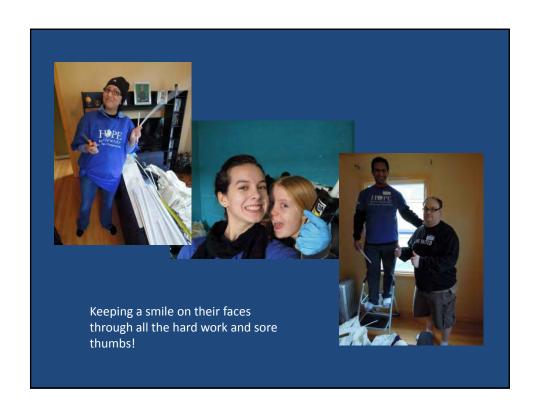
Apartment buildings, houses, mobile homes, campers, houseboats...

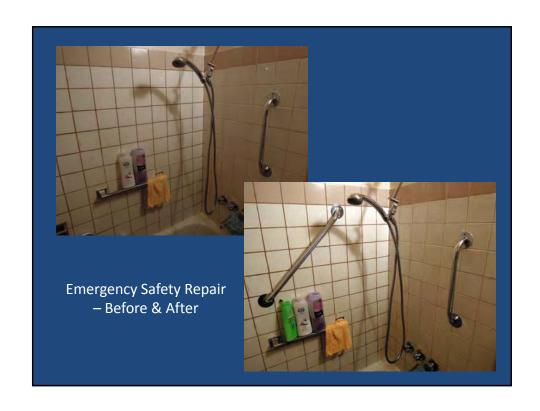
You name it you have weatherized it!













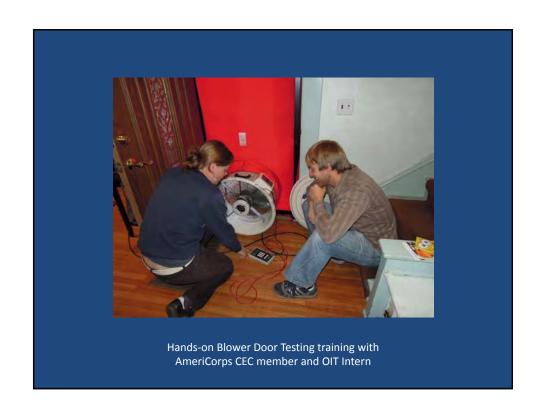




Oregon's dollar value for volunteer time is \$18.85 per hour, which would total more than \$56,895.90 in in-kind donations for the year.

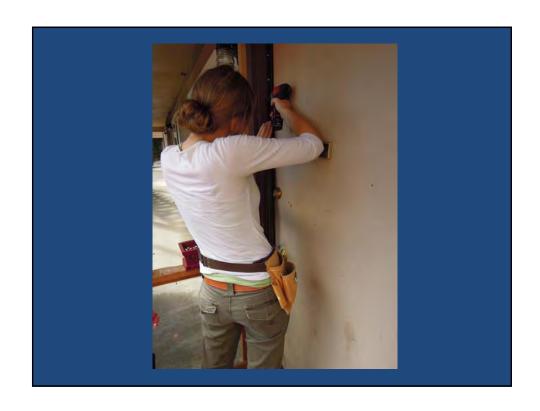
In North Portland, specifically, that equals an in-kind donation of \$5143.05

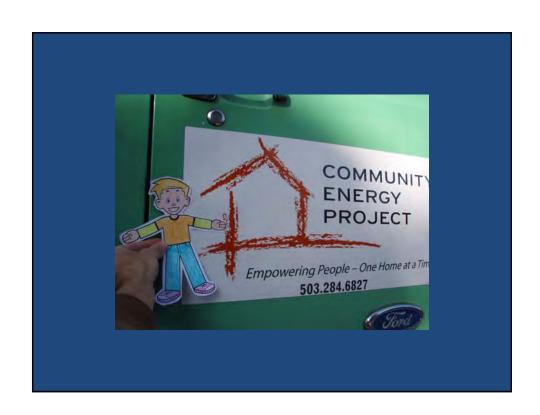






Over the course of this 11-12' we oriented, trained, coordinated and supported 282 volunteers, which is nearly a 24% increase from last years numbers, who then donated 3018.35 hours across all our programs.





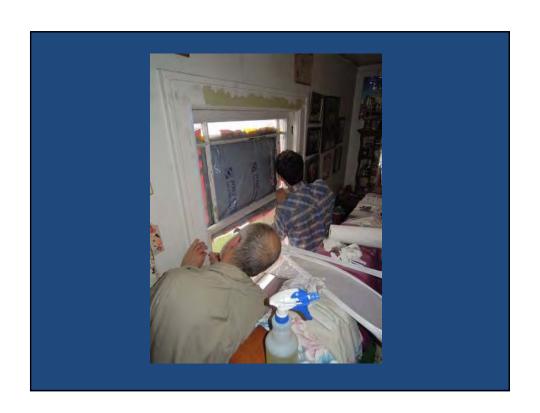






Volunteers used 112 window kits and 76 door kits this past season!







Our volunteers amaze us by how they take in each experience with such amazing attitudes, open minds and compassion.



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2011-12 Outcomes Summary

North Portland Enhancement Grant Program

July 2012



About Metro

Clean air and clean water do not stop at city limits or county lines. Neither does the need for jobs, a thriving economy, and sustainable transportation and living choices for people and businesses in the region. Voters have asked Metro to help with the challenges and opportunities that affect the 25 cities and three counties in the Portland metropolitan area.

A regional approach simply makes sense when it comes to providing services, operating venues and making decisions about how the region grows. Metro works with communities to support a resilient economy, keep nature close by and respond to a changing climate. Together we're making a great place, now and for generations to come.

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Metro Council President

Tom Hughes

Metro Councilors

Shirley Craddick, District 1 Carlotta Collette, District 2 Carl Hosticka, District 3 Kathryn Harrington, District 4 Rex Burkholder, District 5 Barbara Roberts, District 6

Auditor

Suzanne Flynn

NORTH PORTLAND ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

With the deepest recession in decades still lingering, Metro Council gave North Portland residents some good news in July 2011 by approving a \$15,000 grants package earmarked for neighborhood projects. This report offers highlights about the slate of 2011-12 projects.

Funds supported a variety of programs, from literacy intervention efforts for youngsters to merit scholarships for college-bound high schoolers, to weatherization and safety repairs at households of elderly and disabled residents and more. The investment of the public's money delivered tools and solutions for the common good, met emergency needs and supported economic recovery. A summary of outputs and outcomes for each project appear in the following pages.

The North Portland fund was created from a 50-cent surcharge imposed on each ton of garbage disposed of at the now-closed St. Johns landfill. Today, interest generated on the fund supports the grant program. Projects must directly benefit residents or neighborhoods around the facility, including Arbor Lodge, Cathedral Park, Kenton, Overlook, Portsmouth, St. Johns and University Park.

People on the ground who live in those neighborhoods are the best source of ideas about important public investments. Metro's process gives local residents the authority to make decisions about allocating these funds. Metro Councilor Rex Burkholder, whose district includes the grant target area, works alongside community leaders who solicit, review and award funds for neighborhood projects. Members of Metro's committee include:

- Chris Duffy Arbor Lodge
- Jeff Bissonnette Cathedral Park
- Steven Joiner Kenton
- David Davis Overlook
- Cece Hughley Noel Portsmouth
- Shawn DeCarlo St. Johns
- Anisha Scanlon University Park

Given the limited amount of funds to award in 2011-12, Metro's committee narrowed in on funding priorities responsive to the community's most pressing needs:

- jobs and job training
- programs for youth
- programs or projects that deliver basic needs and respond to the issues of hunger, health care for the uninsured, and housing or essential household needs.

The criteria used to evaluate proposals included a project's responsiveness to funding priorities (with measurable outcomes), its impact on targeted individuals or group(s), and the extent to which it strengthens community and involves or leverages partnerships.

The 2011-12 grant cycle marks the 24rd year Metro has invested funds in the community through the North Portland enhancement program. In that time, more than \$2.2 million has been awarded to help fund 460 neighborhood improvement projects.

For more details about the projects funded in 2011-12, or to learn more about the slate of 2012-13 grant awards, visit Metro's web site at www.oregonmetro.gov/grants or call Karen Blauer at (503) 797-1506.

Metro is proud to help inspire real change by awarding grants to support local improvements – large and small. Congratulations to our 2011-12 grantees on project accomplishments. There is much of which to be proud, and still much work to be done.

Karen Blauer
Community grants coordinator

Grantee: Boys & Girls Club of Portland Metropolitan Area

Award: \$2,500

A literacy intervention program supported by Metro grant funds served North Portland youth identified as struggling readers. These are children growing up in area where more than 30 different dialects are spoken and in a community long associated with poverty, gang-related violence and negative behavior. The program was offered during the school year to 24 elementary-aged youth enrolled in 2nd through 5th grades at Rosa Parks Elementary and after school



hours to 33 Regence Boys & Girls Club members in North Portland in 2nd through 4th grade. Another 60 to 75 club members were supported during Open House hours. The teacher-led, multisensory instructional method was tailored to each child's learning pattern and developmental growth. Outcomes from three annual assessments showed participants making gains in visual, auditory and kinesthetic modalities, offering these children hope and a foundation for their futures.

Grantee: Columbia Slough Watershed Council

Award: \$2,000

The "Slough School" gave 889 students from James John, Rosa Parks and Ockley Green schools an opportunity to learn about the watershed in their backyard. They studied its history, ecology and organisms, as well as human impacts on the area. Metro's grant support helped make the program free of charge to these youth. It included classroom presentations on topics ranging from aquatic macroinvertebrates to water chemistry, as well as hands-on activities during which they tracked animals, planted more than 250 native trees and shrubs and took canoe trips to experience the slough from the water.



Grantee: Community Energy Project

Award: \$2,500

Metro's grant supported a season of community advocacy and volunteer activity to help people maintain healthier, more livable homes by controlling their utility costs and conserving natural resources. A total of 79 volunteers were recruited and trained and spent 270 hours assisting 20 North Portland residents. In addition to weatherization and water conservation services, volunteers made emergency safety, carpentry and plumbing repairs, and also monitored trends in client



needs to make appropriate referrals to other helpful community resources.

Grantee: Impact NW

Award: \$3,000

The Urban Opportunities job readiness training program served 22 youth enrolled in Roosevelt High School. There were 14 youth that participated during the regular school year and 8 in the summer Career College Connections program. Students got an average of 21 classroom service hours during the regular school year and 54 hours during the summer program. The training includes an accredited curriculum that helps students with resume writing, conduct mock



interviews, get work ethic training, learn financial literacy, get real life job search skills and go on a "hit the pavement" field trip.

Of the 22 youth served, 9 earned .5 elective credits by working with employers such as the Rebuilding Center; another 4 will receive credit when their summer job experience is complete. A total of 9 participants received Food Handler Certification through the Multnomah County Department of Health. These students will have summer jobs at the St. Johns Farmer's Market or with the Voodoo Doughnut Mobile.

Grantee: Theodore Roosevelt Women's Scholarship Association

Award: \$2,000

Megan Norton was the recipient of a merit scholarship for post-secondary education. Metro's grant will help pay for her to study veterinary medicine beginning this fall at Oregon State University. Megan earned the scholarship with one of the highest test scores for all scholarship applicants. An honor student, Megan was involved in student government and was Homecoming Queen at her school. Metro's grant made Megan eligible to receive an additional \$500 from the Scholarship Association and entitled her to the matching scholarship at OSU.

Grantee: Tender Loving Care – Think 'n Try

Award: \$2,000

Peer mentoring training is a year-round process for the 20 teen participants that benefitted from Metro's grant award to the Tender Loving Care – Think 'n Try program. Not only are youth given skills to work with hundreds of young children during a summer camp, but also in job readiness training, basic first aid skills and ongoing support for leadership development. After the summer camp for kids is over, teen counselors work on portfolios that they submit to their schools for credit, and continue to get support for their studies with tutoring, mentoring and financial assistance that lasts through college.

Grantee: Bethel Neighborhood Youth Drop-in Center

Award: \$2,500

Metro's award was in support of summer jobs for four youth counselors at Bethel Neighborhood Dropin Center. The grant covered training sessions in first aid/CPR, child development, conflict resolution and more. At the time this summary report was published, project outcomes were not available.

