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January 8, 2004

Rod Park Councilor Metro 600 NE Grand Avenue Portland, OR 97232

Dear Councilor Park,

Thank you for your lively presentation to my Environmental Economics class at Pacific University on November 20, 2003. We learned a great deal from your discussion of the history of the urban growth boundary and of recent efforts to expand the area. It is easy to understand how you achieve such great effectiveness on the Metro council.

Good luck with your important work at Metro. Our high quality of life in the Portland Metropolitan Area results in large part from your efforts. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any assistance that I might be able to provide.

Again, thank you.

Regards,

Phil Ruder

Associate Professor of Economics

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## TERRY HANNON, J.D. ARBITRATOR

PO Box 69076 Portland, OR 97239 Circuit Court Judge Pro Tem Former Justice of the Peace of Tillamook County

June 18, 2004

Rod Park Councilor Metro 600 NE Grand Ave Portland, OR 97232-2736

Dear Rod:



Here is an update on the judicial vacancy in Multnomah County . Twenty Nine lawyers or Pro Tem Judges, including yours truly applied. The Governor asked the Multnomah Bar Association to interview all the candidates and to give the Governor's office an oral report on each candidates particular strengths and qualifications for the position. In addition, the MBA gave the Governor their list of the five "most qualified" candidates based on the MBA Judicial Screening Committee's investigation. The Governor had departed from past practice and did not request that list.

Historically, the Governors have picked the appointee from the MBA's "most qualified" list. I got the list today and I was not on the list, which includes 3 government lawyers, two from the Dept of Justice and one from the Multnomah County Attorneys Office and one from a small plaintiffs law firm and one from a defendant oriented law firm.

By not getting on the list it becomes more of an uphill battle-your guy was qualified, but not most qualified in the eyes of the lawyers on the Committee. Lawyers do want to see someone like themselves as judges, but this tilt toward government lawyers surprised me. Fortunately, this Governor was a judicial insider and knows that this list should be called a preference list of the 21 members of the MBA's Committee, and maybe that is why he did not ask the MBA to give him a list to pick from.

Thanks again for your support. The ball is in the Governor's court, and I am confident the Governor will do the right thing for the people of Multnomah County.

Very truly yours

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## COUNCILOR ROD PARK

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Mt. Hood Jazz Festival PO Box 2043 Gresham, OR 97030

August 4, 2004

Dear Kathy:

Thank you very much for the generous offer of tickets to the Mt. Hood Jazz Festival this coming weekend. Although Metro's ethics code would allow me to accept the tickets, I feel obligated to return them due to my position on the board of the Visitor Development Fund. Since the Mt. Hood Jazz Festival usually receives funds from VDF, your gift might be construed as unduly influencing my judgement on the board.

I will continue to wholeheartedly support the Mt. Hood Jazz Festival and enjoy the great entertainment that it offers. Thank you for your great contribution to our community and my thanks again for your generous offer.

Sincerely

Rod Park

Metro Council, District One



Rod

Thank you personally for your Support. Bring your lovely wife!!

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The Honorable James Wright Damascus City Council 15041 SE Ondo Rivera Drive Boring, OR 97009

Councilor Wright:

Congratulations on the successful incorporation of Damascus as the newest city in the region and on your election to the first Damascus City Council. Your leadership skills will be called upon as you help set the course for the newest city in Oregon.

The Metro Council and staff have worked extensively with you and other residents of Damascus to create an inclusive planning process. Metro will continue to provide technical resources and support for the city of Damascus as you complete the marvelous opportunity of comprehensively planning a community from the ground up.

On behalf of the Metro Council, we'd like to invite you to attend a special reception celebrating the city of Damascus and a presentation at the Metro Council meeting on Thursday, December 16. The reception will begin at 1:00pm at Metro and the Metro Council meeting will begin at 2:00pm in the Council Chambers. The Damascus presentation will be first on the agenda.

Please RSVP to Patty Unfred Montgomery at 503-797-1941 if you are able to attend the reception and Metro Council meeting on December 16.

We look forward to continuing to work with you as a colleague and regional partner.

Congratulations and best wishes,

David Bragdon

Metro Council President

Rod Park

Metro Councilor, District One

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The Honorable Randy Shannon Damascus City Council 21252 SE Foster Road Damascus, OR 97009

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November 20, 2004

Re: Regional Focus Group in Gresham Thursday December 16, 2004.

Dear Colleague,

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Last spring we launched an in-house strategic planning initiative. Much of our discussion centered on our collective desire to renew and revitalize our commitment to local communities.

Through our strategic planning process we developed some goals and objectives for Metro work. But we know that the task of developing a vision for Metro's future is not ours alone. It requires your involvement and a clear understanding of your expectations.

Please accept this letter as our official invitation to participate in a small group discussion about Metro's goals. The invitation is open to elected leaders only. Group discussions will be limited to a maximum of twelve.

The discussions will be managed by a professional facilitator. After the last discussion, the facilitator will provide the Metro Council with a summary of the views and advice you provide during the discussions.

Please come to the discussion that is scheduled in your area on Thursday December 16, 2004, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the Barlow trail room at Gresham City Hall, 1333 NW Eastman Pkwy. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by November 30th to Cathy Sherick at (503) 797-1781 if you are available to attend. If you would like to attend a discussion and this date does not work with your schedule, please contact Cathy for the dates and locations of discussion scheduled for other locations throughout the region.

As always, we thank you for your partnership in regional leadership.



November 20, 2004

Re: Regional Focus Group in Portland Wednesday December 8, 2004.

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Please come to the discussion that is scheduled in your area on Thursday December 9, 2004, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Sunnybrook Services Center 9101 SE Sunnybrook. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by November 30th to Cathy Sherick at (503) 797-1781 if you are available to attend. If you would like to attend a discussion and this date does not work with your schedule, please contact Cathy for the dates and locations of discussion scheduled for other locations throughout the region.

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