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METRO

June 2, 1999

Patrick Willis
Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve
123 West Main St.
Hillsboro, OR 97123

Dear Mr. Willis,

Congratulations on your National Wetlands Award for education and outreach. As a Metro Councilor and chair of the committee that oversees our parks and greenspaces policies, I thank you for your hard work on behalf of our natural environment.

I understand award recipients come from all over the country, so this is truly an honor of national proportions. Thank you for putting Hillsboro on the map in such a fine way.

I regret that my schedule will not allow me to attend the ceremony at which you will receive your award, but I send my recognition for a job well done and best wishes for your future. Please call me if I can ever be of help to you.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ed. Washington". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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6:00 - 8:00 pm
United States Capitol
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NATIONAL WETLANDS AWARDS

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1999

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METRO

June 8, 1999

Douglas J. Kelso
1174 NE 76th Ave.
Portland, OR 97213

Dear Mr. Kelso,

Thank you for your thoughtful letter on the proposed Interstate MAX line. I appreciate your suggestions and will take them to the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT).

As you might already suspect, I cannot guarantee that we will be able to do everything you suggest. For one thing, anything that involves Vancouver must have the cooperation and approval of the Clark County voters. That has not as yet been forthcoming.

I understand the seriousness of the problem, though, and have long supported the need to develop cooperative solutions to the bi-state traffic problems.

I encourage you to keep abreast of developments and participate in discussions as this project goes forward. We might not get everything we want, but with your support and that of folks like you, we will be able to make good progress.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed. Washington".

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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DOUGLAS J. KELSO

1174 NE 76TH AVENUE
PORTLAND, OR 97213

June 7, 1999

Ed Washington
Metro Council
600 N.E. Grand Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97232

Re: Portland/Vancouver MAX and Interstate Bridge Renovation

Dear Mr. Washington:

I appreciated your recent reply to Ted Piccolo's anti-MAX diatribe in *The Oregonian*. I appreciate that Metro and Tri-Met have identified a less expensive, less disruptive MAX corridor through North Portland than previously proposed. It's unfortunate that it took a defeat at the polls to make this happen.

At this time, the region should begin preparing for the eventual extension of light rail from the Expo Center to Vancouver. As I mentioned in a previous letter, an Interstate Bridge project -- aimed primarily at improving traffic flow over the Columbia by eliminating drawbridges -- would create a rail-ready river crossing for MAX. In brief:

- (1) First, to avoid any traffic interruptions, build a *new* northbound freeway bridge over the Columbia, with a "high" span in lieu of a drawbridge. This would be built to the immediate east of the existing northbound bridge.
- (2) On completion of the new northbound bridge, the current northbound bridge will be cleared. Using the existing foundations, replace the drawbridge with a new "high" span. This will become the new southbound I-5 bridge.
- (3) On completion of the new southbound bridge, the "old" southbound bridge can be transformed into a two-way drawbridge, with bike lanes and a walkway, for "local" traffic between Vancouver and Jantzen Beach.

The "local" bridge can also carry light rail tracks that share the lane with automobiles. Since there will be no stopping on the bridge, a shared lane shouldn't be a problem -- proper signalling can clear the lanes when a light rail train approaches.

The entire project can be funded with bridge tolls, which (I believe) are permitted under federal and state law. Using tolls will make the project self-funding; it therefore may be started immediately, without having to compete with other road projects for state and federal money.

The end result is an improvement for everyone -- motorists, cyclists, transit riders, and shipping. It would improve traffic flow over the Columbia, add two additional lanes of local traffic, provide better bicycle crossing, and make the eventual extension of light-rail to Vancouver dramatically less costly than today. It would also allow more frequent draw-bridge use -- a gain for river users.

My interest in this project is not just that of a transit rider. I have twice been stuck in traffic jams created by an Interstate drawbridge lift. The very nature of Interstate freeways argues strongly against periodic obstructions such as drawbridges. In the interest of making the region's freeway system fully functional, we should find a way to build higher bridges. As I mentioned, tolls will let us do so immediately by making the entire project self-funding.

The sooner the "high bridges" are built, the sooner we will see two lanes ready to take light rail over the Columbia. In fact, if bridge construction begins in the next three or four years, it's quite possible that "Phase II" of the Interstate Corridor light rail will be ready to begin construction shortly after light rail service to the Expo Center begins.

I urge you to introduce discussion of this concept into regional transportation planning without delay.

Sincerely,

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Douglas Kelso

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METRO

June 10, 1999

Matthew F. Whitney
Bridgeton Neighborhood Association
417 N Bridgeton Rd.
Portland, OR 97217-8009

Dear Mr. Whitney,

Thank you for your enthusiastic support of the Interstate MAX to Expo. As you know, I have argued for a strong, multi-modal system for this region. The developments you describe in your neighborhood illustrate why I take that stand.

I believe you share my conviction that no single mode of transportation will, by itself, be able to handle the transportation demands of the future. We need them all and we need them to complement one another.

I trust you will continue to participate as this process goes forward. I look forward to working with you.

Cordially,

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Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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June 4, 1999

Metro Councilman Ed Washington
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97232-2736

Dear Councilman Washington:

On behalf of the Bridgeton Neighborhood Association I would like to thank you for your support of MAX and a light rail line to the Expo Center of North Portland.

The Bridgeton neighborhood in its Neighborhood Plan (adopted by the Portland City Council in November 1998) has a light rail stop at the Expo center as a central component of the neighborhood's Transportation Plan as well as a key component of the Bridgeton neighborhood's Vision Statement.

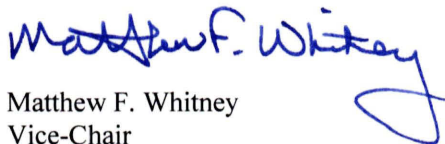
Through an exhaustive two year effort the Bridgeton neighborhood overwhelmingly approved a neighborhood plan that sought to help Bridgeton to develop into a "vital, environmentally sensitive, pedestrian-oriented river community". The Bridgeton neighborhood's Vision Statement calls for building a "village like character" to the neighborhood and in order to promote alternatives to cars, "a pedestrian and bicycle promenade, (connecting along the riverbank to) a nearby light rail stop which includes bike lockers to support energy-efficient commuting."

Since adoption of our neighborhood plan our neighborhood has seen a tremendous amount of growth and new development. In the past two years more than 50 new row houses have been built and occupied along Bridgeton Road. Currently a condominium and apartment development on the west end, and within ¼ mile of the future Expo Center MAX station, is nearing completion. This new complex will add an additional 70 condos and 140 apartments plus a 110 room hotel to the neighborhood. An additional 180 unit condominium and a second 100 room hotel are also planned for this site. Overall, the Bridgeton Neighborhood will see a population growth exceeding 500% within the next two years!

In light of this ongoing development and expected population growth you can surely understand why the neighborhood in its Neighborhood Plan put such an emphasis on the importance of a MAX line to the Expo Center. If Portland is to become a livable 21st century city and the Bridgeton neighborhood an inviting place to live, then a MAX light rail connection is absolutely necessary.

The Bridgeton Neighborhood appreciates your strong support for building a MAX line to the Expo Center.

Sincerely,



Matthew F. Whitney
Vice-Chair
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METRO

June 10, 1999

Dave White
Tri-County Council
1739 NW 156th Ave.
Beaverton, OR 97006

Dear Mr. White,

Thank you for taking the time and trouble to set up the meeting on June 7th to discuss how to use our savings from the recently signed disposal contract. I am committed to a public process as we make our decision, and your input will be a vital part of that. Please extend my thanks also to the other members of the committee who were participated. I appreciate their contributions.

The Regional Environmental Management committee held the first of two public hearings on this subject yesterday. The second is scheduled for June 23. I am enclosing a schedule of the planned process so you can keep abreast of progress.

If you wish to discuss this or other issues of mutual concern, please don't hesitate to call me.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'Ed' followed by a stylized flourish.

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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Tri-County Council

1739 NW 156th Avenue • Beaverton, Oregon 97006 • (503) 690-3143 (Tel/Fax)

May 27, 1999

Councilor Ed Washington
Metro Council
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232-2736

Re: June 7, 1999 Tri-C Meeting

Dear Councilor Washington:

Thank you for agreeing to attend the June 7th meeting of the Tri-County Council. We are looking forward to the opportunity to share our comments and concerns regarding the use of the savings from Metro's re-negotiated disposal contract. Council Park has also agreed to attend and I have invited Councilor McLain.

The Tri-County Council meets at Eastside Recycling which is located at 14041-A NE Sandy Boulevard, Portland. I find it easy to get there by taking 1-84 to the 122nd exit. Turn right (north, toward the Columbia River). After going under the freeway and through a few lights you will come to a K-mart on your right. Look for a small sign that indicates a turn off onto a short connecting road to Sandy Boulevard. Go east on Sandy Boulevard for about one mile. You will see a gray, two story building on your left; that is where Eastside Recycling is located. There is a short driveway that crosses some railroad tracks. Be careful at this crossing and veer left at the "Y". I will make sure someone is outside looking for you. The phone number for Eastside Recycling is 261-7300 if you need additional help finding the location.

Directions

Once again, our thanks for the opportunity to provide input on a decision that will have significant implications for our industry and the region's solid waste and recycling system.

Sincerely,

David White

David White
Chair of the Tri-County Council

Ps. Just a reminder that the meeting will start at 3:00pm and last about an hour.



Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives Inc.

4829 N. E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Portland, Oregon 97211 (503) 288-2923 Fax: (503) 288-2891

July 7, 1999

Ed Washington
Councilor, District 5
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600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

Re: PCRI's Scattered Site Project

Dear Councilor Washington:

In January of this year I requested a letter of support for our Scattered Site proposal to be included in our State funding application. At the time it was my intention to apply to the State contingent on an award from the Portland Development Commission (PDC). Unfortunately our project was denied by PDC and as a result we did not apply to the State.

Recently, however, we re-applied for funds through PDC's Spring RFP and were given a reservation on July 1st. Our next step will be to apply to the State for the balance of the funding required to complete the project. If possible I would like to have your original letter (enclosed) updated to reflect the current application period. This would only require the same letter with a current date.

Thank you for your support of our project, it means a great deal. Please call me at 288-2923 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Sean Bannon
Housing Development Coordinator

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January 22, 1999

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Maxine Fitzpatrick
Portland Reinvestment Initiatives
4829 NE Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
Portland, OR 97211

RE: Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives (PCRI) Scattered Site Project

As an elected official who has been working on transportation and affordable housing issues, I strongly support the goals of PCRI's Scattered Site Project. Anyone connected with these issues in the Portland area knows that this area is challenged by increasing congestion and rapidly rising land values. In many areas, even middle-income people have been priced out of local housing markets. PCRI's three-pronged approach of addressing efficient land use, housing affordability, and access to transit fits neatly with Metro's efforts to contain sprawl yet retain livability in the face of rapid growth.

The proposed developments offer other advantages as well. Most of the housing sites fall in areas of the city that have suffered from disinvestment and blight. Whereas many strategies for addressing blight result in gentrification and displacement of current residents, this one does not. By providing well-designed yet affordable housing, the new units can address blight without displacing current residents nor destroying the character of the existing neighborhood. The idea of scattering this type of housing throughout the area also promotes urban vitality by retaining a healthy socio-economic mix.

I am excited to see a proposal of this caliber. I believe it will be good for the people of the neighborhoods, good for the housing market, and good for our region's overall livability. Please let me know if I can be of further help.

Sincerely,

Ed Washington
Councilor, District 5

cc: Sean Bannon

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Ed Washington
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cc: Sean Bannon

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**METRO**

July 14, 1999

The Honorable Dan Saltzman, Commissioner
City of Portland
1221 SW Fourth Avenue, Room 230
Portland, Oregon 97204

Dear Commissioner Saltzman:

Recently we received the Environmental Services publication of "Portland Curbsider," which had an article in it regarding new garbage and recycling rates.

This article states that Metro has renegotiated a disposal contract with Waste Management and will reduce disposal fees in January 2000. We are concerned that your publication states as fact that the Metro Council will reduce fees when it has not yet decided how to allocate any savings from our contract. Metro must balance the need to provide the lowest "tip fee" with its desire to increase recycling rates.

Your publication contradicts testimony given by Commissioner Charlie Hales regarding the city's desire to see any savings allocated toward paying for growth management costs. We understand that the City of Portland may have many concerns and points of view. However, it would be helpful to our deliberations if you would coordinate with your fellow commissioners and Mayor Katz to provide Metro with the city's top priorities and recommendations.

We have enclosed a copy of Metro's process for determining the allocation of any savings realized by our contract renegotiation. We encourage you and other city commissioners to testify before the Metro Council or provide written testimony so that we may hear from one of our most important partners in this region.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

ROD MONROE
Presiding Officer
District 6

ED WASHINGTON
Chair, REM Committee
District 5

CC: Mayor Vera Katz, Portland City Commissioners

**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Orville Mowry
Port Blakely Tree Farms, L.P.
1325 Fourth Ave., 10th Floor
Seattle, Washington 98101-2524

Dear Mr. Mowry:

Thank you for your July 13 letter regarding illegal dumping on timberlands in Clackamas County. I distributed your letter to the Metro Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) at their July 21 meeting.

The SWAC shares your concern about illegal dumping in Clackamas County and the problem of private landowners being burdened with cleanup costs. There is a strong commitment from SWAC and others in the solid waste industry to work on solutions to prevent waste generated in our urban areas from being dumped on our rural neighbors.

The SWAC had several suggestions on how local governments and Metro might be able to help address this problem. SWAC representatives from Clackamas County volunteered to contact you by telephone to discuss their suggestions. Both Clackamas County and Metro have enforcement personnel assigned to investigate illegal dumping and in certain cases, to provide assistance with the actual cleanup. The SWAC wanted to ensure that you were aware of these services.

The Metro Council has also heard testimony regarding the problem of illegal dumping at recent public hearings. The importance of preventing illegal dumping will be part of the Council's considerations during upcoming budget and program policy discussions.

Again, thank you for taking the time to provide SWAC with written input on this issue. I will ask the Clackamas County representatives to give SWAC a progress report on their discussions with you at the next scheduled meeting on August 18.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington, SWAC Chair

cc: Steve Kraten, Metro Solid Waste Enforcement Unit
Michael Misovetz, SWAC Clackamas County Citizen Representative
Susan Ziolk, SWAC Clackamas County Government Representative

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July 21, 1999

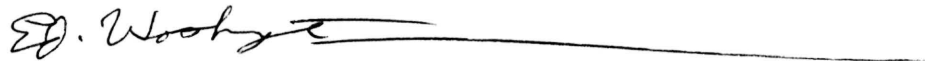
Bob Pung
PO Box 37
Gresham OR 97030
Portland, OR 97

Dear Mr. Pung,

I read a great story about you, your family, and your community service in the *Oregonian* recently. You received some well-deserved kudos for your many years of hard work and dedication to so many good causes.

I also want to congratulate you on being selected as Vice President of MCCI. I know you have been a strong contributor to that committee for some time. They are fortunate to have your leadership, and Metro will certainly benefit.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Council, District 5

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THE OREGONIAN ♦ THURSDAY, JULY 8, 1999

PEOPLE

Being involved best therapy

Name: Robert "Bob" Pung
Age: 52

FACE TO FACE

Home life:
Lives in
Central Sta-
tion Apart-
ments, a

Gresham complex designed for the physically disabled, with his wife, Maureen, and their 28-year-old son, Rob. The family has a 2-year-old dachshund, Max.

Disabilities: Bob has a degenerative disk disease in his back; fibromyalgia, which produces chronic pain, stiffness and tenderness of muscles, tendons and joints; and diabetes. He can walk a few steps but uses Tri-Met and his wheelchair (top speed, 12.5 mph) to get around to his many civic activities. His wife and son are also disabled. Maureen suffers from a herniated disk in her neck and a left ankle that never fully recovered from a break. She uses a cane to walk. Their son is developmentally disabled.

Abilities: Pung takes great pride in a history of civic involvement that has left him with bulging envelopes of awards and commendations for the volunteer positions he's signed up for on task forces or committees. It's a resume that goes beyond just community service on issues concerning the disabled.

"Robert has fought great adversity with great success and forever will be remembered as a champion of creating a sense of 'Community' wherever he is at," wrote friend Dwight Cuffe in a 1990 letter endorsing one of his many board appointments.

Most recently, Pung was chosen vice chairman of Metro's Committee for Citizen Involvement. A partial list of his current and past positions includes membership on the Multnomah County District Attorney Citizen Budget Advisory Committee, the county's Community Corrections Advisory Board, a Gresham city task force on issues affecting pedestrians and bicyclists, Tri-Met's Committee on Accessible Transportation, the Clatsop County Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Committee, and the National Job Corps Alumni Association.

He also helps run a program called Tetra that recruits skilled volunteer engineers and technicians to create special-needs equipment for disabled people.

Why he gets involved: "The best



ROGER JENSEN/THE OREGONIAN

Bob Pung doesn't let his disabilities stop him from serving on several community committees at a time. Pung lives in this Gresham apartment complex for the disabled with his wife, Maureen, and son, Rob, who are in the background with the family dog, Max.

therapy I've got is doing what I'm doing — being involved as much as I can," Pung said. "The awards are nice but, you know, the respect is better."

A little history: He was born in Langdon, N.D., a town he describes as "a little wide spot on the road about 12 miles from the Canadian border." From age 6 through 8, his legs were in braces and doctors thought at one point he might have cerebral palsy. Pung didn't, and he thought he would grow out of his chronic pain. When he was in his 20s, and having grown to 6-foot-7, it became worse. He's had three back operations and one neck operation.

He met Maureen while in the Job Corps on the Oregon coast during the late 1960s. He traces his interest in civic participation to a decision while in the Job Corps to join student government.

A valuable experience with pressing a cause came a few years later, Pung said. Doctors initially would not let him see his then 9-month-old son in the hospital after a bathtub accident left the child with a subdural hematoma, a swelling of blood in his head.

"That was my first lesson in learning how to know people and how to get things done when people try to shove you around," Pung said. "Some people feel I'm too honest, and a lot of people don't like that. I always say, 'If the shoe fits, wear it.'"

Before becoming too disabled to work in the mid-1980s, Pung worked in a wide variety of jobs in North Dakota, from repairing televisions and appliances to driving a laundry truck. The family moved back to the Oregon coast 11 years ago and into Gresham's Central Station Apartments in February. Over the hum

of the air conditioning and a portable fan, Pung said he likes his new home — everything's at wheelchair level and the bathroom has a shower chair.

Biggest daily obstacle: Pung said in an interview from his electric-powered reclining chair that he takes a lot of high-powered narcotics such as methadone and Percodan to ease his pain.

"It gets me to where I can feel like a normal human being," Pung said. "You can sit back and get tears in your eyes. It can be depressing if you let it get you. But I made up my mind I'm not going to let it get me."

"I always say if there's a heaven and a hell, then I've already been to hell. I don't want sympathy. I don't want pity. That's not what it's all about."

— Henry Stern

**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Pam Arden
40 Mile Loop Land Trust
1817 N Winchell Street
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Pam:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to develop stewardship of the Peninsula Crossing Trail has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$1,700. Continued community stewardship of the newly constructed trail is essential to the trail's future.

The North Portland Enhancement committee is staffed by Metro, which assists with the administration of the grant program. A contract and scope of work specifying what is required in order to receive the funds and terms of payment for the grant will be prepared by Katie Dowdall, Metro's Community Enhancement Coordinator. She will contact you shortly as funds are available for disbursement after July 1, 1999.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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cc: North Portland Enhancement Committee
Katie Dowdall, Community Enhancement Coordinator

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Paul W Shapiro
Director of Development
Foundation for Social Resources
4029 Westerly Place, Suite 101
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Dear Mr. Shapiro:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to establish Pier Park Learning Center in St. Johns Wood has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fully fund your request for \$7,500 to hire an on-site program coordinator to recruit volunteer tutors and arrange needed educational, medical and other programming for nearly 500 low-income families. The committee requests that the salary match be in place prior to hiring the coordinator.

The North Portland Enhancement committee is staffed by Metro, which assists with the administration of the grant program. A contract and scope of work specifying what is required in order to receive the funds and terms of payment for the grant will be prepared by Katie Dowdall, Metro's Community Enhancement Coordinator. She will contact you shortly as funds are available for disbursement after July 1, 1999.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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cc: North Portland Enhancement Committee
Katie Dowdall, Community Enhancement Coordinator



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July 21, 1999

Mr. Bill Minard
Friends of Columbia Park
4339 N. Lombard
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Bill:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to purchase and install new windows for Columbia Cottage was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund your project for \$8,000. Although this is above your requested amount, the committee felt it was important to maintain the architectural historical integrity of the building. Trevor Nelson, enhancement committee member, will work with you to ensure the project is completed and meeting all requirements.

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Sincerely,

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Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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cc: North Portland Enhancement Committee
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July 21, 1999

Ms. June English
Golden Harvesters Inc.
6825 N. Willamette
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. English:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to increase your capacity of providing protein enriched foods to the 500 plus families you serve was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund your request in the amount of \$3,000 to purchase a dishwasher, containers, and pay for the remodeling required in order to obtain foods from restaurants, hospitals, and/or schools. The committee encourages you find other partners and try to obtain donated containers.

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Sincerely,

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Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Dennis Kemple
St. John's Nemesis
5617 N. Bowdoin Street
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Dennis:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to continue your effort in removing graffiti in North Portland was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund your project in the amount of \$4,000. Keep up the good work!

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Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Paul St. John Parker
Housing Authority of Portland
8911 N. Woolsey Avenue
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Mr. St. John Parker:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to update software to be Y2K compliant at the Columbia Villa Tamaracks Computer Learning Center was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund your grant in the amount of \$6,211. The computer learning center plays a vital role as a viable resource to the neighborhood.

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Ms. Debby Boekeloo
Interstate Little League
P.O. Box 17643
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Boekeloo:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to purchase five storage containers for your baseball/softball fields has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fully fund your request in the amount of \$3,090.

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Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Doug Pullin
Janus Youth Programs, Inc.
Columbia Villa Youth Advancement Program
707 NE Couch
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Mr. Pullin:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to continue to support children and families served by Janus Youth Programs" at Columbia Villa/Tamarack was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$4,641. The funds are to pay personnel salaries.

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Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. David R Eatwell
Kenton Action Plan
P. O. Box 17560
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Eatwell:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support the North Portland Neighborhood Festival in Kenton Park was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund the festival in the amount of \$1,550. The committee hopes that you invite Portland Housing Center to participate with an informational booth.

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Ed Bernadino
North Portland Alano Association
8926 N. Lombard
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Mr. Bernadino:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to make community room improvements was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$2,004. Keep up the good work in our community.

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Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Tom Griffin-Valade
District Coordinator
North Portland Neighborhood Services
2410 N Lombard
Portland, OR 97211

Dear Tom:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support the fall 1999 Network North Portland Conference was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund the Network North Portland Conference in the amount of \$3,900.

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Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Diane M. Feldt, Director
North Portland Youth & Family Center
5139 N. Lombard
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Feldt:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support your Group Challenge Course was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to award your project in the amount of \$1,500 for the renovation plan for the Group Challenge Course.

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Sincerely,

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Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Ms. Marcia A. Mulvey
Peninsula Children's Center
4720 North Maryland Avenue
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Mulvey:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support your Early Childhood Literacy Project was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to award your project the amount of \$1,000 to cover the costs of 50% of the five literacy training sessions.

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Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Wendy Grady
Community Association of Portsmouth and Peninsula CDC
9025 N. Dana
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Grady:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to match and expand existing funds to purchase, install and improve playground equipment in Portsmouth's Columbia Park was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to award this project \$10,000 for the purchase of equipment only.

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Sincerely,

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Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Jessie Cox
Portland Area Council of Camp Fire
619 SW 11th Avenue, Suite 200
Portland, OR 97205

Dear Ms. Cox:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support Camp Fires' Hispanic Program was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to partially fund your project in the amount of \$3,500. The committee is very supportive of involving students in the Hispanic Program at an earlier age.

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Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Kent F. Hoddick
Portland Parks Swim Team
P. O. Box 15027
Portland, OR 15027

Dear Mr. Hoddick:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support the Portland Parks Swim Team was again selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this year's team in the amount of \$1,500. The committee hopes that you will find other partners to support your team efforts. Good luck with the season.

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Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Lee Jenkins, Director
University Park Community Center
Portland Parks and Recreation
1120 SW Fifth Ave. Suite 1302
Portland, OR 97204

Dear Lee:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support your Summer of Fitness program was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$5,250. The committee supports the need for safe, structured and well-supervised activities during the summer for these children. Keep up the positive work.

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Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 21, 1999

Mrs. Joyce McLaughlin
Peninsula Senior Center
7508 N. Hereford
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Mrs. McLaughlin:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds for both the foot clinics and the new floor have been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund the foot clinic in the amount of \$1,280 and the floor in the amount of \$2,100 with a \$300 donation from Ed Ketzel Sr. The committee felt that the installation of the floor bid was high and hopes that you can secure a bid for a lesser amount. We encourage you to use North Portland businesses.

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Edward F. Ketzell Sr.
P. O. Box 83883
Portland, OR 97283

Dear Mr. Ketzell:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to replace the floor in the Peninsula Senior Center was selected for funding in the amount of \$2,100.

Metro will execute the contract with Peninsula Senior Center who is the 501 (c) 3 non-profit entity. Katie Dowdall, Metro's Community Enhancement Coordinator, will be coordinating this project with Joyce McLaughlin. Thank you for taking the time to submit the grant proposal.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Ms. Molly Ryan
Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism
P. O. Box 1235
Hillsboro, OR 97123

Dear Ms. Ryan:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support SOLV's North/Northeast Community Action Program has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to partially fund your request in the amount of \$1,500 to support five small North Portland community based projects. These projects will include cleanup efforts as well as enhancement projects.

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Sincerely,

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mr. Gary Boehm
President St. Johns Booster Board
P. O. Box 83272
Portland, OR 97283

Dear Gary:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to hire a part time business manager for the St. Johns Boosters has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to award this project \$8,000. The committee is looking forward to seeing the results of the work with the Portland Planning Bureau on the Lombard Main Street and Town Center studies. The committee hopes that the business manager develops a plan to cover the costs of this position for next year and to build partners to help fund other St. Johns activities such as the parade.

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Sincerely,

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Edward A Trott
AKA Santa Claus
9210 N. St. Johns Ave.
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Mr. Trott:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support Santa's Castle was selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to give Santa \$1,100 this year. Merry Christmas.

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**METRO**

July 21, 1999

Mrs. Lila Estes
St. Johns Parade Committee
P. O. Box 83162
Portland, OR 97283-0162

Dear Ms. Estes:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support the St. Johns Parade was again selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund the parade in the amount of \$1,815. The committee hopes that your committee will work closely with the new St. Johns Booster's manager in developing partners for your parade. We are looking forward to the year 2000 parade, it is truly a community celebration.

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Dana Canary
North Portland Music Academy
2201 N. Portland Blvd.
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Canary:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support your Music and Art summer program has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund the music portion of the summer program in the amount of \$1,395.

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Leah Dirksen
Community Energy Project, Inc.
P. O. Box 12272
Portland, OR 97212

Dear Ms. Dirksen:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support the Senior Weatherization Project has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fully fund your project in the amount of \$3,500.

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July 21, 1999

Mr. Ira Grishaver
Executive Director
Community Cycling Center
2407 NE Alberta
Portland, OR 97211

Dear Mr. Grishaver:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support Community Cycling Center's 1999 Summer Rides Program out of Portsmouth middle school.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$2,500. The committee feels that it is very important for youth to be safe bicycle riders and to take advantage of the various assets within the community by bicycling to them.

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Jennifer Nevills
Bethel Neighborhood Drop-In Center
5658 N. Denver Avenue
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Nevills:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to continue the 1999 Bethel Neighborhood Summer Drop-In Program has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to fund this project in the amount of \$4,383. The committee hopes that next year you will take advantage of Portland Public Schools Nutritional Service Program for breakfast and lunch.

The North Portland Enhancement committee is staffed by Metro, which assists with the administration of the grant program. A contract and scope of work specifying what is required in order to receive the funds and terms of payment for the grant will be prepared by Katie Dowdall, Metro's Community Enhancement Coordinator. She will contact you shortly as funds are available for disbursement after July 1, 1999.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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cc: North Portland Enhancement Committee
Katie Dowdall, Community Enhancement Coordinator

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July 21, 1999

Ms. Echo Leighton
Celebration Tabernacle
8139 North Denver
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Leighton:

Congratulations! On behalf of Metro's North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am pleased to inform you that your grant proposal requesting enhancement funds to support Fridays Espresso job training program has been selected for funding.

The committee received 52 proposals for a requested dollar amount of \$390,864. The selection was difficult, as only \$104,000 in grant funds were available this year. The committee chose to provide funds for the purchase and installation of the exhaust system and hood for the kitchen in the amount of \$8,000. The committee feels that your bid is a little high and hopes that you will be able to complete this project within the \$8,000 provided by this grant. It is very important to teach people an employable skill so that they can be productive and enter the work force.

The North Portland Enhancement committee is staffed by Metro, which assists with the administration of the grant program. A contract and scope of work specifying what is required in order to receive the funds and terms of payment for the grant will be prepared by Katie Dowdall, Metro's Community Enhancement Coordinator. She will contact you shortly as funds are available for disbursement after July 1, 1999.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington
Chair, North Portland Enhancement Committee

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Katie Dowdall, Community Enhancement Coordinator

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Mr. Mike Houck
Audubon Society of Portland
5151 NW Cornell Road
Portland, OR 97210

Dear Mike:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support in producing a natural resource and recreational guide to the Willamette River was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of all your work and is pleased with the interpretive signs at Heron Lakes golf course and the Columbia Slough brochure. With limited funds, they chose to award grant monies to those projects that had a more urgent need and impact in the enhancement area at this time.

The committee appreciated your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck in finding another funding source.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Kathy Buss
Bethel Lutheran Church
5658 North Denver Avenue
Portland, OR 97217-4497

Dear Ms. Buss:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of "Yes In My Backyard!" project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of neighborhood cleanup projects, but chose to award grant monies to those projects that had a greater need. Metro will still support the Hazardous Waste component of your request. Please work with the North Portland Neighborhood Office to coordinate clean-up efforts in your area. Sheryl Butler, enhancement committee member, said that the computer learning center could loan you a 12' by 16' canopy for your event. Please call Sheryl at 802-8357.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your annual Bethel Block Party and Rummage Sale.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Pastor Tyrone Sampson
Celebration Tabernacle
P. O. Box 17475
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Pastor Sampson:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of PROPER's 6th annual neighborhood festival was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of your neighborhood festival, but with limited funds choose to fund your grant request of the Friday's Enterprises project.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your festival.

Sincerely,

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Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Mr. Troy Clark
Friends of Smith and Bybee Lakes
P. O. Box 83862
Portland, OR 97382-0862

Dear Mr. Clark:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support to produce the 30-hour oral history of the lakes, and the slide/tape presentation was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of projects for Smith and Bybee Lakes and has funded projects that deal with youth involvement of the Lakes.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck in finding another sponsor for your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Tuck Clinehans
Friends of Trees
2831 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Portland, OR 97212

Dear Ms. Clinehans:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of Kelly Point Park Restoration Project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of tree plantings, but has previously funded a tree planting project in Kelly Point Park and chose to award grant monies to those projects that had a greater time need.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with all your tree planting projects.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Ms. Rebecca LaFore
Class on the Edge
3727 N Commercial
Portland, OR 97227

Dear Ms. LaFore:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of "Glass in the Class" project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation of this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of your project that allows individuals with skills to help train others to do glass projects. This year however the committee voted to continue the Hispanic Program at Ockley Green school and with limited funds could not fund either your project or Mr. Doherty's.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Ms. Kathryn Smith
Mr. Ron Doherty
WonderGlass
4325 N. Montana
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Smith and Mr. Doherty:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of WonderGlass Project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of bringing art to youth and utilizing individual talents to teach youth, but chose to continue funding the Ockley Green Middle School Hispanic Program.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project. If Metro can be of help in finding recycled glass or other needed supplies please contact Katie Dowdall at 797-1648.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Shawndray Williams
Happy Day Christian Childcare
4028 N Juneau Court
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Williams:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of Happy Day Christian Childcare was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of childcare and chose to award grant monies to two other projects that addressed the needs of childcare but had a greater impact in the enhancement area. The committee suggests that you develop a long-range plan in order to sustain the center rather than rely on total grant contributions.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Ms. Susan Addy
Homowo African Arts and Cultures
2915 NE 15th Avenue
Portland, OR 97212

Dear Ms. Addy:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support in bringing African art and dance to students at Open Meadow Learning Center was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of Homowo, but chose to award grant monies this year to two projects that had a greater impact on the large population of youth in the enhancement area.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project and with the Homowo festival in August.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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REGIONAL SERVICES



METRO

July 23, 1999

Mr. Howard M. Nolte
Executive Director
Home Ownership a Street at a Time
1818 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Portland, OR 97212-4541

Dear Mr. Nolte:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support to develop Pier Park Place new homes for St. Johns project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of affordable homes and stabilizing neighborhoods, but feels that your homes do not meet the affordability needs of North Portland.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Mr. David Eatwell
Kenton Action Plan
P. O. Box 17506
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Eatwell:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the Local Homeownership Pilot Project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of homeownership and stable neighborhoods. To-date, many first time homeowners have not taken advantage of the Down Payment Assistant grant, sponsored by the NPEC committee, and currently administered by the Portland Housing Center. The committee hopes that you will survey the employers in Kenton.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Mr. John Hakanson
Lutheran Choral Association
2201 North Portland Avenue
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Hakanson:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support for the Lutheran Choral Association was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of your group, but chose to award grant monies to the North Portland Music Academy which had a greater impact on the youth in the enhancement area.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project. We hope you will send us your schedule so that we may have an opportunity to listen to your performances.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Ms. Mozette Humphreys
Mentorbrokers, Inc.
P.O. Box 83931
Portland, OR 97283

Dear Ms. Humphreys:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of your North Portland Small Business Success Roundtable was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of promoting the success of small businesses, and funded the hiring of a business manager for the St. Johns Boosters. We hope you will contact this new person and combine resources.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your roundtables.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ed. Washington". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Ms. Evie Salvo
North Portland Business Association
P. O. Box 17183
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Salvo:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of Flower Baskets on Lombard Street was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of flower baskets, but felt this project should wait until the Main Street Impact Study and the St. Johns' Town Center study is completed. Prior to submitting your proposal next year, please obtain letters of permission from PGE and PDOT and obtain the support of businesses in the maintenance of the baskets.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and hopes that you submit another grant next year.

Sincerely,

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Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Mr. Charles Canary
North Portland Music Academy
2201 N Portland Blvd.
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Canary:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of your Young Artist Music Program was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of arts and music, but with limited funds chose to award grant monies to the summer music program for the North Portland Music Academy.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project. Thanks for bringing music to North Portland.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Mr. Tom Griffin-Valade
North Portland Neighborhood Services
2410 N. Lombard
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Tom:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the North Portland Problem House Organizing project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of eliminating problem houses that negatively impact the surrounding neighborhood, but did not have sufficient funds to support all the project requests. This year they chose to fund the hiring of a part time business manager for St. Johns. I am sure that this person will also address some of the issues and concerns surrounding problem houses as they impact the businesses in North Portland.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with all your projects.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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July 23, 1999

Mr. Andrew Mason
CRUE Program Coordinator
Open Meadow Learning Center
7654 North Crawford
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Mr. Mason:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the CRUE's two projects for collecting and analyzing plant growth data and expanding on the previous GIS mapping study of park safety in North Portland was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of CRUE, but chose to award grant monies to two other large youth projects that had a greater impact on more youths in the enhancement area at this time.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with all your projects.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Amy Brown
Development Director
Oregon Children's Foundation
200 SW Market, Suite 170
Portland, OR 97201

Dear Ms. Brown:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of SMART program in North Portland was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of SMART and its efforts to bring reading appreciation and skills to the youth in North Portland. With limited funds, the committee chose to support the reading program at Peninsula Children's Center as they have fewer sources for funding.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project. Early literacy is fundamental.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Jennifer Smit
Pathfinders of Oregon
P. O. Box 19742
Portland, OR 97283

Dear Ms. Smit:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of Pathfinders Academy was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of the work of Pathfinders and the needs of those students whose educational needs are at risk due to early parenthood. With limited funds, the committee chose to award grant monies to two youth projects that were timely for this grant cycle. The committee hopes you are successful in securing other grant funds. Please apply again next year, after you receive the bulk of the funding for the building.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Mr. Kelvin Hall, Executive Director
Pathways to Academic Achievement, Inc.
2335 N.E. Morgan
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Hall:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the pilot project for Pathways to Academic Achievement at Roosevelt High School was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of projects that help lower the dropout rate of high school students. This year the committee chose to award grant monies to several other youth projects that were more timely.

The committee appreciated your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Mr. Jim Gillen
Saturday Academy
Oregon Graduate Institute
P. O. Box 91000
Portland, OR 97291-1000

Dear Mr. Gillen:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the North Portland Tree Stewardship Project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of Saturday Academy and the work you do with the youth. With limited funds, the committee chose to award grant monies to two other major youth projects that had a greater impact on the number of youth in the enhancement area.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
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July 23, 1999

Ms. Janice Pelster
Mr. Stephen Spitulski
North Portland Vicariate of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul
3601 Southeast 27th Avenue
Portland, OR 97202-3003

Dear Ms. Pelster and Mr. Spitulski:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of your Crisis Assistance Fund was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of the Crisis Assistance Fund and has supported your organization twice. With limited funds, the committee chose to award grant monies to those projects that impacted more youth oriented projects in the enhancement area.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

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Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Naomi Pierce, Development Director
The Skanner Foundation
P.O. Box 5455
Portland, OR 97228

Dear Ms. Pierce:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of the Skanner Foundation Technology Center: Project Enhance was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is very supportive of business training for high school youth. Computer technology and graphic design and layout for business applications is a much-needed skill. With limited funds, the committee had an opportunity this year to establish a computer learning center at Pier Park and could not afford to support both grants.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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**METRO**

July 23, 1999

Ms. Oweda Powe
YWCA of greater Portland, St. Johns Center
8010 N. Charleston Street
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Powe:

On behalf of the Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee, I am sorry to inform you that your grant request for financial support of your Linking Generations Project was denied.

The committee received 52 proposals for a total requested dollar amount of \$390,864, far above the \$104,000 allocation for this year's funding cycle. The selection was difficult. The committee is aware of the needs for involving youth and seniors and the need to build bridges between these two groups. With limited funds, the committee chose to award grant monies to two major youth projects this year that had a greater impact on the number of youth in the enhancement area.

The committee appreciates your time and effort in submitting your proposal and wishes you luck with your project.

Sincerely,

Councilor Ed Washington,
Chair, Metro North Portland Enhancement Committee

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COUNCILOR ED WASHINGTON

600 NORTHEAST GRAND AVENUE
TEL 503 797-1546

PORTLAND, OREGON 97232 2736
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METRO

July 26, 1999

Robert E. McCarthy
1535 Burns Street
West Linn, OR 97068

Dear Mr. McCarthy,

First, thank you for taking the time to share with me your thoughts on growth management. You obviously put a lot of time and effort into your letter, which tells me you care deeply about this issue and this region. I appreciate that. I will try to respond to you as best I can.

If I understand you correctly, you are concerned about the rapid growth in this area and a lack of vision for managing that growth. You also mentioned the need for citizen participation on shaping that vision.

You are correct that the area has been growing rapidly. You might recall times in the past when that has not been the case--during the recession of the early 1980s, for example. A strong economy attracts people. When the economy slows, growth slows. Economic development lies outside of Metro's purview, either to encourage or discourage it. The state and local jurisdictions focus on that, and what happens in the economic arena relates more to tax and incentive programs crafted at those levels.

Metro does play a role in determining where industry can be located, in setting policies that require local jurisdictions to plan for the accompanying transportation and housing needs, and in establishing boundaries to preserve as much farm and forest land as possible. The process does not always work perfectly nor to everyone's satisfaction. Among the things I have learned by serving in public office are that nothing pleases everyone and nothing works perfectly. We do the best we can within the framework of the law.

Your letter suggests the need for citizen participation in shaping the vision for the future. I agree. Metro has tried hard to do that through its multitude of committees composed of citizens, planners, and elected officials from local jurisdictions. The Metro Committee for Citizen Involvement (MCCI) is composed of citizen representatives from every district in the region. MCCI comprises subcommittees on all areas of Metro responsibility including growth management. In addition, Metro has held hundreds of hours of public workshops and hearings all over the region over the past seven years. Some of those hearing and workshops focused on individual aspects of growth management, such as water quality and flood management, hazard

mitigation, and transportation issues. Others dealt with larger concepts such as the urban growth boundary. Out of that process has grown Metro's 2040 Framework Plan, adopted by the Metro Council at the end of 1997. That plan codifies a conceptual view of the future to 2040. It tries to prevent the kind of build-out you said happened in your home town in Connecticut.

Beyond the conceptual Framework Plan, Metro also has developed--again in concert with representatives from local jurisdictions and the public--a comprehensive functional plan, which addresses implementation and compliance of the concept plan. This plan covers transportation, affordable housing, hazard mitigation, flood control and water quality, fish restoration, employment and retail development, parks and greenspaces, and rural reserves. Decisions concerning the urban growth boundary decisions, which have been made in the recent past, must be revisited every five years and all involve extensive public participation.

What I'm trying to say with this rather long-winded response is that in my view, Metro's process for involving citizens as well as elected officials on all levels has been exhaustive. Perhaps you have not been aware of the extent of that process. Your idea of a large, regional conference similar to one that produced the national forest plan is intriguing. However, I believe Metro's process over the past seven years has involved more people at greater depth on more issues that could be adequately handled in even a large conference that lasts only a few days.

I encourage you to look for opportunities to contribute your ideas. You sound like a dedicated and thoughtful person who has the best interest of this region at heart. If you have concerns for your particular area, I suggest you contact the Councilor for District 2, Bill Atherton, at 797-1887. If you have more questions about growth management, call Susan McLain at 797-1553. She chairs the Growth Management Committee. For information on opportunities for citizen involvement, call Karen Withrow, 797-1539. You are welcome, of course, to call me as well.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ed. Washington", followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Ed Washington
Metro Council, District 5

EW/pe

July 23, 1999

Mr. Ed Washington, Metro Councilor
Metro Regional Services
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Mr. Washington,

Some months ago I read an "in my opinion" article you had written in the Transportation News Bulletin. I drafted a reply that fell to the "back burner" until today.

In your article you describe Metro's number one task as growth management planning for the region. This is necessary because of Metro's estimates that almost half a million people will move to the region within the next 20 years. The resulting increase in population density will create many problems. Chief among them is in need to find ways to address the transportation requirements of so many more people living, working and traveling in the metropolitan area.

I have heard this argument many times before. For several years Metro has been predicting increased population and the problems this will cause. Their solution is to do better planning. As if planning and resulting action will allow us to stay ahead of the problems growth causes. Metro has been better at telling us how to respond to the problems of growth, than of suggesting how we might prevent them.

I grew up in southern Connecticut. As a boy that part of New England was similar to the Oregon I found when we moved here 25 years ago. I travel back to Connecticut frequently to visit my mother and one of my older sons. As you are probably aware, many areas of southern Connecticut and the surrounding communities are "built out". There is no more available land for building lots, parks, or public beaches.

? When does "built out" occur in a community? It occurs, it seems to me, when the community decides through a series of processes that it has grown enough. That is, that the addition of more people will diminish a desirable quality of life.

Of course this decision is a result of a number of interrelated variables including supply and demand, community sensibilities, political will, and other factors. My point is that quality of life, as measured by housing density, ease of transportation, and sizes of building lots, number and kind of parks, recreation facilities, economic conditions are to large extent a function of a community consensus.

However imperfectly arrived at this consensus creates planning and zoning rules, that combined with economic forces, determine housing and land prices, as well as availability. Overtime, community consensus driving planning rules defines the community.

At some point, every community will be "built out", Portland included. What is not yet determined is what the quality of life will be when this occurs here. When is enough? How we will know? What is it we seek to create?

? If Metro's number one task is growth management planning for the region, does this include helping the community arrive at consensus about the kind of community it hopes to create? Or do we keep going along the present path until enough citizens are disgusted and disenchanted with what we have created and drive the growth-no growth pendulum in the no growth direction? This is beginning.

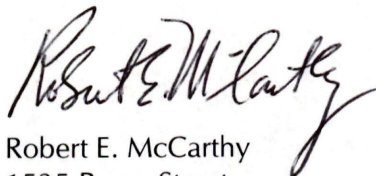
Without a vision of a desirable future, the metropolitan area is destined to continue to deal with the symptoms of growth. History shows that in this equation we are always "behind the curve", always "playing catch up" to the consequences of growth.

Ed, I am proposing an untidy and difficult task. I know Metro has touched on it in the past in the obligatory way with surveys and a few community meetings. Their conclusion was, "growth is coming and there is nothing we can do to influence it, but try and build infrastructure in response to it. I wonder if there is the will on the Council, or with any of its members to address how we might develop a deep consensus about the community we choose to try and create, rather than one our predictions tell us we must adapt to.

I understand these are difficult and complex issues. However, their difficulty, and the fact that few communities have successfully addressed them, is no reason that we should not try. If you are interested there are refined large group processes that foster agreement among large groups of people. The national forest conference is one example. The task seemed impossible, but this four-day meeting of 1500 people in Washington, DC produced a national forest plan agreed to by the tribes, "tree-sitters", Forest Service, etc. Why should our effort be any less?

I would be interested in your thoughts.

Sincerely yours,



Robert E. McCarthy
1535 Burns Street
West Linn, OR 97068
503-557-0941

PS Underlying my position is the implication that a community has the right to decide the conditions under which it wishes to live. This right is more easily accomplished in a small town than in a metropolitan area, but the legal precedents are clear in both cases. Citizens express this right through their representatives who articulate their desire in zoning and land use laws. Metro, in concert with local governments, has the right and, I believe the obligation, to do this here and now if it is to live up to its purpose for being.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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August 5, 1998

Councilor Ed Washington
METRO Regional Center
600 NE Grand Ave.
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Dear Councilor Washington,

As a member of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Foundation, I want to thank you personally for your help in securing the \$ 5, 000.00 contributin from the METRO Council. We understand that your commitment to this project has been long and steadfast.. As you know this contribution enables us to reach our goal. The statue will be in place and ready to dedicate on August 28, 1998 at the Oregon Convention Center. We would like you to personally request your colleagues to join with us on this important occasion.

Again thank you for all you help in making the statue a success, which we know will become a landmark for all Oregonians.

Sincerely

Handwritten signature of Betsy Brumm in blue ink.

Betsy Brumm
Board Member Martin Luther King, Jr. Statue Foundation

DON C. FRISBEE
1500 S.W. First Avenue
Crown Plaza, Suite 1005
Portland, Oregon 97201

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August 18, 1999

EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Mike Burton and Metro Council members:

I understand that Metro is reviewing the matter of excise taxes on solid waste, including a restructuring of the tax that would generate significant new revenues for Metro.

I urge you to also consider eliminating the 7.5% of gross earnings tax which the Zoo contributes to Metro. This charge has never made sense to me and serves to restrict the Zoo's efforts to stay "ahead of the curve" in attractions that generate public support, attendance, and good will toward the Zoo and toward Metro.

As you know the Zoo is one of those rare institutions that our citizens (and tourists) strongly relate to. They typically call it "my zoo"; not the Oregon Zoo. Metro can do much for the Zoo and the overall community by eliminating the 7.5% tax at this time.

Don C. Frisbee

OREGON
ZOO

July 1, 1999

Mr. Don C. Frisbee
Chairman Emeritus
PacifiCorp
1500 SW First Avenue, #1005
Portland, OR 97201

Dear Don:

Metro Council is deliberating on an issue that could have a profound impact on the Zoo. A restructuring of the excise tax on solid waste affords the opportunity to eliminate the excise tax on Zoo revenues. Depending on the outcome, this could be a unique opportunity to have a long-term positive affect on the Zoo's future.

I ask that you write a letter in support of eliminating the excise tax on Zoo operations or call Metro Councilors to voice your support. Below are some bullet points that provide background on the issue.

OREGON ZOO EXCISE TAX FACTS

- The Metro excise tax is currently 7.5% of gross earnings. The Zoo has paid over \$2.7 million in excise tax over the past five years. The Zoo will pay over \$600,000 in excise tax this fiscal year.
- The Zoo works hard at increasing its self-sufficiency. We earn 60% of our operating revenue. Eliminating the excise tax would allow the Zoo to reinvest its earnings into Zoo operations.
- Several things have negatively affected the Zoo's operations in the recent past, including Measure 5, Measure 47, and having to take on the debt service for the commitment to light rail at a cost of over \$500,000 annually for 20 years. Eliminating the excise tax would help offset these hits on the Zoo budget.
- Metro Council is currently examining a major restructuring of the excise tax on solid waste that could result in an annual increase of \$6 million to Metro. The Zoo is not asking to receive any of this new revenue. We would however, like to stop subsidizing other Metro operations and be able to reinvest Zoo earnings into the Zoo.
- Zoo earnings that are now paid back in excise tax could be used to build new exhibits, refurbish aging exhibits, and support conservation.

Thank you for your efforts in support of the Zoo.

Sincerely,



Tony Vecchio
Zoo Director

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METRO

August 17, 1999

John Burton
Chair, St. John's Bridge Lighting Committee
8817 NW Wood
Portland, 97231

Dear Mr. Burton,

I understand you are applying for funding to reconstruct historical street-level lighting on the beautiful St. John's Bridge. I see this as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to do something of lasting value--that is aesthetic, historical, and a tribute to civic pride. From my perspective, it would also further Metro's regional transportation goals and its efforts to increase access to parks and greenspaces. It would also help repay affected neighborhoods for putting up with what promises to be a long and grueling renovation process.

I would expect the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) would need to repair or replace the current highway-style lighting anyway as they renovate the rest of the St. John's Bridge. This would be the perfect opportunity to restore to their historical places the old style street-level lamps. Those older style lamps, being more numerous and closer to the pavement, give a more continuous pattern of light, especially on the sidewalks. This would provide greater visibility of and for pedestrians and bicyclists, to their benefit as well to that of drivers. The importance of this as a safety measure cannot be over-stressed, especially on this bridge where heavy traffic moves fast. Travel over the sidewalks on this bridge when visibility is poor can be treacherous. Improving the safety for pedestrians and bicyclists furthers Metro's goals of fostering multi-modal transportation uses, especially on bridges. This bridge also ties in with the "40-mile loop" and Forest Park, so these improvements would afford more citizens greater opportunities to enjoy those resources.

Beyond their safety value and value for connectivity, the older lamps would contribute aesthetically to the exquisite architecture of this historical landmark. Restoring them would leave a wonderful legacy for future generations. Back in the 1950s when the highway-style lights were installed, part of the thinking was that fewer of them would be needed, thus reducing the cost of changing so many light bulbs. Since then technological advances have extended bulb lifetime, rendering that less of a concern.

I am aware that your citizen's group has been working to put these lights back on this bridge for nearly twenty years and that this project is an important statement of civic pride. I believe ODOT plans to close the bridge for as long as 18 months during the renovation process, which will undoubtedly impose considerable hardship on nearby neighborhoods. I believe that by restoring beauty and elegance to the bridge lighting system, those affected neighborhoods can be fittingly repaid for the inconvenience they will have endured.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

CC: Andy Cotugno
EW/pe

**METRO****MEMO**

DATE: September 8, 1999
TO: Metro Councilors
FROM: Ed Washington, District 5 (EJW)
RE: "Friends of the Regional Facilities" proposal on excise tax (attached)

I am distributing the attached summary of a proposal submitted by the Friends of the Regional Facilities regarding future excise taxes. Larry Harvey will likely be calling you soon to discuss this issue further.

Friends of the Regional Facilities

Proposal on Excise Tax

Objective:

To create a workable alternative for the regional facilities that would eliminate the 7.5% excise tax levied on the Metro-owned facilities, thereby providing an opportunity for funding the Capital Improvements account while still ensuring the full reimbursement to Metro for administrative services provided to MERC.

Core Proposal:

Develop an ordinance that authorizes actions to:

- Eliminate the collection of the 7.5% excise tax on the facilities
- Require a specific percentage of the gross MERC revenues be deposited quarterly into a “pooled” Capital Improvement Fund.
- Define, by ordinance, the areas that would qualify as “capital improvements.”
- Identify the specific support services required of Metro for MERC, and the actual cost associated with those services, and then establish that as a baseline cost that would be paid annually indexed to inflation.
- Allow MERC the authority to retain some internal services, or outsourcing as needed, for specific financial tasks that are essential to the food service industry.

Optional Considerations:

1. Continue to collect the 7.5% excise tax but remand the revenue to MERC with specific directives regarding managing the resources (similar to the Core Proposal).
2. Reduce the tax to 2% to reflect the actual cost of the services provided by Metro, based upon operations of the facilities (with a specified cap on the maximum charge).

Supporting Arguments:

- ☒ Equity with Parks Funding
- ☒ Fiduciary Responsibility to Protect Voter Investment
- ☒ Current Backlog of Capital needs
- ☒ Elimination of the debate over support services
- ☒ Elimination of the debate of general need for tax (Metro revenue or support costs)

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METRO

September 15, 1999

Susan Hinken
Marcia A. Mulvey
Peninsula Children's Center
4720 N. Maryland
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Hinken and Ms. Mulvey,

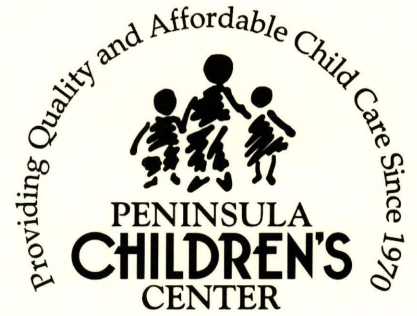
I appreciate the plaque you sent from the Children's Center in recognition of the North Portland Enhancement Fund's support for your organization. I will present the plaque to Mr. Terry Petersen and Ms. Katie Dowdall of our Regional Environmental Management Department at the Council meeting on Thursday, September 16. That department manages the grant program. The plaque will be displayed on a wall in their department dedicated to mementos such as that.

I am pleased to have played even a small part in your continued success.

Cordially,

Ed Washington
Metro Council, District 5

EW/pe



August 16, 1999

Ed Washington
Councilor
METRO
600 N.E. Grand
Portland, OR. 97232

Dear Mr. Washington:

Peninsula Children's Center would like to offer this small token of our appreciation for the North Portland Enhancement Fund's generous support of the Children's Center and our efforts to serve the child care needs of families in our community.

As Peninsula approaches our 30th year of caring for young children, we thank you for your generosity and hope that our efforts will be worthy of your continued support.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Susan Hinken
Board Chairperson

Marcia A. Mulvey
Executive Director



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METRO

October 6, 1999

Monica Hardy
546 N. Holland Street
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Ms. Hardy,

We are sorry to lose you as a member of the rate review committee, although I understand your situation. I appreciate the fact that you have been willing to contribute your time and talent to public service. The board will miss your input in what promises to be a busy and challenging year.

Best of luck in your professional endeavors.

Cordially,

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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MONICA D. HARDY

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Councilor Ed Washington
Metro
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Councilor Washington:

I apologize for not getting this letter out sooner, but I have been out of town for the past two weeks.

Regretfully, I feel I have to resign my position on the Metro Solid Waste Rate Review Committee. My professional life has greatly limited my schedule and I feel I can no longer give the committee the time it deserves.

I have appreciated being part of the public process these last four years on the committee and wish you, the REM staff and the committee members success in the coming year.

Sincerely,



Monica D. Hardy

cc: Maria Roberts, Budget and Finance Administrator

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METRO

October 6, 1999

Marceen Bloom
755 W Maplecrest Drive
Portland, OR 97219

Dear Ms. Bloom,

Thank you for taking the time to write to me with your concerns about how the waste savings should be spent. I appreciate your candor.

You should know that the Council has not made a final decision on this issue, and your thoughts will be taken into consideration as we proceed. I have passed your letter on to the Clerk of the Council to attach to the permanent record.

Again, thank you for caring enough to write.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Chair, Regional Environmental Management Committee
Metro Council, District 5

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Metro Regional Center
600 N. E. Grand Ave.
Portland, Oregon
97232-2736

RE: Garbage Collection Surplus

I was delighted to hear that U.S.A. Waste had a surplus this year, but then slammed back into the reality when I learned that this surplus will be re-appropriated into another "unrelated" use.

This vote by your group was not right! If the households pay for garbage they should benefit for any savings – this diversion of the savings into a general free-for-all fund is not right.

We pay high fees for garbage and "if" there is a windfall, it should defray the total fees.

Please support the homeowner and reconsider.

Thanks,



Marceen Bloom
(Homeowner in Portland)

Mike Burton, Executive Officer

Marceen Bloom
755 SW Maplecrest Drive
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**METRO**

November 8, 1999

Linda Hval, Chair
St. Johns Neighborhood association
8316 N. Lombard St. #441
Portland, Oregon 97203

Dear Ms. Hval,

In September of this year, the Metro Council approved Resolution No. 99-2837 approving a position for the St. Johns Neighborhood Association on the Smith and Bybee Lakes Management Committee. I am attaching a copy of the resolution, which names the chair of the neighborhood association, or their designate, to the position. I believe you are aware of this action, but I felt you should receive written communication from me, given our correspondence on this issue.

I am very comfortable adding the specific participation of your organization to the committee, given its location entirely within the boundaries of your district. I want to add that the Council and I feel that this resource is of regional importance, not only with regard to the City, but also to the entire metropolitan area. My best wishes for your involvement in safeguarding and improving this wonderful area.

Sincerely,

Ed Washington
Councilor, District 5

c: Emily Roth, Metro Parks and Greenspaces Department
Nancy Hendrickson, Chair—Smith & Bybee Lakes Management Committee

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METRO

November 10, 1999

Lynn D. Hayes
818 Charman St.
Oregon City, Oregon 97045-3021

Dear Ms. Hayes,

Thank you for taking the time to write with your concerns and questions about how Metro might spend the \$60 million in solid-waste savings. You asked some good question and they deserve good answers.

You expressed concern that the Council might use some of the money to purchase parks. I assure you that none of this money will be used that way. If any of the money is spent on parks, it will be to improve them in some of the ways you suggested. The money Metro uses to purchase parks comes entirely from voter-approved bonds that can be used only for that purpose—none of it can legally be used to improve the parks once they're purchased. Many people, myself included, recognize the need to make these parks more accessible.

You mentioned returning the money to the ratepayers. The Council has decided not to do that for three main reasons. First, all of the savings get passed on to you, you would see a drop in your garbage bill of only about \$0.35 to \$0.50 a month. None of the citizens who came to testify before our committees wanted us to do that; they asked us to instead pool the money for bigger things more people could enjoy—such as the park improvements you mentioned or more recycling programs.

As yet, the Council has not decided how to spend the money. Unfortunately, there are too many needs and too many good programs for this relatively small amount of money. The Presiding Officer of the Council has created a small task force to weigh the needs and come up with some recommendations. The task force will be meeting until the end of the year. The recommendations will then need to be approved by the full Council. I will keep your concerns in mind as we move through that process.

Thank you again for caring enough about your community to write. I have answered your letter as the Chair of the Regional Environmental Management Committee—the Council's standing committee that deals with solid waste issues. If you have more questions or concerns, you might want to contact the Councilor who represents your district, Councilor Bill Atherton. His number is 797-1887.

Cordially,



Ed Washington, Chair
Metro Council Regional Environmental Management Committee

Cc: Bill Atherton
EW/pe

From: "William S. Barnum" <wbarnum@msn.com>
To: MetCen.MRC-PO(washington)
Date: Sat, Nov 13, 1999 8:52 AM
Subject: Two Issues!

Mr. Washington--Your the first public official that I have ever corresponded with and I hope that you can help with the following issues!

1) I live on N. Wall Avenue Between N. Lombard Street and N. Fessenden Street. Last night a little five year old girl who lives next to me lost her new puppy to a car travelling down N. Wall Avenue. I'm not implying that the driver was speeding, but based on what I have witnessed over the last five years I would be willing to bet they were. N. Wall Avenue is a residential street with a posted speed of 30 MPH. I would estimate that 75% of the people travelling this route are over this already excessive speed limit and many times have witnessed people travelling at speed in the range of 50-60 MPH, if not higher! Area groups/neighbors have presented this problem to the city but to no avail. The main excuss they have used is that they can not put in speed bumps because it would slow down emergency vehicle response time. I guess that's comforting to know next time they have to respond to a child that has been hit and killed by a speeding car! There has to be something that can be done to make this street safe for the families that live on it! I prey that no child pays the ultimate price for the city's past inability to deal with this problem! I hate to say this, but I do feel real strongly about it! If this situation was occurring in another area other then in North Portland, they would have dealt with it and solved it years ago!

2) According to the news reports, the city is concerned about all the leaves that end up in the street during the fall! One big problem is that it's hard for homeowners to dispose of all these leaves when we only have yard debris pick-up every other week. Use the money your saving on the garbage rates and extend the service we already pay for! A possible suggestion would be to have yard debris pick-up every week during the months of October and November. This would benefit both the homeowner and the city!

Mr. Washington, I appreciate your time and hope that you will be able to help with the situation on N. Wall Avenue.

Bill Barnum
 9019 N. Wall Avenue

The city engineer would be the guy.

Brant Williams
 Portland Building, Rm. 802
 1120 SW Fifth Ave
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METRO

November 17, 1999

Camille Robinson-Regis
Attorney at Law
Suite 314, 3rd Floor
Park Plaza
64-70 St. Vincent Street
Port of Spain, Trinidad, West Indies

Dear Ms. Robinson-Regis,

It was a pleasure to meet you and talk with you about solid waste issues. I trust you were able to gather the information you need to address those issues in Trinidad. I think you are right on track to deal with an issue that faces all states, regions, and countries—i.e., the logical reuse or disposal of the garbage we humans so ably produce.

Beyond our discussions about garbage, I enjoyed getting to know a little about you, your family, and your country. I felt immediately at home, as though we had known each other for a long time.

As I told you, I had hoped to visit Trinidad and Tobago next year. That desire is stronger now that I have met someone from there. I do look forward to visiting you and seeing first-hand what your government is doing.

In the meantime, if you need any more information on solid waste or regional governments, please don't hesitate to contact me. I will see that you get that information right away.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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METRO

November 18, 1999

Gail A. Hansberry
U.S. Department of State
1510 Hamilton Street, NW
Washington, DC 20011

Dear Ms. Hansberry,

It was indeed a pleasure to meet you on the occasion of the visit of Ms. Robinson-Regis. I was impressed that you are related to the famous author, Lorraine Hansberry, as I had suspected when I saw your name.

I suspect you also have your area of fame—I think I discovered it when you threw your head back and half-closed your eyes and said, “That was great!” I was pleased to have you as a guest and thoroughly enjoyed our visit.

If there is ever anything I can do for you, please don’t hesitate to call.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

P.S. When I make my annual trip to Washington DC, I will call so you can take me to a couple of those famous Washington area restaurants.

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METRO

November 18, 1999

Representative Brian Baird
United States Congress
1220 Main Street, Suite 360
Vancouver, WA 98660

Dear Congressman Baird,

I received your letter in support of widening Interstate 5 between Delta Park and Lombard Street as part of the Supplemental Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). I will take the information you sent into consideration when Metro's Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) takes this issue up.

Thank you for keeping me informed.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ed. Washington", followed by a horizontal line.

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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BRIAN BAIRD

THIRD DISTRICT, WASHINGTON

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November 16, 1999

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Councilor Ed Washington
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Dear Councilor Washington,

I am enclosing an important letter signed by federal, state, county, and city officials in Southwest Washington regarding the inclusion of \$13 million to widen Interstate 5 between Delta Park and Lombard Street in the regional project list for the Supplemental Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Please carefully consider this letter and project as you finalize the bond project list and transportation priorities in general. Widening I-5 between Delta Park and Lombard Street in the near future would be a significant demonstration of bi-state cooperation as well as a major improvement in traffic congestion on I-5.

Thank you very much for your consideration of the needs of my many constituents who commute to and work in Oregon. Please feel free to contact Dave Hunt or Courtnei Dresser in my Vancouver District Office at (360) 695-6292 with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Brian Baird
Member of Congress

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November 16, 1999

Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation,
Metro Council, and Oregon Transportation Commission
123 NW Flanders
Portland, OR 97209

Dear JPACT, Metro, and OTC Colleagues:

As elected officials in Southwest Washington, we want to thank you for including \$13 Million to **widen Interstate 5 between Delta Park and Lombard Street** in your preliminary Supplemental Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project list. We also want to strongly urge you to keep this vitally important commuter and freight mobility project on your priority list.

As you may know, our constituents who work in Oregon pay \$139 Million annually in Oregon state income taxes, yet receive virtually no direct benefits from these taxes. In addition to income taxes, Washingtonians also pay a significant portion of Oregon gasoline taxes.

Approximately 60,000 Washingtonians commute across the Columbia River to work in Oregon. Every day, southbound commuters on I-5 are detained and delayed by the narrowing of the interstate from three traffic lanes to just two lanes near Delta Park. We urge you to use a portion of the significant revenue collected from Washington commuters to widen this section of I-5, which will help overcome a major congestion hurdle for commuters.

We are delighted that the Bi-State Transportation Committee has begun with such cooperation. We also strongly support the I-5 Trade Corridor Study, which will provide significant guidance in enhancing our region's economic competitiveness through adequate transportation. Widening I-5 between Delta Park and Lombard Street would be a significant boost to bi-state cooperation. Removing this major obstacle will enable us all to address broader transportation solutions impacting both sides of our river.

We strongly encourage you to retain this important project on your high priority list. Thank you for considering the needs of our constituents in Southwest Washington.

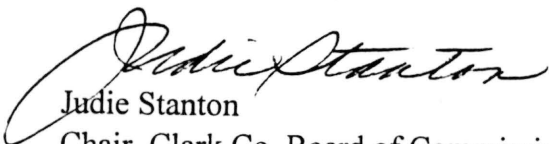
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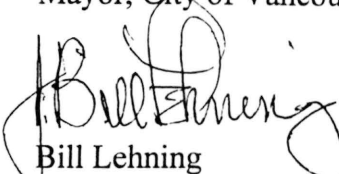
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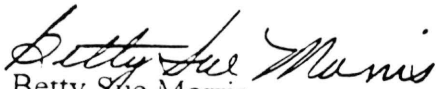
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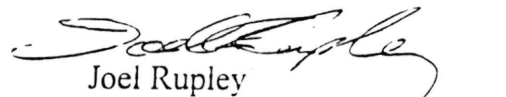



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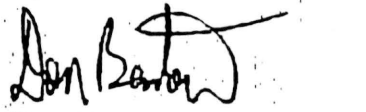

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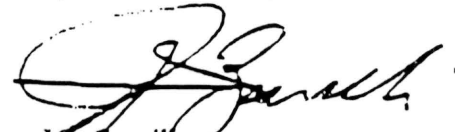

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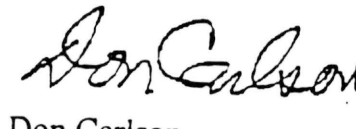

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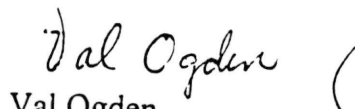

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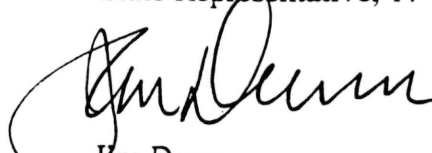

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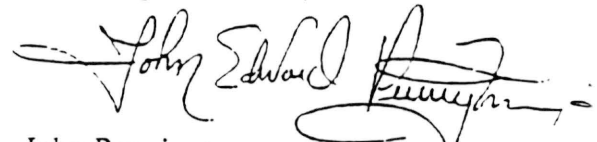

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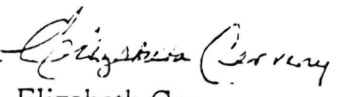

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November 15, 1999

Mr. Andy Cotugno
Director, Transportation Planning, METRO
600 NE Grand Avenue
Portland, OR 97232-2736

Re: Regional Transportation Plan Development

Dear Mr. *Andy* Cotugno:

As you are aware, our department has been participating in the development of the new Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for the Portland area. This letter expresses our continuing concern about the lack of attention that is being given to developing a financially constrained transportation system. Both the "Strategic" and "Preferred" systems contained in the proposed public review draft cost much more than the region can reasonably expect to receive based on historic funding levels adjusted for inflation. Disclosure of the financially constrained system and evaluation of its performance is necessary to comply with the letter and intent of TEA-21 and the Clean Air Act.

We recognize the value of addressing other scenarios such as the "Strategic" and "Preferred" systems described in the November 5th draft. However, those scenarios require three to four times the resources currently available (as the text indicates) and a constrained system still cannot be discerned. We also recognize the need to have agreement on projects, their timing and cost, prior to evaluating the system for air quality conformity. The resolution of intent adopted by TPAC, however, falls far short of that agreement since the financially constrained system is yet to be identified.

With the current process, this plan will likely need to be reviewed by TPAC and JPACT three times. Once during this meeting to reach agreement on the "Strategic" and "Preferred" systems, once to reach agreement on the financially constrained system and then finally to approve the plan once the financially constrained system has been evaluated for air quality conformity. Since the air quality conformity rules require a 30-day comment period on the air quality analysis, additional public involvement and opportunity to comment will also be necessary. The process would be much more efficient if the financially constrained system could be addressed earlier in the review process.

We exercised significant flexibility on the conformity determination for the Transportation Improvement Program by voting to support adoption contingent upon the completion of the analysis. At that time, we requested that the RTP adoption process be laid out to ensure that all requirements are addressed before final TPAC and JPACT action. We look forward to working with Metro to achieve this objective.

Sincerely,

Langdon Marsh
Langdon Marsh
Director

cc: Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation
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METRO

November 22, 1999

Dave Albrecht
Concordia University
2811 NE Holman
Portland, OR 97211

Dear Mr. Albrecht,

Congratulations on receipt of your Environmental Education grant. I understand you will use the grant money to involve students in putting in a native-plant garden on the Concordia campus. I appreciate your contribution to my district and your willingness to work to better our community in general through this worthwhile project. I feel this money is well spent.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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METRO

November 22, 1999

Charley Davis
City of Portland Parks, Urban Forestry
10910 N Denver
Portland, OR 97217

Dear Mr. Davis,

Congratulations on receipt of your Environmental Education grant. I understand you will use the grant money to continue your work in the East Delta Park area. I appreciate your contribution to my district and to the greater community through this important project. I feel this money is well spent.

Cordially,



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METRO

November 22, 1999

Maureen Hosty
OSU-Extension, 4-H Youth
211 SE 80th
Portland, OR 97215

Dear Ms. Hosty

Congratulations on receipt of your Environmental Education grant. I understand you will use the grant money to train Latino and Latina students as 4-H Youth Garden Leaders in a wildlife habitat project. I appreciate your contribution to multicultural education, to the environment in my district, and to the community at large. I feel this money is well spent.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ed Washington'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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METRO

November 22, 1999

Don Lieber
Oregon Human Society
PO Box 11364
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Dear Mr. Lieber,

Congratulations on receipt of your Environmental Education grant. I understand you will use the grant money to involve young people in helping to restore and revegetate a strip of land along the Columbia Slough Watershed. I appreciate your contribution to my district and your willingness to work to better the greater community through this worthwhile project. I feel this money is well spent.

Cordially,

Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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From: Lynn Wilson-Dean
To: Patty Jo Emmerson
Date: Mon, Nov 22, 1999 8:02 AM
Subject: NEW grants in counilor washington's district

Pat,

these are the new grants. the other grants in the memo are those grants awarded last year that are still active.

EE grants
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Restoration grants
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**METRO**

November 19, 1999

To: Councilor Washington, District 5

From: Charles Ciecko, Director Regional Parks and Greenspaces

RE: Habitat Restoration, Environmental Education and Salmonid Grants

The following are active habitat restoration, environmental education and salmonid education and enhancement grants projects in your district. Many of the grant activities take place in more than one council district. New awards have just been announced this month to recipients.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION:

Ockley Green Middle School The focus of this project is to develop a masterplan for restoration by students for the southern extension of Mock's Bluff. This greenspace is located in the student's neighborhood. Students will develop a base of ecological understanding and practical field experience. They will gather information to design interpretive materials, planting plan and implementation of an enhancement project. Total Budget \$4,230 Metro Grant \$1,420 Portland State University, Portland Audubon, Portland Parks, BES. MULTNOMAH/5

Wolfree, Inc. Cascade Streamwatch is an aquatic ecology program serving elementary, middle and high school students in the greater Portland area. The program teaches young people about ecological principles underlying watershed science. Through in-class preparation, field studies and follow-up, Wolfree leads students and teachers in the process of scientific inquiry on the Sandy River Watershed and at locations near their school. Students perform authentic and meaningful research that contributes to a living database for the Wildwood education site. The Metro grant will be used to supply transportation to underserved schools in the Metro region. Total Project Budget \$24,000 Metro Grant \$8,000 US Forest Service, BLM, Portland Water Bureau, PGE/Enron MULTNOMAH/5/7/6

Northeast Community Development Corporation The McCoy Village G.R.O.W. (Generations Renewing Our World) project's primary goal is to increase the opportunity for hands-on environmental learning for the children in this affordable living community. The aim is to create a project that will enhance community responsibility, awareness and ecological values along with promoting stewardship within and around the village. The need for the project was determined by a resident survey. Activities for young people will include working with a local horticulturist to design a butterfly garden, develop a recycling program and organize a summer school for youths in McCoy Village focusing on stewardship and shared responsibility. Total Project Budget \$14,100 Metro Grant \$5,650 McCoy Village Resident Council, NE Coalition of Neighborhoods MULTNOMAH/5

Oregon Humane Society The project will revegetate a 1.4 acre upland and riparian area in the Columbia Slough watershed. Goals are to restore native vegetation, improve wildlife habitat, improve water quality and provide hands-on opportunity to youth. Youth will be recruited from OHS's Youth Community Service program that serves public schools, Albertina Kerr, the Christie School, OSU-Extension 4-H, Scouts and other community youth. Students will have the opportunity to develop planting plans, plant and maintain native plants, build and install wildlife enhancement structures, study wetland value and functions and much more. Youth will have an opportunity to monitor the project through the years. City of Portland-BES Metro Grant \$6,331 Total Project \$13,362 MULTNOMAH/5

Concordia University The Community Educational NW Garden Project will involve Concordia students, staff and faculty in a community outreach program centered around a native plant garden on the university's campus. University students will mentor and interact with nearby elementary and pre-school teachers and students along with interested community members. Activities will involve planning, preparing soil, planting and maintaining native plants. University students will develop interpretative signage and informational materials regarding native plants. Learning experiences will be developed for pre-service elementary and science teachers enrolled at Concordia. Faubion Elementary, St. Michael's Pre-School Metro Grant \$3,710 Total Project \$9,727 MULTNOMAH/5

OSU Extension/4-H Youth Roosevelt High School Latino students participating in the 4-H Hermandad Latina Program will be recruited and trained to become 4-H Youth Garden Leaders to develop and use a wildlife habitat on school ground that reflects a multi-cultural community. 4-H Youth Leaders will complete a 20-hour training course and receive school credit. Classes will be taught in both English and Spanish. Education stations and signs will be written in Spanish and English. The program links high school students with middle school students through mentorship, educational and recreational programming and positive role models. The garden project also provides the students a leadership program they can plan, organize and led to benefit the whole community. Multnomah Master Gardeners, Roosevelt High School Metro Grant \$7,998 Total Project \$16,196 MULTNOMAH/5

HABITAT RESTORATION:

East Delta Park Enhancement of pond on park property. The pond is currently surrounded but Himalayan blackberry and other invasive plant species. This project continues enhancement efforts made by the parks department with past Metro grant funds. The pond has some flow through and is fed by freeway runoff. Wildlife use the pond in various degrees throughout the year. Approximately 750 feet of pond bank will be treated with erosion control fabric and native plants once the invasive species are removed. Plants that have been historically recorded for the Columbia Slough area will be used to re-vegetate the area. Total Budget \$ 20,000 Metro Grant \$10,000 City of Portland Parks and Recreation, Urban Forestry MULTNOMAH/5

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SALMONID EDUCATION AND ENHANCEMENT:

Association of Northwest Steelheaders Students from selected North and Northeast Portland schools will participate in a program that will include classroom activities focused on salmonid issues and watershed health, receive an in-class incubator to raise rainbow trout and take field trips to Whitaker Ponds Learning Center. The program will teach the importance of watershed health and what the average person can do to help preserve and improve it. The program incorporates a wide variety of views and lets the students draw their own conclusions and form action plans for their family. Students will learn about the Columbia Slough watershed and some of the unique issues surrounding it. Partners: ODFW, Columbia Slough Watershed Council, City of Portland-BES, Salmon Corps. Total Project Budget \$174,847 Metro Grant \$2,697 MULTNOMAH/5

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 30, 1999
TO: Gerry Uba
FROM: Pat Mannhalter
Council Assistant
RE: HTAC Ordinance

Gerry:

Councilor Ed Washington asked me to request that you contact HTAC Chair, Commissioner Diane Linn and rectify a statement he made to her. He led her to believe that the HTAC ordinance coming before Council on December 16, 1999 would not have a public hearing. HOWEVER, all ordinances before Council will be opened to the public (although not all are published as open to the public), so he wants her to be sure to understand that an HTAC representative can comment on the record and it would be appropriate to do so.

Thanks, Gerry.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 30, 1999
TO: Terry Petersen
FROM: Pat Mannhalter
Council Assistant
RE: Attached Letter from Moira McAuliffe

Mr. Petersen:

Councilor Ed Washington has asked me to forward this letter to you. He would like a member of your staff to discuss an appropriate response with him, so he can respond to Ms. McAuliffe.

May we hear from you at your earliest convenience. Thank you

Attachment

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Nov. 26, 1999

Councilor Ed Washington,
Metro Regional Center
600 NE Grand Ave.
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Dear Councilor Washington,

I have read the *Willamette Week's* extensive article on METRO-area recycling (October 27, '99, pp 20-35). I am concerned and appalled at its implications.

Firstly: on a purely personal and trivial level I am stunned to find that none of the glass I have religiously separated over the last 7 years has gone into the manufacture of new bottles. Instead, this glass gone into the production of fibreglass (*WW*), and a "new, hi-tech ground-cover product."*

All the publicity surrounding Portland's recycling program has suggested that recycling material via kerbside bins will cut down on the amount of new raw material stripped and mined from the environment. This is clearly not the case. I regard METRO as deceiving householders on this matter.

Secondly: the glass (clear, coloured) and paper categories (newsprint, misc. paper) that I have separated, religiously, were instantly commingled in the Waste Management disposal pickup truck because Waste Management's trucks do not come equipped with enough separate bins to keep glass and other separated materials, separate.

In view of this fact I regard the continuing of Waste Management's waste disposal contract as questionable in the extreme.

I imagine that other, smaller, local carriers or recycling agencies, alternatives to Waste Management, would have proved amenable to increasing the number of bins on the trucks used for pickup to meet METRO's waste/recycling

category requirements if Waste Management did not. (Or perhaps would have agreed to picking up different recycleables on different days if the number of bins on trucks proved to be non-negotiable.). Smaller companies like these would have been both more open to persuasion and more thoroughly committed to the purpose and practice of recycling as distinct from the purpose and practice of corporate-level profit and its propagation.

Thirdly: I am appalled that the pricing of landfill use, which METRO controls, was not controlled to promote the very recycling which is clearly an important part of METRO's responsibility.

I would like to see reform in household recycling - paper to be separated on the kerbside as before, not commingled in the recycling process; the same to happen with glass.

I would like to see a more rational landfill pricing policy -- one which takes the conservation of raw material, via the reuse of recycled material, seriously.

In short, I would like a genuine recycling program instead of the compromise we now have.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Moira McAuliffe', written in a cursive style.

Moira McAuliffe

*This product was recently mentioned in an item on OPB radio about an announcer's garden-less balcony and the guest gardener's suggested solutions.

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METRO

December 7, 1999

Linda Hval, Chair
St. Johns Neighborhood Association
8316 N. Lombard St., #441
Portland, OR 97203

Dear Ms. Hval,

Thank you for sharing with me the wishes of the St. Johns Neighborhood Association with regard to how Metro should use what has become known as the "\$60 million in savings." I appreciate the fact that you took the time to discuss this at your meeting and write to me with the results.

Please share with your members the current status of that money. First, the money is not in a savings account as the term "in savings" might mistakenly imply. The \$60 million is a rough projection of savings that could accrue over a period of ten years at the rate of about \$6 million a year as result of renegotiated contracts with our waste haulers and the landfill we use. None of that money has yet accrued and it might not. It depends in part on whether Metro reaches its recycling goals. Ironically, if it reaches its goals, there will be far less in "savings." Nevertheless, Metro has elected to pursue those goals.

The second thing you need to know is that the Metro Council has not implemented any decision on how to allocate those savings. In our discussions so far, holding down garbage rates in the future has been one of the priorities.

Thank you again for your input. If you have more questions, please do not hesitate to contact me again.

Cordially,



Ed Washington
Metro Councilor, District 5

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St. Johns Neighborhood Association

*8316 N. Lombard St, # 441
Portland, OR 97203*

November 18, 1999

*Metro Council
600 N. E. Grand
Portland, OR 97232*

*Dear Council Member Rod Monroe,
Jon Kvistad,
Bill Atherton,
David Bragdon,
Rod Park,
Susan McLain,
Ed Washington, ✓*

At the St. Johns Neighborhood Association meeting held on November 8, 1999, the members discussed the \$60 million dollars that has been collected from consumers and is being held in savings. Following our discussion a motion was made and a vote taken. The membership unanimously voted to encourage you to put the disposition of these funds to a vote of the people, the same people that have paid these funds through their garbage rates.

Thank you in advance for taking this request under advisement.

Sincerely,

*Linda I. Hval
St. Johns Neighborhood Association, Chair*

*Cc: Oregonian
St. Johns Review*



METRO

December 6, 1999

Ms. Moira McAuliffe
4407 NE 14th Avenue
Portland, OR 97211-5109

Dear Ms. McAuliffe:

I appreciated receiving your letter discussing your concerns with the region's solid waste and recycling system. I am pleased when citizens, like you, care enough about the quality of government-provided services to let me know when they do not meet your expectations. Feedback from the public is valued, and it helps us to be more effective when we know what citizens think about the policy decisions we make.

You raise some serious issues regarding solid waste and recycling based on your own observations and the article recently published in Willamette Week. (I will forward a copy of your letter and this response to Bruce Walker at the City of Portland. Because the City regulates the collection of solid waste and recycling, Mr. Walker will want to be made aware of your observations and concerns regarding the collection of your recyclables, as well.)

I am unsure how you came to the conclusion that your curbside glass has not gone back into more bottles. Nearly *all* of the glass containers (9,200 tons in 1998) collected from curbside programs in the region were and are delivered to a Portland glass plant for remanufacture into more bottles. Yes, some glass is used for other products, but only the very low-value glass. Over the years, the amount of glass collected and remanufactured into bottles has actually increased. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality collects and verifies this data annually.

The switch to a commingled recycling collection system in the region was made in response to emerging trends in the solid waste industry. Changes in the markets for collected recyclables and technological advances now allow for greater mixing and greater efficiencies at the processing end. Some haulers were beginning to mix certain recyclables on their own, for the reason you mentioned—truck space—as well as to take advantage of the change in markets and processing efficiency. Local governments decided it was best to develop a formal system for commingling to ensure the quality of the collected materials remains high, rather than allowing uncoordinated mixing of materials on trucks, and therefore risking contamination. Glass is required to be kept separate in the new program to ensure that quality remains high and contamination stays low. If you observe separated glass being mixed with other materials, I strongly urge you to call the City of Portland Curbside Hotline immediately (823-7202) to report what you see.

Regarding your last point on disposal pricing, Metro does control the price of disposal to promote recycling. Metro charges a "tip fee" of \$62.50 per ton of waste delivered to either of our transfer stations. This tip fee includes all of Metro's costs of disposal (including the total cost of landfilling, which we do not control). However, the costs of our waste reduction programs are also fully-loaded on top of the disposal costs. In fact, about \$14 of the \$62.50 goes to pay for waste reduction and other non-disposal services. This pricing strategy promotes recycling in two ways: 1) it keeps the price of garbage high; and 2) it provides funding to implement and promote waste reduction programs throughout the region.

Included with this letter is an attachment that I asked staff to prepare. It includes more detailed background information about the specific issues you raised. Please feel free to call me to let me know if this information addresses your concerns and reassures you that the region does have a genuine recycling program that is one of the best in the country. If you have specific questions about the information included in the attachment, please call Steve Apotheker in Metro's Regional Environmental Management Department at 797-1698.

Thank you again for bringing your concerns to my attention. Metro and its local government partners work hard to provide the best and most cost-effective programs for the region, and we need concerned citizens like yourself to let us know when you foresee problems. I hope you will continue to be active in solid waste and recycling issues that personally affect you, the environment and the quality of our region.

Sincerely,



Ed Washington
Councilor, District 5

JE:gbc

Attachment

cc: Terry Petersen, Acting REM Director

Doug Anderson, Waste Reduction, Planning & Outreach Manager

Bruce Walker, Residential Program Manager, City of Portland

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GLASS RECYCLING

Almost all glass containers collected in the Metro region over the past seven years have gone to the local glass plant that makes bottles. From 1995 to 1998, glass recycling volumes from curbside recycling collection have steadily increased, from 8,500 tons to 9,200 tons. These numbers are collected by the state and verified by markets, such as the local glass plant.

Metro does have the responsibility and authority for inspecting some of the region's waste and recycling processing facilities. If it is discovered that glass is being commingled with other materials on collection trucks, processors and the relevant local government will be notified. Metro has already done this with one hauler.

THE SWITCH TO THE RESIDENTIAL COMMINGLED COLLECTION SYSTEM

Glass commingled with other materials on residential collection trucks is a relatively recent phenomenon, started by a few haulers in late 1997 on some residential recycling collection routes. Once local governments became aware of these practices, a formal process was started to evaluate the benefits and drawbacks of the commingled collection approach. Commingling offered the potential to control costs and increase recycling participation by taking less time to collect and by offering residents a simpler sorting method. On the other hand, the problems you have cited also concerned local governments and Metro. If materials collected through a commingled program are carelessly mixed together, low-value markets may be the only end-use option available. Local governments and Metro have committed time and resources toward helping ensure that collection efficiencies do not lower the value of the resources that are collected.

Metro was asked by the region's local governments to coordinate a field study that looked at the quality and quantity of recyclable materials recovered by processing facilities when different types of commingling systems were tested. One major recommendation of the study was that glass needed to be kept separate on the truck in order for it to go back into glass bottles or fiberglass. If not, then your observation about losing the resource value of the glass would have resulted. When local governments developed the commingling program collection standards that are now in place, recycling haulers were instructed to stop commingling glass with other materials on their trucks. If the waste hauler does not comply with these standards, local governments (not Metro) have the authority to take action against them. This standard was set to ensure that source-separated glass collected in curbside programs does not go into any sort of groundcover or roadbase aggregate material in the Metro region. There are some regions of the state where the transportation cost currently precludes shipping the bottles to a glass plant. In these communities, glass is ground up and used for a groundcover.

The field study also looked at issues related to commingling all the different types of paper together. The material processors were able to separate out the different grades of scrap paper (old newspapers, corrugated boxes and mixed paper) and send them to the same markets, either domestic mills or offshore buyers, that have been used historically. To our knowledge, no paper market has stopped accepting recyclables which have been sorted out of commingled loads. However, Metro and local governments will be actively monitoring these program developments.

To the best of our knowledge, Waste Management's collection trucks in Portland never commingled paper and glass. They did, however, mix all forms of paper and all containers (tinned cans, aluminum, plastic bottles, glass). The new standards set and enforced by the

region's local governments forbid the mixing of glass with other containers. If you do see mixing occurring, please call the City of Portland (823-7202) and report this activity. Your observations help them to enforce these standards.

As we target more and more materials in our waste stream, it becomes important to look at doing some type of commingling to keep recycling costs down and allow for efficient collection. This is a trend that is happening around the country. Seattle's new curbside recycling collection program, which will start next April, will have residents sort recyclables into just two groups: 1) glass; and 2) everything else (all paper, metal cans and plastic bottles, plastic tubs and bags).

Our recycling rate is among the highest in the nation. Metro is responsible for ensuring that our region meets its goals and those set by the state. If recycling volumes of glass or other materials backslide, then Metro would examine the issue in partnership with local governments and discuss the need for setting new standards.

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