

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING FISCAL)	RESOLUTION NO. 25-5472
YEAR 2024-25 FUNDING FOR A GRANT)	
FUNDED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION EXCISE)	Introduced by Chief Operating Officer
TAX)	Marissa Madrigal in concurrence with
)	Council President Lynn Peterson

WHEREAS, in 2006, Metro adopted Ordinance No. 06-1115, establishing a construction excise tax (CET) to generate revenue for providing grants to local governments for regional and local planning; and

WHEREAS, the CET has awarded more than \$30 million to local governments through the 2040 Planning and Development Grant program for planning work across the region; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2018, the Metro Council adopted Resolution No. 18-4882, which approved additional refinements to the Administrative Rules, providing for the creation of a technical assistance component of the program to facilitate successful implementation of 2040 Planning and Development Grants by providing additional professional expertise as needed to successfully accomplish grant objectives; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2018, the Metro Council adopted Ordinance No. 18-1425 which amended Metro Code chapter 7.04 to remove the provision that the CET sunset in 2020 and implemented additional refinements to four other subsections of the code to more clearly reflect current program policies and facilitate program and CET administration; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2024, the Metro Council adopted Ordinance No. 24-1509 which amended Metro Code chapter 7.04 to expand the availability of 2040 Planning and Development grants to include federally recognized Tribes and certain community groups inside unincorporated urban areas; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2024, the Metro Chief Operating Officer (COO) approved amendments to the Administrative Rules that govern 2040 Planning and Development Grants to implement the code changes and improve program flexibility, effectiveness, and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2024, the COO established a 2040 Planning and Development Grant Screening Committee (Grant Screening Committee) consisting of eight members with broad expertise in planning and development to provide the COO an assessment of the strength of each grant application in accordance with the criteria set forth in Metro Code Chapter 7.04 and the Administrative Rules; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2025, the Grants Screening Committee submitted the committee’s recommendations to the COO identifying the projects the committee believes best meet the stated program goals and evaluation criteria and therefore merit grant funding; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Metro Code Chapter 7.04 and the Administrative Rules, the COO reviewed the recommendations of the Grant Screening Committee, and presented to the Metro Council the COO’s recommendations for Cycle 25Q1 grant funding at a Metro Council meeting on March 20, 2025; and

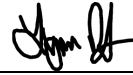
WHEREAS, the Metro Council has reviewed the recommendations of the COO and the comments provided by the Grant Screening Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Council accepts the COO's recommendation to award funds as described in Exhibit A and as recommended by the Grant Screening Committee; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby:

1. Makes the grant award for the 25Q1 grant cycle totaling \$750,000, as set forth in the attached Exhibit A, to the identified grant recipient for the project and amount listed in Exhibit A; and
2. Authorizes and directs the Metro COO and staff, and the Office of Metro Attorney, to finalize project scoping and a grant agreement with the grant recipient, which must set forth milestones and funding disbursement dates that comply with the Metro Code Construction Excise Tax Chapter 7.04, the CET Administrative Rules, this Resolution No. 25-5472 and Exhibit A attached hereto.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 20th day of March 2025.



Lynn Peterson, Council President

Approved as to Form:



Carrie MacLaren, Metro Attorney

EXHIBIT A
RESOLUTION 25-5472

2040 Planning & Development Grant Award
Cycle 25Q1 – March 20, 2025

Applicant	Project	Grant Amount
1. Portland Parks & Recreation	Tom McCall Waterfront Park Bowl Redevelopment	\$ 750,000

IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 25-5472, FOR THE PURPOSE OF AWARDING
2040 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT FUNDS FOR CYCLE 25Q1

Date: February 26, 2025
Department: Community Investments
Meeting Date: March 20, 2025

Presenters:
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Manager, PD&R
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Manager, PD&R

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Length: 15 minutes

ISSUE STATEMENT

The 2040 Planning & Development Grants Program moved to a quarterly awards schedule in 2024 after Council approved program changes through amendments to the Metro Code (Section 7.04) and associated Administrative Rules. This quarterly award schedule provides more opportunity for applicants to receive feedback and work with program staff to develop strong applications. The program launched the first cycle of quarterly grants in June 2024. The cycle being considered here is the first quarter cycle for 2025 (25Q1). The process for this cycle included:

- Reminder email to 2040 Grants interested parties lists in November
- Updated webpage, grants handbook and application materials
- Applicant letters of interest and optional meetings with Metro staff in November and December
- Final applications due January 10
- Staff and screening committee evaluations in January and February

Metro received two complete applications which were evaluated by the 2040 Grants Screening Committee. Applications included a proposal from Portland Parks & Recreation to facilitate a national design competition for redevelopment of the Tom McCall Waterfront Park bowl area; and a proposal from Clackamas County to conduct a development-ready land study for urban reserves and rural areas inside the UGB. The committee recommended funding for the Portland Parks proposal at the amount requested (\$750,000) and did not recommend funding for the Clackamas County proposal as currently scoped. The County is encouraged to revise their application and resubmit in a future grant cycle.

More detail about the grant proposals is provided in Attachment 1.

ACTION REQUESTED

Staff requests that Council consider approving Resolution No. 25-5472 to award a 2040 Planning and Development Grant to the grantee listed below. This action would authorize expenditure of CET funds and allow staff to work with the grantee to develop a final project scope and execute an intergovernmental agreement (IGA).

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IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

The purpose of the 2040 Planning & Development Grants program is to fund planning work in the region that supports Metro’s regional vision for growth. The grants are intended to facilitate planning that makes land ready for development, supports economic prosperity, and implements Metro’s long-term plan for livable and equitable communities, as outlined in the 2040 Growth Concept. Council’s award of these 2040 grants will facilitate much-needed planning projects across the region.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that Council approve Resolution No. 25-5472 to award the 2040 grant identified herein.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. 25Q1 Grant Applications Summary & Recommendation

ATTACHMENT 1
25Q1 GRANT APPLICATIONS SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

Applicant	Project	District	Category	Amount
Portland Parks & Recreation	Tom McCall Waterfront Park Bowl Redevelopment	6	Planning Inside UGB	\$750,000
<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project will facilitate a national design competition to create a design for redevelopment of the waterfront park bowl in the Portland City Center. ▪ Work will include selection of design competition finalists, selection of a preferred design, and final schematic plans for park redevelopment with cost estimates, phasing plan, and funding/implementation strategy ▪ Community engagement will involve national recruitment for design firms and local engagement with identified stakeholders ▪ PP&R will contract with an outside consultant to serve as a Creative Director and who will develop the process for and oversee the design competition <p>Screening Committee Recommendation: Recommended for funding at requested amount.</p>				

Clackamas County	Development-Ready Land Study	1, 2, 3	Planning Inside UGB	\$1,000,000
<p>Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The study is an information gathering exercise to evaluate the development constraints of land that has been identified as appropriate for future urban growth – Study would include all urban reserves and rural lands inside the UGB – Key outcomes identified are collaboration with cities and service providers, usable land analysis, development-ready land inventory, serviceability and cost analysis, and recommendations for public-private partnerships – Project will complement and build from the Industrial Site Readiness Study currently underway with Clackamas Co. Office of Economic Development – Primary goal is to create a clear framework for land use planning so the County can strategically plan for long-term growth and align with regional planning goals and efforts <p>Screening Committee Recommendation: Not recommended for funding at this time, applicant is encouraged to revise and resubmit application.</p>				