

OAK LODGE COMMUNITY

COUNCIL MEETING

CHAIR: ELEANORE HUNTER

DATE 2/23/2011

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RECORDER: CATHERINE BLOSSER

LOCATION: ROSE VILLA

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: ROLAND ATKINSON, ANATTA BLACKMARR, CATHERINE BLOSSER, VALERIE CHAPMAN, JANE CIVILETTI, SUE CONACHAN, EDITH COULTER, ROSEMARY CRITES, GEORGE DIETZ, LYNN FISHER, TOM FOELLER, GERALD FOY, CHUCK GODE, THELMA HAGGENMILLER, ELEANORE HUNTER, CHIPS JANGER, PAT KENNEDY, JIM KNAPP, JIM MARTIN, MARSKE MCENTYRE, GWION MARK MILLER, ED RIDDLE, PAUL SAVAS, FRED SAWYER, HENRY SCHMIDT, EUGENE SCHOENHEIT, ERIC SHAWN, SUSAN SHAWN, JULIE STANLEY, BLAIR STEPHENS, CHARLIE STEPHENS, BALDWIN VAN DER BIJL, LEONARD WALDEMAR, CLAUNDA WILD, WILLIAM WILD, FRED NELLIGAN, DON WAKE, SUSANNE WAKE, TOM CIVILETTI, BERNHARD MASTERSON

GUESTS: BARBARA CARTMILL, MIKE MCCALLISTER, CAM GILMOUR, LYNN PETERSON, CAROL MASTRONARDE, PAT RUSSELL, CLAUDIA STEINBERG, MARY MICHAEL, TOM WEAVER, NANCY WHITLEY, GINNY VAN LOO, JOE KRUMM, ED JAHN, LESLIE WEAVER

KEY: LUART = Land Use Application Review Team; OLCC = Oak Lodge Community Council; PD = Planning Department; F/U = follow up; Re = regarding; MAP = McLoughlin Area Project; LU = land use; .McL = McLoughlin Blvd; CCty = Clackamas County; OG = Oak Grove; ped = pedestrian; EIS environmental impact statement; rec, Recommendation; RFP = request for proposals; NCP & R = North Clackamas Parks and Recreation; TGM, transportation growth management; CAC, Citizens Advisory Committee (TRIMET).

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION PLAN	DUE DATE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
		Meeting called to order at 7 PM		Eleanore Hunter
Budget Report	Previous checking balance: \$522.58 January input 8.00 Output (Jim Martin for copies for LUART) [\$33.20] <i>Subtotal:</i> \$497.38 Checking 5.00			

	TOTAL: \$502.38			
Old Minutes	Friends of Local Control didn't receive their money that we voted to give. Change "Dog Woods" to Doug Woods	Meeting minutes accepted by unanimous consent		
Report Foster Care for Oregon (Mark McDonald, Oregon Youth Authority, Clackamas Cty.)	They have residential, step-down facilities in addition to foster home. Looking for families to provide parenting, guidance. Range of ages, populations. Lots of kids in system that need to be transitioned to independent living. Lynn Peterson requested Mark McDonald to give this presentation to BCC at a Thursday public meeting			Contact Mark McDonald for further information
Floor Nominations	Jim Martin: announced changes to the ballot: Cathie Blosser not running for Secretary; Jim Martin is running for Secretary. Floor nominations solicited: none offered. Eleanore introduced all the candidates. Henry Schmidt collected ballots. Roland Atkinson, Jerry Foy and Eric Shawn counted the ballots.	See below for voting results		
Discussion: Relationship between County and Unincorporated Oak Grove (Cam Gilmour [Director, Dept. Transportation and Dev.], Lynn Peterson [Chair, BCC])	<i>Lynn Peterson (LP):</i> discussed goals of Cty. regarding values and resources (codes, priorities, opportunities throughout Cty.). Unincorporated area deserves opportunity to grow and thrive, define for yourself how you want this to occur. However, the built environment poses obstacles (water, sewer, CPOs) with lots of stakeholders. She showed an organizational stakeholder chart of those involved in MAP, alone. Cty. will try and facilitate what community wants. Services that Cty. covers:			

	<p>Health, housing, human services (seniors, children)—biggest budget item (some comes from State and Feds)—services are heavy on prevention. General fund goes to public safety (10% or less) (e.g., corrections)—rest of general fund goes to planning</p> <p><i>Cam Gilmour (CG):</i> What his dept. does: land use planning; code enforcement (4 staff); roads (3rd largest road system in State); dog services.</p> <p>Q (questions) and A (answers): Q: Define role of County in providing urban services LP: A: Cty. can only tax at a rural tax rate. If you want urban services, we are capped out at this point---can't provide a higher level of urban services, such as: code enforcement, roads, land use--- all fall into this category. The huge size of the Cty. makes it difficult to manage. Pie is shrinking--\$90 M revenues went up less than 3%, even though Measure 5 allowed 3%---we have averaged 4.5% or more in past. Economy has not recovered, hence lower income when urban demands are up. Q: We should prioritize more and cut out what we don't need (e.g., business alliance, give money to start-ups). Gas tax is an example LP: A: All 36 counties do some private-public partnerships to get best bang for the money. Washington Cty. is all private. Any new services, we will ask for RFPs from private sector now (e.g., in human services). We want high quality services (e.g., eldercare, foster care) service delivery. This is the model we are</p>			
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	<p>now implementing---means we need to manage contracts now. Public safety issue: Sheriff works on contract with different agencies/cities now for revenues. CG: “user pay” ----e.g., gas tax (tax has stayed the same)—now inputs are down while demand for better roads is up. Even though cost of gas is up, we don’t get any more of it. Street Smart Committee made some recommendations in past that we will be revisiting (rec. increase user fees); cost of asphalt up as cost of gas increased, so more costly to maintain roads.</p> <p>Q: Did increase in car registration fees and gas tax go to Cty?</p> <p>LP:A: Yes, but not in place until January 2011; we will be seeing increase in our revenue. Sunrise Corridor receiving money (bond) from the car registration increase.</p> <p>CG: A: Increase this year \$1.5M but costs probably up more than that. In lieu of timber harvest money will be running out in 2012. We will be doing “band-aid” measures</p> <p>Q: Cities getting human services also from the Cty., so what does Oak Grove get back from the Cty? We are paying special enhancement district, library, soil/water conservation, extension service....lots of urban services. So, the base urban services vs. neighboring city....question not adequately answered as far as what MAP area gets back. Are we a positive contributor or a drain on the County?</p> <p>LP: A: Example is Boring looking at their fees they pay for</p>			
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	<p>TriMet services—turned out they were getting more back in services than was being paid in.</p> <p>Q: This is a challenging area...we are a dumping ground for cheap services; how do we develop area so it is not a dumping ground...into a positive thing (e.g., a lot of cheaper real estate along McL Corridor). Are we buffered in the meantime from State/City telling us where a facility has to be sited?</p> <p>LP: A: push on HHS side now being made to not put facilities just where the land is cheaper, such as along McL Corridor. You need to put your question back to MAP Committee rather than to the BCC.</p> <p>“Encouragement and incentivization” is only thing we can do.</p> <p>Q: Light Rail money: where is money coming from? Urban Renewal Dist. would only target immediate area whereas many other areas will be using the facility (e.g., Oregon City)</p> <p>LP: A: looking at urban renewal in an unincorporated area.</p> <p>Q: For clarification: Sunrise Corridor taking money; why keeping planning going on the Sunnybrook Extension? Post-construction maintenance would fall to Cty.</p> <p>LP: A: Sunnybrook Extension being funded by Clackamas Town Center Urban Renewal Plan. Cty. would be responsible for maintenance.</p> <p>Q: We have MAP; TGM underway; address practicality of Cty. delivering services...is it more efficient to have Cty.</p>			
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	<p>deliver these services to densely populated unincorporated areas, or should they be studying incorporation? Cty. also has to administer---on equal plateau--- across all districts.</p> <p>LP:A: number of ways to provide services: overlapping taxing district (roads); local improvement district under Cty.; utility fee; urban renewal; incorporate. BCC willing to get behind cost benefit analysis regarding incorporation. Not just a cost question, but a local control issue. It is up to you how you want to go.</p> <p>Q: Things are not necessarily going to get better, in my estimate. We are investing a lot of money to incur future maintenance. What are we doing to reduce our maintenance?</p> <p>CG: A: we are doing everything we can to increase our maintenance, but we are also deferring maintenance at this point. Past efforts to get increase in gas taxes for roads have been defeated. Reasons for Sunnybrook Extension is that Clack. Town Ctr. is a regional center for increased density and transportation. Discussion will be with BCC about adding more roads, in fact (e.g., Sunrise Corridor).</p> <p>Q: Clarify: bond for Light Rail. Citizens will pay for it? What about a vote by the people?</p> <p>CG: A: No vote, as no increase on your property tax is involved; increment of your payment accrues as debt service. Your taxes are frozen for such things (automatically goes up 3%)---</p>			
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	<p>taxes will not go down if Light Rail wasn't coming. Also, paving streets speeds up traffic.</p> <p>LP: A: We all paid for Westside Rail....and you did see an increase in taxes, but money will be coming back to you. Milw. Line not the same. A redistribution of money.....</p> <p>Q: What is the amount of money spent in our area? (e.g., senior services).</p> <p>LP: A: We'd have to talk with Cindy Becker. Majority probably does go to this part of Cty. because of the increased need for services.</p> <p>Q: How can we attract services rather than traveling to get to it?</p> <p>LP: A: area based on locally-controlled businesses; value of community; how big you allow business to be (e.g., big box) is a decision for MAP.</p> <p>Q: As things change, how can we make them in a positive manner (environmentally)?</p> <p>LP: A: Cty. has LEED buildings, 4 day work week (utility costs decreased \$250,000/year); remodel Sunnyside bldg. for Sheriff will be LEED certified; internal sustainability measures to give homeowners rebates on energy efficient measures paid in their utility bill. Buying electric and Prius cars for Cty. car pool. Transportation plan update to be done as related to health/emission/transportation/economic goals and what projects will get you to your goals.</p> <p>CG: A: the transportation plan budget will probably shrink</p> <p>Lynn Peterson: also announced her new job with State on</p>			
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	sustainable transportation, looking at alternatives for transportation (solar highways, high-speed rail)---all projects to be based on performance measures.			
LUART	<p>ZO0598-10-C Oak Hills Presbyterian Church addition was approved by Cty. LUART recommends clarification regarding FILO and “safety” need for 48” diameter oak tree removal.</p> <p>Jim Knapp: FILO to designate curbing</p> <p>Jerry Foy: 800 ft frontage; improvement takes only 400 ft.</p> <p>Committee suggests improvement on just the 400 and FILO for curbs, storm, be offset for future project. Doesn’t the FILO stay in the district? Curbs require half-street improvements.</p> <p>Paul Savas: only portion of cost of sidewalk goes to FILO cost determination.</p> <p>Susan Shawn: does my vote mean the tree comes out?</p> <p>Charlie Stephens: curbs don’t solve storm-water problems (need catch basin then).</p> <p>Eugene Schoenheit: curb setback depends upon right-of-way.</p> <p>Jerry Foy: church could lease right-of-way to re-configure sidewalk to go around tree (would be on church property, then).</p>	<p>Motion to approve LUART writing letter to ask for FILO instead of sidewalk:</p> <p>Wm Wild 2nd</p> <p>Leonard Waldemar</p> <p>Vote: majority – 5 – 2</p> <p>Motion passed</p> <p>Jim Knapp: amendment to above motion put a curb in instead of whole sidewalk and instead of FILO:</p> <p>2nd Chuck Gode</p> <p>Vote on amendment: 4 - majority - 3</p> <p>Amendment did not</p>		<p>Jim Martin will pursue issue with County and write letter.</p>

		<p>pass.</p> <p>Motion: If sidewalk is required, we ask Cty. to wrap sidewalk around tree.</p> <p>1st Tom Foeller 2nd Wm Wild</p> <p>Vote: majority – 1—0</p> <p>Motion passed</p>		
<p>Member Reports</p>	<p>Fred Nelligan: CAC: March 7th TriMet Open House 6:30 PM Milwaukie HS... TriMet wants input on new line. Focus of design process: take conceptual design across Kellogg and provide input regarding this “green gateway corridor.”</p> <p>Claudia Steinberg: April and May will have meetings as well. Also, Milwaukie and Cty. co-hosting meeting for others in area close to Park Ave. station that haven’t been involved yet (meeting to be held at Classical Guitar shop).</p> <p>Green Day (Eleanore Hunter): April 16th: more info coming</p> <p>Thelma Haggemiller: Pedestrian/bicycle safety: radar signs in conjunction with speed signs—tour done of all neighborhoods of outlying McL Corridor—noticed that some speed signs already exist; she will contact Rick Nys again to</p>			

	provide list of where speed signs currently exist and determine feasibility of getting radar signs placed (these are costly). Asked for any interested to sign up for new group focused on Ped safety and traffic calming.			
Public Comment	<p>Sojourner School: Charlie Stephens introduced Ed Jahn: asked for support from those who would sign letter to look at alternatives to moving school to Concord Elementary School. Present school would be abandoned. Letter would discuss effect on businesses around present school; part of our livable neighborhood (children can walk now to school--will have to be bussed to Concord). Students from entire school district. Admission is via lottery.</p> <p>Ed Riddle: Oak Grove Coffee Shop was also sustained by parents dropping off kids to the schools on Oak Grove Blvd., so there would be an impact on the local businesses if school closes.</p> <p>Fred Sawyer: Is there a possibility that New Urban HS would expand to that building?</p>	<p>OLCC to write letter to consider effects on community by moving the school. (186 students now, 12 teachers, lots of parent volunteer hours given; effects on business; empty building and grounds).</p> <p>1st: Susan Shawn 2nd Chips Janger Vote: majority - -1--6 Motion passed</p>		
Eleanore Hunter	Boardman Creek Restoration Grant: site visit is planned based upon Metro capital grant that was			

	submitted.			
	<p>McLoughlin Sidewalk Grant— ODOT: haven't heard back yet from Gail Curtis. Funding has been put into TriMet funding, is Eleanore Hunter's understanding but not confirmed. Fred Sawyer: ODOT has grant for flexible funding for sidewalks ¼ mile on each side of street and across from Park Ave. Station--- now in TriMet's court.</p>			
Voting Results	Tom Foeller, Fred Nelligan, Leonard Waldmar Directors at Large: Eleanore, Chair; Ed Riddle, Vice-Chair; Jim Martin, Sec: Chaunda Wild, Treasurer.			
		Next OLCC meeting March 23, 2011		
		Meeting adjourning at 9:15 PM		