

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE ) RESOLUTION NO. 14-4522  
WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN )  
 ) INTRODUCED BY COUNCILOR  
 ) KATHRYN HARRINGTON

WHEREAS, on July 23, 1992, the Metro Council adopted Resolution No. 92-1637, “For the Purpose of Considering Adoption of the Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan”, which included the Regional Trails and Greenways Map (amended December 1992, July 2002 and October 2008); and

WHEREAS, the 1992 Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan and Regional Trails and Greenways Map identified the Powerline Trail (now known as the Westside Trail) as a regionally significant trail connecting the Willamette and Tualatin Rivers and the cities of Portland, Beaverton, Tigard, King City, and parts of Multnomah and Washington Counties; and

WHEREAS, over ten miles of the Westside Trail are already built in Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) and the City of Portland; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2006, voters approved Metro’s Natural Areas Bond Measure, authorizing Metro to issue \$227.4 million for bonds to purchase land in 27 regional target areas, including the Westside Trail target area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Metro’s Natural Areas Bond Measure, Metro will only acquire interests in private property for the Westside Trail from willing sellers; and

WHEREAS, in 2007, Metro, in partnership with THPRD and the City of Tigard, applied for and was awarded a planning grant from Metro’s Metropolitan Transportation Improvements Program to retain consultant services to conduct the Westside Trail master planning process; and

WHEREAS, the Westside Trail project advisory committee was created in 2012 and included staff and citizens from Multnomah and Washington counties, the cities of Portland, Tigard, and King City, THPRD, Bonneville Power Administration and Portland General Electric, to advise Metro and the consultant team throughout the master planning work; and

WHEREAS, Metro and its partners conducted extensive public outreach during the master planning work in order to identify a potential trail alignment and trail design that is widely supported by the trail partner jurisdictions and residents throughout the trail study area; and

WHEREAS, the Westside Trail master plan has been successfully completed and received approval from the project advisory committee; and


WHEREAS, the Metro Council’s endorsement of the Master Plan via this Resolution does not establish a final trail alignment and is not intended to be a final land use decision that creates binding requirements on local governments, but rather provides a set of recommendations to guide Metro staff and other jurisdictions as they explore trail acquisition and continue design work on the Westside Trail; and

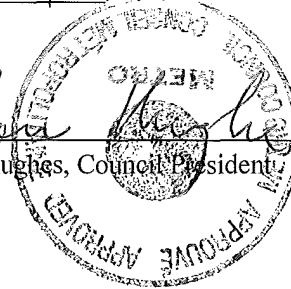
WHEREAS, the Westside Trail Master Plan will be considered for approval by Tigard City Council on May 13, 2014, and was approved by King City City Council, the THPRD Board of Directors, and the Boards of Commissioners of Multnomah and Washington counties in April and May 2014, and

those jurisdictions will subsequently decide whether to implement the trail through the adoption of final land use decisions that include a final Westside Trail alignment in their transportation system plans; now therefore

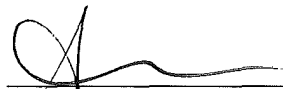
BE IT RESOLVED that the Metro Council hereby approves the Westside Trail Master Plan, appended hereto as Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the Metro Council this 19 day of May, 2014.

  
Tom Hughes, Council President



Approved as to Form:

  
Alison R. Kean, Metro Attorney

## **STAFF REPORT**

### **IN CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 14-4522, FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVING THE WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN**

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Date: May 15, 2014

Prepared by: Robert Spurlock, 503-813-7560

#### **BACKGROUND**

The goal of the Westside Trail Master Plan is to recommend a comprehensive strategy for the completion of a 25-mile north-south trail from Forest Park to the Tualatin River. In many ways the west side's equivalent of Portland's popular Springwater Corridor, the Westside Trail has been anticipated since as early as 1992 as a major component of the regional trail system. Since that time, Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD) has built over six miles of the trail in Beaverton.

Project objectives include engaging project stakeholders, identifying a final trail alignment, and producing construction cost estimates necessary to extend the existing trail north to Portland and south to Tualatin. The master plan provides direction as local and regional partners embark on efforts to fund, design and build the trail.

The master planning process started in January 2012, and its \$334,000 budget comes from a Regional Flexible Funds grant from Metro, and matching funds provided by Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) and the City of Tigard. A Stakeholder Advisory Committee made up of 14 members representing neighborhood groups and local agency staff met six times to review project deliverables and give feedback to staff.

The trail has garnered strong support from project partners including the cities of King City, Tualatin, Tigard, and Portland; Multnomah and Washington Counties; Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and Portland General Electric (PGE); THPRD; and Metro. Public input and the participation of local community organizations has been a strong influence on refining and adapting the trail alignments and options illustrated in the master plan.

The project team engaged stakeholders and the public at 60 events over the course of 27 months. The project team directly engaged approximately 1,400 people at these events, and also distributed 18,000 postcards and received over 200 completed surveys. The extensive public involvement resulted in a master plan that is widely supported by the partner jurisdictions and residents of the region. The Draft Westside Trail Master Plan was available for public comment from February 6 to February 28, 2014. Comments are summarized in the public engagement summary available on the Metro website.

The region's voters passed the Natural Areas Bond Measure in 2006, which identified acquisition priorities in the Westside Trail target area for the purposes of assembling a continuous trail corridor. Metro staff and project partners met with landowners where trail easements are needed to explain Metro's willing-seller program for trail acquisition and to gauge landowner interest in the project. Negotiations with landowners will continue on an as-needed, case by case basis.

In July 2011, Metro entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), whereby Metro managed a contract with a professional planning and engineering firm to conduct the master planning process and prepare the trail master plan. The Westside Trail Master Plan has been successfully completed and meets the intent of the IGA between ODOT and Metro.

The master plan recommends that partner jurisdictions (the three cities and two counties) amend their respective transportation system plans and that Metro amend its 2035 Regional Transportation Plan to include the master plan's recommended trail alignment in those documents. Adopting the trail alignment

in these and other land use and transportation plans will allow it to be eligible for local, regional, state and federal funding sources.

## **ANALYSIS/INFORMATION**

### **1. Known Opposition**

During the project advisory committee meetings, public open houses, stakeholder meetings and landowner interviews, concerns and issues were raised related to the trail's location and design, and adjustments in the alignment were made as appropriate. An extensive, thorough and transparent analysis was conducted to address these issues as they came up during the master planning process.

Following this initial process, at the request of the Forest Park Neighborhood Association (FPNA), staff committed project contingency funds and additional time to further analyze wildlife and stormwater impacts on the segment of the trail that links Bethany with Forest Park. Analysis findings show that the proposed alignment would have less impact than alternate routes.

Notice of the public review draft was widely distributed through e-mail, social media, and print advertising. Fifty public comments were received, mostly favorable about the project, with the exception of several comments from the FPNA voicing opposition. With the exception of the FPNA's representative, the project advisory committee unanimously endorses the resulting master plan.

King City, and Multnomah and Washington Counties passed resolutions in support of the plan in April. THPRD and Tigard will be voting on resolutions in early May. Portland submitted a letter supporting the plan.

### **2. Legal Antecedents**

Metro Council Resolution No. 07-3835 approving the Westside Trail Target Area Refinement Plan and confidential tax lot specific map, adopted on September 6, 2007.

Intergovernmental Agreement (#27275) between the Oregon Department of Transportation and Metro, dated July 20, 2011, for administration of the federal grant to prepare the Westside Trail Master Plan.

### **3. Anticipated Effects**

Located on the west side of the metropolitan Portland region, the Westside Trail will provide a regional active transportation link for pedestrians and bicyclists between the Tualatin and Willamette Rivers. Spanning approximately 25 miles, this trail will connect dozens of neighborhoods, businesses, schools and parks as it passes through King City, Tigard, Beaverton and Portland, as well as THPRD and unincorporated portions of Washington and Multnomah Counties.

The trail will provide a convenient, comfortable, and safe atmosphere for trail users of all types, ages, and abilities. Users will be able to recreate and commute using the trail, which has the potential to become an important corridor for wildlife habitat and movement. By primarily following the power transmission corridor owned or controlled by BPA and PGE, the trail will extend through highly urbanized areas with relative ease and few land acquisition costs.

The availability of the power corridor for trail development opens up the opportunity to establish a 25-mile-long trail, through highly developed urban lands, serving recreational and commuter bicyclists, pedestrians and, in some areas, equestrians. The trail will connect neighborhoods to major westside commercial and employment areas and to schools and open spaces. The major parks and natural areas connected by the Westside Trail will include the Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge, Tualatin River Greenway, Tualatin Hills Nature Park, Terpenning Recreation Center, Bronson and Rock Creek Greenways, Forest Park, and the Willamette River Greenway, as well as numerous local parks.

The master plan proposes distinctive practices and standards for establishing the Westside Trail as a corridor for people and nature. Approaches to restoring and conserving habitats along the trail and within power corridors, as well as approaches to wildlife-friendly siting and design of trail pathways, crossings, bridges, and boardwalks, are an integral part of the master plan.

#### **4. Budget Impacts**

The Westside Trail is divided into 29 segments running south to north (see Map 1 of the master plan). 10.5 miles of the trail is built, leaving about 13.5 miles to build, including bridges and overcrossings where needed. The total cost to design and build the undeveloped sections of the trail is estimated at \$36.6 million. This represents a planning level cost estimate in 2014 dollars, and is intended to provide an order of magnitude opinion to inform future funding requests for trail development.

THPRD received a \$2.4 million grant from Metro's Regional Flexible Funds program to design and build a mile of the trail from Hansen Ridge Park to Kaiser Woods Park, with expected completion in 2015. Other jurisdictions will build remaining sections as funding becomes available.

Acquisition opportunities identified in proposed amendments to the Tonquin Geologic Area target area refinement plan would be funded primarily with funds from the 2006 Natural Area Bond Measure and grants that have been secured from other agencies.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Chief Operating Officer Martha Bennett, with the concurrence of Metro Council President Tom Hughes, recommends approval of Resolution No. 14-4522.

**RESOLUTION R-2014-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KING CITY APPROVING THE  
WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTERPLAN**

**WHEREAS, in 1992, the Metro Council adopted the Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan, including the Regional Trails and Greenways Map (amended December 1992, again in July 2002 and most recently in October 2008); and**

**WHEREAS, the 1992 Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan and Regional Trails and Greenways Map identified the Powerline Trail as a regionally significant trail connecting the Willamette and Tualatin Rivers and the cities of King City, Tigard, Beaverton, Portland, and parts of Multnomah and Washington Counties; and**

**WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District changed the name of the Powerline Trail to the Westside Trail; and**

**WHEREAS, in 2006, voters approved the \$227.4 Million Natural Areas Bond Measure for the purposes of preserving a protecting natural areas, clean water, and fish and wildlife; and**

**WHEREAS, the Westside Trail Target Area was identified in the Measure as one of 27 regional target areas for land acquisition; and**

**WHEREAS, in December 2011, Metro, in coordination with Multnomah and Washington counties, the cities of King City, Tigard, and Portland, and Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, retained the firm of Parametrix to lead Westside Trail master planning work; and**

**WHEREAS, the Westside Trail project advisory committee was created in 2012 and included staff and citizens from Multnomah and Washington counties, the cities of King City, Tigard, and Portland, Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, Bonneville Power Administration and Portland General Electric, to advise Metro and the consultant team throughout the master planning work; and**

**WHEREAS, Metro and its partners conducted extensive public involvement during the master planning work in order to identify a trail alignment and trail design that is widely supported by the trail partner jurisdictions and residents throughout the trail study area; and**

**WHEREAS, the Westside Trail master plan has been successfully completed and received approval from the project advisory committee; and**

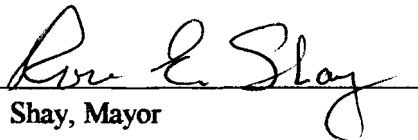
**WHEREAS, approval of the Westside Trail master plan document is not a binding land use decision, hence it is important that King City adopt the trail alignment into relevant land use documents; and**

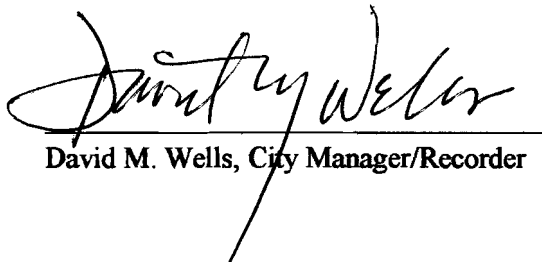
**WHEREAS, Metro's 2006 Natural Areas bond measure provided funds to purchase trail easements for the Westside Trail from willing sellers, and approval of this master plan and trail alignment will allow that work to begin in earnest; and**

**WHEREAS, the Westside Trail master plan will be considered for approval by the Tigard City Council, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Commissioners, and the Boards of Commissioners of Multnomah and Washington Counties in April 2014; now therefore**

BE IT RESOLVED that the King City City Council hereby approves the Westside Trail Master Plan, appended hereto as Exhibit A.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 2nd day of April, 2014.

  
Ron E. Shay, Mayor

  
David M. Wells, City Manager/Recorder

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-045**

Supporting and Acknowledging the Westside Trail Master Plan.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

- a. In 1992, the Metro Council adopted the Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan, including the Regional Trails and Greenways Map (amended December 1992, again in July 2002 and most recently in October 2008).
- b. The 1992 Metropolitan Greenspaces Master Plan and Regional Trails and Greenways Map identified the Powerline Trail as a regionally significant trail connecting the Willamette and Tualatin Rivers and the cities of Portland, Beaverton, Tigard, King City, and parts of Multnomah and Washington Counties.
- c. The Board of Commissioners of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District ("the District") changed the name of the Powerline Trail to the Westside Trail.
- d. In December 2011, Metro, in coordination with Multnomah County, Washington County, (collectively referred to as "the Counties") the cities of Portland, Tigard, and King City (collectively referred to as "the Cities"); and retained the firm of Parametrix to lead Westside Trail master planning work.
- e. The Westside Trail Project Advisory Committee (the "Committee") was created in 2012 and included staff and citizens from the Counties, the Cities, the District, the Bonneville Power Administration and Portland General Electric; to advise Metro and Parametrix throughout the master planning work.
- f. Metro and Parametrix with the assistance of the Committee conducted extensive analysis on the impacts to natural resources as well as public involvement during the master planning work in order to identify a trail alignment and trail design that would be beneficial for public users of the new trail and supported by the all the governments and other entities identified herein.
- g. The Westside Trail Master Plan (the Plan) was completed and received approval from the Committee.
- h. During the public outreach process, Metro and Multnomah County heard significant concerns regarding impacts to wildlife habitat and water quality with respect to one of the alternative proposed Westside Trail Segment 5 routes through unincorporated West Multnomah County.
- i. Multnomah County Land Use Planning recommends that the County seek from Metro additional refinement to the study, analysis and resolution of these potential impacts at Westside Trail Segment 5 alignment prior to implementation of the Plan
- j. Multnomah County will not build, install, maintain, operate or have any responsibility for the ownership or management of any non-public road sections of the Westside Trail installed, constructed or developed within the County.



- k. The proposed alternative public road Westside Trail alignment within Multnomah County identified in the Plan affects only one county road, NW Springville Road, and consistent with identified improvements to NW Springville Road in the County's Capital Improvement Plan.
- l. The proposed alternative non-public road Westside Trail alignment within Multnomah County is consistent with policies set forth in the Westside Rural Multnomah County Transportation System Plan to coordinate multi-use trail transportation needs with Metro (Goal 2, Objective A) and to the development of a transportation system that supports the rural character of West Multnomah County (Goal 3).
- m. The proposed alternative non-public road Westside Trail alignment within Multnomah County is also consistent with policies set forth in the West Hills Rural Area Plan to maintain and enhance recreational values of Forest Park and adjacent areas (Policy 15), and support and promote the placement of links within a regional trail system for use by pedestrians and bicyclists (Policy 16).
- n. Metro's 2006 Natural Areas bond measure provided funds to purchase trail easements for the Westside Trail from willing sellers, and the Metro Council's adoption of the Plan will allow that work to begin in earnest.
- o. The Plan will be considered for approval or acknowledged by the city councils of Tigard and King City, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Commissioners, and the Washington County Board of Commissioners in April 2014.

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:**

- 1. The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners hereby supports and acknowledges the Westside Trail Master Plan, appended hereto as Exhibit A.
- 2. Multnomah County Board of Commissioners directs staff to consider the Westside Trail Master Plan in its future land use and transportation plans.

ADOPTED this 24th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



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Marissa Madrigal, Acting Chair

REVIEWED:  
JENNY M. MADKOUR, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Matthew O. Ryan, Assistant County Attorney

SUBMITTED BY: Kim Peoples, Director of Department of Community Services.



## PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

Healthy Parks, Healthy Portland

April 21, 2014

Council President Hughes and Metro Councilors  
600 NE Grand Avenue  
Portland, OR 97232

Dear Council President Hughes and Metro Councilors,

On behalf of Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R), I would like to express my support for the Westside Trail Master Plan. The plan will do an excellent job guiding the Westside Trail's north and south expansion from Beaverton to Portland and Tualatin.

I am pleased that the trail alignments are consistent with Portland's existing plans and policies, including the Recreational Trails Strategy, the 2030 Bicycle Master Plan, and the Forest Park Natural Resource Management Plan. We look forward to working with Metro and the adjacent community to ensure that impacts to wildlife are minimized, and that the trail design does not adversely impact wildlife corridor connectivity in and adjacent to Forest Park. We recommend that Metro establish a baseline understanding of the wildlife utilization and movement in the area prior to any trail development in segments 5A and 5C, identify good points along the route for wildlife crossings, use wildlife-friendly culverts, minimize stream crossings, and avoid lighting on the trail.

Planners and natural resource specialists from PP&R were part of the planning team and have fully participated throughout the process. Their participation in public open houses, site visits with neighbors and stakeholder interviews shows the continued coordination between Metro and PP&R on moving the region forward for active transportation, wildlife connectivity and recreation. PP&R comments on draft materials are reflected in the final plan for the alignment within the City of Portland.

My understanding is that this project included extensive public engagement, and that Portland residents are excited about the alignment and the opportunities for their communities and schools. Metro has done a good job listening to local residents to understand their concerns, which have been clearly outlined in letters. I encourage Metro to continue to work closely with partnering organizations, interested individuals, and adjacent property owners through design and construction to resolve issues and questions that have arisen with the proposed trail's development.

### Administration

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[www.PortlandParks.org](http://www.PortlandParks.org)  
Amanda Fritz, Commissioner  
Mike Abbaté, Director



PP&R is committed to supporting Metro and other partners as they implement the Westside Trail Master Plan. We look forward to working with you to seek funding for the alignment within the City of Portland.

Sincerely, .

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Abbate", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mike Abbaté, Director

Cc:   Kia Selley, Portland Parks & Recreation  
      Brett Horner, Portland Parks & Recreation  
      Emily Roth, Portland Parks & Recreation  
      Jim Desmond, Metro  
      Mark Davison, Metro  
      Robert Spurlock, Metro

FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE TUALATIN HILLS ) RESOLUTION NO. 2014-10  
PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT BOARD OF )  
DIRECTORS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE )  
WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN )

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WHEREAS, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District's 2006 Trails Master Plan refers to the name of the trail as the Westside Trail (formerly known as the Beaverton Powerline Trail under the district's jurisdiction ); and

WHEREAS, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District has built over six miles of the Westside Trail; and

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WHEREAS, Metro's 2006 Natural Areas bond measure provided funds to purchase trail easements for the Westside Trail from willing sellers, and approval of this master plan and trail alignment will allow that work to begin in earnest; and

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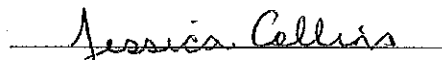
BE IT RESOLVED that the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Directors hereby acknowledges the Westside Trail Master Plan, appended hereto as Exhibit A.

Acknowledgement by the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Directors on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

  
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Joe Blowers, President

  
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Bob Scott, Secretary

ATTEST:

  
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Jessica Collins, Recording Secretary



**CITY OF TIGARD, OREGON  
TIGARD CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION NO. 14-22**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN AND ADDING THIS PLAN  
TO THE TIGARD GREENWAYS TRAIL SYSTEM MASTER PLAN**

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RESOLUTION NO. 14-22

WHEREAS, the Westside Trail Master Plan may be considered for approval by King City Council, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Commissioners, the Boards of Commissioners of Multnomah and Washington counties, and other jurisdictions in April 2014; and

WHEREAS, Tigard supports adding the Tigard portion of the Westside Trail Master Plan to the Tigard Greenways Trail System Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Tigard City Council that:

SECTION 1: The Tigard City Council hereby approves the Westside Trail Master Plan appended hereto as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2: The Tigard Greenways Trail System Master Plan will include the Westside Trail Master Plan.

SECTION 3: This resolution is effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED: This 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2014.

  
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Mayor - City of Tigard

ATTEST:

  
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City Recorder - City of Tigard

# AGENDA

## WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

**Agenda Category:** Consent – Land Use & Transportation (CPO 1, 4B, 4K, 6, and 7)

**Agenda Title:** ACKNOWLEDGE THE WESTSIDE TRAIL MASTER PLAN

**Presented by:** Andrew Singelakis, Director of Land Use & Transportation

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### SUMMARY:

The Westside Trail, part of Metro's Regional Trail system, will provide a predominantly off-road pedestrian and bicycle connection between Forest Park in the north and the Tualatin River in the south. Spanning approximately 25 miles, the proposed trail alignment will connect dozens of neighborhoods, businesses, schools, and parks as it passes through King City, Tigard, Beaverton, and Portland, as well as the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District and unincorporated portions of Washington and Multnomah Counties. See Exhibit A.

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The trail alignment and overview of trail planning efforts were presented by Metro staff at the Board's April 8, 2014 work session. The trail alignment will be considered in the current update of the county's Transportation System Plan.

Acknowledgment of the trail master plan demonstrates support for continued cooperation between the county and partner jurisdictions in addressing future options for acquisition, construction, operation, and maintenance of the trail.

Attachments: Resolution and Order  
Exhibit A – Trail Map

### DEPARTMENT'S REQUESTED ACTION:

Acknowledge the Westside Trail Master Plan and authorize the Chair to sign a resolution and order recognizing the county's support for the trail.

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### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S RECOMMENDATION:

I concur with the requested action.

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Agenda Item No.

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Date:

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1 IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
2 FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

3 In the Matter of the Board of County ) RESOLUTION AND ORDER  
4 Commissioners' Acknowledgment of the )  
5 Westside Trail Master Plan ) No. 14-45

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WHEREAS, acknowledgment of the Westside Trail Master Plan document is an indication of support for the trail, and Washington County will consider including the Westside Trail in its transportation system plan ; and

WHEREAS, Washington County does not build and manage park facilities, therefore the County intends to partner with neighboring jurisdictions or other park providers to promote the construction and maintenance of the Westside Trail Segment 2; and

WHEREAS, Metro's 2006 Natural Areas bond measure provided funds to purchase trail easements for the Westside Trail from willing sellers, and acknowledgment of this master plan will further that process; and

WHEREAS, the Westside Trail Master Plan will be considered for approval or acknowledgment by the city councils of Tigard and King City, the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District Board of Commissioners, and the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners; now therefore


RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby acknowledges the Westside Trail Master Plan.

DATED this 15th day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Chairman

  
Assistant County Counsel  
For Washington County, Oregon

  
Recording Secretary

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