Context for the 2024 urban growth management decision

Stakeholder roundtable September 29, 2023



## Agenda

- 1. Urban growth management
  - 1. The urban growth report
  - 2. Decision-making process
- 2. Urban growth report stakeholder roundtable purpose
  - 1. Work plan overview
- 3. Activity: Challenges of regional growth

## 2024 urban growth management

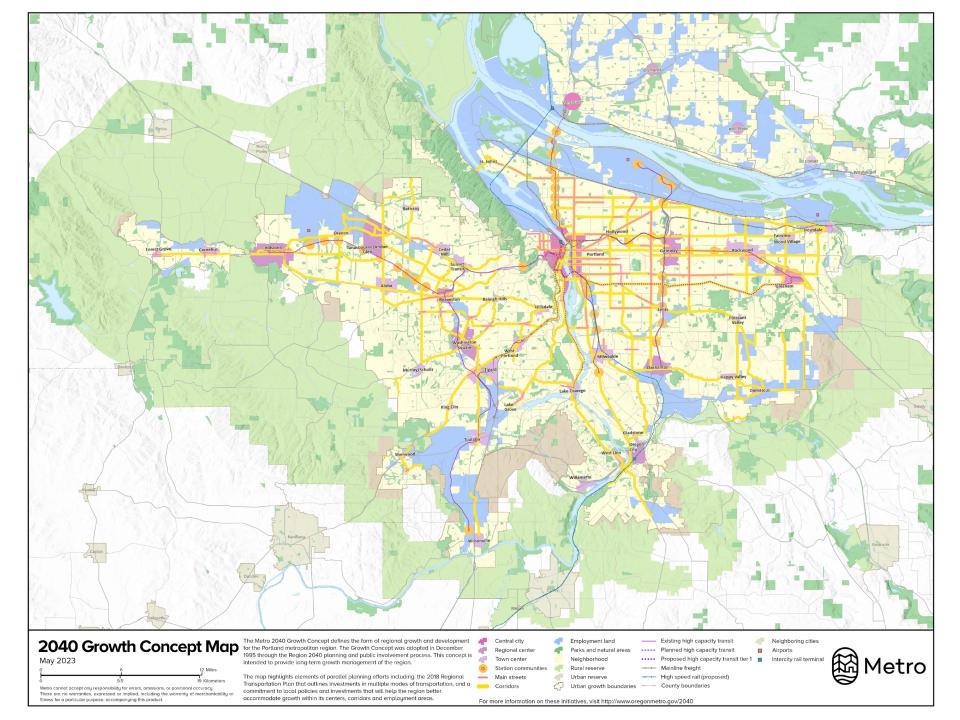
- 1. What is the urban growth boundary?
  - Why do we have it?
  - How does it move?
  - What are urban and rural reserves?
- 2. What research is done to prepare for a decision about the boundary?
- 3. What is the decision-making process?

## **Urban Growth Boundary**

Deliberate planning for growth

Housing tracts, shopping malls, and other kinds of urban development are planned inside, while agricultural lands and open space outside are preserved





## Oregon growth management basics



How much land is in demand inside the UGB?

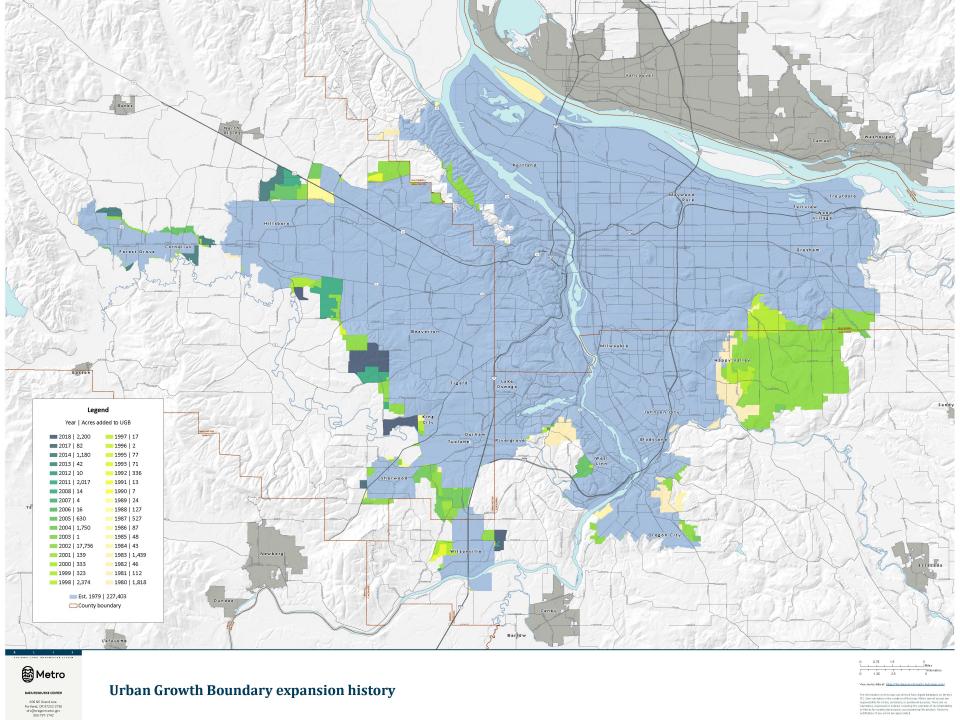
**BUILDABLE LAND** 

How much land is buildable inside the UGB?

UGB EXPANSION

Is more land is needed because of household and employment growth?

## **Questions/Discussion**



### Land readiness is essential

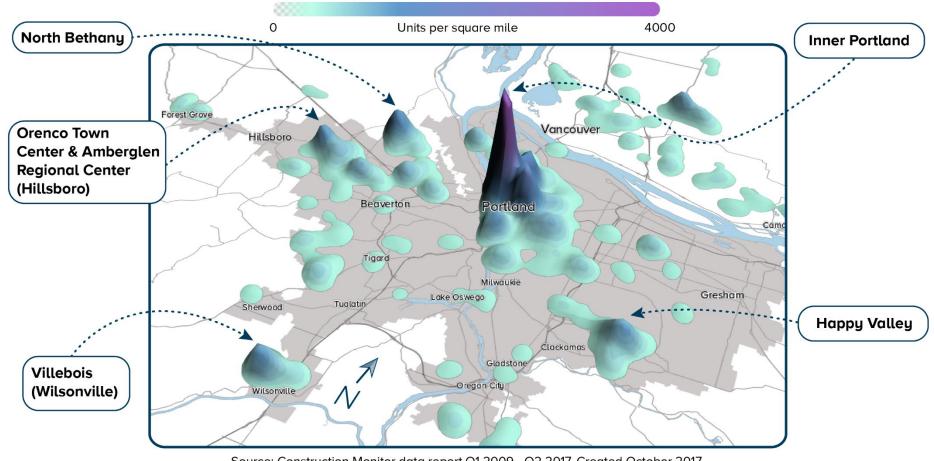
UGB expansions only produce jobs or housing when there is a city that can provide needed pipes, roads, sidewalks, parks and schools





## Growth is happening where intended

Housing permits in the Portland Metro area, 2009-2017 - units per square mile



Source: Construction Monitor data report Q1 2009 - Q2 2017. Created October 2017

# Past UGB decisions that did not emphasize readiness have been slow to produce housing

#### Estimated Housing Units Planned & Completed in Past UGB Expansion Areas



Sources: Units planned:
Metro UGB History;
Deliveries: ECONorthwest
analysis of 2022 RLIS tax
lot data. Note that tax lot
data tends to lag
construction completions,
sometimes by up to a year.
\* Units planned may
include portions of
Wilsonville's Villebois,
which is not included in
estimated units
completed.

# Metro has improved its growth management process to focus on readiness

### **Old system**

Calculate the number of housing units needed

Expand UGB based on soil types

Concept plan areas after adding to UGB

### **New system**

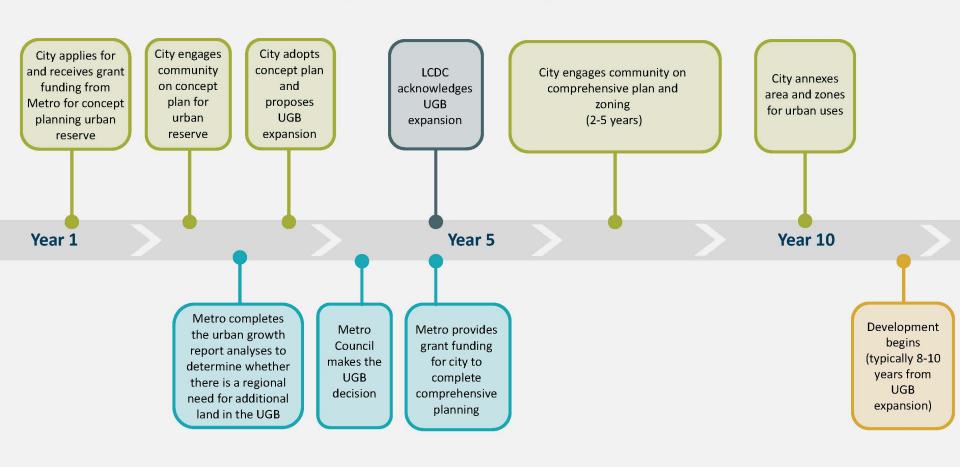
Agree on where the region may grow over the next 50 years

Concept plan urban reserve areas before expansion (Metro funding)

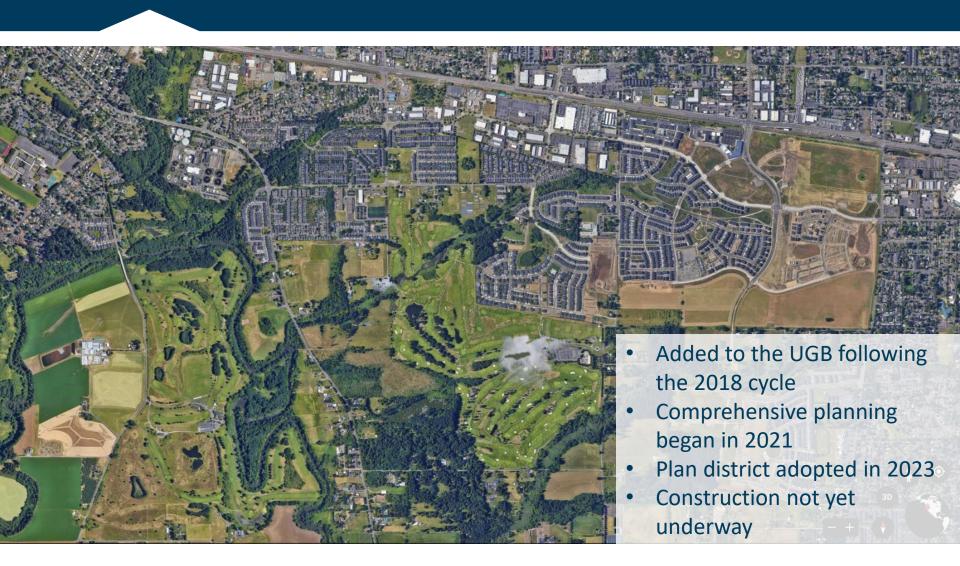
Decide whether proposed expansions are needed based on outcomes

## Growth in expansion areas takes time

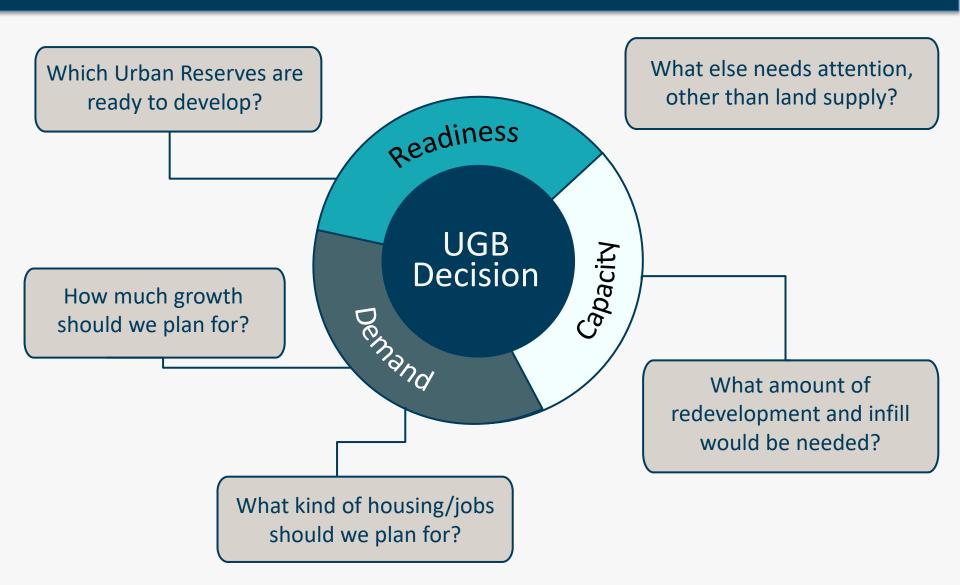
#### **Development in UGB Expansion Areas**



## **Example: Witch Hazel Village South**



## The UGR is a decision support tool



Regional employment forecast

Assessment of trends

**Urban Growth Report:** 

**Employment** 

Employment site inventory

Industrial land readiness

Population and household forecast

### **Development trends:**

- Price, type, size
- Redevelopment, infill, vacant land

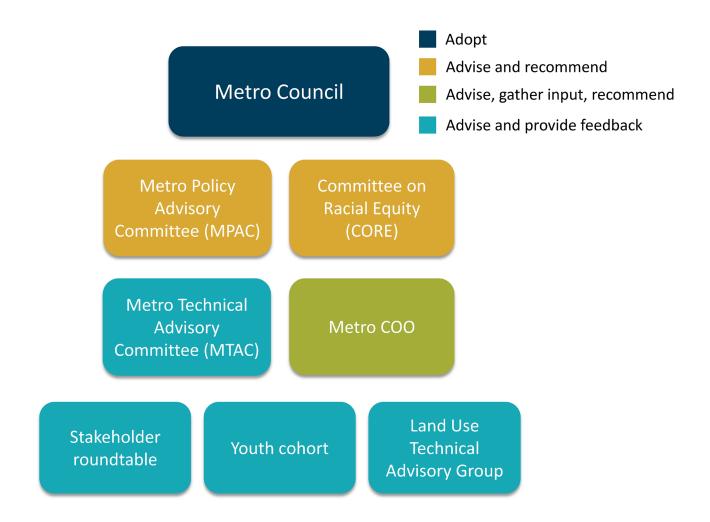
**Urban Growth** 

Report: Housing

**Displacement trends** 

Housing needs analysis

## **Decision-making framework**



Draft - 8/31/23

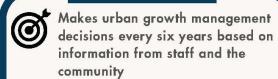
Advise and recommend

Adopt

Advise and provide feedback



#### Metro Council

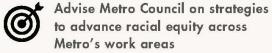




A public hearing will be held before the urban growth management decision - open to the public

https://www.oregonmetro.gov/regionalleadership/metro-council

#### CORE

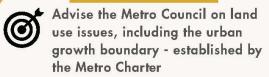


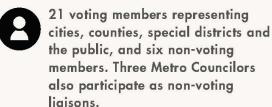




https://www.oregonmetro.gov/regional-leadership/ metro-advisory-committees/committee-racial-equity

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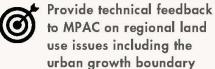




Meetings are the fourth Wednesday of each month - open to the public

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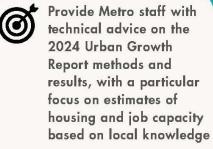


35-member committee defined by the Metro Charter and made of planners, citizens, and business representatives

Meetings are monthly on the third Wednesday from Jan to Sept - open to the public

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#### LUTAG



Local land use planners from jurisdictions within the Metro boundary and other technical experts from interested organizations

Fall 2023 through spring 2024, meetings as needed

#### Youth cohort

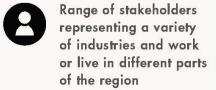


15 young people from across the region, ages 14-

Eight meetings, from fall 2023 fall 2024

#### Urban growth report stakeholder roundtable





















## Technical work and analysis: Developing the urban growth report

- Buildable land inventory (BLI)
- Regional forecast
- Capacity analysis
- Employment trends and site characteristics
- Housing needs analysis
- Residential readiness analyses
- Draft urban growth report (UGR)

## City expansion proposals

- Letters of interest
- Expansion proposals

2040 planning and development grants available

## Metro Council decision

- Consider Metro staff and advisory group recommendations
- Public hearings
- Policy direction
- Final decision



## **Questions/Discussion**

## Stakeholder roundtable purpose

- 1. Transparency
- 2. New perspectives on the 2024 UGR
- 3. Discover topics related to growth that are important to stakeholders (regional vision)
- 4. Staff will consider the group's feedback when preparing a recommendation for the Metro Council UGB decision

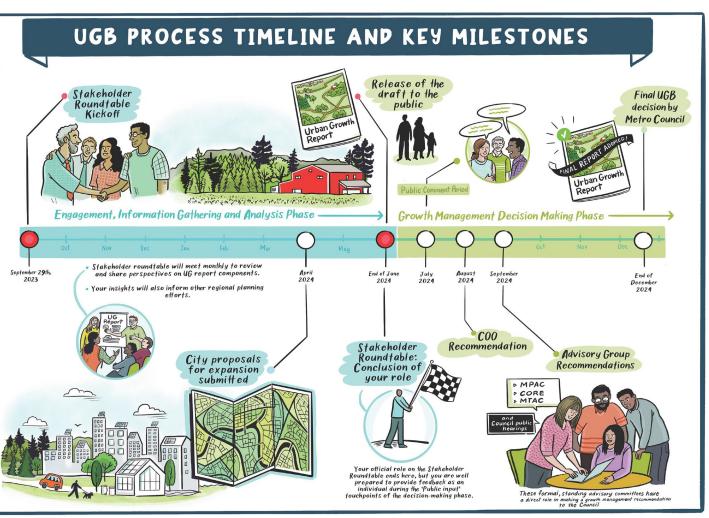
### STAKEHOLDER ROUNDTABLE Your Role in the UGB Process



- Range of stakeholders representing a variety of industries who work or live in different parts of the region.
- Appointed by Metro's COO.
- Forum is also open to the public.

### YOUR ROLE

- What's in scope.
  In this role you are:
- Developing shared understanding around the UGB process - including the underlying rationalc (the "why") and the analytical aspects that inform the process (the "how").
- Sharing your lived experiences, perspectives and ideas with Metro staff to help shape thinking around the UGB.
- What's out of scope. In this role, you are <u>no</u>t:
- 1 Making any growth management decisions.
- Making direct recommendations to the Metro



## Work plan overview

- Introductions and roundtable purpose
- Capacity estimates
- Housing need
- Economic conditions and trends
- Regional growth forecast

- Historic regional development trends
- City UGB expansion proposals
- Employment land analysis results
- Draft Urban Growth Report review

## Meetings

- Monthly
- Every other meeting on Zoom starting in October
- Each meeting builds on the last
- Meeting follow-up/make-up available
- Staff contact: Jaye Cromwell

## **Questions/Discussion**

# Activity: Challenges of regional growth

What are your hopes/thoughts and worries about regional growth?



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