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Portland, OR 97232-2736

Agenda

Meeting: Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee
Date: Tuesday, February 27, 2024
Time: 4:00–6:00 p.m.
Place: Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81293437295?pwd=cTUrZ1U1MHVJckhRZTY2NXlNWjRYZz09> / Webinar ID: 812 9343 7295 / Passcode: 444400 / +1 253 215 8782

Purpose: The committee meets to review tools and strategies for annual reporting and creating a sustainable committee membership and structure.

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4:00 p.m. Welcome and introductions

4:05 p.m. Committee business reminders

4:15 p.m. Discussion item: status and next steps for new member recruitment

4:45 p.m. Informational item: anticipated bond spend and award trajectory

5:25 p.m. Discussion item: Committee goals, work plan and topics for 2024 (share additional feedback about the committee work plan via this brief survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H9LQ2RL>)

6:00 p.m. Adjourn

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Meeting minutes

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Committee Members:

Tana Atchley Culbertson
Burt Edwards
John Ferguson
Martita Meier
PK Melethil
Georgena Moran
Vivek Shandas
Shannon Shoul
Cary Watters

Council Representatives:

Councilor Mary Nolan, District 5
Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, District 3

Public:

Franklin Ouchida

Absent

Erin Upton
Owen Wozniak

Staff:

Jon Blasher, Metro
Beth Cohen, Metro
MG Devereux, Metro
Shannon Leary, Metro
Dan Moeller, Metro
Eduardo Ramos, Metro
Melanie Reinert, Metro
Robyn Stowers, Metro

Recording: <https://vimeo.com/917715621?share=copy>

Co-chair Burt Edwards opened the meeting and started introductions.

Burt went over optional member check-ins with staff and co-chairs and introduced the agenda.

MG Devereux reminded attendees of the process for public testimony.

No formal testimony was received since the last meeting, though members of the community have continued to be in touch with staff regarding concerns over the City of

Portland's Rose City Golf Course project. Staff have been following up with Portland staff regarding these concerns and will keep the committee updated.

MG asked members to share updates and intersections in the bond work.

PK Melethil shared a positive experience working with [Friends of Trees](#), where many community members came from across the region to participate. He praised the community-building aspect of the project and interesting nature of the work in an urban landscape. Cary Watters also appreciated the work done by this organization.

MG reminded members to submit updated conflict of interest forms for the year.

Burt introduced the committee recruitment discussion agenda item and noted his co-chair appointment ends in March, so a new co-chair will need to be appointed.

Beth thanked Burt for his service and provided a status update on the committee recruitment and plans for a future sustainable committee (*refer to slide deck*).

There has been natural attrition of membership since the committee origin.

Membership can range from 9-21 members, and we currently have eleven. Terms are staggered, and members can serve up to three two-year terms.

Council established a range of expertise and lived experiences we hope to include in the membership to represent the diversity of the region.

Recruitment strategies so far has included posts to Metro websites, Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn, direct email lists, listserv posts, staff and Council network sharing, and current members sharing within their own networks.

Beth provided a broad demographic and experience snapshot of the current application pool. Many applications are still clustered in Multnomah County, and broad geographic representation is still a goal.

Internal review is underway, and a recommendation will be moved to Council President Peterson in April to appoint 1-5 new members.

The co-chairs opened discussion for comments, suggestions and questions.

Cary hoped each committee member would make contact with at least one individual who could be a good fit and could share recruitment within networks and platforms.

Burt asked for ideas on reaching Washington and Clackamas County applicants as well as potential youth applicants.

John Ferguson asked if a balance of expertise and interest in the three working group topics are focused on specifically.

Beth clarified that there is alignment, but that the expertise and experience sought is broader than those three topics. We can also adjust working group topics to fit committee interests and needs.

PK stressed that Metro should reach out to as large a group as possible to get the best representation of public desires and needs (on this and future measures).

Councilor Rosenthal noted the front end reach out on bond work to determine community wants and needs, as well as this committee's looking back to evaluate if Metro is meeting its promises with the bond measure.

Shannon Shoul shared an opportunity for youth outreach in the Beaverton School District.

Cary asked about outreach to the Coalition of Communities of Color, the Oregon Lead Program for the Native community and the Bridges Network.

Beth shared that there was outreach to the Coalition of Communities of Color, Verde, EcoTrust's leadership program and other organizations. Councilor Hwang and other Councilors have been sharing through their networks. We can continue to add to the list for outreach.

Burt asked about local television, ads and press to extend outreach.

Beth noted the broader sharing is generally at an agency level. We are trying to raise awareness for committee recruitment, so this is helpful feedback.

PK suggested Metro staff and co-chairs could speak about committee membership and put out a brief video to give committee perspective.

MG felt this could be useful to explain the committee to potential applicants. Media hasn't been used broadly beyond our extensive use of social media channels for the department and the agency.

Burt suggested applicants should share where they first heard about the opportunity to help inform ongoing outreach.

Burt asked members to continue to reach out to staff and co-chairs with ideas.

Burt introduced the bond spend down trajectory discussion item.

Jon Blasher thanked Burt for his service as Co-Chair, provided an overview of overall bond finance logistics and introduced the overall spending targets for the bond (*refer to slide deck 2*).

A 12-year spend down is planned, spending \$475 million by 2031 (includes \$200 million in awards to park providers and community organizations.)

Short term goals by September 2024 include an anticipated spend of \$63 million and an anticipated award of \$75.7 million. Jon highlighted various program spending milestones.

Jon outlined opportunities and headwinds regarding the spend down plan.

Jon opened to group discussion and questions.

PK shared about conversations with Shannon Leary and other staff regarding land acquisitions and funding over the life of multiple bonds for over 30 years to achieve Metro's vision. The details are welcome, especially over a broader time span.

Shannon also clarified that the broader information was a look back at completed spends and the materials today are spending projections for spending yet to come.

PK noted the map shared with the committee in November/December with the details on acquisitions for land acquisition and noted a desire for detail in information.

Councilor Rosenthal asked if the committee could benefit in a deeper dive into the large scale community visions program updates underway based on participant feedback after the pilot round.

Jon shared that the committee had a presentation on the program at a previous meeting and provided high level overview of the pilot round and updates on planned adjustments to the program handbook.

Match requirements are being adjusted, segmented property components rather than a contiguous requirement, and the timeframe for the funding to be most impactful.

John shared his positive impression of the land purchases to date regarding habitat connections. He noted that large parcels haven't been available. He has heard feedback asking when the next big park is coming. Are there any opportunities for another big purchase?

Jon said yes and noted Chehalem Ridge and Newell Creek successes recently. The portfolio growth has increased cost to operate and maintain at a high level of standard and service, and we need to think of what the region needs from Metro Parks and Nature so we can fill those gaps. Staff are also working over years for generational opportunities as they arise.

Shannon Leary noted the long incubation for the larger parks from first purchase to development and went over the criteria for land acquisition. She shared about a recent purchase about to be announced for a target area that has not been worked in before (Molalla Oaks Floodplain outside Canby with Pudding River frontage).

Beth shared on the thinking behind bringing the spending targets forward for a contextual framework and foundation for the committee as they evaluate bond work and achievements.

Burt noted it's hard to tell how the overall spend trajectory relates specifically to climate resiliency and asked how that could be shared/shown.

PK asked the committee for feedback on the map that was mailed out to the group.

Martita loved it as a resource offering information on the different types of land.

Georgena enjoyed the map, felt it was thorough and added dimension.

Councilor Rosenthal noted the committee provides its own “audit” on the bond work, and noted the response to the Metro Auditor’s program audit of the bond and its focus on accessibility.

Jon shared an update on the response work and ongoing engagement and updates to Council and the committee. Looking and thinking about the definition of access and what it looks like, equitable access, methods of measurement, etc. The bond outcomes work is where much of this will continue to appear. We want to show that input on this topic is being implemented in the bond work moving forward.

Councilor Rosenthal noted Council will also have to work on these questions as well.

Beth also noted this is a potential topic for the May meeting, and staff can share progress, tools and plans.

The committee annual report this fall will look at access measurement, articulating bond impact on communities in the region, a visualization tool and ways to communicate with multiple audiences. A mapping component is also being worked on.

John noted that the best natural areas are beyond the urban core, and that access has to do with transit to those areas. Blue Lake Park, which is relatively close in doesn’t have bus service. There has been discussion on partnering with transit services. Has there been progress on that?

Jon shared that internal ArcGIS mapping has helped look at transit proximity to Metro sites. A Council briefing for the tool is planned. Parks has been working with Planning on the transportation questions regarding the current portfolio.

The bigger conversation is also how to create broader transit access to all regional parks and trails. The regional transportation plan also has a section looking at access to transit (chapter 8). Considering that last mile gap to fill for parks. Parks and Planning are looking at the access from the transit angle to make plans for more coordination with other agencies.

Councilors Nolan and Rosenthal were very happy about the coordinated work on this topic, and Jon plans to follow up with the Councilors.

Jon noted the department has been trying to look at experiences people would seek at some larger, less reachable sites and show/highlight other sites that would provide similar experiences that could be more easily reached on transit.

Burt suggested a discussion topic on access at a future meeting and hoped for another in-person gathering at a site like last year’s.

Beth introduced the committee workplan agenda item (refer to slide deck).

The next meeting is likely in May with working groups to follow. The work plan to respond to the audit is a likely agenda item.

Committee members were requested to respond to a survey ([link in chat](#)) to rank possible topics shared on the slide deck.

PK thanked members for feedback on the map and asked the Councilors if they got the map. He noted the usefulness of the map to capture a lot of detail to understand the land acquisitions over time. Hopes for more detail moving forward and thought it could be a useful tool for youths, as well.

Staff confirmed that Council had not received printed copies and will get each of the liaisons a print.

Councilor Rosenthal appreciates maps and requested that climate justice discussion be as specific as possible to provide the best guidance.

Burt asked about language on climate justice in the bond. (Noted resilience and equity are present).

Beth can check on the terminology in the bond measure. There is overlap and overlay in the terms, and that's a good point for the committee to explore.

Cary shared that she worked for the Native American Youth and Family Center and they had formed Climate Justice Collaborative with Opal Environmental Justice Oregon, Coalition of Communities of Color and other organizations serving communities of color. She shared the [implementation plan](#). They used a broader definition of climate justice.

Cary suggested a topic related to her work on the Clean Air Construction Collaborative a regional collaborative effort to reduce diesel particulate emissions on construction projects. Metro, Portland and other agencies are participating, and Blue Lake Park was the first project using the new requirements. We can look at opportunities coming up.

Burt asked about COBID participation as a topic.

Beth noted that the topic has been explored in the finance working group but not in depth to the broader group beyond the general reports. It can be a topic for the future. There is a contractor equity focus on the bond in alignment with the Construction Career Pathways program. Some bond programs are good examples of this.

Beth suggested that the upcoming working groups can also explore topic suggestions.

Cary was interested in more contract equity discussion and has suggested disaggregation of the data by race and gender identity for a fuller picture in group discussions. She'd like to see more of the data on the workforce equity.

Georgena liked the idea of a future meeting focusing on access issues and transportation-related access issues.

Burt wrapped up topics and reminded members to reach out to staff and co-chairs.

Staff will send materials for working groups prior to meetings.

The meeting concluded at 5:56 p.m.

Miro board

Oversight Committee Meeting February 27, 2024



Chat:

16:03:12 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Hosts and panelists:
Thanks so much for coming!

16:04:30 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
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16:04:32 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
https://miro.com/welcomeonboard/ZIZ4bGF3bktnSXhXZnQ0ZkN5T0JUZIkd2hQU2R6ZW MxQUFRTdqCHFBaWFmYklFS1ZrRU9ENTIxSndlZFP4bXwzNDU4NzY0NTUyNjkzMtM1NTAwdI=?share_link_id=863260655528

16:04:55 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
If you previously joined it should take you in, otherwise you'll just need to quickly add a profile name, etc.

16:07:41 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
I hear that some links are still not loading

for everyone in the last email. Here are the linked files for those still needing them for reference!
<https://oregonmetro.sharefile.com/share/view/sf3398ea0ec214baab7fa18930135753f>

- 16:08:11 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:
it's so nice to see you Martita!
- 16:15:22 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:
we can hear you Councilor Nolan
- 16:15:26 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:
sorry you can't hear us right now
- 16:15:38 From Burt Edwards, he/him/his to Everyone:
If you want to introduce yourself Counselor Nolan
- 16:15:38 From Mary Nolan to Everyone:
I'm working on the audio
- 16:18:06 From john ferguson (he/him) to Hosts and panelists:
Tana, what was the gathering you mentioned earlier?
- 16:18:45 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
parksandnaturebond@oregonmetro.gov for emailed testimony
- 16:21:59 From Vivek Shandas to Hosts and panelists:
<https://www.mdpi.com/2071-1050/16/5/1803>
- 16:22:20 From Vivek Shandas to Hosts and panelists:
We're still seeing a loss of trees in Portland, FYI
- 16:26:06 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
The COI form referenced previously
- 16:34:52 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:
we can post the links to the announcement on linkedIn or Instagram. great point!
- 16:39:16 From Burt Edwards, he/him/his to Everyone:
Has Metro ever placed ads or sent request to local TV stations with open committee opportunities?
- 16:40:35 From PK Melethil to
Everyone:
Great idea, Burt.
- 16:41:07 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
Linked in link for reference/sharing: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/metro_winter-2023-2024-application-2019-metro-activity-7145887262835220480-SLkS?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop
- 16:41:36 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:
Instagram link for reference/sharing:
https://www.instagram.com/p/C2N8NnRspDK/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MjM0N2Q2NDBjYg%3D%3D

16:44:42 From Burt Edwards, he/him/his to Everyone:

Might also want to see if there's distribution to community colleges in the three counties

16:45:05 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

that's a great idea Burt! we've done a little outreach to PSU/PCC and should definitely expand

16:46:15 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

thank you for all your help on this!

16:46:46 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:

landing page for application for sharing: <https://www.oregonmetro.gov/public-projects/parks-and-nature-investments/oversight>

17:12:49 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

you can see more about that conversation from the last meeting (including covering large scale community visions) here

17:12:50 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

<https://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/metro-events/20231207-pnoc-meeting-packet.pdf>

17:18:53 From PK Melethil to Everyone:

To OC Memmbers,Any feedback that

17:19:44 From PK Melethil to Everyone:

To OC Memmbers,Any feedback thatyou have on the map that was sent out in November 2023?

17:21:42 From john ferguson (he/him) to Hosts and panelists:

I think the map is great. Thanks for bringing that up PK

17:23:31 From Burt Edwards, he/him/his to Everyone:

I like map but I'm a map/data nerd

17:26:36 From Cary Watters (she/her) to Everyone:

Be right back!

17:35:50 From Jon Blasher (he/him) to Hosts and panelists:

be right back

17:36:02 From Vivek Shandas to Hosts and panelists:

Excuse my usual pitch: For climate resilience that also addresses racial diversity, having some Metro places/purchases closer to population centers (with local share involvement) will be important.

17:37:08 From MG Devereux (He/Him) to Everyone:

Thank you Vivek - great addition

17:37:09 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Everyone:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H9LQ2RL>

17:40:25 From Burt Edwards, he/him/his to Everyone:

Do we still have a good balance on working group membership?

17:40:28 From Georgena Moran to Everyone:

Burt, I like your idea of a future meeting focusing on access issues.

17:40:54 From Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature to Everyone:

Thanks Vivek! In the next quarterly land acquisition update you will see some new charts that get at this a bit. For context, out of 21 acquisitions to date, 11 are inside or within 1/2 mile of the UGB and 5 within equity focal areas (as defined in the Metro regional transportation plan adopted by Council in 2020)

17:41:44 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

we'll make sure you both have a copy Councilors...thanks PK!

17:42:18 From john ferguson (he/him) to Hosts and panelists:

I would like to raise the potential topic of "Information on tribal government engagement related to bond" to the top of my list.

17:42:54 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

This was a map we originally shared at the committee's meet up at Scouter Mountain this past August

17:43:24 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

thank you John...feedback noted

17:45:11 From Cary Watters (she/her) to Everyone:

I am going to share a link to anyone interested in checking out an action plan that I developed with the Climate Justice Collaborative in the mid-2010s on the topic

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-dAPfPHePMekpUT1d6ckk3b0U/view?usp=sharing&resourcekey=0-L87lnpeIqUsjiOWagV6-VA>

17:46:11 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

thank you!

17:49:15 From PK Melethil to Everyone:

Thank you, Cary.

17:50:50 From Cary Watters (she/her) to Everyone:

You're welcome! Thanks for checking it out if you have the opportunity! :)

17:52:27 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:

thanks for the great feedback!

17:53:49 From MG Devereux (He/Him) to Everyone:

Thank you Melanie for the tech and admin support!!

17:54:02 From Melanie Reinert (she/her) to Hosts and panelists:
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17:54:07 From PK Melethil to Everyone:
Thank you all, folks. Bye.

17:54:19 From Beth Cohen (she/her) to Everyone:
Thank you Burt! great meeting



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Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee

February 27, 2024

Today's agenda



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Committee business reminders



Public testimony received

Reminders to reply only to

parksandnaturebond@oregonmetro.gov

on committee business

Other member updates to share?



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Options for committee work plan for 2024



What's in slide deck 1



- Information on committee work plan, goals and topics for 2024
- Reminders on bond audit and work plan to respond
- Overall bond updates as of early 2024

Topics	Slides
Goals, work plan, key milestones for committee	Slides 6-8, more detail on committee goals and topics covered in 2023 can be found on slides 21-23
Options for specific topics for committee review in 2024	Slide 9, can rank topics in this survey
Update on work plan to respond to bond audit	Slides 10-12, more detail on the specific audit recommendations can be found on slides 17-19
Latest bond updates as of early 2024	Slides 14-16

Goals for committee for 2024



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1. GOAL 1: Build understanding of the bond and the broader context of committees at Metro
2. GOAL 2: Review and stay engaged on implementation of bond audit work plan
3. GOAL 3: Continue evaluation of bond work to date with a focus on tools that make sense of progress on bond criteria
4. GOAL 4: Continue to build committee membership and leadership structures with a focus on committee sustainability

Proposed | committee work plan for 2024



GOAL 1:
Deepen understanding of bond

GOAL 2: review implementation of bond audit work plan

GOAL 3:
Continue evaluation of bond

GOAL 4:
Strengthen committee membership and leadership

	Dec. 2023	Winter 2024	Spring 2024	Summer 2024	Fall 2024
GOAL 1: Deepen understanding of bond	LSCV and community choice grants	Review bond spend targets	Update on local share and trail grants (hear from park providers)		Update on Take Care of Metro parks projects
GOAL 2: review implementation of bond audit work plan		Update on audit response work	Review elements of/definitions of access		Update on audit response work
GOAL 3: Continue evaluation of bond			Debrief from year 2 report and develop process for year 3 report	Review information available for year 3 report; define format	Develop year 3 report; present to Metro Council
GOAL 4: Strengthen committee membership and leadership	Launch recruitment	Council appointment/re-appointment	Onboarding	Onboarding/site tour	Onboarding/site tour

Upcoming milestones for committee work



Early 2024: Metro Council appointment/reappointment of committee members

Spring/summer 2024: potential in person or site visits

Fall 2024: committee's year 3 report to the Metro Council

Potential topics for committee to explore in 2024 (rank priorities [in this survey](#))



1. Update on work plan to respond to audit
2. Explore potential of mapping as a tool for analysis to better understand bond investments as connected systems, progress over time and on criteria like access, climate and racial equity
3. Information on Metro's tribal government engagement related to Parks and Nature bond
4. Updates on progress at park improvements at Metro sites like Blue Lake, Oxbow, Lone Fir Cultural Heritage and Healing Garden
5. Goals for workforce participation in Metro bond funded projects
6. Analyze a subset of acquisitions from 2006 bond to understand how 2019 acquisitions are comparing especially on climate
7. Updates and evaluation on engagement process and projects
8. Update on Metro's climate justice task force work
9. Update on Metro Council adopted strategic targets (adopted by end of December 2023)

Audit recommendations at-a-glance (see more on slides 16-18)



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Establish measurable and timebound goals for access, collect data to measure performance and report annually

Refining definitions of access for Council consideration

Creating measurable goals for access and communication tools for reporting on progress to goals

Use performance data to periodically evaluate the effectiveness of strategies to increase access and equitable access in the region.

Finalization of bond evaluation outcomes framework

Expand mapping of bond investments as a connected system

Document how communities of color, Indigenous communities and other historically marginalized communities were engaged in project planning and selection.

Strengthen internal systems for community engagement reporting and tracking

Update the System Plan to clarify how access will be prioritized in conjunction with other goals such as stabilization, restoration, and land acquisition for habitat conservation.

Develop approach for updating elements of the system plan with a focus on articulating standards for amenities, access, facilities and maintenance

Tools in process



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Refined evaluation framework

Measurable goals around access

Visual snapshot tool

Systems for tracking and reporting on
community engagement

Timeline for completion of audit recommendations



Early 2024

Articulate bodies of work for audit response through development of work plan document

Spring 2024

Develop draft products, tools, systems for internal and external review to affirm current approach

Summer 2024

Finalize products, tools, systems to be in alignment with Council direction



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Reference slides



Recent updates and highlights



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- [Quarter 2 report](#)
- [Parks and Nature Our Big Backyard](#)
- [Parks and Nature annual report for FY 2022-2023](#)

Key bond program updates as of January 2024



Finalized IGA with Tigard for local share project

2 completed land acquisitions

[\\$5 M Capital grants solicitation open now](#)

Community Choice grant awards completion at
February 22 Council meeting

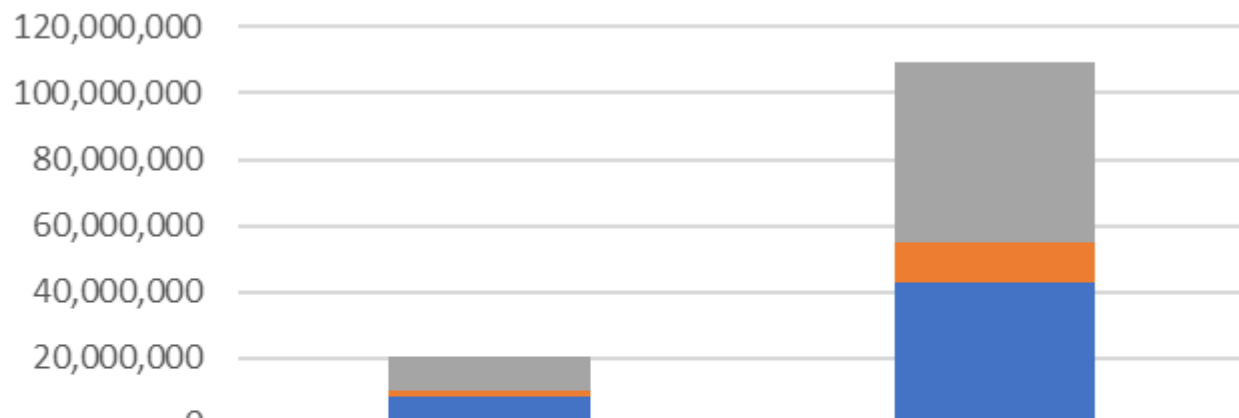
109-acre property in the Molalla Oaks, Prairies and
Floodplains Target Area and a 0.89-acre property
adjacent to Clear Creek Canyon in the Clear Creek
Target Area.

Bond spend as of FY 2024 Q2



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Total bond spend through FY 2024 Q2



	Q2	Total
total spend	\$10,279,672	\$54,785,492
administrative spend	1,734,115	12,258,855
program spend	8,545,557	42,526,636

■ program spend ■ administrative spend ■ total spend

Audit recommendations



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Recommendations:

1. Establish specific, measurable and timebound goals for the bond's expected effect on access.
2. Establish specific, measurable and timebound goals for the bond's expected effect on equitable access
3. Collect data to measure performance for the goals identified in recommendations one and two.
4. Report annually on progress made on goals for access and equitable access.

Work in process: Broaden existing departmental reporting to build capacity to report on progress in meeting the bond criteria via:

- the development of a framework that can measure and articulate the long-term impact of bond investments over the life of the bond.
- timebound and measurable goals this spring to allow for Parks and Nature to sharpen its definition of accessibility and clearly track progress over time.
- visually accessible snapshot to capture progress on goals around access and other bond criteria for Metro Council, Oversight Committee and the public

Audit recommendations



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Recommendation: Use performance data to periodically evaluate the effectiveness of strategies to increase access and equitable access in the region.

Work in progress

- As part of the refinement of data collection protocol for the bond evaluation framework happening this spring, staff are identifying and refining data sources and instrumentation to evaluate impact of bond investments and activities.
- Identifying opportunities to utilize collection tools such as surveys and interviews that provide direct feedback from community members on experiences at Metro Parks and Nature sites and participating in Metro led engagement activities.

Proposed timeline for completion: By December 31, 2024

Audit recommendations



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Recommendation: Document how communities of color, Indigenous communities, people with low incomes and other historically marginalized communities were engaged in project planning and selection.

Work in progress:

- The department advances community engagement activities for projects like Blue Lake Park renovation project, Willamette Cove, the Lone Fir Cultural Heritage and Healing Garden and the Community Choice grants program pilot,
- Work is underway to standardize and formalize systems to ensure that feedback received from community can be more routinely shared, and utilized to shape Parks and Nature's range of programs and projects and build an important narrative that can shape any future PN system plan and levels of service work.

Proposed timeline for completion: By December 31, 2024

Committee members



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Tana Atchley Culbertson
Burt Edwards
Georgena Moran
Cary Watters
Owen Wozniak
John Ferguson
Martita Meier
PK Melethil
Vivek Shandas
Shannon Shoul
Erin Upton

Co-Director, Nesika Wilamut
Director of Programs, Re-Think Media
Accessibility specialist, ACCESS recreation
Contracts Supervisor, Portland Bureau of Transportation
Land Transactions Program Manager, the Land Trust Alliance
Former geotechnical engineer
Digital Strategist and Project manager
Environmental Scientist, TCM physician
Professor, Portland State University
Director, Procurement Sustainability, Nike
Environmental social scientist and landscape architect

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Reminder | committee work plan for 2023



GOAL 1:
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	Dec. 2022	Feb. 2023	April 2023	Sept. 2023	Dec. 2023
Climate resilience/protect and restore land ✓		Take care of Metro parks ✓	Local share ✓		Capital grants ✓ Large scale community visions ✓
		Connect with Council liaisons ✓	Site visit/tour opportunity ✓	Site visit/tour opportunity ✓	Connect with other Metro committees
		Develop process for year 2 report; review bond evaluation findings ✓	Review staff report for year 2 ✓	Any debrief from year 2 report ✓	
		Co-chair identified; working group time ✓	Working group time ✓	Working group time	Targeted recruitment in 2023 ✓

Committee has reviewed the following bond programs



Bond program	Deep dive with committee? y/n	when
Local share	Y	April 2023 meeting
Protect and restore land	Y	In working group and at December 2022 meeting
Community choice grants	Y	In community engagement working group Dec. 2023 committee meeting
Take care of Metro Parks	Y	February 2023 meeting
Walking and biking trails	N	
Large scale community visions	Y	December 2023 meeting

Committee has reviewed following elements of bond criteria



Topic related to bond criteria	Deep dive with committee? y/n	When/how?
Bond evaluation outcomes project	Y	May and September 2022 committee meetings
Bond's climate resilience criteria	Y	December 2022 committee meeting
Meaningful community engagement case studies	Y	February 2023 meeting; February 2023 engagement working group
Overview of COBID participation	Y	Finance working group
Advancing accessibility at Metro sites	Y	May 2022 engagement working group
Workforce participation in bond funded projects	N	

Council liaisons



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Councilor Ashton Simpson, District 1: includes Fairview, Gresham, Troutdale, Wood Village, portions of East Portland and the unincorporated communities of Damascus and Boring

Councilor Mary Nolan, District 5: includes Northwest and North Portland, portions of Southwest and Northeast Portland, plus the city of Maywood Park and part of Washington County.

Councilor Gerritt Rosenthal, District 3: includes portions of Washington and Clackamas counties and the cities of Beaverton, Durham, King City, Sherwood, Tigard, Tualatin and Wilsonville

Staff team



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Parks and Nature leadership: Jon Blasher, MG Devereux, Dan Moeller, Mychal Tetteh

Background information, staff support: Beth Cohen

Meeting logistics, administrative support: Melanie Reinert

Office of Metro Attorney: Michelle Bellia

Parks and Nature finance manager: Chantia Clark

Group agreements



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- In discussions, challenge ideas rather than individuals.
- Approach different opinions with curiosity, seek to understand.
- Keep the needs and concerns of the local community and the larger region at the forefront of the work.
- Keep focus on the objectives of the meetings; work with facilitator to note additional topics for discussion.
- Keep multi-tasking to a minimum

Group agreements



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- Notify committee chairperson and Metro staff of any media inquiries and refer requests for official statements or viewpoints to Metro. Committee members will not speak to media on behalf of the committee or Metro, but rather only on their own behalf.
- Share questions they have with the full committee so everyone can benefit from the answers
- **Members in working groups commit to capturing discussions to transparently share the results with the larger group.**

Land acquisition at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond

Total of \$155 to acquire priority parcels in 24 target areas across the region through a willing seller program (\$15 million for community-led acquisition), plus \$10 million from trails program for trail gap acquisition

Governing documents

- Council approved refinement plans with acquisition priorities for land and trail gaps
- Natural areas work plan sets parameters for acquisition protocol
- Closing memo for each completed purchase to Metro Council and oversight committee demonstrates alignment with bond criteria

Progress to date (as of early 2024)

- Deep engagement to identify priorities for land acquisition
- 19 acquisitions in 14 target areas
- Acquired 3 trail easements
- Spent \$17.4 M to date

Trail grants program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$20 million for grants to trail planning and construction projects

Key documents

- Council approved resolution approving slate of grants
- Trail grants handbook
- Report from summer 2022 public comment

Progress to date (as of early 2024)

- one cycle of trail grants awarded to 12 projects for \$19.5 million in September 2022;
- moving towards executing IGAs for the 12 projects awarded

Key issues for awareness

- Grant program is reimbursement based, with up to 30% available up front
- Incorporating policy priorities into requirements for grantees like cultural resource assessments for ground disturbing activities and workforce equity goals

Local share program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$92 million to 27 park providers for natural area and park land acquisitions, habitat restoration, new or improved access facilities at public parks and natural areas, local or regional trails, enhanced or new environmental educational facilities.

Key documents

- [Local share handbook](#)
- Council approved local share IGA template (approved by resolution)
- [Local share webpage with resources for identifying and submitting projects](#)

Progress to date (as of early 2024)

- Awarded \$26 M
- 8 park providers submitted
- Completed IGAs with 8 park providers for 15 projects and \$26 M
- 1/1 meetings and 8 roundtables to support park providers in meeting bond criteria

Key issues for awareness

- Allocations based on a population, assessed value formula, range from \$200,000 to over \$30 million
- Park providers have ten years to identify and submit projects for funding;
- Program is largely reimbursement based with the allowance up to 30 percent awarded up front. For acquisitions, full dollar amount is awarded up front

Nature in Neighborhoods Capital grants program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$4 that the community in western Washington County will identify a project or projects for funding using participatory budgeting principles

Key documents

- Pilot guidebook and guidebook brief
- RFP for community engagement services for idea collection and community vote phases

Progress to date (as of early 2024):

- Pilot round of community choice grants complete; awards planned to be made on Feb. 22

Key issues for awareness:

- Project(s) selected will need to be in public ownership

Nature in Neighborhoods Capital grants program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$40 million for projects that support partnerships between park providers, community organizations, schools and others to increase experience of nature at the community scale

Key documents: [Capital grants initial solicitation handbook](#)

Progress to date (as of early 2024):

- Work underway to complete IGAs for all 7 projects awarded funds in first round (3 complete)
- Have solicitation open for second round now \$5 M; plan to award second round in summer 2024

Key issues for awareness:

- This program in the 2006 natural areas bond funded 8 rounds of grants including projects like Cully Park, Gateway Green, Nadaka nature park in Gresham, Milwaukie riverfront park
- Projects must involve partnership of a park provider and community organizations and funded projects must result in a capital asset in public ownership
- Traditionally it has taken time, staff support and building relationships with grant recipients to identify projects that will result in a capital asset and are ready for funding

Take care of Metro parks program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$98 million to take care of Metro's developed sites across the region with a focus on addressing infrastructure at sites like Blue Lake and Oxbow before investing in new development at sites with approved master plans.

Key documents

- PN Capital Improvement Plan

Progress to date (as of early 2024)

- 21 projects at Blue Lake, Oxbow, Lone Fir prioritized for bond funding
- \$17 M spent to date on 10 completed projects
- Completed Chehalem Ridge and Newell Creek
- Completed Blue Lake Park utilities and facilities plan, water line phase 1, building demo and projects underway at BLP including water line phase 2, sanitary sewer
- Kick off of ADA improvements to Oxbow boat launch parking
- ADA pilot at Graham Oaks
- Engagement activities at Lone Fir Cultural Heritage and Healing Garden

Key issues for awareness

- Blue Lake Park Curry building project incorporates Metro's regional workforce agreement goals.
- About \$10 for investing in ADA transition plan including pilot at Graham Oaks
- \$4 million to Lone Fir Cultural Heritage and Healing Garden

Community visions program at-a-glance



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Money allocated in bond: \$50 million to help deliver significant investment in habitat preservation, restoration, and access to nature in coordinated and visionary capital projects, \$20 million earmarked for Willamette falls legacy project

Key documents

- [Council approved pilot program handbook](#)
- [Website with active notice of funding availability](#)

Progress to date (as early 2024):

- Council awarded \$10 M to three projects in spring 2023
 - Trust for Public/Oregon State University for acquisition in the North Tualatin Mountains
 - OMSI waterfront education center
 - Albina Vision Trust for potential acquisition
- Still working to address barriers to executing funding agreements with those three
- Planning another solicitation in spring 2024 with reduced threshold for match and requiring a public owner

Bond administration/criteria alignment at-a-glance



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Key documents

- [Bond measure language](#)
- [Oversight committee bylaws](#)
- [Climate resilience intention](#) guidance document
- [Anti-displacement information and resources](#)
- [Evaluation framework to articulate impact of bond investments](#)
- [Bond dashboard](#) (updated quarterly)

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Information
item |
Anticipated
pace of bond
spend and
award

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What's in slide deck 2



- Background information and context about bond spend and award trajectory
- Example of spend targets for a specific bond program

Topics	Slides
Context for setting bond spend and award targets	Slides 4-9
Snapshot of bond spend and award targets	Slides 10-11
Program specific example	Slide 12

Goals for today's conversation

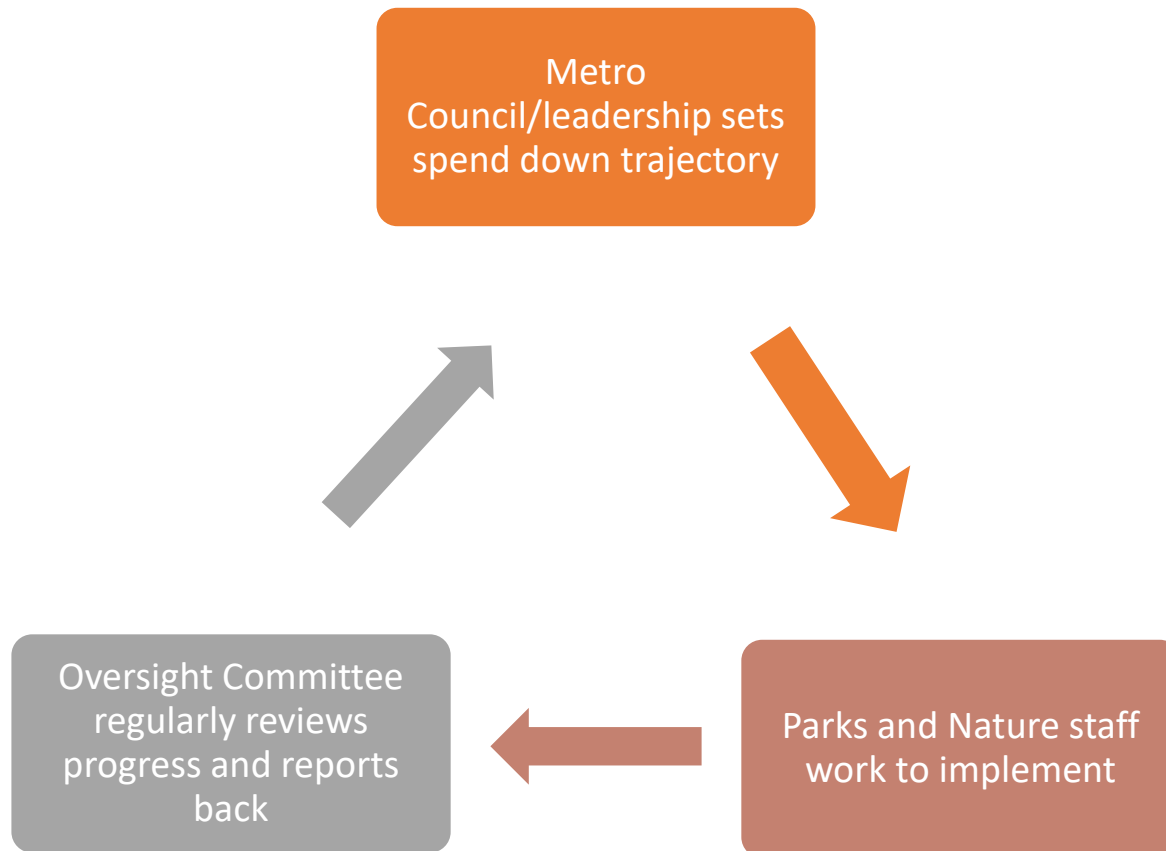


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Lay the groundwork for the development of the committee's annual report this fall by:

- Articulating commitments we've made for pace of spend through the bond trajectory
- Highlighting for committee awareness opportunities and challenges in bond spend down trajectory
- Ensure we can refine tools to report on progress to the committee

Setting and reviewing spend and award targets



Reminder | bond allocation logistics



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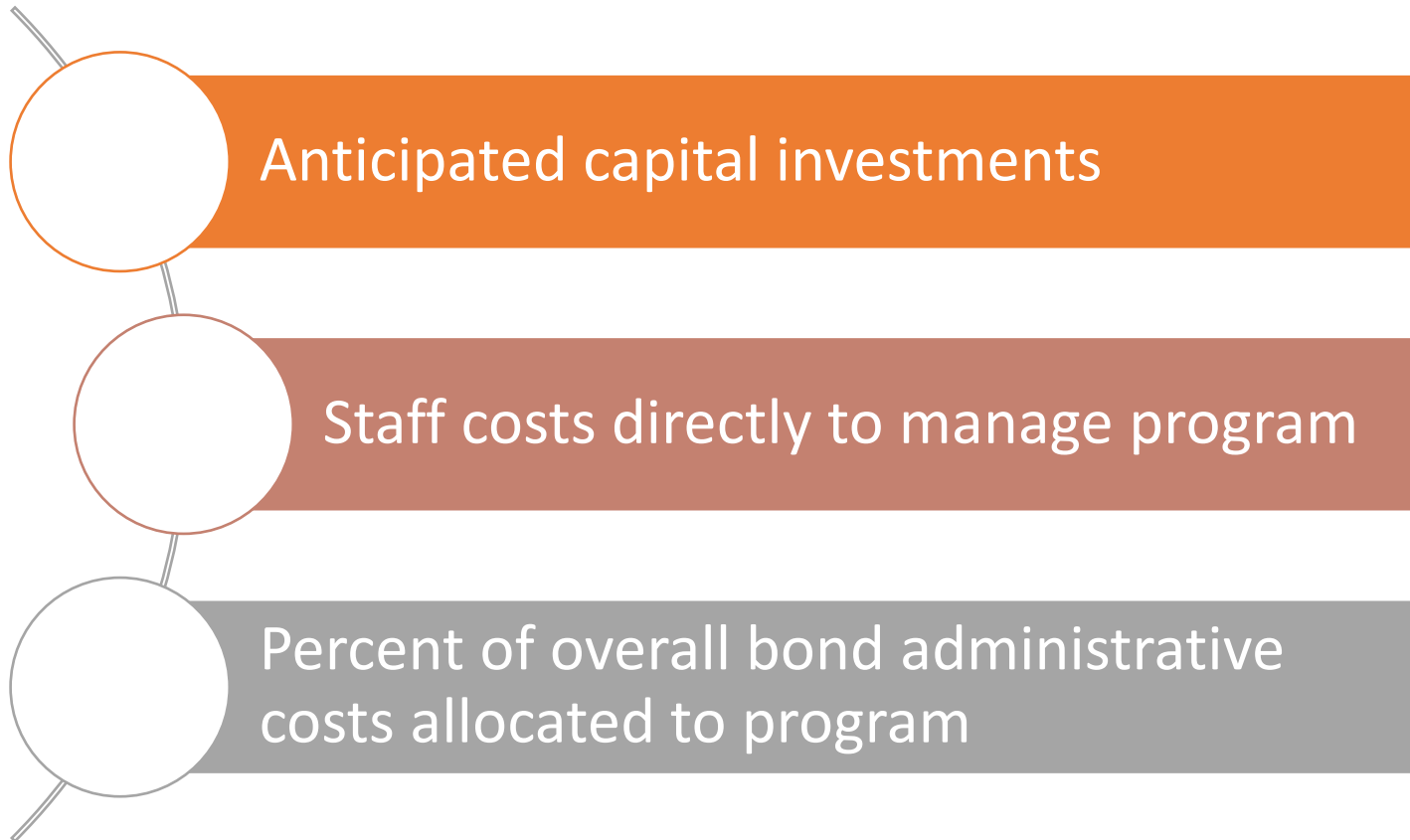
First bond offerings sold in April 2020

- \$200 million sold (\$110 tax exempt, \$90 million taxable)
- Issuance plan developed prior to sale
- Focus on bond dollars spent/awarded is important to demonstrate progress
- 10-12 year bond spend down
- Anticipated 1-2 more tranches sold (for remaining \$275 M)

Considerations in setting targets



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Big picture | 12-year spend down



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By 2031, spend \$475 million (\$200 M of that in awards to park providers and community organizations). Getting there requires

- Articulating ambitious and reasonable benchmarks to demonstrate progress towards meeting the goal
- Developing and implementing strategies, tactics to operationalize
- Regularly reviewing progress to spend targets

Bond spend and award targets FY 2024-FY 2034



Targets organized in 3-year increments
Timing reflects Metro's fiscal year, which ends on June 30

	By Sept. 2025	By Sept. 2028	By Sept. 2031	By Sept. 2034
Total spend targets	\$150 M	\$340 M	\$475 M	\$486 M
Total award targets	\$137 M	\$206 M	\$206 M	\$206 M

Short term spend and award targets | by September 2024



Bond program	Anticipated spend by Sept. 2024	Anticipated award by Sept. 2024
Protect and restore land	\$23 M	NA
Take Care of Metro Parks	\$28 M	NA
Local share	\$18 M	\$36 M
Trails	\$3 M	\$20 M
Nature in Neighborhoods capital grants and community choice grants	\$2 M	\$9.7 M
Large scale community visions	minimal	Up to \$20 M
Total	\$63 M	\$75.7 M

Opportunities and headwinds with bond spend down



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Opportunities

Pre-construction work of capital projects means that construction can advance at several sites

Leveraging community engagement already completed to shape programs/projects

Seeing results of outreach to landowners

Coordination across bond funding programs to ensure projects find the right funding source

Headwinds

Pandemic impacted initial trajectory of bond spend

Bond criteria asked Metro and partners to do our work differently, which takes time

Challenging real estate market continues, especially with a willing seller program

Half of the bond is programs that require park providers, community organizations to utilize funding

Program example | overall spend down trajectory for protect and restore land (\$155 M)



Have a path to spending down the \$170 M that anticipates different spend patterns for eligible program activities (acquisition, capital restoration, stabilization, community led acquisition)

By sept. 2024: \$23M

By sept. 2025: \$48 M

By sept. 2028: \$128 M

By sept. 2031: \$170 M

Land acquisition to continue to ramp up through FY 2028 and then slow down. Stabilization trajectory will track with land acquisition

Capital restoration projects kick in FY 27-29 and timing of project delivery can be adjusted as needed

Risk factors to be aware of: ongoing competitive real estate market, program relies on willing sellers

Topics for discussion



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- Questions about opportunities or headwinds for bond spend and award
- Interest in more specific details by bond program
- Any additional reporting tools needed



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Discussion topic
| new member
recruitment
and onboarding

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What's in slide deck 3



- Information on parameters for Oversight Committee makeup
- Update on recruitment for new members and plans for onboarding in spring 2024

Topics	Slides
Parameters for current committee size, makeup, terms and representation	Slides 4-6, more detail on specific member terms can be found on slides 10-11
Update on recruitment for new members and onboarding	Slides 7-9

Goals for today's conversation



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- Share an update on status of recruitment of new members
- Have committee identify gaps in applications received and provide ideas about where to focus recruitment
- Solicit feedback from committee on ideas for onboarding new members this spring

Background on current member terms



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Metro Council established the committee in 2021 with the following guidelines for committee membership

- 9-21 members (currently at 11)
- Can have one chair or two co-chairs with staggered terms

Committee members can serve up to three 2-year terms.

- Individuals were randomly assigned an initial term of one or two years so committee turnover wouldn't happen all at the same time. Individuals who were appointed for a one-year term initially are eligible for three two-year terms.
- See more detail about specific committee member terms on slides 10-11
- No current members will be termed out in 2024 or 2025.

Council guidelines for committee makeup



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Committee will represent the diversity of the region, be committed to the bond criteria of racial equity, community engagement and climate resilience and include members with technical expertise and lived experience in areas including, but not limited to:

Finance, land acquisition, land conservation, environmental issues, working lands, tribal sovereignty and issues relevant to the disability community and the urban Indigenous community.

One or more co-chairs for staggered terms

This round of recruitment

- Individuals with experience on public finance, accessibility, working lands, conservation, issues of tribal sovereignty
- youth perspective, transit users

Recruitment for new members



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Posted on Metro website, Metro Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn

Emailed directly to the following lists

- President Peterson's stakeholder list
- Current members of committee to share out with their network
- Members of Parks and Nature Equity Advisory Committee
- All applicants from first Natural Areas committee recruitment
- CORE and Metro's accessibility committees
- List of all Metro Parks and Nature grant recipients
- Blue Lake Park partner cohort list

Posted to other external listservs

- Environmental Professionals of Color
- Eco Unite

- Bike POC PNW list on slack
- The Intertwine Alliance newsletter
- PCC/PSU (Race, Indigenous Nations, & Gender at PCC, Master Urban and Regional Planning and School of Gender, Race, & Nations at PSU)

Metro Parks and Nature Council and staff shared with individuals in their networks

- State and local government staff
- Public finance and budgeting networks
- Leaders in community based organizations
- Tribal government staff and representatives

Current committee members shared with individuals in their network

Analysis of current applicants

Snapshot of portfolio applications received to date (16)

- Demonstrates commitment and dedication to parks, trails and natural areas
- Includes individuals that bring experience/perspectives in areas identified prior to recruitment: **working lands, public finance, conservation, issues of tribal sovereignty, provision of parks and nature**
- Many of these applicants have not served on a Metro committee previously, but some are engaged in other Parks and Nature and Metro processes.
- Many applicants are clustered in Multnomah County and so will continue to look for **more applicants from Clackamas and Washington Counties.**

Analysis of current applicants



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Received 15 applications to date

Composition of Demographics, Residence			
Race (Not exclusive categories)		Age	
		18-24	
African American	3	25-34	3
Asian American	2	35-44	5
Latinx	2	45-54	1
Native American	2	55-64	2
Native American/White		64-74	2
White	6		
		Gender	
		Male	8
		Female	7
County			
	1		
Multnomah	3		
Washington	1		
Clackamas	1		

Composition of areas expertise/knowledge (self-identified)	
Finance management or auditing	5
Conservation/Ecology	8
Working lands	3
	2
Accessibility	
Issues of tribal sovereignty	1
Law/legal	
Culturally-specific services	4
Business	5
Philanthropic	3
Providing and maintaining parks and natural areas	4

Proposed approach for onboarding



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Appoint new members by spring 2024 meeting

New members at first committee meeting in May

Potential tools for onboarding

- Virtual resource library
- Explainer videos
- Add to working groups
- 1/1 with existing members

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First	Last
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P.K.	Melethil
Vivek	Shandas
Shannon	Shoul
Erin	Upton

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First	Last
Cary	Watters
Owen	Wozniak
Martita	Meier
Georgena	Moran
Tana	Atchley Culbertson
Burt	Edwards



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Agenda

Meeting: Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee Engagement Working Group meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Time: 4:45–6:00 p.m.

Place: Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87080745001?pwd=NDc0cTRmTjk0c3RmeDR0cDREN2hNZz09> / Webinar ID: 870 8074 5001/ Passcode: 100569 / +1 253 215 8782

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Notes from community engagement working group, March 6, 2024

Attendees: Burt, Georgena, Will Cortez (Parks and Nature's ADA construction project manager), MG, Beth, Melanie

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Takeaways from Feb. 27 full committee meeting

- Discussed some potential additional pieces of information to add to maps being developed to support committee evaluation including layers that address issues around access
- Discussed the potential of a different map that also includes projects funded by other bond programs such as local share and capital grants

Update on Metro's small business open house and Metro's efforts to increase COBID participation

- As part of providing context around how the bond is increasing access and sharing more about outreach tactics and strategies for different groups impacted by bond activities and investments, the group heard an update from Will Cortez about Metro's recent efforts to engage with small businesses (COBID certified) at the Feb. 2024 small business open house
- Opportunity for contractors to meet with Metro project managers across the agency
- Will described the contractor he's working with on Metro's ADA transition plan to identify and address barriers to accessibility across Metro's portfolio of developed parks, Advanced Tribal, which is COBID certified and some of the process he's taken to identify and build that contract
- Group discussed what Metro can track on COBID participation rates across the agency (including whether Metro tracks and prioritizes contracts with culturally specific community based organizations) and MG shared that the agency publishes a report annually on COBID participation and is continuing to strive to provide more detail about participation of sub-groups of COBID contractors (minority owned, women owned)

Topics to prioritize for future meetings

- Work to respond to audit
- More context around access and how we can evaluate it for the bond based on mapping and other evaluative tools



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Notes from finance working group, March 7, 2024

Attendees: Cary, Chantia, Beth, Melanie

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Key finance topics/milestones

- Following up on bond spend down conversation from Feb. 27 full committee meeting, staff shared that
 - bond spend as of Feb. 2024 is around \$55 million
 - Implementing close out of 2006 natural areas bond this fiscal year
- Discussed continued need to share with the committee projections about the trajectory overall bond spend for both programs and administrative costs over the life of the bond

Topics to prioritize for future meetings

- Update on work to implement Metro's Construction Career Pathways Project for bond funded projects
- More information about status of Metro's capacity to track more detailed information as part of COBID reporting including disaggregating by contractor type
- Potential of hearing directly from Metro's Capital Asset Management department (CAM) on how work of incorporating Metro's [public benefit programs](#) including clean air construction standard and Construction Careers Pathway Project into bond funded capital projects.

Relevant materials

- PPT on anticipated bond spend down from Feb. 27 committee meeting (following pages)

Bond spend down as of January 2024



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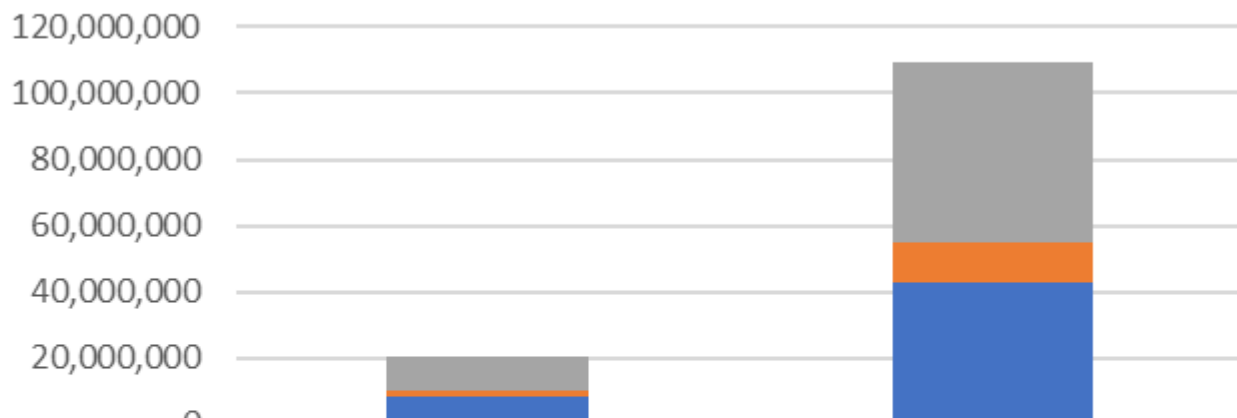
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Protect/Restore						
Personnel	8,897	1,027,574	1,318,586	1,772,632	1,103,201	5,230,890
M&S or Capital	120,063	843,385	5,104,935	5,311,633	862,127	12,242,143
Total	128,960	1,870,959	6,423,521	7,084,265	1,965,328	17,473,033
Take Care of Metro Parks						
Personnel	8,897	642,133	1,334,500	1,199,311	635,557	3,820,397
M&S or Capital	221,847	3,051,112	2,279,728	2,820,384	5,424,609	13,797,680
Total	230,744	3,693,245	3,614,228	4,019,694	6,060,166	17,618,077
Local Share						
Personnel	29,397	213,678	240,033	236,912	143,527	863,547
M&S or Capital		2,464	2,492,200	1,616,171	-33,316	4,077,519
Total	29,397	216,142	2,732,233	1,853,083	110,211	4,941,066
Grants						
Personnel	12,847	184,414	240,528	364,932	222,450	1,025,170
M&S or Capital		2,061	85,755	71,588	32,152	191,557
Total	12,847	186,475	326,283	436,520	254,602	1,216,727
Trails						
Personnel	8,489	243,278	233,358	313,024	153,468	951,617
M&S or Capital	3,825	818	148,071	17,165	2,616	172,495
Total	12,314	244,096	381,429	330,189	156,083	1,124,111
Community Visions						
Personnel	-	3,480	121,359	29,181	-834	153,187
M&S or Capital	-	-	-	434	0	434
Total	-	3,480	121,359	29,615	-834	153,621
Total Program Spend	414,262	6,214,397	13,599,053	13,753,367	8,545,557	42,526,636
Admin						
Personnel	100,692	555,696	591,933	647,919	357,663	2,253,903
M&S or Capital	402,467	990,481	2,934,472	2,929,420	1,315,534	8,572,373
Personnel	10	330	395	-	-	735

Bond spend as of FY 2024 Q2



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Total bond spend through FY 2024 Q2



	Q2	Total
total spend	\$10,279,672	\$54,785,492
administrative spend	1,734,115	12,258,855
program spend	8,545,557	42,526,636

■ program spend ■ administrative spend ■ total spend

Spend and awards targets compared to actuals



Bond program	Anticipated spend by sept. 2024 (cumulative to date)	Anticipated award by sept. 2024 (cumulative to date)	Status of spend/award as of FY 2024 Q2
Protect and restore land	\$23 M	NA	\$17.4 M total (\$1.9 M in FY)
Take Care of Metro Parks	\$28 M	NA	\$17 M total (\$6 M in FY)
Local share	\$7 M	\$36	Awarded \$26 M, spent \$4.9 M
Trails	\$3 M	\$20 M	Awarded \$20 M, minimal spend
Nature in Neighborhoods capital grants/community choice grants	\$2 M	\$9.7 M	Awarded \$4.7 M Spent minimal
Large scale community visions	Minimal	Up to \$20 M	Awarded \$10 M
Total	\$63 M	\$75.7 - \$85.7M	\$54.7 M spent, \$58.7 M

Bond spend and award targets FY 2024-FY 2034



Targets organized in 3-year increments
Timing reflects Metro's fiscal year, which ends on June 30

	By Sept. 2025	By Sept. 2028	By Sept. 2031	By Sept. 2034
Total spend targets	\$150 M	\$340 M	\$475 M	\$486 M
Total award targets	\$137 M	\$206 M	\$206 M	\$206 M

Short term spend and award targets | by September 2024



Bond program	Anticipated spend by Sept. 2024	Anticipated award by Sept. 2024
Protect and restore land	\$23 M	NA
Take Care of Metro Parks	\$28 M	NA
Local share	\$18 M	\$36 M
Trails	\$3 M	\$20 M
Nature in Neighborhoods capital grants and community choice grants	\$2 M	\$9.7 M
Large scale community visions	minimal	Up to \$20 M
Total	\$63 M	\$75.7 M

Key assumptions for bond spend and award in the second half of FY 2024



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- Advancement of major infrastructure projects at BLP
- Rate of land acquisition continues to ramp up
- More awards for local share, capital grants and large scale community visions

NOTE: close out of 2006 bond



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Agenda

Meeting: Natural Areas and Capital Program Performance Oversight Committee Land Acquisition Working Group meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2024

Time: 4:30–6:00 p.m.

Place: Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88930567601?pwd=ThyTzNsc2N2Zi8yLzkrKy9mb05mZz09> / Webinar ID: 889 3056 7601 / Passcode: 068840 / +1 253 215 8782

Purpose: A subgroup of committee members will meet to debrief on meeting materials from the February 27 meeting and to consider upcoming topics.

4:30 p.m. Time for committee member questions or follow up from February 27 meeting

4:50 p.m. Update from Metro staff on recent bond land acquisition related events and activities

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

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Notes from land acquisition working group, March 13, 2024

Attendees: PK, John, Dan, Shannon, Jonathan, Beth

Link to recording: <https://vimeo.com/928589942?share=copy>

Mapping discussion

- Group discussed the copy of the map that the committee received last fall and saw at Scouters Mountain and additional spatial layers that the committee may want to use in its evaluation and oversight work including all acquisitions completed since the 1995 natural areas bond measure. Staff committed to sharing this map back with the committee in the coming month or two.
- Electronic version of this draft map that the committee already has can be found [on the VRL here](#)

Land acquisition spend down

- As a follow up to the presentation at the February 27 about trajectory of bond spend and award, Shannon overviewed the anticipated pace of spend down for the protect and restore program area
- Shannon overviewed the eligible categories within the protect and restore program area including land acquisition, stabilization, capital restoration, community led acquisition project
- Group discussed the total amount anticipated for spending on land acquisition (around \$80 million) through the total amount of the protect and restore land program, which is \$155 million

Capital restoration projects

- Jonathan introduced the 8-9 capital restoration projects that have been prioritized for bond funding through the protect and restore program and promised to send follow up to working group with a list and brief description of each project.
- Group discussed how input from tribal governments has been and is being incorporated to shape restoration priorities. Jonathan shared how the focus on priority species (salmon, lamprey, and water as a priority habitat) in the capital restoration projects is aligned with feedback.

Topics to prioritize for future meetings

- More detail on how tribal governments have been engaged in prioritizing bond projects and how that feedback is being used

Relevant materials

- [Link to draft map shared with committee](#)
- PPT on anticipated land acquisition spend down (following pages)
- List of capital restoration projects prioritized for bond funding (to come)
- Updated map of all land acquisitions completed through the 1995, 2006 and 2019 bond (to come)
- Summary of all bond funds invested through three bond measures—1995, 2006 and 2019 (to come)

Chat:

01:31:27 Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature:
<https://www.grandronde.org/services/natural-resources/fish-and-wildlife/>

01:31:53 Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature:
<https://ctuir.org/about/first-foods/>

01:32:17 Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature:
Just sharing a few publicly available documents about Tribal interests in this space

01:34:40 Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature:
Isabel, our Indigenous community liaison, was on the core team for acquisition priority setting during the refinement process and through her, many community members participated.

01:36:24 Shannon Leary (she/her), Metro Parks and Nature:
This is the acquisition refinement plan adopted by the Metro Council, and there is a summary of the process at the beginning. Pages 7 and 10-12 talk about Tribal and Indigenous community engagement during the acquisition refinement process:
<https://www.oregonmetro.gov/sites/default/files/2022/05/24/2019%20parks%20and%20nature%20bond%20-%20target%20area%20refinement%20plans%20-%20resolution%2022-5250.pdf>



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Spending forecast: Protect and Restore Land, Trail Acquisition

March 13, 2024

Programs and activities

Protect and Restore Land: \$155m

- Land acquisition
- Stabilization
- Capital restoration
- Community led acquisition pilot

Create Trails for Walking and Biking: \$40m

- Land acquisition
- Grants for partner design/construction
- Metro-led construction

Program activities

Protect and Restore Land: \$155m

- Land acquisition
- Stabilization
- Capital restoration
- Community led acquisition pilot

Create Trails for Walking and Biking: \$40m

- Land acquisition (\$10m)
- Grants for partner design/construction
- Metro-led construction

Key assumptions

Land acquisition average price = \$735,000
increasing 5% annually

Trail acquisition average price = \$92,000
increasing 5% annually

Stabilization = \$40k per property/per year

Capital restoration - \$15m (includes \$7.3m
for Willamette Cove)

Key assumptions cont'd

Community led acquisition pilot project allocated \$15m

Protect and Restore includes \$3.5m LSCV project

Personnel/admin/premium/interest based on Finance projections

Life of bond (through FY31)

Spending category	Total estimated spend
Land acquisition (incl. \$3.5m for LSCV)	\$78.6m
Trail acquisition	\$10.0m
Stabilization	\$13.5m
Capital restoration (includes \$7.3m for Willamette Cove)	\$15.0m
Community led acquisition pilot	\$15.0m
Personnel (~18 FTE)*	\$27.8m
Admin absorbed*	\$18.8m
Premium/Interest credit*	(\$8.8m)
TOTAL	\$170.0m

Spend to date (est. thru FY24)

Spending category	Spend to date	Total estimated spend	Remainder
Land acquisition (incl. \$3.5m for LSCV)	\$14.9m*	\$78.6m	\$63.7m
Trail acquisition	\$126,000	\$10.0m	\$9.9m
Stabilization	\$4.1m	\$13.5m	\$9.4m
Capital restoration (includes \$7.3m for Willamette Cove)	\$0	\$15.0m	\$15.0m
Community led acquisition pilot	\$0	\$15.0m	\$15.0m
Personnel (~18 FTE)*	\$6.2m	\$27.8m	\$21.6m
Admin absorbed*	\$3.4m	\$18.8m	\$15.4m
Premium/Interest credit*	(\$1.4m)	(\$8.8m)	(\$7.4m)
TOTAL	\$27.3m	\$170.0m	\$142.7m

Land and trail acquisition to date

- 18 land acquisitions
 - Total \$14.9m
 - Developing pipeline
- 3 trail acquisitions
 - Total \$126,000
 - Average \$42,000

Future land and trail acquisition (\$70m)

- **Approx. 70 land acquisitions**
 - Average \$700k to date + 5% annually
 - Between 6-12/year (bell curve)
 - Developing pipeline in place
- **Approx. 65 trail acquisitions**
 - 3-5 large (\$1+m); 50-70 small (\$75k)
 - Between 6-12 per year (bell curve)
 - See progress beginning in FY25

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