



Clackamas
County
Coordinating
Committee

Promoting partnership among the County, its Cities and Special Districts

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE (C4)
Agenda**

**Thursday, May 05, 2016
6:45 PM – 8:30 PM**

Development Service Building
Main Floor Auditorium, Room 115
150 Beaver Creek Road, Oregon City, OR 97045

1. 6:45 p.m. **Pledge of Allegiance**
Welcome & Introductions
Commissioner Paul Savas & Mayor Brian Hodson, Co-Chairs
Housekeeping
 - Approval of April 07, 2016 C4 Minutes Page 02
2. 6:50 p.m. **C4 Retreat Agenda Discussion**
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 - 2015 C4 Retreat Action Items Page 06
3. 7:00 p.m. **Jurisdiction Update**
 - Jurisdictions share ongoing and upcoming initiatives to increase countywide awareness and coordination
4. 8:10 p.m. **County Road Maintenance Funding Update**
 - *Gary Schmidt*
5. 8:15 p.m. **Monthly Updates**
 - R1ACT
 - Metro Mayors Consortium
 - JPACT/MPAC Update
6. 8:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

Clackamas County Fire District #1 Chief Fred Charlton shared information about the upcoming 800 MHz Radio ballot measure, including the history, benefits, and costs of required updates.

7:10 p.m. **Affordable Housing**

Commissioner Smith introduced the discussion, noting “affordable housing” is an issue important to Clackamas County. Smith identified the housing bills that passed in the 2016 State Legislature as a good start to address the issues and begin larger discussions about housing, but that more would need to be done. She proposed now is a good time to look at local needs and resources and to be “ahead of the game” when more housing issues come up in the 2017 legislature. Smith also encouraged C4 to also look locally to help address affordable housing needs.

Chuck Robbins, Clackamas County Housing and Development Director, presented a slide show titled “The State of Affordable Housing in Clackamas County”, which showcased how his department supports affordable housing needs in Clackamas County as well as identified ongoing needs, challenges and opportunities for our region.

Discussion included:

Councilor Collette: Does the county have experience with tiny houses and cottage clusters?

Ans: The County doesn’t, but the County Administrator does from his previous position with Thurston County. There is still a need for land to accommodate these changes, and market supported interest to build. These may be good options for housing homeless vets, and there has also been proposed legislation to try and site tiny homes on oversized church lots.

Councilor Perry: Where is the most need? And how important is transit to this issue?

Ans: Transit is very important. And identifying where the need is can also be a great tool – potentially creating an “opportunity map”. Ideally there would be affordable/subsidized housing in every city, but each city has different population groups, so housing might need to be sited by community goals (i.e. young/old, vets, etc.)

Councilor Manz: We have trouble keeping seniors in existing housing, and also Lake Oswego is not place where a lot of people look for starter homes, so those are two challenges we have.

Stephan Lashbrook: Low income tax credit is one option to support the building and financing of affordable housing

Commissioner Savas: We could look at zoning options to allow for micro housing, or new manufactured housing.

Commissioner Schrader: Would be good to have a survey of the many needs around the area, Lake Oswego’s needs will be different than Canby’s will be different than Happy Valley’s, etc.

Mayor Hodson: Canby will be looking at cottage cluster concepts on 2 ½ acre parcels: would be roughly 25 homes, not a lot of sidewalks and only a one way street, but it might meet some of the needs. Also, it might be unrealistic for HUD to continue using the 30% number as the threshold for defining what is “affordable housing” – most people are buying houses at 45%, at least in the Portland area.

Councilor Thompson: Another option to look at, perhaps at the state level, is how to penalize banks for holding onto foreclosed homes rather than releasing them to the market. It holds up inventory that is clearly needed.

Councilor Collette: There are good examples in NW Portland of how to repurpose large single family homes into 3 and 4 plex housing. It keeps the façade of the neighborhood but allows for more density.

Also, SDCs remaining the same no matter the size of the home incentivizes the market to build big houses. Perhaps a tiered approach would encourage smaller homes and/or lower priced developments.

Councilor Perry: If an “opportunity map” ever gets developed, childcare would be worth making note of. Not just its location, but childcare is not affordable anymore and that is also a cause for less people working or needing to adjust to lower income living.

Mayor Knapp: It is important to know that the government will never build enough housing to meet the need, so there will have to be some action that incentivizes the market to support this issue. Also, developers are building expensive homes and exclusive communities because the market is supporting their actions, and that is just a reality amidst this discussion worth noting.

Commissioner Smith concluded by reaching consensus from C4 that this could be a topic at future meetings and at the C4 Retreat.

8:10 p.m. **C4 Retreat Agenda Topics**

Trent Wilson shared that last year’s retreat allowed C4 to create a list of action items that C4 has been accomplishing each month, but there are some items that could really benefit from more focused discussion than what a once-a-month meeting can offer. The executive committee would really like to hear from C4 members about what items from this Action Items list needs more discussion.

C4 discussed that it wants transportation and housing to be the two primary discussion points, and to review a draft agenda at the May C4 meeting. Other options that emerged are: emergency preparedness update and equity on fee structures (from the Action Items list).

Retreat registration forms would go out next week and are due back on May 16.

8:15 p.m. **Monthly Updates**

R1ACT – Connect Oregon projects are currently being reviewed. There are four proposed projects within Clackamas County.

Metro Mayors Consortium – Discussed upcoming Metro Task Force regarding lands within the Urban Growth Boundary. No decision came from the meeting.

JPACT/MPAC Update

JPACT to continue the MTIP/RFFA discussion, which is ever-changing

MPAC to start looking at alternatives to solid waste systems

8:30 p.m. **Adjourn**



**CLACKAMAS COUNTY COORDINATING COMMITTEE (C4)
2016 Retreat Agenda**

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Friday, June 24 – Saturday, June 25

Resort at the Mountain
68010 East Fairway Avenue, Welches, OR 97067

Friday, June 24

1:00 p.m.

Transportation Discussion Topic Proposals:

- Countywide Project Prioritization Tool – *In response to the 2015 goal to “create a general, countywide prioritization list as a review mechanism for transportation projects being submitted for STIP, MTIP, TIGER, etc.”*
- County Road Maintenance Fee Discussion – *Prioritizing city projects to promote city support of a road maintenance fee vote.*
- Invite speaker familiar with regional transportation coordination

6:00 p.m.

Dinner

Saturday, June 13

8:00 a.m.

Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

Housing Discussion Topic Proposals:

- Invite speaker familiar with Affordable Housing
- Discuss where county services and city needs meet – *Address city growth goals to support county service efforts to meet population needs*
- Consider policy proposals leading up to the 2017 State Legislative Session

12:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m.

Goal setting for 2016 C4 Agenda

Based on Transportation and Housing discussion, look at the 2015 Retreat Action Items and amend goals to reflect 2016 Retreat discussion.

3:00 p.m.

Adjourn

2015 C4 Action Items:

The following list represents the action items from the 2015 C4 Retreat. They have been divided into three categories: process items, informational items, and direction and decision.

Process Items: *The section is informational. C4 staff will work to ensure these items receive attention consistently throughout the year:*

- Draft official statements to communicate C4 positions
 - 10/01/15 Letter to R1ACT
- Record C4 accomplishments
- Include the Mayor's meeting reports in the agenda materials

Informational Items: *Informational items can be added to agendas when time allows. Please rank the following items to help the C4 Executive Committee set future agendas.*

- 1 : Facilitate panel presentation on Economic Development priorities around the County
 - ~~Part 1: County Economic Development and EDC Presentation [09/03/15]~~
 - ~~Part 2: Cities discuss Economic Development Tools [12/03/15]~~
- 2 : Engage in additional sharing of ongoing and upcoming project needs for each jurisdiction
 - ~~Jurisdiction Update [05/05/16]~~
- 3 : Increased dialogue on public safety
- 4 : ~~Informational session for "Safe Routes to School" [11/05/15]~~
- 5 : ~~Informational session on the STIP process [11/05/15]~~
- 6 : Increased education about community needs
 - ~~800 MHz Radio System [10/01/15]~~
 - ~~800 MHz Radio System [04/07/16]~~

Direction & Decision Items: *Direction and decision items require larger discussions and coordination by C4 members. Please rank the following items to help the C4 Executive Committee set future agendas.*

- 1 : Create a general, county wide prioritization list as a review mechanism for transportation projects being submitted for STIP, MTIP, TIGER, etc.
 - ~~Part 1: Information gathering on C4 goals. [10/01/15]~~
 - Part 2: TBD
- 1 : Unify positions between cities and the County to help facilitate getting urban areas into cities
 - ~~Overall history and proposed suggestions for alternative annexation plans [02/04/16]~~
- 1 : Establish a county-wide process to advocate for local projects at the state and federal level
 - ~~Part 1: General policy discussion and initial ranking preference. [03/03/16]~~

- Part 2: TBD

4 : Integrated analysis on land use in the County - C4 to facilitate the sub-regional discussion at Metro

5 : Work on partnership agreements (UGMAs) with the County on land use and development

6 : Lobby together (or set similar legislative agendas) at the state legislature to show unity

6 : Discussion around equity on fee structures [for infrastructure]

6 : Work towards the reduction of hurdles for federal funding on local projects

9 : Increase jurisdictional communication efforts, including land readiness and aggregate land needs

10 : Improve the C4 process, roles, and responsibilities