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Happy New Year Troutdale! *by Mayor Casey Ryan*

What a great year we had in Troutdale! 2017 started off with a new mayor, two new council members and a new city manager. It was exciting to begin with fresh energy and an emphasis on bringing positive leadership to our beloved city. I have found that serving with the other folks on the Council has been such a worthwhile experience. At the same time, I have grown to appreciate each of them and the perspective they bring to their positions. It has also been enlightening getting to know many of the City of Troutdale employees, and I can assure you that we have a great and dedicated workforce. Without the hard work of our employees, our city would not be anywhere near the splendid place we all call home. And, of course, there are so many Troutdale residents who attend Council meetings, stop by City Hall to share ideas and who have called and talked to me about how together we can make this an even better place.

Here are some of the ways we all helped make Troutdale a great place to live in 2017:

- Amazon started construction on their first Oregon fulfillment center in Troutdale, creating an anticipated 1,500 to 2,000 jobs;
- The completion and dedication of Visionary Park, featuring Rip Caswell's "Devoted Passion" monument honoring Sam Hill and Sam Lancaster, designers of the Old Historic Columbia River Highway;
- Construction of the new Troutdale Elementary School and the remodel of Reynolds High School. Both should be completed by Fall of 2018;
- Four significant new businesses are under construction in the industrial area: Firebird Bronze, Apollo Plumbing, Custom Asphalt and NW Freight;
- The construction of 20 new single family residences throughout the City;
- The City, in cooperation with the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Oregon Department of Transportation and Multnomah County, did a great job handling two serious natural hazards. In early 2017 we experienced the worst winter weather in years - two back-to-back ice storms followed by a foot or so of snow. Not to mention the wind! Later in the year, the Eagle Creek fire (which is now 100% contained) threatened our city, and for a few uneasy days, residents on the East side of 257th were placed on Level 1 Evacuation ("Be Ready") status. Fortunately, the warning was lifted and Troutdale was again open for business and visitors!
- The ten Discovery Block townhouses in the historic downtown were completed and all have been sold;
- The Troutdale Marketplace welcomed a new restaurant, Chiang Rai Thai Cuisine, and from personal experience the food is amazingly good;
- The downtown welcomed Bandits Bar & Grill, located in what was the old Brass Rail Tavern, and The Way Out Inn, serving outstanding thin-crust pizza and craft beers.

Clockwise, from top: Ten townhomes completed in the historic downtown; smoke and ash from the Eagle Creek Fire hover over the City; Chiang Rai Thai Cuisine opens at Troutdale Marketplace; Troutdale Elementary School construction continues.

There were many other highlights in 2017, and we'll cover those in future issues of The Champion. Thank you all for making Troutdale your home. Please feel free to contact me anytime - I would love to hear from you. Email me at casey.ryan@troutdaleoregon.gov.

Here's to a wonderful and positive 2018!

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Our Holiday tree - all lit up! At left, three young ladies prepare for a visit with Santa.

No Ice, No Wind, No Snow!

A Perfect Night for A Tree Lighting

Although clouds threatened to rain on the Tree Lighting in downtown Troutdale on the evening of December 1st, the weather cooperated until the completion of the ceremony, providing a pleasant evening for the large crowd in attendance.

Steaming cups of hot cocoa, cider and coffee were sipped, gifts were passed out to children by the smiling volunteers of Open Door Baptist Church, and the Reynolds High School *"Expressions"* sang Christmas carols to the many visitors who gathered to see the lighting of the Christmas Tree at Mayors Square. West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Karen Young welcomed everyone to the event, and Troutdale City Council President David Ripma commenced the countdown. This annual event included food and clothing collections for SnowCap Community Charities, visits with The Grinch at Columbia River Gallery and with Santa and Mrs. Claus, who gave the reindeer the night off and came by way of Gresham Fire Department with lights flashing and sirens blaring. City Hall provided a beautiful, warm place for the jolly couple to greet families and hear the requests of the little ones. Strolling the streets were the Vivace Fireside Carolers who sang to businesses open late for First Friday Art Walk.

This event was generously sponsored by Wal-Mart, Target and ADESA. Beverages were provided courtesy of Black Rock Coffee Bar and The Chapel.

How to Report a Faulty Streetlight?

By phone, email or with a smart - and fast - new app!

Did you know that the streetlights in Troutdale are owned, operated and maintained by a Special Service District? The Mid-County Street Lighting Service District (https://multco.us/mid-county-lighting-district) is administered by Multnomah County's Department of Community Services and is a proud partner with the City of Troutdale to provide quality street lighting for the City. Since this relationship may be news to many folks, we'll provide a few facts about the Service District:

- In addition to Troutdale, Mid-County owns lights in Fairview, Maywood Park, and unincorporated urban pockets of Multnomah County east and west of the Willamette River;
- Currently there are two Multnomah County employees working part-time for the District and they partner with electrical contractors, internal staff and the City of Gresham to operate and maintain the street lights;
- Mid-County owns 2,691 lights and they're in the process of converting all District lights to Light Emitting Diodes (LED) from High Pressure Sodium (HPS).

In the past you've contacted Portland General Electric (PGE) when a light is out in front of your home, but Mid-County Lighting District is now the primary contact point for these requests. If there is power out to the light, they'll handle it and let PGE know. There are several ways to contact Mid-County:

1. Report a light out using their mobile and desktop app at https://yourgov.cartegraph.com/, or download Cartegraph's 'YourGov' app from the Google Play Store or Apple App (using your Android or Apple device).
2. Send an email to lightout@multco.us
3. Call 503-988-0164

Please provide a specific address and a map and pole number for the light (located on the pole). In addition, any information on how long the light has been out, if it's turning off and on (cycling), or if construction near the pole caused the light to turn off – will be beneficial.

Out in the Parks with Tim Seery

Skateparks, Playparks, and FedEx Adopts-A-Park

Since my last article in November, many positive things have happened in the Parks Department. A Town Hall meeting was held by a group of interested citizens looking into the potential of a skatepark here in Troutdale. The spokesperson for the skatepark, Tyler Cole, will proceed with community outreach and gathering citizen support. Future meetings will be announced on our website and Facebook page.

On the Imagination Station front, the Parks Advisory Committee (PAC), at their last meeting, made a recommendation to City Council to award Leathers and Associates the contract to build the new Imagination Station. The City Council will discuss the PAC recommendation at its January 9, 2018, meeting.

The annual Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony, held on Friday December 1st, was a huge success, assisted by favorable weather and hundreds of enthusiastic merrymakers. Children were excited to see the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus as they arrived on a fire truck escorted by Gresham firefighters and officers from the Multnomah County Sheriff's office.

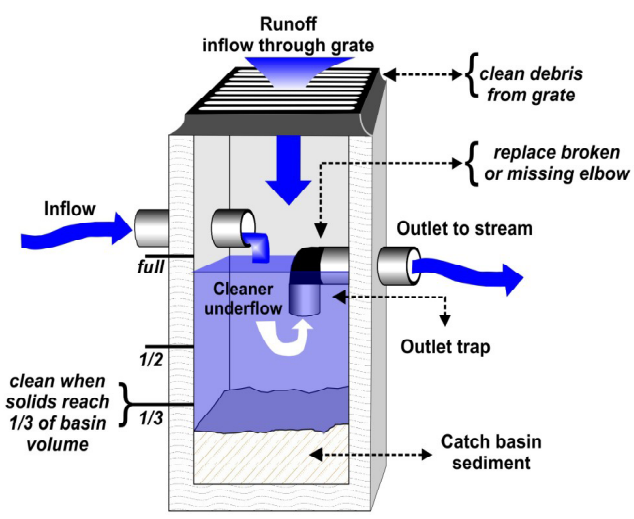
As part of the City's Adopt-a-Park program, FedEx has officially adopted Columbia Park! They held their first work party at the park on November 4th, and will return in mid-January after the busy holiday season. Welcome aboard FedEx employee group!

On behalf of the Parks staff, we wish a very Happy New Year to the citizens of Troutdale. We look forward to another year of making Troutdale's Parks the best they can be.

The 3-D artist rendering above, submitted by Leathers & Associates, shows a play structure of similar size and scope to the Imagination Station playground.

Wastewater Staff Readies for Yearly Catch Basin Cleaning

Now that the majority of our leaves have fallen, the City is about to begin its annual cleaning of storm water catch basins. Our Wastewater Services Division cleans approximately 1,250 basins each year and it takes a few months to achieve our goal. Cleaning the catch basins helps keep sediment and pollutants out of the local waterways and can help to prevent flooding of City streets during heavy rain storms.



Cleaning also helps keep foul odors, caused by biological breakdown of debris and sediment, to a minimum. We clean these basins by utilizing our combination sanitary line jetter / vacuum truck.

What can citizens do to help us make this task more efficient? Avoid parking your vehicle on or too near a catch basin during storm events, and keep bushes or trees around catch basins trimmed if possible. Some areas of the City can be harder to maintain than others, due to the number of trees and the type of terrain. Basins at the bottom of a hill may plug more frequently than others. Although not mandatory, City crews appreciate citizen's help in keeping the top of the storm grates free from newly fallen leaves and debris. Raking leaves off the grate can help prevent ponding or flooding in your neighborhood.

We look forward to keeping your neighborhood free from clogs, debris and other potential issues, but sometimes backups can occur. If you notice a clogged catch basin, please contact our Wastewater Services Division at 503-666-8377.

The Completion of Visionary Park

When Rip Caswell's statue of the two Sams — Hill and Lancaster — was dedicated in June, three half-moon murals were yet to be completed. Through the Community Enhancement Program, the Troutdale Historical Society received a grant to have Historic Columbia River Highway scenes encircle the statue pedestal. These are now finished, and exquisitely painted by Portland artist Libby (Krock) Caruth (mural shown here on pedestal is a scene of the Columbia River).

Take a stroll to Visionary Park and enjoy a close-up look of Crown Point, Multnomah Falls, and a river scene. The dedication statement and donor plaques have also been installed. Thank you to all who made the monument possible in depicting this significant period of Troutdale's history.

Town Center Plan

The City of Troutdale is updating our **Town Center Plan**, which will guide growth in the heart of our community for the next 20 years.

WHAT is the Town Center Plan?

The Town Center Plan is the main document used by the City to guide future growth and development opportunities in the Town Center area of Troutdale. It provides the City and those who wish to develop in the Town Center a clear blueprint on the type of development that is desired for that area of town.

WHEN is this update happening?

Check out page 4 of this insert for a project timeline.

WHERE is the Town Center located?

Check out pages 2 and 3 for a map of the Town Center planning area.

WHY are we updating the Plan?

The current Town Center Plan was developed in 1998 and was responsible for creating the Town Center identity, influencing policies and highlighting opportunities over the past 20 years. In that time, some elements of the Plan have been realized, while others may no longer be desirable. The Plan is also out of date in several aspects, particularly when it comes to demographic and economic trends that have transpired since its adoption. Lastly, the Plan lacked a coordinated socio-economic or city branding/marketing strategy.

WHO is putting this plan together?

The City of Troutdale is leading this effort. In September 2017, the City Council established a 21 member Town Center Committee (TCC), which is tasked to review and prepare a comprehensive update to the Town Center Plan. The members are listed in the box on the right.

City Staff led by the Community Development Department is aiding the TCC in this effort by providing technical and professional assistance throughout the duration of the project. Staff will also set up meetings and open houses for the public.

Consultants may be utilized to aid or advise on certain elements of the Plan when requested, but the Plan is effectively a product of the City. Certain economic data will be obtained in partnership with the Main Streets on Halsey planning effort.

TOWN CENTER COMMITTEE

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Joe Carlson, *Vice Chair*
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Karen Schaaf
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Corey Brooks
Will Knight
Diane Castillo
Marilee Thompson
David Wheaton
Jamie Kranz

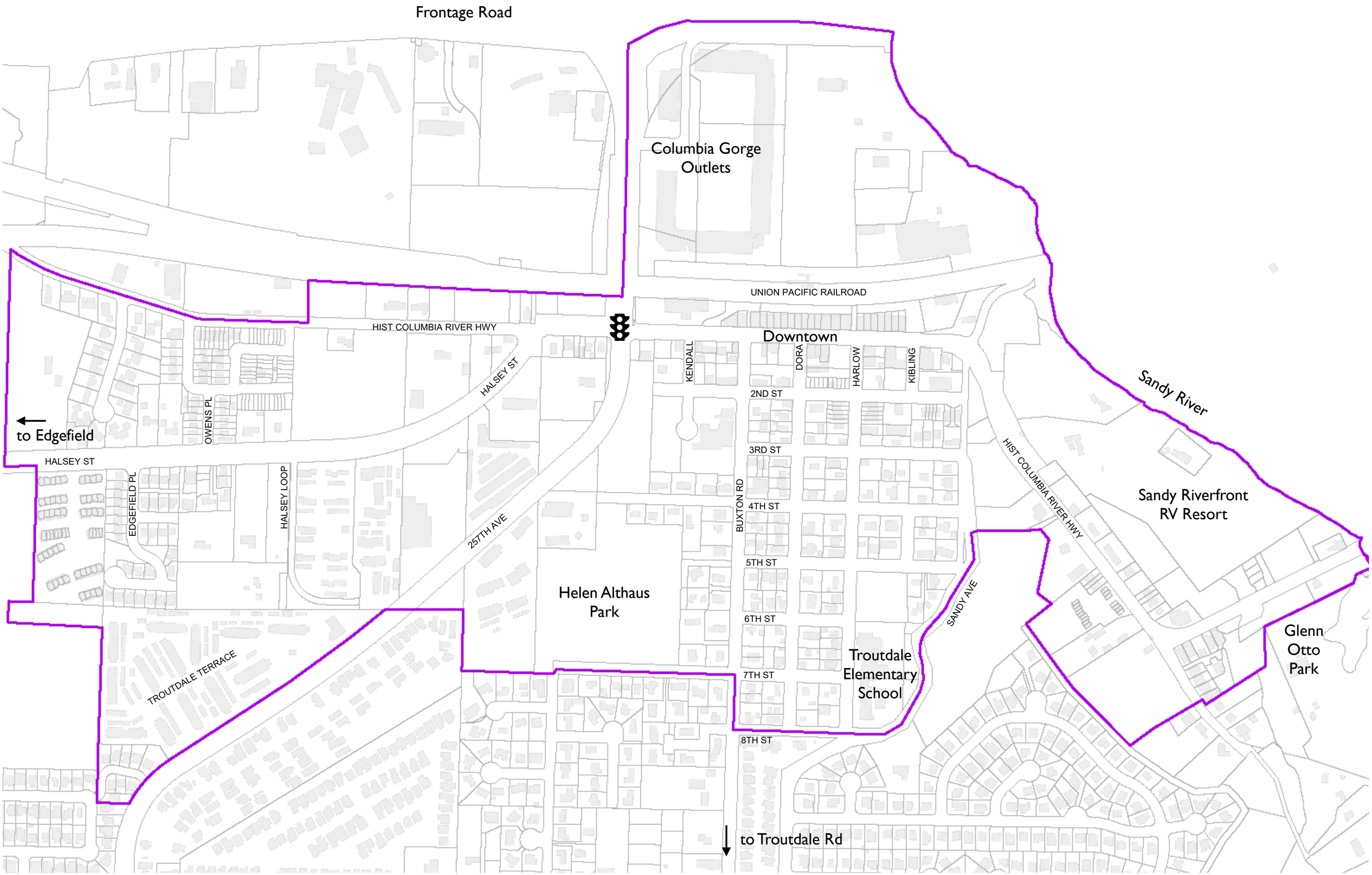
Four easy ways to get involved in the Town Center Plan!

Visit the project website!
troutdaletowncenter.info
sign up for email updates
learn more about the project

Attend our next open house
Tuesday, January 30, 2018
drop by anytime from 5 to 9 p.m.
Troutdale Police Community Center

Take online surveys at
troutdaletowncenter.info
share your thoughts and enter a chance to win local prizes & gifts

Keep it simple
email your comments
towncenter@troutdaleoregon.gov
or drop by City Hall



WHERE is the Town Center?

The Town Center is more than just the storefronts and restaurants along the Historic Columbia River Highway. It includes areas on all sides of the downtown core. To the north, the area includes Troutdale's Urban Renewal Area, containing the Columbia Gorge Outlets and the former wastewater treatment plant site. To the east, it includes areas between Beaver Creek and the Sandy River up to Glenn Otto Park, including the Sandy Riverfront RV Resort. To the south, it includes residential areas in Troutdale's original town grid all the way up the hill to Troutdale Elementary School. And to the west, it includes areas in between 257th Avenue and the McMenamins Edgefield properties predominantly accessed off Halsey Street.

WHY is the district drawn the way it is?

The 1998 Town Center Plan made a policy recommendation to delineate an area that would formally designate a zoning overlay district recognized in the Development Code and by Metro. Creating this overlay district allowed for specific zoning and development standards to be included as part of encouraging the kind of development patterns that were envisioned by the 1998 plan. The current study area as outlined in the map above closely resembles the existing Town Center overlay district with a few modifications on the boundary. It still includes the downtown core in addition to the four sub-districts that were identified in the 1998 plan. The overall goal was to include not just commercial areas, but also nearby residential areas.

TOWN CENTER FACTS

Total Area:	+/- 271 acres
Land Use Breakdown:	
Tax Lots	79.4%
Commercial	26.7%
Single Family Residential	24.0%
Multi-Family Residential	12.4%
Vacant Land	11.8%
Park / Open Space	5.3%
Streets & Rights-of-Way	20.6%

Total Number of Tax Lots:	573
Average Lot Size:	0.38 acres
Number of...	
Single Family Residences:	302
Commercial Properties:	75
City-Owned Properties:	22
City-Owned Acres:	33.9 acres

DID YOU KNOW?

Troutdale's original plat included 200- by 200-foot blocks (about one acre) separated by 60-foot wide streets. These blocks remain in place today.

21 units per acre is a typical density goal for apartment-based residential.

15 units per acre is a typical density in order to warrant transit service.

The typical distance most American adults would consider walking to a destination is within a five minute radius of where they live. In Troutdale, that translates to roughly six of our typical city blocks. In cases of parking, most adults are willing to walk up to three minutes from where they park to an intended destination. In Troutdale, that translates to three blocks.

HOW is the plan being put together?

The Town Center Plan will be an effort that will rely heavily on the input from residents, businesses, visitors, and other stakeholders. Over the course of 2018, the following steps are expected to be followed:

1. A **review and analysis** of the Town Center Plan of 1998, determining the strengths and weaknesses of the plan from a layout and content perspective. ***As of January 1, this step has been accomplished.***

2. An **existing conditions** analysis, which will be a snapshot on the current conditions of the Town Center in terms of development, demographics, and economic indicators. ***This is currently underway.***

3. An **initial public input period**, where residents, businesses, and others can share their thoughts on the existing conditions of the Town Center. An open house related to this step is scheduled for ***January 30th.***

4. The establishment of a **vision** and **goals** for the Town Center. This would take the information obtained from the previous two steps to set clear parameters for the new Town Center Plan to address.

5. A **second public input period** to discuss opportunities for development, socio-economic conditions, and branding & marketing strategies. An open house related to this step is expected in Spring 2018.

6. An **initial draft plan period**, in which Staff takes notes from all of the previous efforts and develops an initial draft of the Plan for the Town Center Committee to review over time.

7. A **third public input period** for the public to review the components of the initial draft plan and to offer feedback or proposed edits to what has been put together for the final draft consideration.

8. A **final draft plan period** in which Staff takes any proposed edits to the initial draft to bring the draft up to a final format for consideration by the Town Center Committee and Planning Commission.

9. The **approval period**, in which the Plan is presented to and reviewed by the City Council, who has ultimate authority to approve the Plan and set expectations for implementation of its findings.

Town Center Plan - Open House

Tuesday January 30, 2018

Troutdale Police Community Center

Drop by anytime between **5 to 9 p.m.** | Stay as long as you'd like
Share thoughts and ideas on existing conditions in the Town Center

Snacks and drinks available!

Can't make it? Share your thoughts online...

HOW will the Plan be organized?

The Plan itself will have three major components, in addition to a few other chapters that covers the planning process that created the document. As the project moves forward, the structure of the Plan may change, but for now, it is anticipated that it will contain the following structure:

An **Executive Summary**, providing a brief overview of the document and the planning process.

Existing Conditions, which stems from the analysis performed in step 2.

Public Outreach and Input, which summarizes the engagement of the public and their contributions to the Plan.

Vision and Goals, which states the intent of the Plan and its role in steering policy and decisions to achieve those objectives.

The **Physical Plan**, which will discuss the built and natural environment of the Town Center by addressing among other things development (and redevelopment), transportation, natural areas, and community design.

The **Socio-Economic Plan**, which will build upon the Physical Plan by addressing demographic and technological trends in addition to analyzing proposed land use and transportation policies in the context of economic and human development.

The **Branding & Marketing Plan**, which will provide options on how to better identify and distinguish the Town Center area through wayfinding, advertising, and economic/tourism development strategies.

An **Implementation Strategy**, which marries the three aforementioned plans in a coordinated effort. It will highlight proposals for policy changes, activities to pursue, and engagement efforts in order to implement the Plan. It would highlight these tasks and assign responsibilities to appropriate stakeholders to follow through on these efforts.

project website: www.troutdaletowncenter.info

email: towncenter@troutdaleoregon.gov

THE TINY LIBRARIES THAT PROMOTE LITERACY - AND COMMUNITY

Ever heard the term 'Little Free Libraries' (LFLs), those small bird-house-looking structures? You may have even seen one around the City? There are actually several here in Troutdale ...at Sunrise Park, Kiku Park, and others are scattered throughout Troutdale neighborhoods.

What exactly are these LFLs and how do they work? Zach Hudson, a Reynolds High School teacher (and Troutdale City Councilor), and his wife are enthusiastic proponents of Little Free Libraries: "There are no rules, really, for LFLs," explains Hudson. "People may take books or leave books; they can keep the books or return them. It's up to each individual to decide how to use it. That's the beauty of it. In fact, there is a Little Free Library organization that registers LFLs, but it's not required. There is no organized program. Anyone can build and install a Little Free Library, and anyone can participate."

For information about how to go about placing a library in your community, go to: littlefreelibrary.org. They have an excellent 5-Step process for starting a Little Free Library.

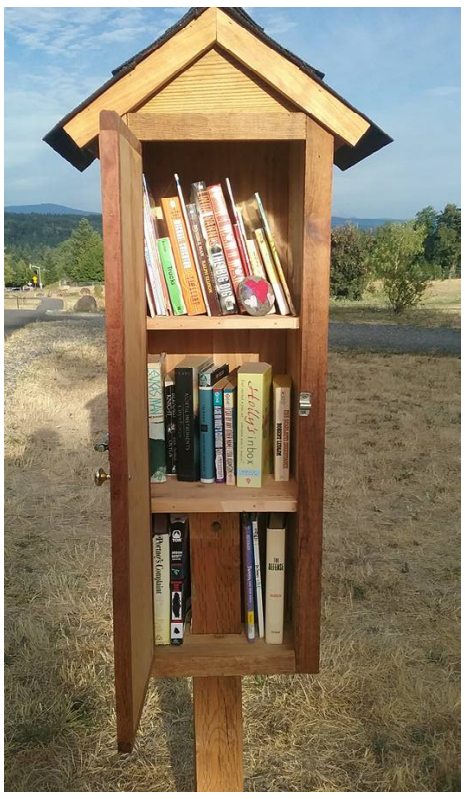
Little Free Libraries are a fairly new phenomenon. The first known library was built in 2009 by a Wisconsin man as a tribute to his mother, a schoolteacher. Since then, more than 50,000 have been registered worldwide by littlefreelibrary.org, and many more unregistered libraries exist.

Hudson raised the idea to get Reynolds High School involved building more libraries so that more members of our community would have access to books. Reynolds teachers Erich Schneider (woodworking) and Bonnie Rulli (art) teamed up to respond to Hudson's challenge. Over the course of a year Reynolds students built and painted a dozen of the structures, while Zach and his wife found homes for them. "With the permission of the City of Troutdale, we put one up at Kiku Park," said Zach. Occasionally I stop by to rotate and restock the books there, and at the Sunrise Park Library too. Other structures are located in the front yards of Troutdale residents."

The Hudson's got their Little Free Library as a giveaway through STRYVE, a project of the Multnomah County Health Department. "One of the things I love about the libraries is how artistic and individual they can be. We had a lot of fun painting our own. We try to stock a variety of subject matter for the various age ranges so that anyone can find something interesting to take home."

So next time you see one of these little community libraries, check it out. And bring your kids - and some books - with you.

*Thinking of placing a LFL **within the City limits?** Be sure to call City Hall at 503-665-5175 before you take any action. There may be a few requirements including obtaining permission to place your library if you are not the property owner. Also, you'll likely need a utility locate (free service) before you dig a hole for the post. For more information about little free libraries, go to www.littlefreelibrary.org.*



The Little Free Library at Sunrise Park

The concept of Little Free Libraries: Take a book, leave a book

Plant Native Plants for Clean Water & Healthy Habitat!

Three free workshops plus a giant plant sale – all coming in January

When it rains in forests and natural areas, rainfall seeps into the ground slowly, and gradually makes its way into local streams, where it flows cool and clean. In urban areas, the scene is very different with many more hard surfaces like roads, parking lots, and roof-tops, etc. These impervious surfaces prevent rainfall from seeping into the ground naturally. Instead, stormwater travels quickly over these surfaces and picks up pollutants (automobile oil, brake dust) along the way. Most of this polluted stormwater then flows into storm drains, and goes directly into local waterways, which is unhealthy for fish, wildlife, and people.

You can help minimize the impact of urban stormwater runoff by planting native trees and shrubs, and by capturing stormwater with a rain garden! Stormwater that soaks into vegetated rain gardens and swales is filtered by the soil and plants, and then released slowly into streams as nature intended. Native plants are a great choice because they are adapted to local pests, diseases, and our climate, so they thrive without chemicals or extra fertilizers.

Curious about Stormwater and Rain Gardens?

Look for workshops hosted right here in Troutdale offered by East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District (EMSWCD) with information on rain garden installation, naturescaping, and native plants!

Interested in Native Plants for Your Yard?

EMSWCD's annual, bare-root Native Plant Sale offers over 40 species of native trees and shrubs at wholesale prices. At just $3 each, it is a great way to fill your yard with beautiful, climate appropriate plants.

How it works:

The online sale opens on January 17th. Customers browse the online store for plant details and characteristics, making it easy to choose the right plant for the right place. After placing their online order, customers pick up their plants at the EMSWCD office on Saturday, February 17th. Until then, visit EMSWCD's **Native Plant Sale Page**, where you'll find answers to the most common Plant Sale questions, and information about the plants that will be for sale.

Free Native Plant Workshops:

There will also be three **FREE** workshops that highlight the species that are available for purchase. Workshops are scheduled January 10, 11, & 13th at the EMSWCD office in North Portland. Registration opens in early January. For more information contact katie@emswcd.org.

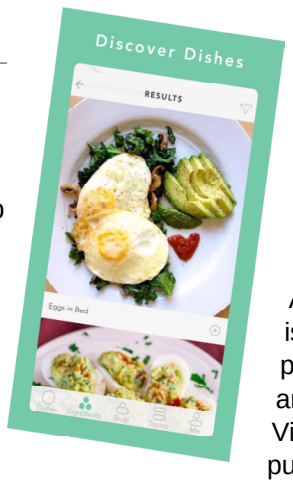
To receive information about the 2018 Plant Sale, workshops, and more, join EMSWCD's email list at www.emswcd.org/subscribe.

From the Corner of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle

How to use every bit of the food you buy

Winter is officially here. New Year resolutions still sound like a good idea. And the football calendar is reaching a crescendo. Sounds like a good time to focus on the dining table. According to Metro, nearly one fifth of the garbage generated in the region is food waste that ends up in landfills. On a national scale, estimates are 20 percent of the food we buy never gets eaten. Think of it as putting a twenty dollar bill into your garbage bin every week per 100 dollars spent on food. It also amounts to a lot of resources that have gone unutilized from the cradle to the grave for food.

Meal planning is an important tool to help reduce food waste. Just as technology has allowed us to become music disc jockeys, think of creating a list of meals considered your greatest hits. Put those on a weekly or bi-weekly rotation, then fill in the meal gaps. The website savethefood.com specializes in helping to reduce food waste. One useful tool on the website for large (or small) gatherings is the **Guest-Imator** (www.savethefood.com/guestimator/guests). It assists with meal portion estimates, and calculates how much food to purchase taking into consideration how much or how little leftovers you want.



Another fun tool is the app **Handpick**. Soups, casseroles and salads are great catch-all dishes for those odds and ends in the fridge or freezer that need to be used. Looking for more ideas than those steadfast options? The app allows you to pick a single ingredient and it will generate a curated thread of dishes from food blogs to recipe sites.

Canning remains a great option for food preservation, but the freezer is a terrific tool for food waste prevention. If food is on the verge of spoilage, toss it in the freezer and attend to it when you have the time.

Virtually any food can be frozen for a period of time to extend its life.

After the shopping and unpacking is done, don't forget to dispose of plastic film, such as wraps, bags and flexible packaging, properly. Visit the website of the national public awareness and outreach initiative called **Wrap Recycling Action Program** (WRAP) to find out where you can recycle plastic film (www.plasticfilmrecycling.org/recycling-bags-and-wraps/find-drop-off-location/). Remember to check **Waste Management's** website for curbside recycling guidelines (www.wmnorthwest.com/troutdale/recycling.html).

East Metro Mediation offers free, confidential and voluntary conflict resolution services to residents of Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview and Gresham. Call 503-618-3247 for assistance.

THE POWER OF MEDIATION

Basic Mediation Training: Learn Mediation Skills to Resolve Conflict

Starting March 1, East Metro Mediation will present a 48-hour Basic Mediation training program that includes skill development in communication, listening, and conflict resolution. Experienced instructors will offer theory and techniques in an interactive learning environment.

You will learn how to help others resolve conflict and gain valuable skills that can be applied in all facets of life – from the workplace to the home and community. Attendees will gain the ability to mediate people that are in conflict, and help them to reach a resolution.

This course meets State of Oregon training requirements for community mediators.

Where: East Metro Mediation, Gresham City Hall, 1333 NW Eastman Parkway / Gresham

When:
Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Fridays and Saturdays

March 1, 2	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
March 3	9 a.m.-1 p.m.
March 6, 8	6-9 p.m.
March 9, 10	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
March 13, 1	6-9 p.m.
March 16	9 a.m.-3 p.m.
March 17	9 a.m.-1 p.m.

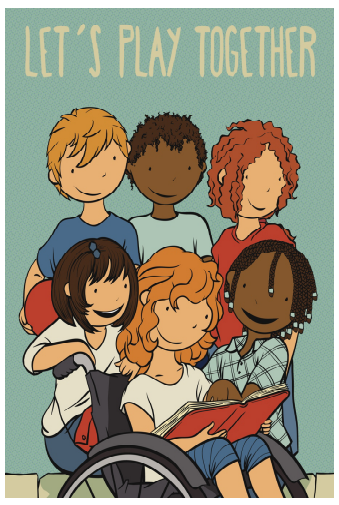
EAST METRO MEDIATION

Cost Options:

$695	General Public
$400	Community Leaders in East Multnomah County
$75	Up to four individuals who are willing to volunteer at East Metro Mediation for two hours each week for one year will pay a reduced fee to cover materials. Two FULL scholarships are available.

TROUTDALE RECREATION

Join In! A Healthy Opportunity Awaits!



Exercise your body and mind this New Year through your local Troutdale Recreation Department! A variety of programs are offered for all ages. You'll see our Winter Guide in your mailbox on Wednesday January 10, 2018, the day registration begins .

People who cannot find time for recreation are obliged, sooner or later to find time for illness. *~John Wanamaker*

For detailed information and to register, go to www.troutdaleoregon.gov. You can also find us on www.facebook.com. Registration is **Online Only**. Drop-in programs do not require prior registration as you sign in and pay (if there is a fee) at the program. Scholarships are available for Troutdale residents and we also accept donations for the scholarship fund.

Contact Recreation Manager Mollie King at 503-674-7206 or email mollie.king@troutdaleoregon.gov with any questions, comments or if you need assistance with online registration.

We collect food for SnowCap Community Charities year-round. Bring non-perishable food items to the City Hall lobby between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and help provide families in need with nutritious food this winter. Pet food and baby food is also accepted. Thank you.

Sign up for FlashAlert, PublicAlerts

We included this information in the last issue, but it's worth repeating again - because it's important. FlashAlerts and PublicAlerts will inform you about local and regional emergencies including, for example, the Eagle Creek Fire or weather conditions, school closures and other major or minor emergencies.

You can sign up for FlashAlert, PublicAlerts or both (PublicAlerts partners with FlashAlert, so you'll get a 2-for-1 if you sign up for PublicAlerts).

FlashAlert notifies you of emergency situations **in Troutdale** (you see the information because we enter it into the FlashAlert system for notification to our residents). To sign up, go to www.flashalert.net

To receive **County-wide** notificiations that alert you about service disruptions involving roads, bridges, transit, public health and safety, schools, weather, as well as natural hazards, sign up for **PublicAlerts** at www.publicalerts.org.
If you need assistance signing up for FlashAlert or PublicAlerts, call us at 503-665-5175 - we'll talk you through it!

City Calendar

January

1
New Years' Day, City Hall Offices Closed
Police/Fire emergency, call 9-1-1
Water/Sewer emergency, call 503-251-4163

5
No First Friday Art Walk in January!
503-491-8407

6, 7
Holiday Tree Recycle Event - Last two days!
Boy Scouts of America Troop #174
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,Corner of 242nd / Cherry Park Road (Fujii Farm berry stand across from Safeway)
No charge, but donations gladly accepted

14
Troutdale Historical Society – Supporting History for 50 Years
The History of the Troutdale Historical Society
Presented by Sharon Nesbit, 2 p.m., Sam Cox Building, Glenn Otto Park, 503-661-2164
Free and open to the public

15
Martin Luther King Day, City Hall Offices Closed
Police/Fire emergency, call 9-1-1
Water/Sewer emergency, call 503-251-4163

30
History Night – To Be Determined
Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey, Doors open 5 p.m., Program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE

February

2
First Friday Art Walk, 5-8 p.m.
Downtown, Historic Columbia River Highway,
503-491-8407

19
Presidents Day, City Hall Offices Closed
Police/Fire emergency, call 9-1-1
Water/Sewer emergency, call 503-251-4163

26
History Night: To Be Determined, Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey, Doors open 5 p.m., Program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE

City Meetings

City Council Regular Meetings
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
January 9, January 23
February 13, February 27

View Council meetings live on Comcast Channel 30 or Frontier Channel 38 at 7 p.m.; rebroadcasts are Fridays at 4 p.m. and Sunday at 9 p.m.

Town Center Committee
Police Facility Kellogg Room
January 24 – Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.
January 30 – Open House – 5-9 P.M.
January 31 – Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.
February 28 – Regular Meeting – 7 P.M

Planning Commission
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
January 17, February 21

Parks Advisory Committee
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
January 10, February 14

Citizens Advisory Committee
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
January 3, February 7

Public Safety Advisory Committee
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
Meetings are suspended until further notice

Historic Landmarks Commission
Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
Please call for future dates: 503-674-7230

**** NOTE: All Council and Committee meetings are held at the Police Facility Kellogg Room.***

Find meeting agendas, Council packets and audio/video of Council meetings at www.troutdaleoregon.gov

City Offices

City Hall Main Number	503-665-5175
Building Permits	503-674-7229
Building/Parks Rentals	503-674-7297
Business Licensing	503-665-5175
Code Enforcement	503-491-4009
Fire Department (Gresham)	503-618-2355
Mayor & Council	503-674-7258
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO)	
MCSO Business Office	503-988-7300
MCSO Records	503-988-7300
(press '0' for Police Records)	
Municipal Court	503-665-5175
Police & Fire	
Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-823-3333
Parks Department	503-674-7227
Planning/Zoning	503-674-7229
Public Works (Wastewater)	503-666-8377
Public Works (Water & Streets)	503-674-3300
Recreation Program	503-674-7206
Water/Sewer - Billing Questions	503-674-7232
Water/Sewer - Open/Close Acct.	503-674-7225

Addresses

City Hall - 219 E. Historic Columbia River Highway
Council Chambers - Kellogg Community Room (MSCO) 234 SW Kendall Court in Troutdale
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO)/Troutdale Police Community Center - 234 SW Kendall Court
Public Works - 342 SW 4th Street
Building/Planning - 2200 SW 18th Way
Parks & Facilities - 2200 SW 18th Way
Water Pollution Control Facility - 1820 NW Graham Road
City Conference Building (CCB) - 223 S. Buxton Road
Glenn Otto Park - 1106 E. Historic Columbia River Highway