IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Authorize grant agreement for $5,250 to Columbia Land Trust for ecological restoration at Keller Woodlands (Ordinance).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

The Columbia Land Trust (CLT) works collaboratively with partners including Portland Parks and Recreation, the Bureau of Environmental Services, contractors and community members to maintain and enhance the 40-acre Keller Woodlands property, situated in a matrix of publicly and privately held conservation lands in SW Portland. The CLT provides opportunities for hands-on stewardship and a connection to urban natural areas for the surrounding community, engaging volunteers in neighborhood work. Specific activities include invasive weed removal and control, planting native plants and facilitating volunteer opportunities.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

The project and budget are described in the attached grant agreement. Maximum total costs for FY 16/17, 17/18 and 18/19 are $5,250. Funding is available from a 2016 Metro Nature in Neighborhoods Restoration Grant for West Willamette Restoration Partnership projects to reimburse costs associated with this grant.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The community is positively impacted by this item in that it enables watershed health improvements in SW Portland and provides opportunities for meaningful public engagement. The CLT will work to involve volunteers, crews, and mentored youth, and their work in the SW Portland community is an important connection between community members and the natural areas in their neighborhoods. This project will also result in watershed health improvements.

Does this action change appropriations?

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Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount