



# River Plan / South Reach PSC Public Hearing, Work Session and Recommendation

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# Overview

1. Introduction
2. Houselessness Briefing and Discussion
3. Public Hearing on River Recreation & PSC Discussion
4. Discussion of Amendments and Straw Polls
  - Enforcement of tree/vegetation and mitigation requirements
  - Two minor amendments
5. PSC Vote on River Plan / South Reach
6. Transmittal Letter to City Council
7. Next Steps



# Houselessness Briefing and Discussion







# RIVER RECREATION PUBLIC HEARING



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# River Recreation Public Hearing Agenda

## 1. Overview

- Jurisdictional roles
- Policy guidance for planning
- Proposed Draft recommendations

## 2. Public Testimony (1½ mins/person)

## 3. Hearing Closes

## 4. PSC Discussion





# Jurisdictional Roles

## Key State Agencies

- Department of State Lands
- Oregon State Marine Board
- Dept. of Land Conservation and Development



# Jurisdictional Roles

## Key County and City Agencies

- Multnomah County Sheriff's Office River Patrol
- Portland Parks and Recreation
- Portland Bureau of Planning and Sustainability



# Policy Guidance

- Statewide Planning Goals
- 2035 Comprehensive Plan
- Other local plans, policies and programs





# Policy Guidance

## Statewide Planning Goals

- Goal 8 Recreational Needs
- Goal 15 Willamette River Greenway

## 2035 Comprehensive Plan

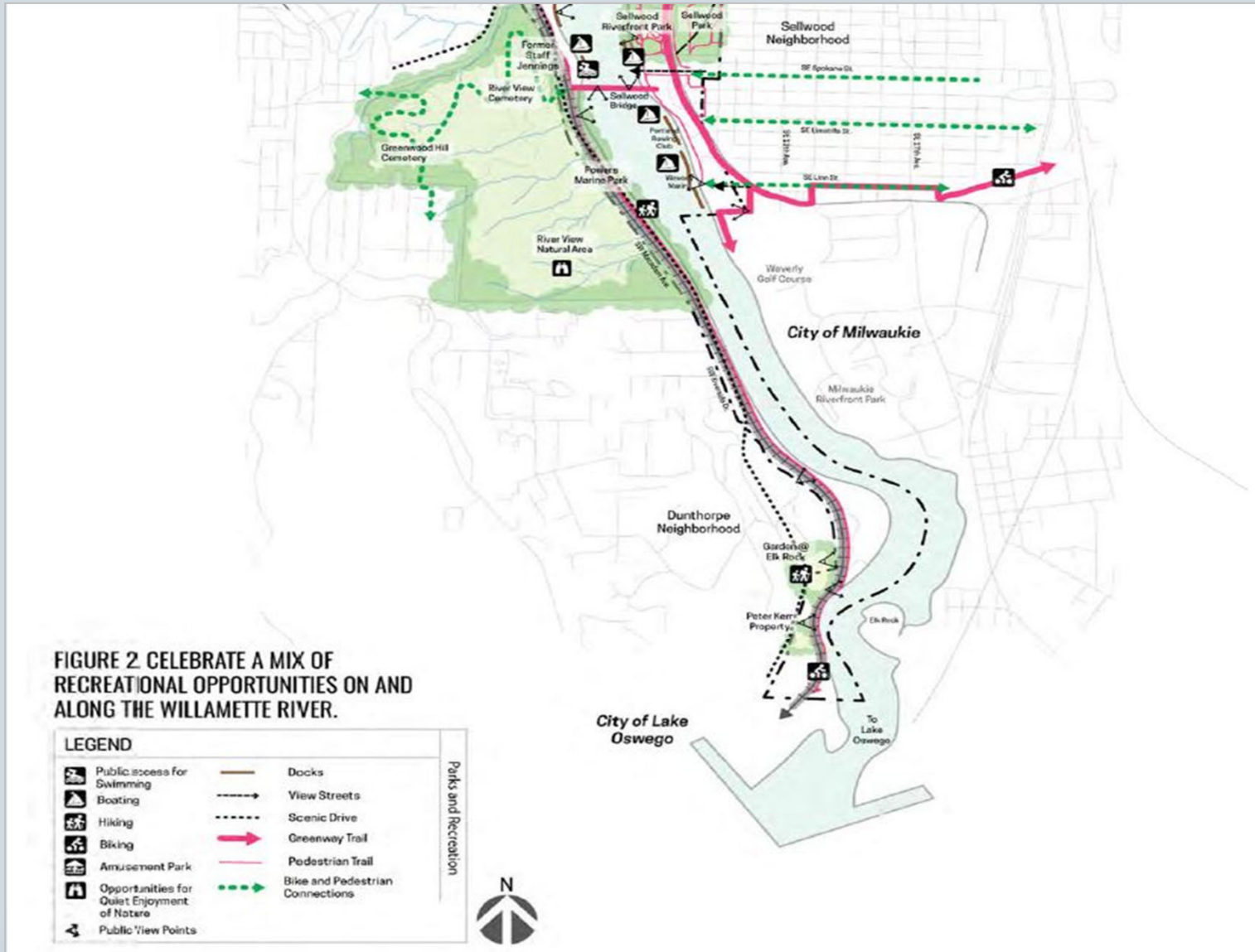
- *Policy 3.71 Recreation.*
- *Policy 3.76 River Access.*
- *Policy 3.81 Willamette River South Reach.*
- *Policy 8.99 Recreational Facilities.*



# Recreation Urban Design Concept



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# River Recreation Recommendations

## Objectives:

- Study public **swimming** opportunities
- Support public **fishing** opportunities
- Upgrade **boating facilities** and create new ones
- **Minimize impacts** of in-river boating and recreation facilities on fish and wildlife habitat
- **Develop and expand partnerships** that promote and address **boater education and safety** to reduce conflicts





# River Recreation Recommendations

## Boating Action Item Examples:

- Re-establish **boat launch** at SE Spokane St.
- Fund improvements to repair/replace **Sellwood Riverfront Park dock**
- Explore location(s) for a **boat fueling and pump-out station(s)**
- Identify funding to work with OSMB et al on promoting **boater education and safety**
- Design new docks and launches to **reduce impacts on endangered and threatened fish**



# Other River Recreation Recommendations

- Rezone former Staff Jennings Boating Center site to Open Space
- Implement a development standard for new docks in residential zones to limit impacts on shallow water habitat and threatened and endangered fish species







# PUBLIC TESTIMONY





# WATERSHED HEALTH AND RESILIENCE



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# Watershed Health and Resilience

## Item for discussion and straw poll

- Continued discussion on strategies for improving enforcement (see Replacement Memo A-10, Part 2)

## Item not identified for discussion

- Update 33.475.440.K.5 per the following:  
“Except for dead, dying and/or dangerous trees, vegetation removal or pruning within the riparian buffer area is prohibited between April 15 and July 31.”



# Code Compliance Improvements

## Staff Recommendation

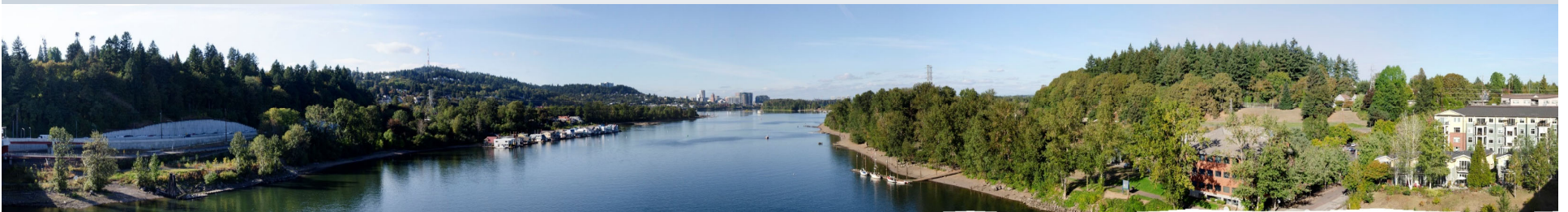
- Standards for removal or pruning of vegetation
  - If at least 5 trees planted, 3-year compliance
  - When only nuisance, dead, dying or dangerous trees to be removed, 1-year compliance
- Mitigation standards and Option 2 for correcting River Environmental violations
  - Mitigation or planting area at least 1,000 square feet, 3-year compliance



# Code Compliance Improvements

## Staff Recommendation

- In River Review, update operation and long-term maintenance plan requirements, including up to 5 years of annual monitoring reports





# MISCELLANEOUS ZONING CODE AND TEXT AMENDMENTS

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# New Macadam Design Code Amendment

Additional Zoning Code edits to complete  
Macadam Design recommendations

## Staff Recommendation

- Remove Zoning Code Map 420-2, renumber the 420 maps, update references to renumbered 420 maps in 33.420.051 and 33.825.065.B.



# Code Compliance Improvements & Macadam Design Code Amendments

## Motion

*I move to amend Volume 1 of the Proposed Draft per the following:*

- 1. The three recommendations in Replacement Memo A-10, Part 2.*
- 2. Update 33.475.440.K.5 “Except for dead, dying ~~and~~or dangerous trees, vegetation removal or pruning within the riparian buffer area is prohibited between April 15 and July 31.”*
- 3. Remove Zoning Code Map 420-2, renumber the 420 maps, and update references to renumbered 420 maps in 33.420.051 and 33.825.065.B.*



# DISCUSSION



# Revised Motion for the Vote

*I move to amend River Plan / South Reach to be consistent with:*

- *The memo titled Amended River Plan / South Reach Code for PSC Vote on June 23, 2020, and*
- *The straw polls taken today on code compliance improvements and Macadam Design District map amendments, and*
- *Direct staff to update the rest of the plan to be consistent with these code changes and any text related PSC straw poll votes.*





# Transmittal Letter to City Council

- PSC Discussion



# Next Steps

- **July 16 Design Commission Hearing**
  - Transmittal letter to Design Commission
- **August 27, 2 PM: City Council hearing**
  - Transmittal letter to City Council

