

From: [Pat Meyer](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 11:59:09 AM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane.

*The Water Bureau **does not** have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate.*

Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,

Pat Meyer

From: [Jesse Nelson](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 12:00:26 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Jesse Nelson

From: [Paul Obrist](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 12:21:00 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. I am reluctant to support the proposed system when a City like Seattle can build a UV facility to comply with treatment for a fraction of the cost when PWB wants to treat with expensive Chlorine. The Water Bureau does not currently have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with the five property owners on Carpenter for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please table this item revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Paul Obrist

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From: [Debi Beal](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 1:11:39 PM

Portland City Council Members,

We oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Debi and Roger Beal

From: [Laura Belson](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 1:39:23 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these six property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,

Laura Belson

From: [Charles Ciecko](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Agenda Item 992 November 30, 2022
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 2:09:44 PM

November 29, 2022

RE: Testimony in Opposition to Agenda Item 992

Dear Mayor Wheeler and City Councilors;

I'm writing you to voice my opposition to Agenda Item 992. It is premature and inappropriate for the Water Bureau to begin eminent domain proceedings against rural land owners without having negotiated in good faith. Furthermore, the Water Bureau has not secured land use approval from either Multnomah County or Clackamas County for the proposed plant or associated raw and finished water pipelines. I urge you to postpone action on this item until the land use process is complete and spare these landowners the time and stress of the condemnation process.

Respectfully,
Terry Ciecko
3630 SE Hosner Ter.
Gresham, Or 97080

From: [julie allott](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 2:34:14 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Julie Allott
Resident of Carpenter Lane

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Paul Willis](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Written Comments for PDX City Council Meeting, Wed. Nov. 30th - Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain 112822
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 2:37:58 PM

Date: November 29, 2022

Reference: Portland City Council Nov. 30, 2022 Meeting Agenda Item #992 – Eminent Domain

Portland City Council Members,

The Portland Water Bureau's Agenda Item #992, proposes to acquire easements by negotiation or by the eminent domain process. It appears that this action is requested in connection with the construction of the proposed Bull Run water filtration project on East County's Carpenter Lane. The proposed action in Item #992 appears to be premature, which if implemented will waste thousands of ratepayer dollars, if the project is not approved. Plant approval appears to becoming more insurmountable, i.e., the Bureau's initial Land Use Application to County Planning has been rejected, as incomplete and remains that way to date; The two requested access points to the project site from S.E. Bluff Rd. requires Clackamas County approval, which approval seems doubtful given the existing 4-way intersection and congestion; Furthermore, the Bureau has not submitted a Bluff Rd. access Land Use Application to Clackamas County for approval.

It only follows that the Bureau does not have a viable water filtration project at this time, and that Item #992 should not be implemented at this time, but rather delayed until the project is approved by Multnomah County.

Members, I hope you will exercise your dually sworn fiduciary responsibility to your ratepayers. Commissioner Mapps, at the end of one of your recent Town Halls, you mention that you would keep water rates "flat." Not spending funds until there is an approved project, may help achieve your goal.

I therefore oppose the implementation of Item #992, at this time.

Respectfully,

Paul Willis

Carpenter Ln., Resident

From: [CAROL BARTHA](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 3:23:36 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project.

Therefore acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate and disrespectful to the community.

Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Carol Bartha

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Gabi Schoening](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 3:24:03 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you, g.Schoening

From: [Rick Barth's](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 3:25:37 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Rick Bartha

Sent from my iPhone

From: [Cris Courter](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Agenda Item #992
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 3:26:18 PM

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992

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I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these six property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

*Thank you,
~ Cris Courter
Homeowner
Dodge Park Blvd.*

From: [Samuel Diack](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 4:06:45 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
[Signed]
Samuel Diack

Sent from my iPad

From: [Jan Karlen Edmondson](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Written comments for Wed. Nov. 30, 2022 PDX City Council Meeting - Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain 112822
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 4:32:07 PM

Date: November 29, 2022

Reference: Portland City Council November 30, 2022 Meeting Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain

Dear Portland City Council Members:

This agenda item is for the purpose to gain easements through negotiation or through the eminent domain process in order for Portland Water Bureau (PWB) to install pipelines to the proposed water filtration plant in East Multnomah County. This proposal is premature and inappropriate for the following reasons:

- PWB has not secured land use approval from Multnomah County. The application that was submitted to Multnomah County Planning earlier this fall has been rejected in that it is incomplete, and remains that way to date.
- PWB has not submitted a land use application to Clackamas County for their access road that will be used for construction vehicles. It is unlikely that this would be approved due to the complex 4-way intersection and congestion.
- Implementing this proposal will be an extreme waste of ratepayer's dollars if this project is not approved.

It appears that this is not yet a viable project based on the current status of required land use applications and is not appropriate to be considered at this time Therefore I oppose the implementation of Item #992.

Respectfully,
John & Janet Edmondson
Carpenter Lane Residents

From: [Mike Dawson](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 5:21:19 PM

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these six property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,

*Mike Dawson
Property owner in rural area west of the Sandy River*

From: alex.l.adams64@gmail.com
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 5:30:30 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,

Alex and Erin Adams

From: [Jennifer Hart](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Nov. 30, 2022 Meeting Agenda Item #992 – Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 5:56:09 PM

Re: Portland City Council Nov. 30, 2022 Meeting Agenda Item #992 – Eminent Domain

Portland City Council Members,

The Portland Water Bureau's Agenda Item #992, proposes to acquire easements through negotiations or eminent domain. This is over reach and PWB is asking for To Much! This tactic has been put before the Portland City Council in 2019, and was not voted on by the sitting Council Members. I hope you do the same on November 30, 2022.

The PWB Application has been reject as incomplete

(<http://www.multco.us/landuse/.document-library-pwb-treatment-plant>), therefore Item #992 is premature.

As Council Members you have taken an oath and have fiduciary responsibilities to the taxpayers and PWB ratepayers. PWB has been known for their over spending and ridiculous projects. Commissioner Mapps Town Halls last winter stated his goal is to "keep water rates flat"! You will never attain your goal when PWB puts the cart before the horse?

I constantly ask when doing projects, "What Possibly Could Go Wrong?" I hope you will do the same.

Regards,

Jennifer Hart

From: [Michelle Ford](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Cc: enzo24hrs@hotmail.com
Subject: Portland city council #992- Eminent Domaine
Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 8:20:05 AM

Portland City Council Members,

I adamantly oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. Currently the water bureau does not have land use approval within Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus do not currently have a viable project. Last night the local fire district again reiterated their lack of support for the safety of this project in our area, their concerns have been filed with the county. My family has lived here for 21 years on Dodge Park, where we moved to be part of a rural community, this project would destroy that for this community. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. In fact, it seems silly as a council removed from the county and city within which we here live, seems inappropriate that you have the power to decide what happens here just because you own land in the area. At a minimum, you can wait until all powers have given permission and approval of land use and this project before attempting to take peoples property through eminent domain laws. Please revisit this agenda item when you have the approval to move forward on a viable project.

Thank you,
Darren and Michelle Ford
36801 SE Dodge Park Blvd, Boring, Or 97009

From: [Constance Diack](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992-Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 8:24:39 PM

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain

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Thank you,

Constance Diack

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From: [kristin.hartman](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland city council agenda item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 8:41:55 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,

Kristin Hartman

From: [Charles M. Martin](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Cc: Martinlegal@cs.com
Subject: Agenda Item #992 Proposed ordinance allowing Portland Water Bureau to exercise City's power of Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 8:56:17 PM

To: Portland City Council members

We ask you to table or vote no on Agenda Item #992, which would allow Portland Water Bureau to condemn land in support of its proposed filtration plant. Granting such authority is premature at best. Whether condemnation powers are used for easement or purchase, individual land owners' property rights will be diminished or eliminated for a project which does not yet have County Land Use approval and may never get it. It also requires the City Council to rubber stamp conclusions presented by Portland Water Bureau which are unsupported. We draw your attention to the following language in the proposed ordinance:

Section 1. The Council finds:

4. The Projects have been planned in accordance with appropriate engineering standards for the construction, maintenance, and improvement of the City's water infrastructure in a way that minimizes property damage and protects the health and safety of City employees and the public. The Projects have been planned, designed, and located in a manner that is most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury.

...the Council directs:

A. the Projects have been planned, designed, located and will be constructed in a manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and least private injury.

Inconsistent with this language which the Council is being asked to adopt are the following facts:

- Internal PWB documents state that one of the factors for choosing the present location, was the fact that it was far from the main population base in Portland in a sparsely populated rural area where public resistance and protest were more likely to be smaller--hardly the Greatest Public Good.
- Greatest public good is not considered when PWB has contracted for environmental analyses that explicitly exclude consideration of any wet lands involved and proposes to locate such a big industrial project using hazardous materials close to residences and schools
- Least private injury has not been considered because the proposed project is in an area with small rural roads that are full of pot holes, cannot stand up to increased industrial traffic and will require small rural fire departments to respond both to increased traffic accidents and potential haz mat situations that they are not equipt to handle. The concerned fire stations will be filing documentation in the Land Use proceedings that address these very real problems.
- Concerned citizens and landowners have not had their concerns accommodated by PWB. While PWB conducted meetings and published what it called "A Good Neighbor " agreement, not a single neighbor signed it. All PWB, no public.

In short, why grant this power to abridge private property rights before Land Use has decided whether this project can go forward as and where planned?

Thank you for your consideration.

Charles and Holly Martin

From: [Cottrell CPO](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: 11/29/22 Agenda #992
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 9:36:01 PM

Portland City Council,

The Cottrell Community Planning Organization represents the Clackamas County community of Cottrell. Many of our landowners will be negatively affected by the construction and operation of Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane.

The Water Bureau does not currently have a viable project with Multnomah County and has yet to submit a complete land use application with Multnomah County Planning Department. However, for three years now the Water Bureau has been terrorizing our community with loud drilling, requests for property access, road closures, etc. Today they are asking permission for temporary and/or permanent easements without land use approval from neither Multnomah and Clackamas counties. This is an inappropriate ask from landowners and it is irresponsible to ask water customers to pay for these easements at fair market value when you are not certain if this project will actually be approved to be built here.

Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Cottrell Community Planning Organization

From: [Andrea Culver](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Agenda #992
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 9:42:25 PM

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval, nor at this time do they even have a completed application with Multnomah County, to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these six property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

*Thank you,
Andrea Culver*

From: [Robert Galasso](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Tuesday, November 29, 2022 9:14:11 PM

November 29, 2022

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain

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Thank you,

Robert Galasso, MD
35715 SE Lusted Rd
Boring, OR 97009
(H) 503-663-2672
(C) 503-539-5233

From: [Jodi Riehl](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 7:21:55 AM

Portland City Council Members,

We oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Thank you,
Jodi and Bob Riehl
Pleasant Home Road
Gresham 97080

From: [Mona Ayles](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 8:19:26 AM

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Thank you,

Mona Ayles
503 789 2233 cell

From: [Susan Swinford](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 10:43:34 AM

RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain

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Thank you,

Susan Swinford
7428 SE Cottrell Rd.
Gresham, OR 97080

From: [Dee White](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: Dee White Testimony Agenda item 992
Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2022 12:22:55 PM
Attachments: [Dee White Testimony Nov 30 2022 eminent domain filtration plant.pdf](#)

Attached. Thank you,
Dee White

Dee White Testimony Nov. 30 2022

Agenda Item 992

My name is Dee White.

This eminent domain agenda item is yet another raw display of the Portland Water Bureau's arrogance and untrustworthiness. It's also the holiday season when Portlanders are even more distracted and anxious than we already are. During these times, the water bureau and the city, always, ALWAYS unleash their calculated moves such as this land grab.

This land grab, which will directly affect 6 property owners in our rural community at the base of Mt Hood, is another example of the water bureau putting the cart before the horse for one of their ill-conceived, misguided and corrupt infrastructure boondoggles that will provide no measurable health benefits as well as skyrocketing, unaffordable water bills for decades to come.

Commissioner Mapps, the Water Bureau's proposed \$1.5 Billion filtration plant with its miles of pipelines is not a viable project and should be terminated.

It has NOT been approved by either Multnomah County or Clackamas County. The land use application was rejected by Multnomah County and is now back at the water bureau for better answers. Unsurprisingly, the application is full of holes because there is so much wrong with what the water bureau is doing here.

The water bureau is gaslighting and bullying the rural communities of Pleasant Home and Cottrell and beyond to get their way. This is a bucolic, rural community, mostly farm and nursery land, with long-time property owners, young working families raising children, retired folks.

Do not think for one second there is not going to be a fight and do not think for one second that the \$6.6 million allocated here is going to cover the cost for this shaky land grab. Much of the ratepayers' \$6.6 million monies will go to the water bureau's lawyers. These property owners along with the entire rural community are fighting for their livelihoods, their property rights, their family's security and their happiness.

Meanwhile, Portland Water Bureau has ongoing high lead in water results. They had a federal lead in water exceedance less than a year ago – the highest level in over 20 years. The 1991 Lead and Copper Rule states lead in tapwater is to be minimized to the greatest extent feasible.

It's 30 years past time that the Portland Water Bureau started following the law, instead of abusing it and harming us, both rural and urban residents.

From: [Dan Tooke](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: RE: Portland City Council Agenda Item #992 - Eminent Domain
Date: Friday, December 2, 2022 6:18:47 PM

Portland City Council Members,

I oppose the Portland Water Bureau's proposed filtration project at Carpenter Lane. The Water Bureau does not have land use approval with Multnomah County to construct or operate this project, thus they do not currently have a viable project. Acquiring temporary and permanent easements with these five property owners for the pipeline and access roads across Multnomah and Clackamas counties at this time is absolutely inappropriate. Please revisit this agenda item when you have approval to move forward and you have a viable project.

Best Regards,
Dan Tooke
Sent from Gmail

From: [Cris Courter](#)
To: [Council Clerk – Testimony](#)
Subject: PWB Request for Eminent Domain
Date: Monday, December 5, 2022 9:52:58 AM

City Council Members : The request by the Portland Water Bureau for Eminent Domain in our community is not appropriate at this time.

They have a very long process ahead of them to obtain the necessary permits to even begin their proposed facility. Why would you grant them something that is so invasive to property owners when they don't have their Land Use permit. There are great obstacles before the PWB that will take a lot of time and there are no guarantees that they will be successful. So granting them something like a eminent domain is certainly putting the cart before the horse. Worse, because it violates the emotional and psychological well being of these propriety owners. Put yourself in their place. How would you feel ? Say NO to their request.

~ Cris Courter
Dodge Park Blvd.
Boring, OR

City Council Meeting - Wednesday November 30, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Agenda No.	First Name	Last Name
992-01	Commissioner Mark	Shull
992-02	Dee	White
992-03	Suzanne	Courter
992-04	Cris	Courter
992-05	Lauren	Courter