

Portland, Oregon

FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT For Council Action Items

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1. Name of Initiator Shannah Anderson		2. Telephone No. 503-823-2605	3. Bureau/Office/Dept. BES/Watershed Services
4a. To be filed (hearing date): 10/5/11	4b. Calendar (Check One) Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and FPD Budget Analyst: 9/19/11
6a. Financial Impact Section: X Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: X Public involvement section completed	

1) Legislation Title: *Authorize Grant Agreements with Columbia Land Trust and SOLV to implement acquisition and restoration activities in the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor as Phase II of a project originally authorized via Ordinance # 180499 (Ordinance)

2) Purpose of the Proposed Legislation: Authorize the City to enter into Grant Agreements with Columbia Land Trust and SOLV that expands acquisition and restoration activities in the Baltimore Woods connectivity corridor.

3) Which area(s) of the city are affected by this Council item? (Check all that apply—areas are based on formal neighborhood coalition boundaries)?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> City-wide/Regional | <input type="checkbox"/> Northeast | <input type="checkbox"/> Northwest | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Northeast | <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast | <input type="checkbox"/> Southwest | <input type="checkbox"/> East |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central City | | | |

FINANCIAL IMPACT

4) Revenue: Will this legislation generate or reduce current or future revenue coming to the City? If so, by how much? If so, please identify the source. NO

5) Expense: What are the costs to the City as a result of this legislation? What is the source of funding for the expense? (Please include costs in the current fiscal year as well as costs in future years. If the action is related to a grant or contract please include the local contribution or match required. If there is a project estimate, please identify the **level of confidence**.)

The Grey to Green Land Acquisition Program is providing \$25,000 of the estimated \$75,000 project cost. Additional funds are being sought from East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation and District and Metro Nature in Neighborhoods. Funds are available in the Sewer System Operating Fund, Bureau of Environmental Services, WBS Elements E08905.

6) Staffing Requirements:

- **Will any positions be created, eliminated or re-classified in the current year as a result of this legislation?** *(If new positions are created please include whether they will be part-time, full-time, limited term, or permanent positions. If the position is limited term please indicate the end of the term.)*
NO
- **Will positions be created or eliminated in *future years* as a result of this legislation?** NO

(Complete the following section only if an amendment to the budget is proposed.)

7) Change in Appropriations *(If the accompanying ordinance amends the budget please reflect the dollar amount to be appropriated by this legislation. Include the appropriate cost elements that are to be loaded by accounting. Indicate "new" in Fund Center column if new center needs to be created. Use additional space if needed.)*

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

[Proceed to Public Involvement Section — REQUIRED as of July 1, 2011]

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

8) Was public involvement included in the development of this Council item (e.g. ordinance, resolution, or report)? Please check the appropriate box below:

☒ **YES:** Please proceed to Question #9.

☐ **NO:** Please, explain why below; and proceed to Question #10.

9) If "YES," please answer the following questions:

a) What impacts are anticipated in the community from this proposed Council item?

The proposed Council item will facilitate partnerships between the City and community organizations on Phase II of an acquisition and restoration project that protects, restores, and stewards a native oak woodland corridor in North Portland. The project entails significant neighborhood involvement and education. Project partners (Friends of Baltimore Woods, Columbia Land Trust, SOLV) will coordinate and implement stakeholder meetings to educate the neighborhood and general public about the Corridor's unique environmental values, conduct outreach to private property owners in the Corridor about existing and upcoming restoration work in the corridor, involve the general public in stewardship activities, and teach residents how to conduct environmentally sensitive landscaping in their yards.

b) Which community and business groups, under-represented groups, organizations, external government entities, and other interested parties were involved in this effort, and when and how were they involved?

Columbia Land Trust	The Columbia Land Trust is and will continue to coordinate land acquisition activities and assist with restoration management in the Baltimore Woods target area. They have been working in the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor since 2008.
SOLV	SOLV will design and oversee restoration activities and volunteer event coordination in Baltimore Woods. They have been working in this area since 2010.
Depave	Depave will partner with BES, SOLV and the Friends of Baltimore Woods to "depave" 2 acres of unessential parking pavement on one of the targeted lots.
Friends of Baltimore Woods	Friends of Baltimore Woods (FOBW) formed in 1998 as a group of neighbors who set out to protect this mature canopy cover between North Baltimore and Catlin streets from increasing pressure of development in the neighborhood. FOBW recruits the volunteer base for work parties and long-term stewardship on the targeted lots.
Portland Parks and Recreation (PPR)	PPR will be the long-term manager for the majority of the targeted taxlots.

c) How did public involvement shape the outcome of this Council item?

The Friends of Baltimore Woods (FOBW) has been an active participant in the development of this land acquisition and restoration effort. FOBW approached the City to become a partner in protecting the unique landscape and cultural features in the neighborhood. The City has been working in concert with the FOBW since 2008.

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d) Who designed and implemented the public involvement related to this Council item?

A public involvement program has not yet been designed for this item, as negotiations are occurring with owners of the targeted lots and are, therefore, confidential. If acquisitions are successful, the Friends of Baltimore Woods will take the lead on outreach regarding the acquisition and restoration project. BES will be involved with any press releases or media events.

e) Primary contact for more information on this public involvement process (name, title, phone, email): Shannah Anderson, Land Conservation Specialist, 503-823-2605,
Shannah.Anderson@portlandoregon.gov

10) Is any future public involvement anticipated or necessary for this Council item? Please describe why or why not. As noted above, once acquisitions are secure, the Friends of Baltimore Woods will be educating the neighborhood and general public about projects in the Baltimore Wood Connectivity Corridor. SOLV will also advertise and lead restoration work parties for the general public.

John 

APPROPRIATION UNIT HEAD (Typed name and signature)



CITY OF PORTLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



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City Council
Agenda Item
Staff Supplemental Report

TO: Commissioner Dan Saltzman
THROUGH: Matt Grumm or Amy Trieu

FROM: Shannah Anderson

DATE: 9/14/11

RE: *Authorize Grant Agreements with Columbia Land Trust and SOLV to implement acquisition and restoration activities in the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor as Phase II of a project originally authorized via Ordinance # 184099 (Ordinance)

Requested Council Hearing Date: October 5, 2011

I. RECOMMENDATION

City Council should pass this ordinance to authorize Grant Agreements with Columbia Land Trust and SOLV to implement Phase II acquisition and restoration activities in the Baltimore Woods connectivity corridor, a target area Council has supported in previous ordinances.

II. BACKGROUND

The City of Portland was awarded a Metro Nature in Neighborhoods grant in the amount of \$158,000 on April 1, 2010. This grant was a joint effort between the Three Rivers Land Conservancy (now the Columbia Land Trust), the Friends of Baltimore Woods, SOLV, and BES. The purpose of the grant was to acquire and restore five key parcels (totaling one acre) within the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor, with the landowner being the City of Portland.

The Grey to Green Land Acquisition Program identified Baltimore Woods as a priority target area for the City of Portland. Grey to Green is a five-year initiative to accelerate existing efforts to restore urban watershed health and protect rivers and streams. Baltimore Woods is a 30-acre woodland and greenspace running between the residential and industrial areas of the neighborhood near the Willamette River and St. Johns. The Corridor serves as a natural buffer, comprised of Oregon white oak and a mix of native and non-native plants. The Corridor also includes a section of proposed trail that would link Cathedral and Pier Parks as part of the proposed North Portland Willamette Greenway and 40-Mile Loop.

The City of Portland is currently partnering with Columbia Land Trust and SOLV through Intergovernmental Agreements (32000469 & 32000485) to implement acquisition and restoration activities on three properties (comprised of 5 parcels), known as Perrin/PMP, Thorp, and Bridgeview in the Baltimore Woods target area. Columbia Land Trust coordinates closing on

the acquisition parcels, develops baseline reports, assists with development of management plans, oversees restoration efforts, and tracks volunteer hours. SOLV engages the Friends of Baltimore Woods, citizens, scouts, school groups and work crews in on-the-ground restoration, maintenance and monitoring. Restoration thus far has included removal of litter/debris, removal of invasive plants, installation of native plants and bank stabilization.

This project expands the scope of work for Columbia Land Trust and SOLV to include an additional nine taxlots in the Corridor, which face various levels of development pressure and contain important historic oak woodland habitat types. The parcels have been targeted for natural area acquisition and restoration because they provide valuable wildlife and ecosystem benefits and represent one of the most intact undeveloped north-south corridors in North Portland. The undeveloped buffer also protects the nearby Willamette River by filtering stormwater from the Cathedral Park neighborhood, and offers a natural experience to future walkers and bikers of the Willamette Greenway.

Both Columbia Land Trust and SOLV are highly invested in the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor through their work on the parcels noted above (Perrin/PMP, Thorp, and Bridgeview) as well as through neighborhood involvement/education throughout the Corridor. Columbia Land Trust will perform a variety of acquisition and restoration activities including coordinating land acquisition transactions and developing management plans for acquired parcels. SOLV will organize and lead community work parties to remove invasive species, install native vegetation, remove litter/debris, and stabilize banks.

III. FINANCIAL IMPACT

The Grant Agreements with Columbia Land Trust, SOLV, and Depave total \$25,000. Columbia Land Trust will invoice BES three times annually, each year, for a total of \$15,000. SOLV will invoice BES twice annually, each year, for a total of \$10,000. Funds are available in the Sewer Operating Fund, Bureau of Environmental Services, E08905.

IV. LEGAL ISSUES

None anticipated

V. CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES

None anticipated

VI. LINK TO CURRENT CITY POLICIES

The enhancement work to be performed at the Baltimore Woods Connectivity Corridor Project is consistent with the City's policies as put forth in the Endangered Species Program, the Clean River Plan, City of Portland Watershed Management Plan, City of Portland Invasive Plant Strategy, City of Portland's Sustainable Principles, and the River Renaissance effort.

VII. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

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VIII. OTHER GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION

Portland Parks and Recreation	Acquisition funding and management partner
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IX. FINANCIAL IMPACT ON LOCAL ECONOMY

IF APPLICABLE, PROVIDE INFORMATION ON ESTIMATED NUMBER OF JOBS CREATED BY THIS ACTION

IF THIS ACTION IS CONTRACT-RELATED, PROVIDE INFORMATION ON M/W/ESB PARTICIPATION (NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE)

- X. IF THIS IS A CONTRACT, DOES CONTRACTOR HAVE A CURRENT BUSINESS LICENSE? ____ WHAT IS THEIR BUSINESS LICENSE NUMBER? ____ IS THEIR ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY CURRENT? ____ IF NOT, HOW MUCH IS OWING? ____