

## ORDINANCE No. 186565

\*Accept and appropriate a grant in the amount of \$14,040 from Oregon Parks & Recreation Department to restore the Wildwood Trailheads off NW Germantown Rd. in Forest Park.

The City of Portland ordains:

### Section 1. The Council finds

1. Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) applied to Oregon Parks & Recreation Department (OPRD) for a grant in the amount of \$14,040 to restore the Wildwood Trailheads off of NW Germantown Rd. in Forest Park on January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013; and
2. OPRD notified the City of Portland in an award letter on September, 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013 that it was awarded a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant to restore the Wildwood Trailheads off of NW Germantown Rd. in Forest Park to PP&R Bureau in the amount of \$14,040; and
3. The Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project (hereinafter referred to as "The Project") will improve connectivity along Wildwood Trail which links to culturally-significant landmarks including Pittock Mansion, the Stone House, Hoyt Arboretum, Vietnam Veterans' Memorial, and the Japanese Garden, as well as trail routes along the Columbia River to Gresham, through SE Portland, along the Willamette Greenway, and back to Marquam Trail in SW Portland; and
4. The Project will improve the experience of park users through the installation of boulders and native plant material to create a more natural, aesthetically-pleasing site, and the installation of way-finding signs to help park users navigate Wildwood Trail; and
5. The Project will improve ecological conditions of the site for the benefit of wildlife by following the recommendations of a City Nature West Natural Areas Ecologist, removing existing debris including 380 feet of deteriorating creosote-treated bumper logs which leach toxins into the surrounding natural area, installing 200 native plants, and removing invasive-exotic plant species; and
6. The Project will address safety concerns present at mile point 24.6 of Wildwood Trail, where it intersects with NW Germantown Rd through the restoration of a 350-foot section of Wildwood Trail to redirect users along a safer, more visible route, the installation of four Portland Bureau of Transportation pedestrian crossing signs, the repaving of trail to address water slickness, and the installation of six Wildwood Trail signs and boulders to guide park users across the road; and
7. The Project occurs on Wildwood Trail, a National Recreational Trail. This trail has been designated as an exemplary trail of local and regional significance and is recognized as providing "...numerous outdoor recreation activities in a variety of urban, rural, and remote areas," by the National Recreational Trails Program; and
8. The Oregon Statewide Trails Inventory Project prepared for Oregon Parks and Recreation Department identifies Wildwood Trail as a Non-Motorized Trail of Statewide Significance, "forming a network and making connections beyond local and regional boundaries;" and

9. The Project will occur on a section of the 220 miles of trails maintained by PP&R and upon project completion, will continue to be maintained by PP&R approximately 16-24 hours per year. Project partner, Forest Park Conservancy, will also dedicate time to monitoring the site; and
10. The Project has been identified on the PP&R Trails Program Trail Matrix as highest priority, due to safety concerns present at the site; and
11. The Project site is in need of restoration due erosion taking place on portions of the trail, which has contributed to unsafe, slippery conditions. Restoring the trail surface will bring this section of Wildwood Trail up to standards suitable for public use; and
12. As part of the Natural Areas Resource Plan developed in 2010, Forest Park Central is recognized as “Healthy” and as having “High Natural Resource Function and Value,” making it a top priority for conservation initiatives under the Natural Area Management Priority Matrix; and
13. The Project will meet the needs of multiple user groups, including runners, hikers, naturalists, school groups, and bird-watchers, all of whom require good access to the trail and natural areas, as well as a safe crossing; and
14. The trail will be restored sustainably to allow for an increase in users without detriment to the surrounding ecosystem, utilizing practices like aligning the trail with the natural topography, locally-sourcing materials, and installing rolling dips; and
15. The Project fits within the Parks 2020 Vision theme of “Maintaining what we have.” This project will bring this site up to higher standards so that PP&R can better maintain Wildwood Trail; and
16. The Project fits within the Parks 2020 Vision theme of “Providing access to nature.” With its interconnectedness, Wildwood Trail provides thousands of park users access to nature, many of whom access the trail from the Wildwood Trailheads off of NW Germantown Road and
17. The Project fits within the Parks 2020 Vision theme of “Developing inter-generational community centers in all areas of the city.” This project makes it easier and safer for park users to travel Wildwood Trail, which connects to many community centers and sites of cultural importance; and
18. The Project fits within the Parks 2020 Vision theme of “Ensuring safe places for kids.” Increasing visibility for pedestrians and addressing slickness issues on the trail, this project will make Wildwood Trailheads safer for all park users; and
19. The grant from OPRD requires a minimum of 20% match. PP&R will surpass this requirement by providing match through PP&R staff labor, volunteer labor, and donated materials from Forest Park Conservancy and Portland Bureau of Transportation. PP&R match equals approximately \$10,400; and
20. PP&R has the capacity and knowledge to complete this project with project supporters, but requires the financial support from an outside funder.

NOW THEREFORE, The Council directs:

- a. The Mayor is hereby authorized to accept on behalf of the City of Portland a grant from the OPRD to restore the Wildwood Trailheads off of NW Germantown Rd. in Forest Park in the amount of \$14,040 and to execute the grant agreement attached as Exhibit A.

- b. The FY 2013/2014 budget is hereby amended as follows:

GRANTS FUND

Fund 217

Business Area – PK

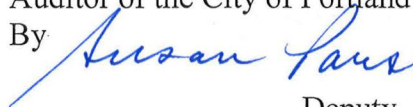
Bureau Program Expenses— \$14,040

- c. The Office of Management & Finance Grants Office is authorized to perform all administrative matters in relation to the grant application, grant agreement or amendments, requests for reimbursement from the grantor, and to submit required online grant documents on the Mayor's behalf.
- d. The Director of PP&R of the City of Portland is authorized to accept on behalf of the City of Portland any subsequent modifications by OPRD RTP, for RT13-004 Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project, provided such modifications do not increase the City of Portland's financial obligation or risk. Any modifications that increase the City of Portland's financial obligation or risk must be authorized by the Portland City Council.

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because a delay would unnecessarily delay the City's ability to perform the activities authorized by the grant. Therefore this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council: MAY 14 2014

Commissioner Amanda Fritz  
Prepared by: Shelly Hunter/Greg Hawley  
April 14, 2014

**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By   
Deputy

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<p><b>INTRODUCED BY</b>          Commissioner/Auditor:  <b>FRITZ</b></p>	<p><b>CLERK USE: DATE FILED</b> <u>MAY 09 2014</u></p>
<p><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz <i>Amended Fritz</i></p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade          Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <i>[Signature]</i> Deputy</p>
<p><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Bureau: Portland Parks &amp; Recreation          Bureau Head: Mike Abbate <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Prepared by: Shelly Hunter/Greg Hawley          Date Prepared: 4/14/2014</p> <p>Financial Impact &amp; Public Involvement Statement          Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Portland Policy Document          If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document.          Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Council Meeting Date  <b>May 14, 2014</b></p>	<p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b></p>
<p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b>          required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter</p>	

<b>AGENDA</b>
<p><b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: _____</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____          (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p><b>CONSENT</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Novick	4. Novick	✓	
Hales	Hales	✓	