

Nearly 40 years ago when Tom McCall was Governor, I moved to Oregon from Colo. I was immediately taken with the raw beauty and abundance of natural resources that make Oregon and Portland so wonderfully livable.

Growth is inevitable. The NW and Portland in particular is a destination of choice for future relocation on the West Coast. It isn't IF but HOW we grow as a state and a city. Several weeks ago Mayor Hales spoke of people who had given him a vision of what was around the corner pertaining to expected growth and how thankful he was of those resources.

Call on those same resources and ask them how we will fund, recruit and train a police force that mirrors and respects the cultural and gender diversity we need to embrace as we grow. I am aware that all of these things cost \$ and that these are not our only problems. I speak to you today because of 1<sup>st</sup> hand experience, living on the bluff and having to deal with high crime rate and grossly inadequate police power in the N/NE precinct to handle the massive workload in our city.

We also have to prioritize a clean and healthy environment. Portland is faced with unique problems in areas where industry and neighborhood coexist. Growth must be accompanied by exemplary air and water standards that exceed Federal EPA standards, many of which are outdated and fail to incorporate newly available technologies. We can't allow job creation to be our sole focus at the expense of the quality of life that our existing population deserves and our future inhabitants desire.

In particular, Swan Island needs to be scrutinized as more than just an employment opportunity. Do we really want to sacrifice quality of life for thousands of people in the NW and the N Peninsula neighborhoods for the sake of dozens of jobs for

Daimler Benz on Swan Island (as well as giving them millions of dollars in tax breaks)? Vigor Industries, on the other hand, should be singled out for making a voluntary effort to exceed environmental pollution standards in establishing a Good Neighbor Agreement with North Portland neighbors. They realize we all live and work in the same city and must respect the desire for a shared clean, livable environment.

If you drive north on Greeley Ave you will see a sign that says: "Welcome to the Peninsula, Gateway to Nature". That sign should be replaced with a warning of "proceed with caution, poor air and water quality ahead." I breathe the air and hesitate to enter the waters that are so paramount to a healthy environment. The City of Portland must take steps to improve our basic rights to clean air and water.

You have many challenges ahead of you. As we grow please promote the safe and healthy environmental values Portlanders hold dear. Without them, our future will not be bright.

## Parsons, Susan

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**Subject:** FW: Council Clerk/ Contracts = Communication 11-19

**From:** Stan Nowack [mailto:thammer503@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 25, 2014 10:14 AM  
**To:** Parsons, Susan  
**Subject:** Re: Council Clerk/ Contracts = Communication 11-19

Thanks for your quick response.

I wish to address the council regarding more funding for the Portland Police Dept. to address the problems we have with nuisance houses in Portland.

Related to that, the Multnomah County DA's office is also understaffed and underfunded making it very difficult for these two organizations to jointly be successful in solving problems that will only increase with the projected population growth in the Portland Metro area over the next 5 years.

The 19th would be good.

Thanks  
Stan Nowack

On Thursday, September 25, 2014 8:58 AM, "Parsons, Susan" <[Susan.Parsons@portlandoregon.gov](mailto:Susan.Parsons@portlandoregon.gov)> wrote:  
Hello Stan,

Thank you for your voice mail--and email. Yes, this is the correct email address for signing up for a Communication on the Council Agenda.

Our next openings are Nov 12 and 19. Will either of those dates work for you?  
Please send a sentence or two on your topic.

Here is further information for you on the Communications portion of the agenda:

- \* You will have three minutes to address the Council and may also submit written material (please provide seven copies).
- \* We start the meeting at 9:30 and Communications are the first item on the agenda.
- \* Please note communications allow the Council to hear issues that interest our citizens, but do not allow an opportunity for dialogue.
- \* The Council meeting takes place at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Ave., 2nd Floor, Council Chambers.

Thank you.  
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**From:** Stan Nowack [mailto:thammer503@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 25, 2014 8:39 AM  
**To:** Parsons, Susan  
**Subject:** Council Clerk/ Contracts

I would like to sign up to speak at City council. Is this the correct email address.

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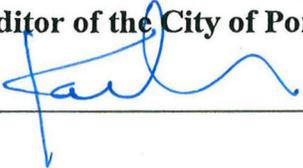
Request of Stan Nowack to address Council regarding nuisance houses  
(Communication)

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