

Portland, Oregon

FINANCIAL IMPACT and PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT STATEMENT For Council Action Items

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4a. To be filed (hearing date): May 14 th , 2014	4b. Calendar (Check One) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/5ths <input type="checkbox"/> </div>		5. Date Submitted to Commissioner's office and CBO Budget Analyst: 4/23/2014
6a. Financial Impact Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Financial impact section completed		6b. Public Involvement Section: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public involvement section completed	

1) Legislation Title:

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

2) Purpose of the Proposed Legislation:

Authorizes Portland Parks & Recreation to accept and appropriate a \$14,040 grant from OPRD to restore the Wildwood Trailheads off of NW Germantown Rd in Forest Park.

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northwest | <input 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 year, including Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs, if known, and estimates, if not known. 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 grant from OPRD requires a minimum 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.

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.)*

[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.

Wildwood Trail is a heavily used trail. This grant is for maintenance and restoration and does not involve adding or removing assets that would involve public input. The public has however fully supported the maintenance of this trail and removal of invasive species.

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

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

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?

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

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

e) Primary contact for more information on this public involvement process (name, title, phone, email):

10) Is any future public involvement anticipated or necessary for this Council item? Please describe why or why not.

- a. PP&R will work with volunteers and Northwest Youth Corps participants to install and mulch approximately 200 native plants surrounding the trailheads.
- b. PP&R will work with Northwest Youth Corps to remove invasive species along the trail.

Jeff Shaffer, Finance Manager

APPROPRIATION UNIT HEAD (Typed name and signature)



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ORDINANCE COVER SHEET

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

Today's Date: April 14, 2014

Expected Date to Council: May 14, 2014

Preparer's Name: Shelly Hunter/Greg Hawley

Manager's Name: Astrid Dragoy

Tier One Manager's signature: 

If this is an Agreement, a Contract, or a Contract amendment, has it been "Approved as to Form" by the City Attorney? Yes

Will this be on **Regular** or **Consent** agenda? Consent

1. Background

Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) applied to 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 17th, 2013. Subsequently, OPRD notified the City of Portland in an award letter on September, 20th, 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. Wildwood Trail is located within Portland, Oregon's Forest Park, a 5,100-acre natural area within city limits. Wildwood Trail is 30.15 miles long and links to culturally-significant landmarks including Pittock Mansion, the Stone House, Hoyt Arboretum, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Japanese Garden. From Wildwood Trail, park users can access trail routes along the Columbia River to Gresham, through southeast Portland, along the Willamette Greenway, and back to Marquam Trail in southwest Portland. The Wildwood Trail Restoration Project has three main components.

Goal 1: Improve the experience of park users.

Objectives:

- a. PP&R will replace bumper logs with boulders to create a natural and aesthetically-pleasing boundary between the parking area and the trail.
- b. PP&R will work with Forest Park Conservancy to install one wayfinding sign at the Trailheads to make it easier for park users to navigate Wildwood Trail.

- c. PP&R will install attractive native plant material to improve the appearance of the site.
- d. PP&R will continue to work with Portland Bureau of Transportation, which manages the right-of-way 20 feet from the road.

Goal 2: Improve ecological conditions of the site for the benefit of wildlife.

Objectives:

- a. PP&R will enlist the City Nature West Natural Areas Ecologist to ensure all trail work abides by PP&R's ecological standards.
- b. PP&R will remove existing debris at the Wildwood Trailheads site, including approximately 380 feet of deteriorating creosote-treated "bumper logs" that line the parking area and trail and leach toxins into the surrounding natural area.
- c. PP&R will cut and safely dispose the bumper logs at a hazardous waste facility in Hillsboro, Oregon.
- d. PP&R will work with volunteers and Northwest Youth Corps participants to install and mulch approximately 200 native plants surrounding the trailheads. The plant list will be chosen by PP&R City Nature West Natural Areas Ecologist to be appropriate for the site and benefit native pollinators and other wildlife.
- e. PP&R will work with Northwest Youth Corps to remove invasive species including Himalayan Blackberry and English ivy, along the trail.

Goal 3: Address safety concerns present at mile point 24.6 of Wildwood Trail, where it intersects with NW Germantown Rd., which has a 40-mile per hour speed limit.

Objectives:

- a. PP&R will restore a 350-foot section of trail that connects portions of Wildwood Trail along a Germantown Road parking area, redirecting park users along the safer, more visible designated route and discouraging parking lot cut-throughs.
- b. PP&R will work with the Portland Bureau of Transportation to have four pre-approved pedestrian crossing signs installed, two in advance of the crossing, and two at the crossing, visible to drivers.
- c. PP&R will properly grade the trail and add gravel to the native soil to address water issues and slickness that occur with rainfall at this heavy-use site.
- d. PP&R will install six Wildwood Trail signs and boulders to guide park users across the road.

2. **Financial Impact**

The grant from OPRD requires a minimum 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.

3. **Controversial and/or legal issues**

None anticipated

4. **Link to current City policies**

The Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project is identified as a “Level 1”, top priority in the Trails Matrix developed by the PP&R Trails Program. 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. The Plan was developed by PP&R and partnering agencies as part of the Parks Vision 2020, which aims to “preserve, protect, and restore Portland’s natural resources.” The Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project contributes to the conservation initiatives set forth by many other programs including the Forest Park Ecological Prescriptions developed with Forest Park Conservancy, and the Forest Park Natural Resources Management Plan.

The Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project meets many goals and objectives of the Parks 2020 Vision, including;

- a. Ensure Portland’s park and recreation legacy for future generation;
 - Develop fully programmed, fully operational, and well-maintained parks, facilities and programs that meet both current and future park and recreation needs.
 - Increase to 90% the proportion of the public who feel parks’ overall quality is good or very good.
- b. Create an interconnected regional and local system of paths and walks to make Portland “The Walking City of the West”
 - Provide safe and convenient access between parks, natural areas and recreation facilities and connect them with residential areas, civic institutions and businesses.
 - Develop convenient appropriate access to major natural resource areas.
 - Finish building the 40-Mile Loop Trail system including the Columbia Slough, Willamette Greenway, Springwater Corridor and Fanno Creek Greenway sections.
- c. Preserve, protect and restore Portland’s natural resources to provide “Nature in the City”.
 - Protect, expand and restore interconnected ecosystems and wildlife corridors.
 - Increase the proportion of residents who think PP&R is doing a good job of preserving natural areas in the City.

The Wildwood Trailheads Restoration Project also fits with the four main themes in the Parks 2020 Vision;

- d. Maintaining what we have;
 - this project will bring this site up to higher standards so that PP&R can better maintain Wildwood Trail. E.
- e. Providing access to nature; with its great 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.

- f. Developing inter-generational community centers in all areas of the city; while this project does not directly contribute to the development of community centers, it does make it easier and safer for park users to travel Wildwood Trail, which connects to many community centers and sites of cultural importance.
- g. Ensuring safe places for kids; by creating a more visible pedestrian crossing and addressing slickness issues on the trail, this project will make Wildwood Trailheads safer for all park users, including children.

5. **Citizen participation**

City Nature West will work with citizens during volunteer plantings and invasive-exotic plant removal, taking place at the proposed project site. As a popular site, the Wildwood Trailheads will provide a safer park experience to thousands of citizens per year.

6. **Other government participation**

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.