Halprin Landscape Conservancy

To Activate Improve and Maintain the Portland Open Space Sequence

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The Halprin Landscape Conservancy (HLC) is a non-profit organization devoted to the restoration and stewardship of the Halprin Open Space Sequence: Source Fountain, Lovejoy Fountain, Pettygrove Park and Forecourt Fountain (Keller). Since this area is included in the West Quadrant Plan, Central City 2035, the HLC Board would like to make the following comments. The Board:

- Would like to know if the same sunlight exposure regulations—ie, building shadows cast on the solstice—for Pioneer Courthouse Square and Portland Center Park will be applied to any new development affecting the Halprin Open Space Sequence parks and fountains. If this provision is not already in place, please inform the Board on how best to affect this change.
- Believes the public view of Mount Hood from the SW corner of Lovejoy Fountain should be considered in the city's view shed study. Please let the Board know what it needs to do to accomplish that.
- Applauds RC6 that would develop regulatory tools to extend connectivity, tree canopy, and open spaces from the Halprin Open Space Sequence to neighboring areas of the community. Furthermore, the Board hopes these concepts will be incorporated into the development of University Place (RC5). The Board would like to work with planners and developers to ensure a thoughtful, easily navigatible connection with the Sequence.
- Hopes that any development of a Green Loop concept will include signage and promotional materials for the Green Loop that include the Halprin parks and fountains as one option for walking this section of the city.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important Plan.

Sincerely,

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TO:Portland Planning & Sustainability CommissionFROM:Halprin Landscape Conservancy BoardSUBJECT:West Quadrant Plan, Central City 2035

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