

COUNCIL WORK SESSION

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 1:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Rick Scholl Council President Doug Morten Councilor Patrick Birkle Councilor Stephen R. Topaz Councilor Jessica Chilton

LOCATION & CONTACT:

HYBRID: Council Chambers & Zoom (details below). Website | <u>www.sthelensoregon.gov</u> Email | <u>kpayne@sthelensoregon.gov</u> Phone | 503-397-6272 Fax | 503-397-4016

AGENDA

CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

VISITOR COMMENTS - Limited to five (5) minutes per speaker

DISCUSSION TOPICS - The Council will take a break around 3:00 p.m

- 1. Semi-Annual Report from Columbia Economic Team (CET) Paul Vogel, Executive Director
- 2. Review Community Grant Applications Received
- 3. Potential Right of Way Dedication off Barr Avenue Jacob
- 4. Discussion of "Alterations" to the Courthouse Plaza, a Designated Landmark Jacob
- 5. Review Draft Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Riverfront Development John
- 6. City Administrator Report John Walsh

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Following the conclusion of the Council Work Session, an Executive Session is scheduled to take place to discuss:

- Real Property Transactions, under ORS 192.660(2)(e); and
- Consult with Counsel/Potential Litigation, under ORS 192.660(2)(h).

Representatives of the news media, staff and other persons as approved, shall be allowed to attend the Executive Session. All other members of the audience are asked to leave the Council Chambers.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- February 16, 1:00PM, Council Work Session, Council Chambers/Zoom
- February 16, 6:30PM, Council Public Hearing, Council Chambers/Zoom
- February 16, 7:00PM, Council Regular Session, Council Chambers/Zoom
- February 21, President's Day, All City Offices Closed

Future Public Hearing(s)/Forum(s):

- PH: February 16, 6:30PM, Annexation of 12 acres at Pittsburg Rd & Meadowview Dr (Morain)

VIRTUAL MEETING DETAILS

Join: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86493803866?pwd=S3JUREJ4SW9jdXZsVmRiWW1mSUtoQT09

Meeting ID: 864 9380 3866

Passcode: 145658

Dial: 669-900-9128

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For more information or for an application, stop by City Hall or call 503-366-8217.

Council Action Sheet

To: Mayor and City Council Members

From: Kathy Payne Human Resources Coordinator/City Recorder

Date: February 16, 2022

Subject: Community Grant Requests



Background

Twice a year (January & July), the City Council accepts applications from local non-profits for projects/activities that benefit the citizens of St. Helens. Last time, the Council awarded \$4,500 to nine organizations (\$500 each).

This time, we received six applications requesting a total of \$16,054.70.

As of February 8, 2022, the City Council has a \$3,945 balance in your Community Support Funds budget. Please keep in mind that this fund is used for other expenses than just the grants. For instance, the If I Were Mayor Contest (March/April) and Citizens Day in the Park event (June 25) are funded through this fund. Last year's If I Were Mayor expenses were \$916 and the Citizens Day in the Park were about \$1,000. The Citizens Day in the Park expense came out of this year's budget because it was held August 7.

Recommendation

Staff recommends reviewing each application and consider donating money not to exceed \$1,500 total to allow some funds to be saved for the If I Were Mayor Contest and Citizens Day in the Park event and any other small expenses that need to be made from that account.

Attachments:

Community Grant Requests Spreadsheet Applications

Community Grant Requests Spreadsheet

			Item #2.				
Applicant	Type of Organization	Project Name	Total Budget for this Project	Last Project Report Received?	Amount of Request	Qualified Y/N	Amount Awarded
Columbia Community Mental Health	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Team H.O.W. (Honesty/Openness/Willingness) Jordan Center Outreach	\$684.70	N/A	\$684.70	Y	
Columbia County Habitat for Humanity	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Homeownership Center/Admin Office	\$47,000.00	N/A	\$2,000.00	Y	
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Miscellaneous needs (see application)	\$7,000.00	N/A	\$7,000.00	Y	
Riverside Community Outreach	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Foster Family Appreciation Event	\$13,509.00	N/A	\$1,000.00	Y	
Tumblewheel Studios	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Teen Mentor Program	\$6,365.90	N/A	\$4,870.00	Y	
Jnited Way of Columbia County	Non-Profit 501(c)(3)	Dolly Parton's Imagination Library	\$42,950.00	N/A	\$500.00	Y	
	 		Total Amour	nt Requested:	\$16,054.70		
				FIN/	AL Amount A	warded:	\$0.00

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APPLICATION FOR NON-PROFIT TO RECORDER REQUEST GRANT FROM CITY

City of St. Helens * 265 Strand Street * St. Helens, OR 97051 City Contact: Kathy Payne 503.366.8217

DEADLINE: Monday, February 7, 2022, 5PM

Applicant/Organization Name: Bradley Viles / CCMH Project Title: TEAM H. D.W. Joydan Center Dutreach

	Organization Inform	nation
Organization Type: Mus	t be a local St. Helens non-profit.	Federal Tax ID No: 930644303
Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type	center where we r clients w/ mental he	CCMH runs the Jordan hold multiple groups for alth or addiction issues. We g center for un-sheltered folks

Authorized Signer	Phone: 503-438-2201
Print Name: TODD JACOBSON	Fax: 503-397.5373
Title: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONH	
Street Address: 58646 MC NULTY WAY ST. HELENS OR 97051	Mailing Address: 58646 MCNULTY WAY ST. HELENS OR 9705/
Contact Person	Phone: 971-977-4890
Print Name: Bradley Viles	Fax: 503-397-5373
Title: Team HOW	Email: bradleyb@CCMH1.com
Street Address: 58646 McNully Way St. Helens OR 97051	Mailing Address: 58646 McNulty Way St. Helens OR 97051
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Please provide an explanation of what your organization provides as a good or service or both to meet the needs of St. Helens residents and note exactly how many residents that live inside the city limits of St. Helens are benefitted. (*This is not project-specific; this is specific to your organization.*)

Please see attached form:

Attach additional pages if needed.

Item #2.

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Budget Line-item	City Funds	*Non-City Funds	Agency Contribution	Total
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Totals	\$	\$	\$	\$

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
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Total	\$	

Detailed Project Description Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project

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Detailed Proposed Solution Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need					
Please	see	attached	pages		

Attach additional pages if needed.

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General Certification

I certify that to the best of my knowledge all information contained in this document and any attached supplements, is valid and accurate.

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Signature (must be Board Chair, President or other apthorized a antra Title Date

Explanation of Requests:

Currently at the Jordan Center we see approximately 3 to 5 individuals who identify as homeless weekly. We currently have multiple groups we run to help individuals struggling with mental health issues, homelessness, addictions issues, or fleeing domestic violence to connect with Columbia Counties different resources. We connect the clients to different teams within CCMH, sign them up for housing at CAT, help them gain insurance and food benefits, and overall meet the clients needs where they are at. We try to empower the clients to want to make a change in their own lives and do our best to guide them and walk with them through those steps. Our team also shares our lived experience as Peer Support Specialists to get the clients to a safe place in their own lives.

Currently we offer approximately 10 tents/ tarps/ sleeping bags a month to clients who do not have housing or shelter. We are helping about 50% of those clients achieve long term housing within the first 3 to 5 months. We currently rely on donations and get help from Community Action Team and Grace Baptist Church for these items. We provide a safe place to stay warm for our homeless mental health drop-in center clients, help with food, gain trust, and help the clients get into groups while connecting them to those resources. We also help with employment which brings its own struggles. We help the clients get work clothes and access a shower in a different CCMH building for clients who are unsheltered. We try to provide all the hygiene items necessary to do so and what we are asking you for are some of the items we don't currently receive in donations. Please see attached for a Budget Proposal:

Budget Line	City Funds	Non-City Funds	Agency Funds	Total
LHLHO 2 Person	\$36.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$36.99
Pop Up Tent			Kind Funds	
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LHLHO 2 Person	\$36.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$36.99
Pop Up Tent			Kind Funds	
LHLHO 2 Person	\$36.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$36.99
Pop Up Tent			Kind Funds	
Friendriver XL	\$23.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$23.99
Camp Sleeping			Kind Funds	
Bags				
Friendriver XL	\$23.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$23.99
Camp Sleeping			Kind Funds	
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Friendriver XL	\$23.99	N/A	Donations/ In	\$23.99
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Friendriver XL Camp Sleeping Bags	\$23.99	N/A	Donations/ In Kind Funds	\$23.99
12 Steps Workbooks for Recovering Alcoholics	\$8.99 Requesting ZO books	N/A	Donations/ In Kind Funds	\$179.80
\$10 Walmart Gift Cards (Client supplies, clothing, and hygiene items)	\$10 Requesting 20 Gift Cards	N/A	Donations/ In Kind Funds	\$200.00

Complete Request Total: \$684.70

Explain non-city funds:

CCMH rents the Jordan Center space which is operated as a peer drop in center for people experiencing mental health or substance use problems. The Jordan Center does not generate income. We use donations we gather from community members to support client needs and for group-related supplies. We often interact with individuals who are unsheltered. We are only asking for items we don't receive consistently in donations and where we do not have enough resources to meet the needs.

Detailed Project Description:

Tents/ Sleeping bags will only be distributed by an employee of the Jordan Center/ CCMH, and only used for unsheltered individuals who are accessing our peer drop-in center. We would use the 12 step guidebooks for clients interested in finding recovery and dealing with dual diagnosis (mental health and addictions) issues. We often have clients come in without shoes, socks, food, and don't always have what they need in donations. We would use the Walmart gift cards to buy clients the items we do not have in our donations when they need them. Those funds would be administered and tracked by employees who would accompany clients to Walmart to purchase items, to avoid misuse of the gift cards.

Detailed Proposed Solutions:

Getting these items would help our clients who come into our drop-in center struggling with homelessness by giving them a safe temporary shelter. It would help us keep the clients in 1 location long enough to connect them to housing, long term shelter options, and other resources. Another goal would be to reduce unnecessary contact with law enforcement or hospitalizations. Working in addictions and with a mental health drop-in center we've come to see that clients who come into groups without shelter are usually mentally having such a tougher time. We've all come to realize shelter has possibly been the most important part. Being able to give a client temporary shelter when leaving the Jordan Center usually helps us keep the client coming back and engaging in mental health and addictions groups while working on their recovery.

Total Request Amount:

\$684.70

Item #2.

Thank you,

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APPLICATION FOR NON-PROFIT TO REQUEST GRANT FROM CITY

City of St. Helens * 265 Strand Street * St. Helens, OR 97051

City Contact: Kathy Payne 503.366.8217

DEADLINE: Monday, February 7, 2022, 5PM

Applicant/Organization Name: Columbia County Habitat for Humanity

Project Title: Homeownership Center/Admin Office

Organization Information				
Organization Type: Mus	t be a local St. Helens non-profit.	Federal Tax ID No: 93-1264491		
 Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type 	building access ramps and home repair als	ities for low and very-low income families. Other services such as o benefit low-income seniors and disabled veterans. CCHFH is a matched savings programs to help low income people pay for		

Authorized Signer	Phone: 971-203-0020		
Print Name: Boyd Ruby	Fax:		
Title: President	Email: info@habitatcolumbiacounty.org		
Street Address: 164 Little Street St. Helens, OR 97051	Mailing Address: PO Box 921 St. Helens, OR 97051		
Contact Person	Phone: 971-374-7788		
Print Name: Jennifer Anderson	Fax:		
Title: Executive Director	Email: info@habitatcolumbiacounty.org		
Street Address: 164 Little Street St. Helens, OR 97051	Mailing Address: PO Box 921 St. Helens, OR 97051		

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CCHFH builds 1 to 2 homes a year for low income families and individuals and 4 or more access ramps for seniors or disabled veterans. CCHFH also assists low income families obtain affordable mortgages and/or down payment assistance even outside of the new home construction program. Facilitating home buyer and financial education is key to ensuring success for our home buyers. The CCHFH ReStore in St. Helens offers opportunity to buy discounted furniture, appliances and building materials which provides funds for building. Since opening in 2013, the ReStore has expanded its value to the community by adding court-ordered community service opportunities, Experience Works jobs for people 55 and older, as well as volunteer opportunities for developmentally disabled adults and high school groups. The ReStore diverts 180 tons of material from the landfill annually and collects metal for recycling. The ReStore is a key player in Community Clean Up Day. Although CCHFH is a county-wide organization, 80 percent of the homes and almost half of the ramps and critical home repair project have been completed in St. Helens.

Attach additional pages if needed.

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Detailed Proposed Project Budget Including money leveraged from other sources for this project					
Budget Line-itemCity Funds*Non-City FundsAgency ContributionTotal					
Construction of offices, meeting room and handicap accessible bathroom.	\$2,000	\$ 5,000	\$40,000	\$47,000	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Totals	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$40,000	\$47,000	

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
CRPUD	\$ 5,000	Potential Source
	\$	
Total	\$ 5,000	

Detailed Project Description

Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project

Currently people seeking assistance need to walk through the ReStore's front building, across a courtyard with an uneven surface and halfway through the warehouse to the office. This makes it difficult for seniors to get help with applications for services. The current office is so small that part time staff currently share a workstation and there is no meeting area for applicants. The goal of the proposed project is to put our mission up front and center and build our capacity to serve the community.

With the high visibility of this new space, we expect to be assisting 50 to 100 people annually. With assistance from the City, we will be able to complete this project without taking away funds from our active build site located in St. Helens.

Project Funding

\$14,500 Insurance money from customer driving into the building

\$20,000 Anonymous Donor

\$5,500 Donated Material and labor

- \$2,000 City of St. Helens grant
- \$5,000 CRPUD grant

Detailed Proposed Solution

Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need

We are currently working on this project. The framing is nearly complete. See attached design donated by Akaan Architecture. Some donated material has been obtained: Sheetrock from US Gypsum, Doors from OMIC, Paint from Valspar. Harvest Construction, Bob Cohen and Dick King have donated labor for demolition and framing.

The increase in building materials has created a need for more funding for this project. A grant from the City of St. Helens would be very much appreciated.

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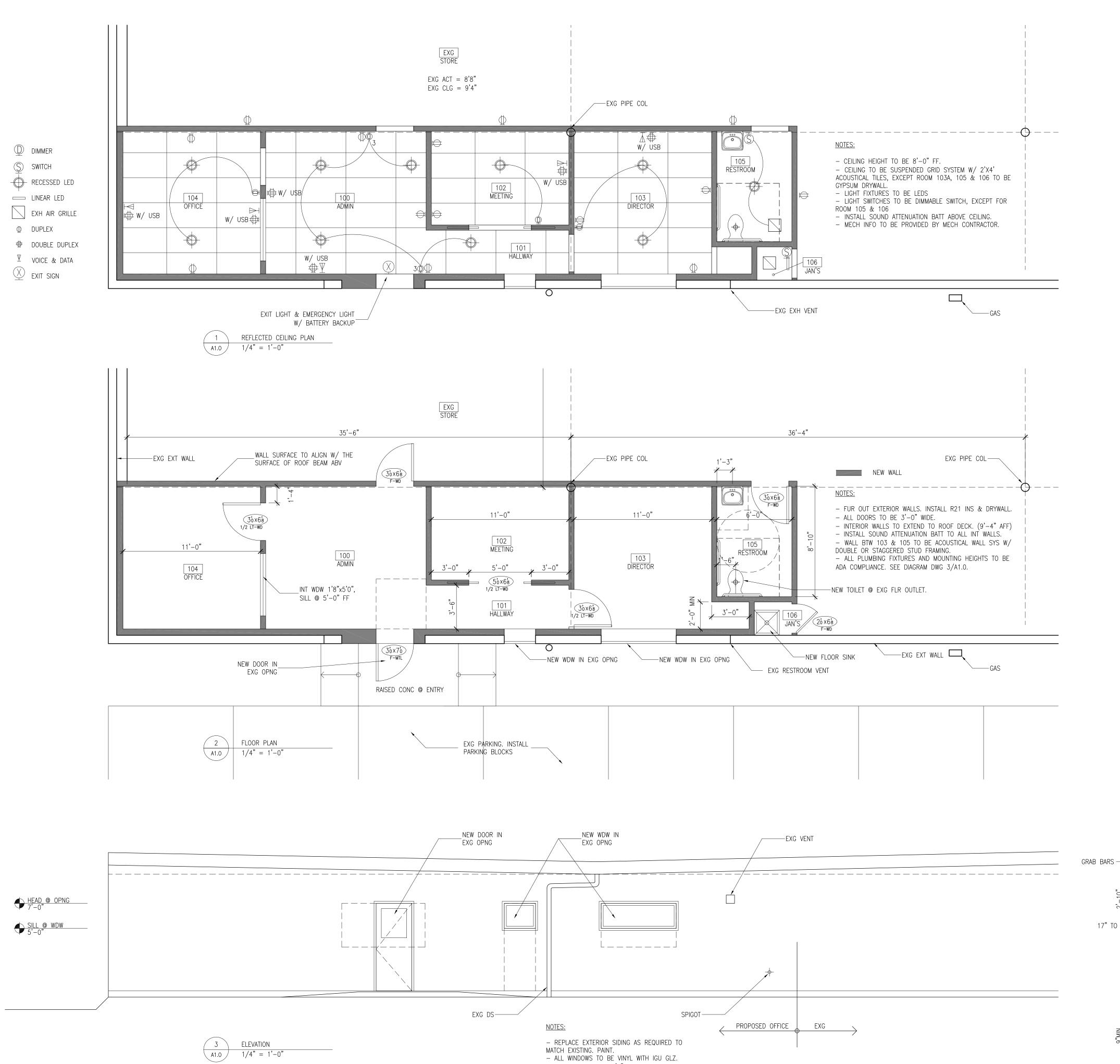
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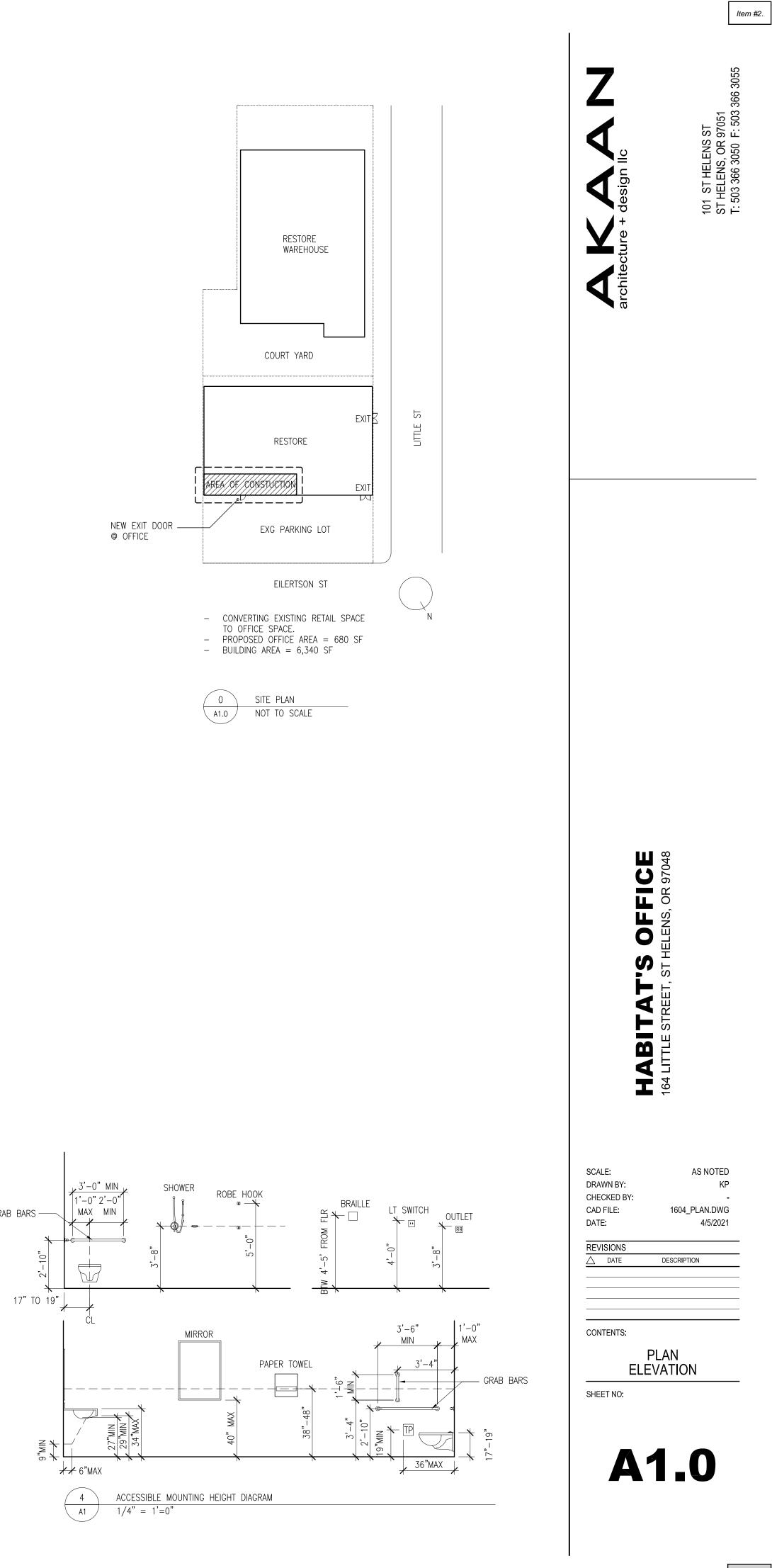
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NON-PROFIT TO REQUEST GRANT FROM CITY City of St. Helens • 265 Strand Street • St. Helens, OR 97051 City Contact: Kathy Payne 503.366.8217

RECEIVED FEB 0 7 2022 CITY RECORDER

Applicant/Organization Name:_ Project Title:

APPLICATION FOR

Organization Information			
Organization Type: Community Emergency Response Team Federal Tax ID No: 47-1628300			
x Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type	Brief description of organization: Community Emergency Response Team. We get called out to help with traffic control, sandbagging or community emergencies such as the fire evacuation site at the fairgrounds in 2020.		

Authorized Signer	Phone: 503-201-6399
Print Name: Holly Haebe	Fax:
Title Director Coordinator	Email: hollyh427@gmail.com
Street Address:	Mailing Address: 33561 Blaha Rd. Warren, OR 97053
Contact Person	Phone: Same
Print Name: Holly Haebe	Fax:
Title:	Email:
Street Address:	Mailing Address:

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Cert trains in all kinds of emergency situations. From CPR, traffic control to sandbagging. If there is a parade in town odds are somehow CERT is involved. Usually directing traffic. When there was a fire evac station at the fairgrounds CERT was there for traffic flow as well as helping with the animals, helping with the donations ect. When there is a large storm warning in town that may require sandbagging we will go to the city shops and prefill bags for anyone in need. Any residence inside the city is able to request assistance thru CRFR.

limits of St. Helens are benefitted. (This is not project-specific; this is specific to your organization.)

Detailed Proposed Project Budget Including money leveraged from other sources for this project						
Budget Line-itemCity Funds*Non-City FundsAgency ContributionTotal						
Storage	\$		\$	\$3336.00		
Training classes	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2000.00		
CPR	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2000.00		
Totals	\$	\$	\$	\$		

Attach additional pages if needed. Page 1 of 3

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
Holloween town pays for traffic and parking each year	\$ 7000.00	Committed
	\$	
Total	\$	

Detailed Project Description

Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project We need a temperature control storage unit to store books, training materials, uniforms ect. That is about 3336.00 a year. Training for CPR and stop the bleed classes average about \$50 per person per class. There are roughly 43 members in the group. We also do CPR classes for Search and Rescue and the boy scouts and MRC. SAR has 32 member and the boy scouts roughly 24 members.

The \$ 7000,00 Pays for rain gear. Stop / slow signs. Unitorns Inom any supplies like sign boards for Reindeer run. All traffic control supplies. We are hopeing to be able to purchase radios for traffic control communication and Item #2.

Detailed Proposed Solution Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need

CERT is beginning a new recruitment year with classes starting in March. It is a 8 week class. So funds for the supplies, Back packs, emergency supplies for the pack. Each graduating member gets one of these. Also the cost for the CPR and Stop the bleed classes. Along with a storage unit to keep everything locked up and dry.

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Holly Horebe Signature

Holly Haebe (must be Board Chair, President or other authorized official)

Title Coordinator

Date 02-07-2022

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City of St. Helens * 265 Strand Street * St. Helens, OR 97051 City Contact: Kathy Payne 503.366.8217

DEADLINE: Monday, February 7, 2022, 5PM

Applicant/Organization Name: Riverside Community Outreach

Project Title: Foster Family Appreciation Event

Organization Information				
Organization Type: Must b	e a local St. Helens non-profit.	Federal Tax ID No: 83-3839513		
 Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type 		h serves vulnerable children and supports re in Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook		

Authorized Signer	Phone: 503-740-3036		
Print Name: Kim Barbeau	Fax:		
Title: Board Chair	Email: kim@mlanglaw.com		
Street Address: 165 N. 11th St St Helens Or 97051	Mailing Address: PO Box 245 St Helens OR 97051		
Contact Person	Phone: 503-702-7851		
Contact Person Print Name: Abby Olson	Phone: 503-702-7851 Fax:		

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RCO was born out of a need to provide safety for vulnerable children, encouragement for foster parents, and support for biological families. Currently, RCO is running multiple programs and activities as well as partnering with other organizations in the community to serve this at-risk population. RCO provides care for vulnerable children at risk for entering the foster care system, supports foster families who are caring for children and works to empower birth families for successful reunification. RCO is here to help support vulnerable children by providing tangible needs, volunteering, and respite care. RCO also works to provide wrap-around services for families to help meet needs and to assist when children return home after spending time in foster care, and to provide resources for families to prevent removal. RCO provides these services through relationships, partnerships, and programs. Due to the nature of foster care, the number of foster families and youth in foster care changes. About 1/3 of the foster families in Columbia County reside within the St Helens City limits. Iron Tribe recovery housing where biological families received supports from RCO also resides within the St Helens City limits.

Attach additional pages if needed.

Detailed Proposed Project Budget Including money leveraged from other sources for this project					
Budget Line-itemCity Funds*Non-City FundsAgency ContributionTotal					
Gifts for youth in foster care	\$500	\$3176	\$0	\$3676	
Foster Parent Appreciation Basket	\$500	\$4333	\$0	\$4833	
Event Costs	\$0	\$5000	\$0	\$5000	
Totals \$1000 \$12509 \$0 \$13509					

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
Every Child Statewide Grant	\$ 5000	Committed
Business/Community Group/Individual Sponsorships	\$ 8509	Committed and Potential
Total	\$ 13509	

Detailed Project Description

Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project

RCO has become the link for families impacted by foster care in the NW section of the state of Oregon to the help they need. There are hundreds of children in foster care in Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook counties emphasizing the need for RCO. In 2020, 361 youth spent at least one night in foster care in Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook counties. These children need a safe and caring foster home. These homes need support to meet financial needs and provide encouragement. The biological parents of the children in foster care need help to make changes in their lives. RCO through partnerships, volunteers, and programs is wrapping around families and children in new ways to provide long lasting support. Foster families can't walk the journey alone. They need the support of the community to ensure a successful future for youth in foster care. RCO is here to provide that support. The American Academy of Pediatrics states, "Mental and behavioral health is the largest unmet health need for children and teens in foster care." Attachment to a caring adult will positively impact the life of a youth. Stable homes where youth are supported and encouraged leads to less change and increases a positive experience in education and a higher chance of graduation. Depression and anxiety in youth is reduced when they are able to participate in sports and activities, and have the resources needed to create a positive outlook. RCO is essential to providing these positive outcomes for youth impacted by foster care.

Detailed Proposed Solution

Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need

May is Foster Care Awareness Month, an opportunity to pause and reflect gratitude to the 4,000+ foster families in Oregon. Tonight, 7,500+ youth will spend the night in foster care. The foster care community deserves our honor, love, and care. Join Riverside Community Outreach in partnership with ODHS Child Welfare for Foster Care Awareness Month, May 2022, and help youth in foster care in Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook counties. This year Riverside Community Outreach, is hosting a foster family appreciation event. We want this event to show our foster families that we see them and care about them. These past two years have been incredibly challenging, and we are so grateful for the relatives and members of the community who have stepped up and stepped in to provide safe, loving homes for children and teens in Columbia, Clatsop, and Tillamook counties. We are inviting the city of St Helens to help us make this event spectacular. As previously stated, 1/3 of the foster families in Columbia County reside inside the St Helens city limits. During this year's event families will be greeted with music, friendly smiles, food, and gifts to show our appreciation. The above budget breaks down the cost into three categories: gifts for youth in foster care, foster parent appreciation basket, and event costs. Thanks to the generosity of the community (including a generous donation from the City of St Helens last year) RCO was able to put on a successful appreciation event last May that encouraged foster families. RCO is reaching out again to the city to provide financial support to help make this event spectacular for the families impacted by foster care in our community.

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Signature (must be Board Chair, President or other authorized official)

Board Chair Title February 7, 2022 Date



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DEADLINE: Monday, February 7, 2022, 5PM

Applicant/Organization Name: Tumblewheel Studios

Project Title: Teen Mentor Program

Organization Information			
Organization Type: Must b	e a local St. Helens non-profit.	Federal Tax ID No:83-3052325	
 Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type 	materials to underfunded school	on bringing free art education, tools, and ols and under-resourced communities. We ividuals, access to a creative environment	

Authorized Signer	Phone: 406-855-2773
Print Name: Jenna Reineking	Fax: NA
Title: Executive Director	Email: jreineking@tumblewheelstudios.org
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Tumblewheel Studios serves individuals, families, and communities throughout Columbia county where our organization is headquartered. We are especially interested in engaging with low-income families and overlooked youth in these areas. In St. Helens, we are actively pursuing relationships with local community leaders (Parks & Rec) and charitable organizations (Food bank) in order to locate individuals and families who need our help the most. In previous years, we have held free workshops at community events (Run for the Cure) in St. Helens, which have served roughly 100-150 individuals. We are interested in expanding our teen specific programming in St. Helens this year, to offer mentoring and mural painting opportunities to youth at the high school level.

Detailed Proposed Project Budget				ltem #2.	
Including money leveraged from other sources for this project					
Budget Line-itemCity Funds*Non-City FundsAgency ContributionTo					tal
Teacher Stipend	\$1830.40	\$995.90	\$	\$	
Supplies	\$1620	\$	\$	\$	
Other (i.e. insurance, etc.)	\$1419.60	\$500	\$	\$	
Totals	\$4870	\$1495.90	\$	\$6365.	90

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
Columbia County Cultural Coalition	\$995.90	committed
Private Donation	\$500	committed
Total	\$1495.90	

Detailed Project Description

Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project

The St. Helens Nonprofit Grant funds will be used to facilitate a Teen Mentor Program for high school age students in St. Helens. This program will be for those interested in pursuing a higher education in the arts, and will feature a portfolio building workshop, as well as lessons in photo documentation, and cover letter writing. The purpose of this project is to give students in our area the opportunity to build on their talents, while exposing them to tools and techniques they might not currently have access to. At the culmination of our program, students will walk away with a professional, well-rounded art portfolio that they can use in a college application.

Each session of our program will focus on a different set of skills: ceramics, drawing and painting, printmaking, and digital tools (i.e. Illustrator, 3-d printing, Photoshop, and Procreate). Throughout the program, students will be given one on one instruction to help further develop their individual art portfolios, and projects that help them highlight their distinct voice.

Detailed Proposed Solution

Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need

Our project has been carefully designed by our teaching artists, who collectively have more than twenty years of experience in arts instruction. We are hoping to launch this program by spring, with the bulk of our youth workshops taking place over the summer. We currently have funding in place for 1/3 of the projected costs, and are prepared to pursue additional avenues if needed. Our project will proceed even if we are not awarded city funds, and will move forward in a scaled back format.

General Certification

I certify that to the best of my knowledge all information contained in this document and any attached supplements, is valid and accurate.

I further certify that, to the best of my knowledge:

- 1) The application has been approved by the governing body of the organization or is otherwise being submitted using the governing body's lawful process; and
- 2) If signed by an official, other than the Board Chair or President, documentation is attached that verifies the official's authority to sign on behalf of the applicant. Such documentation can include a letter signed by the Board Chair or President, agency/organization meeting minutes, or similar.

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Signature (must be Board Chair, President or other authorized official)

Executive Director Title 1/30/2022

Date

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APPLICATION FOR NON-PROFIT TO REQUEST GRANT FROM CITY

City of St. Helens • 265 Strand Street • St. Helens, OR 97051 City Contact: Kathy Payne 503.366.8217

DEADLINE: Monday, February 7, 2022, 5PM

Applicant/Organization Name: United Way of Columbia County

Project Title: Dolly Partons Imagination Library (#ORCOLUMBIA#2084)

Organization Information		
Organization Type: Must b	e a local St. Helens non-profit.	Federal Tax ID No:93-6038634
Non-Profit 501C(3) Other Non-Profit: Type	Brief description of organization Dolly Partons Imagination Library is County to strengthen family connec and improve High School Graduation	a stand-alone project of United Way of Columbia tions, increase Kindergarten Readiness Scores,

Authorized Signer	Phone:	
Print Name: Tony Erickson	Fax:	
Title: Board Chair	Email: Tonye@oregonaero.com	
Street Address:	Mailing Address: PO Box 538 Rainier, OR 97048	
Contact Person	Phone: 3604306778	
Print Name: Claire Catt	Fax:	
Title: Executive Director	Email:clairec@unitedwayofcolumbiacounty.com	
Street Address: 305 W 3rd Street, Room #16 Rainier, OR 97048	Mailing Address: PO Box 538 Rainier, OR 97048	

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United Way of Columbia County (UWCC) provides funding and support for the following non-profit Member Agencies within St Helens: Columbia Pacific Food Bank, Community Action Team, Amani Center, home-delivered meals at St Helens Senior Center and SAFE of Columbia County. In addition, UWCC offers Columbia County the following stand-alone programs: Dolly Partons Imagination Libary, 211info, FamilyWize Medication Discount Cards, and MyFreeTaxes.org. It is estimated that 1 in 4 St Helens residents are served directly by one of these programs (3,450). Learn more about the breadth of UWCC work at www.unitedwayofcolumbiacounty.com!

Detailed Proposed Project Budget Including money leveraged from other sources for this project				
Budget Line-item	City Funds	*Non-City Funds	Agency Contribution	Total
Books and mailings (paid to DPIL)	\$500	\$39,700	\$0	\$40,200
Adminstrative Support	\$0	\$0	\$2,750	\$2,750
	\$	\$	\$	\$0
Totals	\$500	\$39,700	\$2,750	\$42,950

*Explain Sources of Non-City Funds	Amount	Status Committed, Application Submitted, Application Invited, or Potential Source
Matching Grant from James Rippey Foundation	\$ 20,100	Committed
Private/Corporate Donors	\$ 19,600	Committed/Potential
Total	\$ 39,700	

Detailed Project Description

Include the problem, the need for the request, and how many persons will be served by this project

The local Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program serves 1,350 Columbia County youth ages 0-5th birthday by providing monthly age-appropriate, high qaulity books to their homes. This is 100% free to participating familys and creates an at home culture of reading for fun. St Helens School District, along with other local districts, have below national average KA (Kindergarden Assessment) scores. Nationally, this program has been shown to increase KA scores, increase 3rd grade literacy, and increase High School Graduation rates in parparticipating areas. Currently, 630 enrolled children live within the St Helens School District boundries.

Detailed Proposed Solution

Include project design, readiness to proceed, and financial need

This program is wordwide, supported by the DollyWood Foundation. The local UWCC chapter is responsible for raising all billable program funds, promoting the program, finding local champions, and local registration. The program has been active, at the local level, since 2018, with annual increases of program participants. As St Helens continues to grow, investment in early education and literacy will continue to be important. Please help this program be sustainable through 2022.

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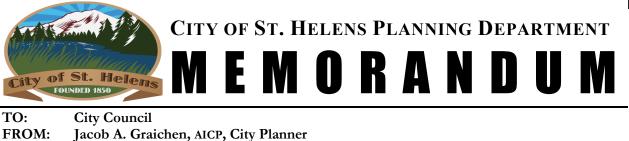
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Signature

(must be Board Chair, President or other authorized official)

Board Chair

Title 1/6/2022 Date



RE: Consideration of right-of-way dedication for the "Comstock property" which is the same property considered for annexation as part of file Annexation A.5.21
 DATE: February 7, 2022

The "Comstock property" is being considered for annexation. This will help facilitate this property's development. Another aspect for development is access.

Due to significant wetlands that cut two swaths through the property and isolates the most southerly developable portion from any public-right-of-way, how to connect this property to the nearest right-of-way, Barr Avenue, is a riddle to solve.

One solution is to dedicate right-of-way to bring the right-of-way to the subject property. Doing this in advance of a development design is unusual. As such this was presented to the Planning Commission at their January 12, 2022 meeting for consideration and possible recommendation to the City Council. The Planning Commission supports this concept. Now it's up to the Council.

Public right-of-way that can be used for a standard city street is recommend instead of an easement to maximize potential. An easement could provide access to no more than six lots and is thus restrictive.

The property subject to right-of-way dedication is owned by the Meadowbrook Homeowners Association. The president of the HOA is aware and open to this concept. The Meadowbrook development is based on retaining a minimum amount of open space. Because most of this area is driveway already and entirely within a private access easement, there is no impact to the minimum open space.

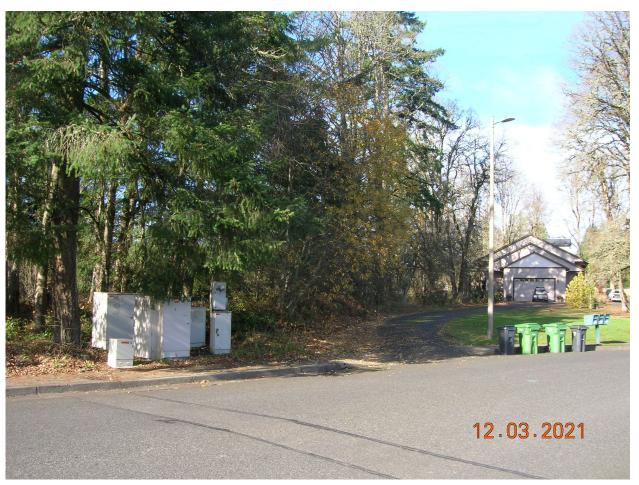
In addition to access for people and vehicles, access for utilities needs to be considered too. This is why this concept includes an area with the northern line 10' north from the sanitary sewer manhole within Barr Ave. Though mailboxes and street lighting will need to be moved if/when a new street is constructed, a new sanitary sewer line could branch off the manhole.

This is a logical place for a new street being at the "sweet spot" between Ruby Ct. and Sykes Road along Barr Ave. The right-of-way width for a local classified street is 40' or 50', which can be accommodated by the proposed area of dedication.

If the Council consents to this right-of-way dedication, we will need a legal description prepared by others to the city's satisfaction in addition to any other information the Council deems necessary. The Meadowbrook HOA would need to sign a dedication deed prepared by the city and then the council accept that for recordation with the County Clerk's office.

If the right-of-way dedication doesn't work, the landowner can still work with the Meadowbrook Homeowners Association to do a Lot Line Adjustment to bring the "Comstock property" to the right-of-way as another option.

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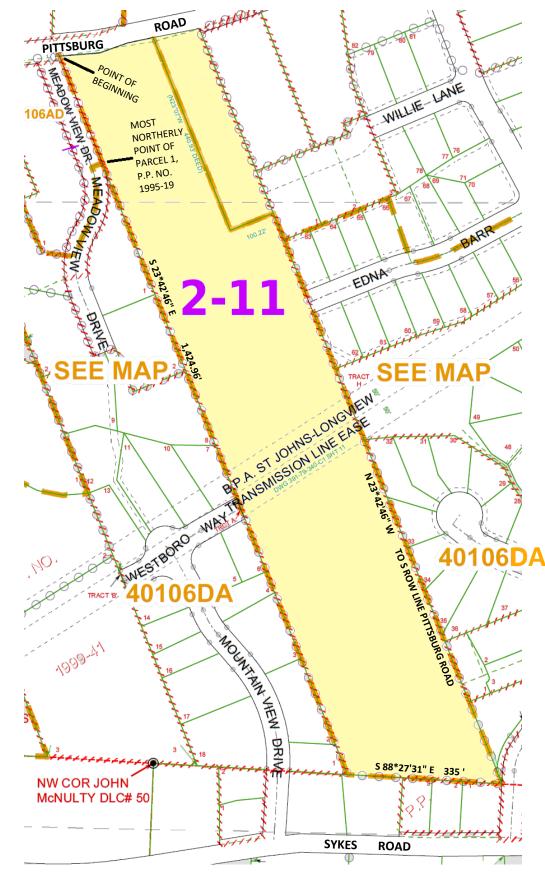


Two photos showing the area proposed to be dedicated as public right-of-way as viewed from Barr Avenue. Note the sanitary sewer manhole in the photo to the left. Mailboxes and light pole will be affected and possible some other utilities (note above ground vaults in above photo).

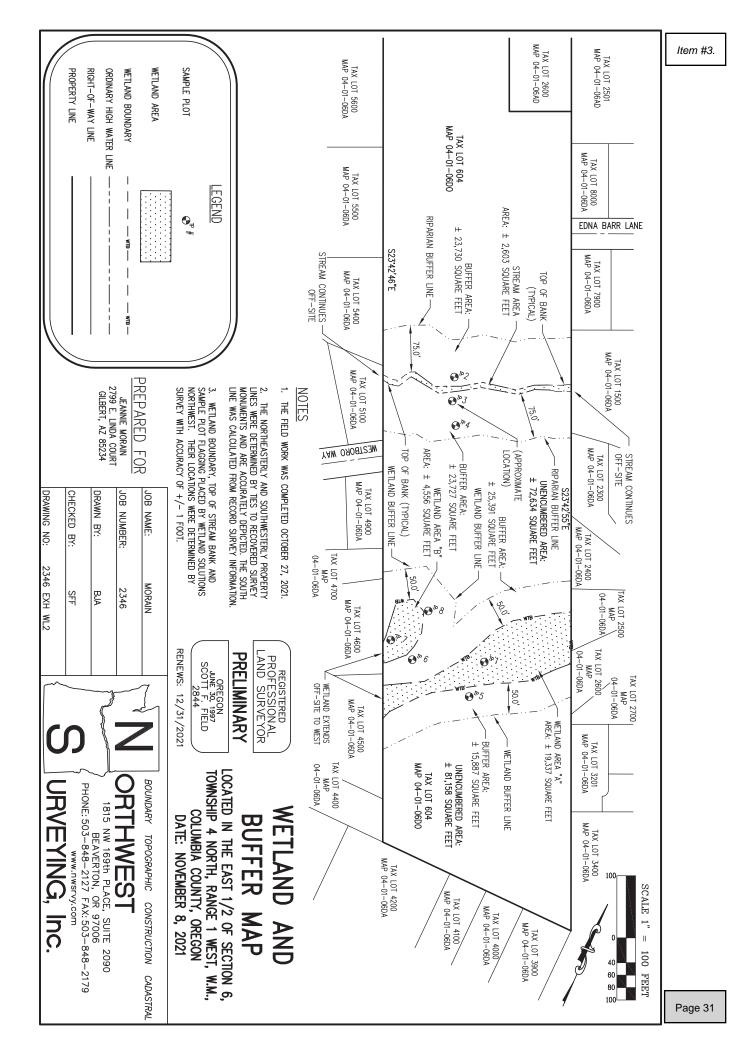
 Attached: General map of property (Exhibit B for the Oregon Department of Revenue for annexation) Preliminary wetland delineation map with city required upland protection zones shown Partition Plat No. 2005-04 Map showing private access easement and potential right-of-way dedication area Map showing potential right-of-way dedication area detail

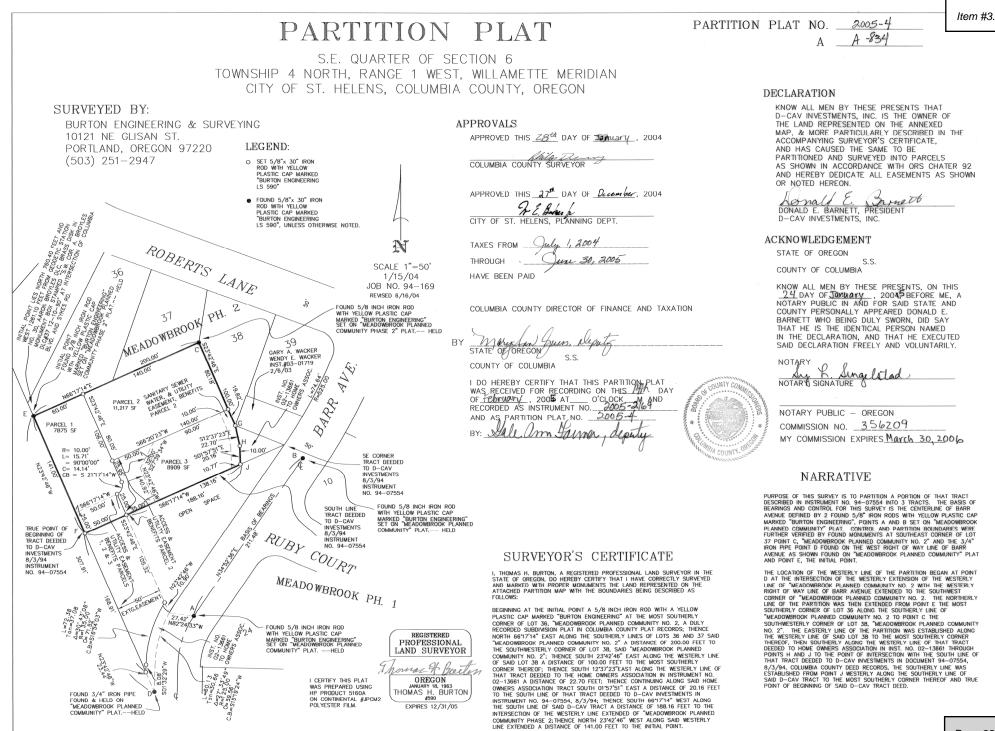
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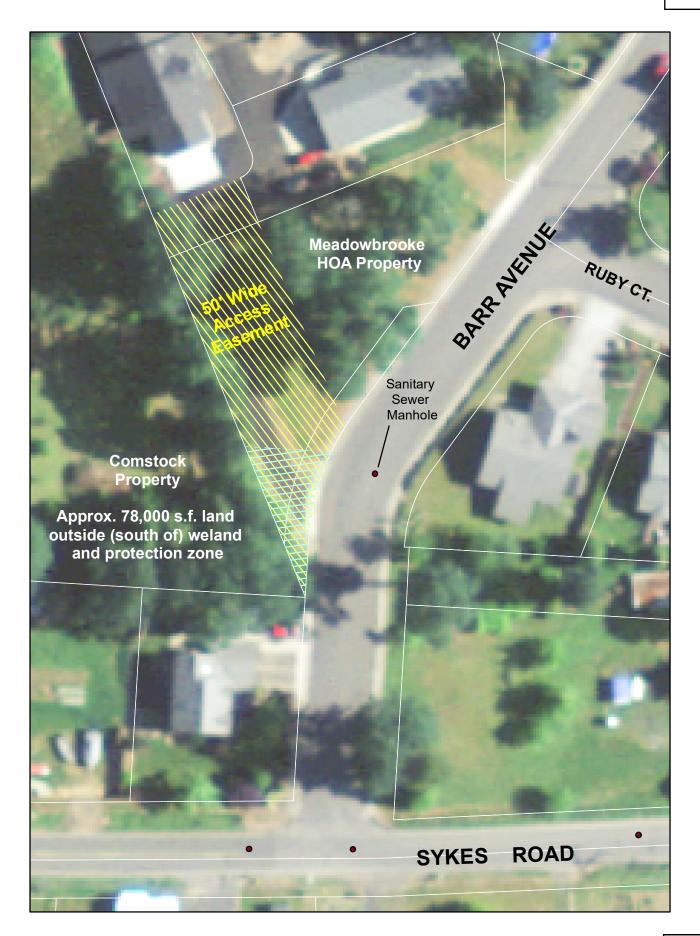


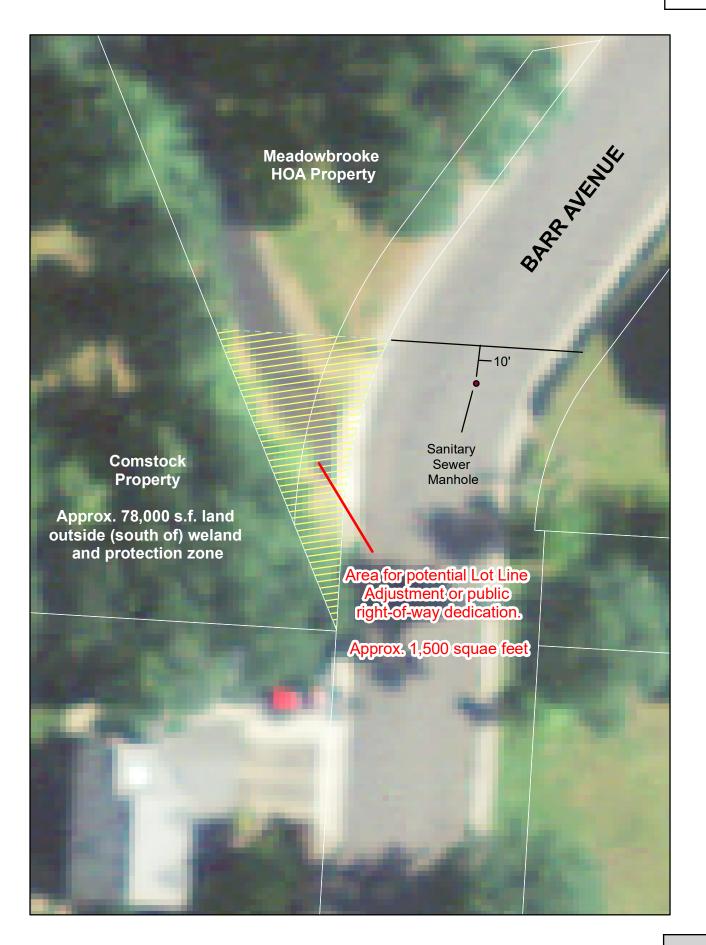
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IO: City Council	
FROM: Jacob A. Graichen, AICP, City Planner	
RE: Discussion of "alterations" to The Courthouse Plaza, a D	esignated Landmark
DATE: February 9, 2022	-

The Plaza is "designated landmark" per city code, which means it is an historic resource officially recognized by the City of St. Helens. With this designation, "alteration" is subject to permitting by the Historic Landmarks Commission.

The Planning Commission (as acting Historic Landmarks Commission) discussed some recent changes to The Plaza (see attached January 27, 2022 memo) at their February 8, 2022 meeting and <u>unanimously</u> <u>concluded (with all seven members present)</u> that the metal business sponsor sign features recently added with permanent construction (and intentions) constitutes an alteration.

This issue needs to be resolved. They must be removed from The Plaza or allowed under a Historic Resource Review (HRR). There is no guarantee an HRR can be approved.

This memo will accompany a discussion with the Council at a work session to inform about this recent alteration and educate for potential future ones.



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TO: Planning Commission (as the Historic Landmarks Commission)
FROM: Jacob A. Graichen, AICP, City Planner
RE: The Plaza, a Designated Landmark v. Amusement Park
DATE: January 27, 2022

Per Chapter 17.36 of the St. Helens Municipal Code a "designated landmark" is an historic resource officially recognized by the city of St. Helens.

Historic resources are often buildings but can also be other things like sites. The city's Locally Designated Landmarks List includes 24 official historic resources. 22 of these are buildings. One is a site: the **Courthouse Plaza**. More information about the city's historic resources can be found online: https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/planning/page/historic-preservation

There is a key term in the city's historic preservation chapter: "**alteration**." This is important as a proposed alteration of a designated landmark requires formal review by the Historic Landmarks Commission before the alteration occurs. This is known a **Historic Resource Review**.

The definition is important for you to be aware of. Alteration is defined as:

"Alteration" means an addition, removal, or reconfiguration which significantly changes the character of a historic resource. Painting is not an alteration.

In 2019, the Commission approved an alteration for a kiosk, which has since been installed. Lawfully.

The purpose of this memo is twofold: 1) to inquire with the Commission whether or not you feel an addition after the kiosk was installed constitutes an alternation and, 2) as an FYI as Halloweentown continues to grow, there will be more tourism use of the plaza (as a key feature of the 1998 movie) and interest in modifications such as addressing the grass surface which gets a lot of use and takes much abuse during the local seasonal Halloweentown festivities.



The courthouse was built in 1906 and the plaza followed in 1907. Key features include the central circular platform and the crucifix feature. The center remains, but the crucifix, lost sometime between 1963 and 1983 could be restored to honor the original design.

1910



1983

1963

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Above: The Plaza as viewed from S. 1st Street in 2019 before the kiosk, permitted by the Historic Landmarks Commission, was lawfully installed. **Below**, same view of The Plaza this month. Note the permitted kiosk (light blue with faux basalt base) to the left. Also note the metal business sponsor sign features on either side, that appeared sometime after the permitted Kiosk was installed. Do you think these constitute an alteration?





Left: another current photo of The Plaza looking towards S. 1st Street.

The metal business sponsor sign features are within the boundaries of The Plaza.

Right: A closer view of the foundation of one of the metal business sponsor sign features shows a small concrete pad that was poured (and never existed prior) and the intended permanency of these features.

Since there are two of these, there are two pads. A pad, albeit larger, was necessary for the permitted kiosk.





Request for Qualifications

25-acre Riverfront Development Opportunity in St. Helens, Oregon

https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/rfps https://youtu.be/C8VkXUMCWP8

Due date and time: March 25, 2022 by 3 p.m. PST

Responses shall be submitted by mail or hand delivered to:

John Walsh, St. Helens City Administrator 265 Strand Street St. Helens, OR 97051

Introduction

The City of St. Helens, Oregon is soliciting a development partner to assist with the transformation of a 25-acre riverfront property adjacent to downtown. The property's unique waterfront location, mountain views, and proximity to the business district create a rare opportunity to bring vibrant mixed-use development to St. Helens.

St. Helens is a growing community of more than 14,560 people located 30 miles north of Portland along U.S. Highway 30. City leaders and community members have long recognized the former industrial waterfront property as an opportunity to revitalize the community. When the Boise Cascade veneer plant ceased operations in 2009 and the property became available, the City acquired it in order to realize its vision for the waterfront.

Upon acquisition in 2015, the City furthered its public engagement and planning efforts, building community support for the redevelopment to come. The result of the long-range planning efforts and community engagement created a vision for the area to be a mixed-use development that improves public access to the riverfront and honors natural and cultural heritage.

To learn more about the vision for the project, see this video: <u>https://youtu.be/C8VkXUMCWP8</u>

Site Advantages

The St. Helens Riverfront property has a number of site advantages that make this opportunity unique and transformative for the City.

Waterfront Location & Views. The property has sweeping views of the Columbia River, Mt. Hood, Mt. St. Helens, and the northern tip of Sauvie Island. It is located adjacent to the nationally registered historic downtown area. The site has nearly 3,000 linear feet of Columbia River frontage.



View of Mt. St. Helens and Sand Island from the Riverfront property

City Commitment to Project Success. The City has proven its commitment to fulfill the community's vision by acquiring the property, planning for its reuse, rezoning the property, and acquiring the funding for design and construction of public infrastructure. The City is eager to partner with a developer who can help realize that vision.

Development Context & Low Cost of Living. St. Helens offers a small-town lifestyle within a relatively short commute to Portland-area employers and a lower cost of living. As housing in the Portland metro area increase and work-from-home options improve, there has been an influx of new residents seeking the quality of life in St. Helens. The community is making significant investments in its schools, recreation, and public safety facilities (further described on Page 5).

Riverwalk Project. The Riverwalk Project will provide public access along the river from the north end of the site at Columbia View Park to the south where it will connect to the bluff trail. There are features along the Riverwalk Project, including a "Rocky Beach" area with access down to the water and a "Recreation Hub" which includes an in-water paddlecraft launch, restrooms, and a cantilevered boardwalk over the Columbia River. Phase I of the Riverwalk Project focuses on the improvements within Columbia View Park at the north end of the site. Phase I is planned for construction bidding Summer 2022.



Riverwalk Phase II Rendering – See plans on the City's RFP page.



COLUMBIA VIEW PARK

Looking North

Water Access. St. Helens is a popular destination for boaters visiting from across the region. These visitors will support the future mixed-use development on the Riverfront property and the existing downtown restaurants, retail, and other services. The Riverwalk Project will provide waterfront access to the development.

Columbia View Park & Tourism. The site is just south of Columbia View Park, which is the location of many popular annual events, including 13 Nights on the River summer concert series, the Spirit of Halloweentown, the 4th of July fireworks, and the Christmas ships. Columbia View Park is slated for significant improvements with a new amphitheater stage and Phase I of the Riverwalk project, which includes a cantilevered overlook planned for construction bidding Summer 2022.



Riverwalk Phase I Rendering – See plans on the City's RFP page.

Street Extensions & Utilities Design. The Streets Extensions and Utilities Design is currently at a 90 percent design. Public water, sewer, and storm infrastructure will be extended along a new S. 1st Street extension through the site. The Strand Street will also be extended partially down the site, forming a new development block adjacent to the existing downtown. A new bluff trail will be constructed along the west side of the S. 1st Street extension, connecting to the Riverwalk Project and Nob Hill Nature Park at the south end of the site. The utility extensions and partial street improvements is planned for construction bidding Summer 2022. The 90

percent plans have been uploaded on the City's RFP page. A map of which improvements will be bid in Summer 2022 is included as a link on the City's RFP page.



Riverwalk Phase Site Plan (South) – See plans on the City's RFP page.

Opportunity Zone. The site is within a federal designated Opportunity zone. See https://www.oregon.gov/biz/programs/Opportunity_Zones/Pages/default.aspx for details on the tax advantages.

Development Context

Between 2020 and 2040, the city's population will increase by nearly 4,000 new residents (an average annual growth rate of 1.2%)¹. This growth rate is higher than the state's expected annual growth rate of about 1% over the same period. St. Helens is growing quickly, and the industrial, commercial, and residential development support this new growth.

Industrial Development

The City and partnering Columbia Economic Team receive regular inquiries from potential investors seeking relocation outside of Portland for commercial and industrial space needs. St. Helens and nearby Scappoose are expecting substantial industrial development that will bring new jobs and residents to the area.

¹ PSU Population Estimates

The Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center (OMIC) in Scappoose will offer high tech training and create new jobs. Modeled on an industrial redevelopment project in Sheffield, England, area leaders are spearheading a public-private collaborative research and development outpost for Boeing, Oregon State University, Portland State University, and Oregon Tech. The project will also feature workforce training facilities in OMIC's Training Center, operated by Portland Community College, with the goal of placing graduates into high-wage, high-demand jobs. In addition, Cascade Tissue, Inc. announced a new 600,000 square foot plant in Scappoose that will employ 80 workers. The site will use material from the existing tissue plant in St. Helens.

In 2020, the City completed a parcelization and infrastructure funding plan for a City-owned 204acre Industrial Business Park. This is the largest remaining parcel of industrial employment lands within St. Helens city limits. Cascade Tissue operates two paper machines employing 100 people on about 30 acres of the property. The City has initiated the design of the public infrastructure which will support industrial redevelopment of the site. The Port of Columbia County is assisting the City in marketing this industrial property to new users.

Commercial & Institutional Development

On US 30, a new Legacy Health Clinic recently opened its doors in 2020, and a new Grocery Outlet recently received occupancy in 2021. There is also a new commercial subdivision which in the process of full build out with a drive-through and other commercial uses.

The St. Helens Middle School completed a full rebuild in 2020, and the St. Helens High School is in the process of major re-model, which is being funded with a \$55 million bond. It is expected to be completed in the next four years. The City is also working on design and construction of a new Public Safety Facility to replace the existing St. Helens Police Station.



St. Helens High School Renovations Rendering (2021)

Residential Development

Residential rents grew by nearly 21% between 2016 and 2020 for 2-bedroom apartments. Rents are generally tracking with the Portland market but at a lower value with the average 2-bedroom

rent around \$1,100 for St. Helens and \$1,400 for the Portland MSA². Vacancy rates have also remained lower in St. Helens (4.9%) compared to Portland MSA (6.4%).



The St. Helens Place Apartments, a large development completed in 2020, added 204 luxury rental units to the market. The building is fully leased and asking rents for each dwelling are considerably higher than is usual for St. Helens. Two-bedroom units are listed between \$1,400-\$1,525 which is \$300-\$400 above average for the area. While the property is offering rent concessions (2 weeks free), this is lower than many projects in Portland, indicating a growing interest in St. Helens and a willingness to pay prices akin to those found in Portland.

St. Helens Place Apartments (2020)

Riverfront District

Downtown St. Helens has recently seen several adaptive reuse redevelopment projects, indicating growing interest and investment in the area. The Historic Columbia Theater was fully renovated in 2012, and the Muckle Building was converted into a mixed-use apartment building with a rooftop restaurant and bar in 2016, achieving some of the highest rents in the City.

The area hosts a series of popular events throughout the year, including the annual Spirit of Halloweentown festival that commemorates the 1998 Disney movie filmed in the community. The month-long event attracts thousands of Halloween enthusiasts traveling from around the globe to visit the nostalgic film site. Hotels are booked through September and October because many of these visitors come from out of state for the multi-day events.

With new attractions like the Riverwalk and the City's continued emphasis on tourism, there is high demand for a new hotel in the area. A hotel market analysis would help the City to understand factors that could influence demand on the property and what type of hotel could be most viable in the area.

² Costar



Annual Halloweentown Celebration on the plaza (2014)



Historic Columbia Theater, renovated in 2012



The Muckle Building was converted into a mixed-use apartment building with a rooftop bar in 2016.



Sand Island Marine Park features campsites and picnic area as a destination for small watercraft.

Development Considerations

Zoning and Permitted Uses

In 2017, the City changed the zoning and comprehensive plan designations to the **Riverfront District (Mill Sub-District)**. This reflects the long-term expectations for the property's redevelopment as a mixed-use waterfront district. The new zoning allows a flexible mix of uses including a variety of residential, civic, and commercial uses. Limited industrial use is possible as well (e.g., boat building). The ratio of residential to non-residential is not defined in the zoning, allowing for greater market flexibility. The prescriptive height limit is 55 feet, though alternative building heights may be considered through approved variance or Development and Disposition Agreement (DDA). There is a link to the zoning on the last page of this RFQ. Architectural standards that currently apply to the Riverfront District (Plaza Sub-District) will apply to the Mill Sub-District These are included as a link on the last page of this RFQ.

Infrastructure Needs

The City will extend the public water mainline, public stormwater systems, and public sanitary sewer onto the site. These plans, currently at 90 percent design, are included as links on the City's RFP page: <u>https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/rfps</u>

There are existing stormwater outfalls to Columbia River, and the City will be constructing public stormwater retention areas as part of the utility extension project. There may be opportunities for partnership with the City for private stormwater management on the site. Further exploration and consultation with DEQ will be needed to determine if existing outfalls or if the newly constructed public storm system will have capacity available to support new development.

Partial construction of S. 1st Street and Strand Street improvements will be completed by the City. Complete construction will occur at the time of development to allow flexibility for access locations, frontage improvements, and private lateral connection locations. A diagram which indicates which roadway improvements are included in the City's construction bid is uploaded to the City's RFP page. The City's low-interest loan through the state of Oregon and the City's Urban Renewal Agency will provide funding and construction for the public utility needs on the site. The City anticipates going to bid for utility extensions and partial roadway improvements Summer 2022.

Brownfield Considerations

The City has taken significant steps to understand and document what contamination exists on the site. A plan to limit the impacts of any environmental issues on the site is in place. To mitigate risks associated with the residual contamination, the City entered a Prospective Purchaser Agreement (PPA) with the State of Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

A Contaminated Media Management Plan (CMMP) was developed to be a practical "owner's manual" for the City and subsequent developers, and to minimize the burdens associated with the residual contamination on the property during redevelopment.

Partnership Details

Through this Request for Qualifications, the City is looking for a partner or partners to enter into a master plan process and exclusive negotiating agreement (ENA) that will define the first phase of development. The timeline and deliverables of that ENA will be negotiated upon award of this RFQ.

Upon completion of the deliverables listed in the ENA, the City may enter into a Development and Disposition Agreement (DDA) to implement the first phase of investment as determined in the ENA. Alternatively, the City may consider other mechanisms to advance the site's development.

As part of a DDA and master plan, the City will negotiate the funding of individual components of the site plan with its development partner and outline how the development will meet the public development objectives outlined through the 2016 Waterfront Framework Plan process, shown in **Exhibit 1**.

Core Value*	City "Must-Haves"	City "Preferences"
Public Access	 Compatibility with the Riverwalk Project design which includes an average width of 50' of public access along the river Compatibility with mid-block pedestrian crossings outlined in the street extension design 	 Incorporating recreational uses compatible with the Riverwalk Project (i.e., kayak/canoe/bicycle rentals) Active first floor spaces in strategic locations (i.e., outdoor dining, retail) to activate the Riverwalk Project
Natural and Cultural Heritage	 Compatibility with the Riverwalk Project design which includes areas for habitat restoration along the river Development supports City's tourism programming 	 Limited impact of viewsheds Innovative stormwater facility design Incorporating interpretive plan into development and programming
Sustainable Economic Development	 Redevelopment supports existing downtown businesses Compatibility with the street and utility extension design Compatibility with the architecture and urban form of the historic downtown Boutique hotel/restaurant Mix of residential and commercial uses 	 Ability to perform as a master developer for the entire site Employment uses that are compatible with residential

* From the St. Helens Waterfront Framework Plan (2016)

Submission and Evaluation Process

Content of the submission should be organized as shown in **Exhibit 2**.

Exhibit 2. Submittal Requirements and Selection Criteria

Cover letter	Define lead entity and team members. Highlight key components of the team's vision for the site. Identify and describe the developer, including developer's name, corporation or business name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and the name of the primary project contact.	
Preliminary vision for site	Any combination of renderings, images, building massings, site plans, and/or narrative responses can be used to answer the following:	
	 What is your vision for the site? 	
	 Describe your process and approach to developing the site. 	
	How is the development a good fit for St. Helens?	
	 What do you see as key development challenges? 	
	What is your approach to public involvement?	
	What are preliminary ideas for funding and finance?	
	 What is your proposed timeline for development? 	
Experience with public- private partnerships	 Describe your team's experience with the successful implementation of projects that involve public-private partnerships, with special attention to the following elements of the process: Public and adjacent property owner/stakeholder engagement. Refining a development in collaboration with a public entity. 	
partnersnips	 Experience with Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries (BOLI) determinations and willingness to tackle complex financial challenges with creative solutions. Development of a similar scale and complexity. 	
	 Public benefit received from previous development projects. 	
Development team	Provide evidence of the team's qualifications to implement the proposed development. Provide an organizational chart for your team that identifies:	
experience	 The individual who would be authorized to negotiate on behalf of the team 	
·	 The individual who would be responsible for coordinating all team activities during due diligence, including site planning activities 	
References	Contact information for a minimum of three references, preferably from public sector development partners who worked on public-private partnership projects.	
Supporting materials	Appendices can include supporting material to supplement responses to the questions above. There are no requirements for contents of appendices and the contents are not scored separately. If included in the appendices, these materials will enhance your team's score on the relevant sections:	
	 Resumes for key personnel 	
	 Non-binding letters of support from financial partners 	
	 Example financials from a completed project Images of similar completed projects and testimonials from partners or stakeholders 	

Written responses should be succinct. There is no formal page limit, but the City suggests that responses not exceed 20 pages, excluding appendices. Resumes and other marketing materials may be included in an appendix.

RFQ responses will be scored by evaluating the following criteria:

- 1. A creative and compelling vision for the site that accomplishes public development objectives and aligns with the City's core values and plans.
- 2. An accurate appraisal of feasibility and response to market conditions.
- 3. Demonstrated experience and success in previous public-private partnerships.
- 4. Commitment to flexibility and creative problem solving.
- 5. Quality representative projects (development process, public benefit received, similar scale/contexts)
- 6. Qualifications of project team and key project managers.
- 7. Demonstrated experience engaging with public stakeholders.

Proposal Instructions

Interested developers must submit 5 hardcopies of the response to the RFQ and an electronic version on a USB flash drive. The City will become owner of all submitted materials and will not pay any costs related to any responses to the RFQ.

Evaluation Schedule, Process, and Award

February 18: Request for Qualifications released.

February 18 - March 18: Guided walking tours of the property, as requested.

March 18: Deadline for City to issue addenda, if needed.

March 25: Responses due at 3 p.m. PST by mail or hand delivery.

March 25 – April 8: Review of submittals.

April 20: Interviews. Selected developers will be invited to give a presentation on development vision to City Council during a public meeting. This may be in person or on a digital platform.

May 4: Selection announced.

General Provisions and Conditions

The City reserves the right to:

- Modify the timeline and to issue addenda to this document.
- Reject any and all responses.
- Negotiate with more than one redevelopment partner.
- Waive minor irregularities in a response.
- Cancel, revise, or extend this solicitation.

- Request additional information on any response beyond that required by this RFQ.
- Modify the selection process set forth in this RFQ upon written notification to all respondents who have not been rejected at the time of modification.
- Make the final decision on whether to move forward with a development team or not.

Contact information

Interested parties are welcome to contact the City for a tour or to answer specific questions prior to the deadline for submittal.

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Attachment Links

The following resources are available on the City of St. Helens website for this <u>https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/rfps</u>.

- 2021 Survey (OTAK, Inc.)
- Streets & Utilities Design (90 percent) (OTAK, Inc.)
- 2022 Streets & Utilities Construction Bid Package Diagram (OTAK, Inc.)
- Riverwalk Project Design (30 percent) (Mayer/Reed, Inc.)

The **Riverfront District Architectural Guidelines** (2012) which apply to the development of the site are uploaded here:

https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/planning/page/riverfront-district-architectural-design-guidelines

The **Riverfront District – Mill-subdistrict zoning** can be found in the St. Helens Municipal Code Title 17:

https://www.codepublishing.com/OR/StHelens/#!/StHelens17/StHelens1732.html#17.32.173

The St. Helens Waterfront Framework Plan (2016) is uploaded here:

https://www.sthelensoregon.gov/sites/default/files/fileattachments/planning/page/306/waterfront framework plan adopted with appendicies.pdf

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