CITY OF
West Linn

Memorandum

Date: June 16, 2011

To: John Kovash, Mayor
Members, West Linn City Council

From: Chris Jordan, City Manager

Subject: Miscellaneous Items

Willamette Neighborhood Association

Police Station Location. We are scheduling a meeting of the Willamette neighborhood Association for the evening of July 6 to discuss locating the police station at the corner of 8th Avenue and 13th Street.

Blue Heron Property. The Willamette Neighborhood Association has sent the attached letter to the Trustee overseeing the sale of the Blue Heron property in West Linn.

Update on Willamette Falls Media Center
In May, the City of West Linn approved an ordinance amending an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon City providing for a Municipal Oversight Committee for the Clackamas Cable Access Board which is the appointed governing body for Willamette Falls Media Center. Earlier this month, the City Commission of Oregon City opted not to approve this ordinance, leaving the existing IGA unchanged.

West Linn staff has continued to explore alternatives for providing the Public Education and Government (PEG) services required by our franchise agreement with Comcast. We also want to attempt to continue to work with our partner, Oregon City, to provide these services in an efficient, effective manner. This week, Mayor Kovash, Oregon City Mayor Doug Neeley, Oregon City City Manager David Frasher and I met to discuss next steps. At this time, we have agreed to convene a joint work session of the two elected bodies within the next two months to discuss options. For that meeting, we anticipate inviting staff from the Metropolitan Area Communications Commission (which provides PEG and other services to Washington County cities and Lake Oswego) and the CCAB to present plans for moving forward with these services. Time will also be provided for the two bodies to discuss what they've heard.

As soon as a meeting date is set, invitations will be sent.

Street of Dreams

The developer and homebuilders of the "Vineyard" property on Salamo have discussed with staff the possibility of that development hosting the Street of Dreams in 2012. Although we see many positive aspects to hosting the "Street of Dreams" in West Linn, we have consistently informed the developer that they will need to engage the neighborhood in discussions about this prior to the City being willing to consider it.

Attachment

Willamette Neighborhood Association

1852 4th Avenue West Linn, Oregon 97068

Peter C. McKittrick
Bankruptcy Trustee
13607 NW Cornell Rd., PMB #229
Portland, OR 97229

June 8, 2011

RE: BLUE HERON LAGOON

Dear Mr. McKittrick,

It is our understanding that you are the appointed Bankruptcy Trustee for the Blue Heron Paper Company. This letter is being written on behalf of the 2600+ households and businesses that make up the Willamette Neighborhood Association to express our extreme concern about the current status and disposition of land in our neighborhood commonly known as the Blue Heron Lagoon. This approximately 40 acre site is located on Volpp Street in the Willamette Community of West Linn. We wanted to make you aware of our concerns and request that you forward this information onto the appropriate mortgage holder on the land or give us the information we need to contact them directly.

Specifically our concerns are as follows:

- It is our understanding that the site has been tested (soil & water) and at this time is considered non-toxic. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the lagoon and its systems during this bankruptcy transition period?

- The lagoon and surrounding neighborhood is in an area that is under served by infrastructure, specifically road access and is surrounded by protected wetlands. We are very concerned about the development intentions of the current or any future owner.

- We strongly encourage the current owner and you to favorably consider a transaction that would culminate in the preservation of this land in accordance with the goals, priorities and principals found in the "Imagine West Linn" long-range planning document.

We would like the opportunity to meet, discuss the matter and share our views and concerns with any interested party. Please respond confirming your receipt of this letter and to what person/entity representing the mortgage holder on the land it was forwarded to or that we may contact. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Kieres
President