

BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**RESOLUTION NO. PC 2014-3436**

Recommend to the Board of Commissioners the Adoption of the Multnomah County Comprehensive Plan and the Transportation System Plan, an element of the Comprehensive Plan, as Updates to the Multnomah County Comprehensive Framework Plan.

**The Planning Commission Finds:**

- a. The Planning Commission is authorized by Multnomah County Code Chapters 37.0710 and by ORS 215.110 to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners the adoption of ordinances adopting the County's Comprehensive Plan.
- b. On September 6, 1977, the current Multnomah County Comprehensive Framework Plan was adopted through Ordinance No. 147. The Comprehensive Plan also consists of several community level Rural Area Plans and Transportation System Plans.
- c. The Multnomah County Comprehensive Plan, together with the Transportation System Plan, provides countywide land use and transportation planning policies. The Comprehensive Plan interrelates all functional and natural systems and activities related to the use of lands including but not limited to utility systems, transportation systems, educational and recreation facilities, natural resources, and air and water quality management programs.
- d. Finding there is both need for and benefit to updating the nearly forty-year old Comprehensive Framework Plan, the County commenced a plan update process by appointing a sixteen-member Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Over the course of 15 months and 34 advisory committee meetings, the CAC and its various subcommittees identified and discussed the major planning issues facing the County's rural communities and determined policy solutions. Six community workshops were also conducted over the course of the plan update project to gather public comment on those issues and the policies to address them.
- e. The CAC approved the Draft Comprehensive Plan and Draft Transportation System Plan on February 24, 2016 and forwarded their policy recommendations to the Multnomah County Planning Commission who considered the proposed Plans at a public hearing on May 2, 2016. At the conclusion of public testimony the hearing was closed to further oral testimony but the record was left open for seven days to accept additional written testimony. The public hearing was continued to May 26, 2016 for consideration and deliberation of the proposal and all public testimony.
- f. Policies are being proposed that may affect the permissible uses of property. Multnomah County mailed notices to individual property owners as required by state law ("Ballot Measure 56 notice"). Notice of the Planning Commission hearing was timely published in the Oregonian newspaper and on the Land Use Planning

Program website. All interested persons were provided an opportunity at the public hearing to appear and be heard.

- g. Adoption of the Multnomah County Comprehensive Plan and the Transportation System Plan will establish policies that provide prospective planning guidance to the rural areas of the County. The Plans will guide public decisions on land use policy and the County's transportation system including the development of land use codes, the promotion of inter-government coordination, collaboration and partnerships, and priorities for transportation improvement projects.

**The Planning Commission resolves:**

The Planning Commission recommends that the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners adopt an ordinance repealing the following:

- 1) 1977 Multnomah County Comprehensive Framework Plan (Ordinance No.147)
- 2) 1996 West Hills Rural Area Plan, as amended by the 2011 Burlington Unincorporated Community Plan
- 3) 1997 East of Sandy River Rural Area Plan, as amended by the 2011 Springdale Unincorporated Community Plan
- 4) 2002 West of Sandy River Rural Area Plan
- 5) 2015 Sauvie Island & The Multnomah Channel Rural Area Plan
- 6) 1998 Westside Rural Multnomah County Transportation System Plan
- 7) 2002 West of Sandy River Transportation System Plan

and adopting the Multnomah County Comprehensive Plan attached hereto as Exhibit A and adopting the Multnomah County Transportation System Plan attached hereto as Exhibit B.

**ADOPTED this 26th day of May, 2016.**

PLANNING COMMISSION  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

  
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John Ingle, Chair

*Exhibit A. Multnomah County Comprehensive Plan*

*Exhibit B. Multnomah County Transportation System Plan*