

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA – May 10, 2016

Gresham City Hall

1333 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham, Oregon

- 8:30 a.m. Committee Meetings**
- Assessment
 - Tribal Affairs
- 10:00 a.m. Call to Order and Roll**
- 10:05 a.m. Welcome:** Erik Kvarsten, Gresham City Manager
- 10:10 a.m. Approval of Minutes for April 12, 2016 Commission Meeting**
- 10:15 a.m. Opportunity for Treaty Tribe Nations to Address Commission** As part of the Government-to-Government consultation process the Commission welcomes input from treaty tribe members on any issue on the agenda and any other matters
- 10:20 a.m. Public Comment ***
- 10:25 a.m. Puget Sound Vital Sign Indicators:** Scott Redman, Director, Science and Evaluation for the Puget Sound Partnership, will present their use of Vital Sign Indicators to help assess the health of Puget Sound and the development of the “State of the Sound 2015” report.
- 11:10 a.m. Break**
- 11:20 a.m. Willamette River Report Card-2015:** Allison Hensey, Director, Willamette River Initiative at the Meyer Memorial Trust, will present their report developed by a team of experts who identified key indicators to capture a current picture of river health against which to measure future changes.
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH: Special Presentation:** “Habitat Restoration Targets for the Lower Columbia River Ecosystem – How Much is Enough?” Catherine Corbett, Chief Scientist, Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership
- 1:15 p.m. ACTION ITEM: Consistency Review of Multnomah County Ordinance No. 1232 Relating to Marijuana Business Review Criteria*:** The Gorge Commission will review Multnomah County Ordinance No. 1232, relating to marijuana businesses, for consistency with the Management Plan for the National Scenic Area. The Ordinance specifies that marijuana businesses are not permitted in the GMA or SMA portions of the National Scenic Area. Jeff Litwak, Counsel, will present the staff report.
- 1:30 p.m. Committee Reports:** Tribal Affairs and Assessment Committees will present information about the outcomes from the morning discussions. Other committees may also provide updates as needed.
- 1:45 p.m. Executive Director’s Report:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski
- Principal Planner and GIS/Planner hiring updates
 - Website re-design update
 - Memaloose State Park update
 - Tribal Listen Session report
 - VSI update
 - Urban Area Boundaries scope of work update
 - FY 2016-2017 Budget update

- 2:00 p.m.** **Executive Director Performance Measures for 2016-2017*:** The Commission will discuss the goals and performance measures for evaluating the Executive Director in spring 2017
- 2:30 p.m.** **Transportation Priorities in the Gorge using criteria for prioritizing the proposed projects in the National Scenic Area:** Krystyna U. Wolniakowski will report on meetings held with WA and OR transportation partners and discuss the “lens” by which the Commission may evaluate transportation project priorities in the NSA
- 2:50 p.m.** **Gorge Commission Retreat:** Chairman Bowen Blair will discuss a proposed Commission/Staff retreat in June 2016 to develop a strategy and plan for fiscal year 2017 priorities
- 3:20 p.m.** **U.S. Forest Service Area Manager’s Report:** Lynn Burditt
- 3:35 p.m.** **Other Business**
- 3:45 p.m.** **Adjourn**

NOTE: The times listed on the agenda are approximate. The chair of the Commission reserves the opportunity to change the order and time of the items if earlier agenda items run long or to accommodate invited speakers’ schedules.

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Effective use of public comment time.

All speakers will be offered three (3) minutes to express their thoughts. The Chair may announce a change in a meeting’s time limits in order to keep the meeting on schedule.

Plan your speaking points in advance to help ensure a clear message for the Commission to hear. The points you are making will have the most impact if you can ensure their accuracy. Organize your thoughts in the following manner: your Point, Reasoning, an Example of your point, and Summary of your point. The Commission strives to use this P.R.E.S. model in its own discussions and will be listening for these parts of your message.

Please be respectful of your time so that others may also have an opportunity to speak.

Submitting written comments.

If you would like your comments entered into the record, please bring a printed original for the record. If you like you may email your comments to the Commission prior to the meeting, or bring 15 printed copies to the meeting. Your written comments may contain more information and detail than your oral public comments.

Thank you again for commenting on issues important to you. We appreciate your interest the future of the National Scenic Area and the time and thought you put into your comments.