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GREAT  
PLACE



# District 3 Metro update

Tigard City Council

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# Overview

- Southwest Corridor Plan
- Climate Smart Communities
- Urban Growth Management process
- Natural areas program
- Convention Center hotel
- Oregon Zoo

# Southwest Corridor update

- Online open house from April 15 through mid May
- Evaluation of project bundles available in May
- Community forum: May 23, 6 p.m., Tualatin Library
- Engagement through Opt In in June





# Climate Smart Communities

- Legislature requires region to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 20% from cars, light trucks by 2035
- Plan to test three scenarios this summer based on local land use, transportation plans
- Evaluation criteria based on input from local officials, community, business leaders
- Findings to be shared with cities this fall
- Preferred scenario to be adopted in 2014

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# Urban Growth Management process



- Technical work underway to prepare for Urban Growth Report
- Council must accept final Urban Growth Report by end of 2014
- Council intends to complete its growth management decision, based on needs identified in the UGR, by the end of 2015

# Natural areas update



- Expanding wildlife corridor in Tualatin Valley
- Ice Age Tonquin Trail master plan approved
- Missing link in Canemah Bluff purchased
- Westside Trail Master Plan nearing completion—May 8<sup>th</sup> open house

# Convention Center hotel update

- Goal: attract new national convention business
- Ongoing negotiations for 600-room Hyatt Regency
- Independent study confirms positive outlook for convention, hospitality markets
- Metro, Portland, Multnomah Co. negotiating lodging taxes
- Metro, PDC negotiating financing



# Oregon Zoo

- 10-year land use plan approved
- Elephant Lands construction begins in June
- Animal welfare work underway in Asia



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# Your questions...

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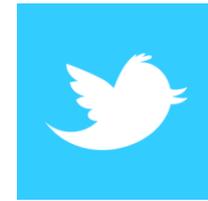
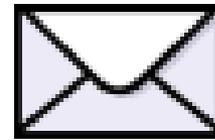
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