



**NRC Mission Statement:** In concert with the City, the committee shall advise, evaluate, and advance an agenda that empowers citizen, business and governmental stakeholders to become natural resource stewards who achieve a beneficial balance among people and natural systems now and in the future.

**NRC Bylaws Article IV: Responsibilities:**

- 1. Promote community involvement in conservation of natural resources within the City and its Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) in partnership with the City, neighborhood associations, and community organizations.
- 2. Initiate recommendations and review updates to the City’s comprehensive plan, codes and policy as they relate to statewide Planning Goals that are integral to our mission.
- 3. Receive notice of and comment on land use applications and City activities that have the potential to impact natural resources in the City and its Urban Growth Boundary.
- 4. Conduct orderly meetings that result in good communication to city staff, policy makers, city departments and community to achieve our mission.
- 5. Coordinate with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) and Planning and City Commissions on at least an annual basis that results in good communication and mutually beneficial results.

**City Commission Vision:** Embrace and advance Oregon City’s historic role as a regional leader.  
**City Commission Mission:** Build a healthy community that leads the state in safety, economic opportunity, livability, and historic significance.

**City Commission Goals:**

- 1. Maintain an Environment for Successful Economic Development
- 2. Address Critical Facility Needs
- 3. Enhance the Livability of the Community
- 4. Seek Opportunities to Maintain Communications with Citizens and Facilitate Citizen Participation
- 5. Maintain Fiscal Health and Long Term Stability

City Commission Goal	Applicable NRC Responsibility (From NRC Bylaws)	Activities	City Lead / NRC Lead	Timeline	What needs to happen to accomplish this activity?
<b>Goal 1.</b> Maintain an Environment for Successful Economic Development  <i>Cove Project and Former Landfill</i>  <b><i>Willamette Falls Legacy Project</i></b>  <i>Railroad Quiet Zone</i>  <i>Beavercreek Industrial Lands</i>  <i>Incentive Programs</i>  <b><i>Enhance Tourism</i></b>	<b>NRC Responsibility #1: Promote Community Involvement in Natural Resources Conservation</b>	Stream and Trail Interpretive Signage could enhance tourism:  Develop signage for improved public awareness of natural resources (e.g. streams and trees, development sites, heritage sites, Park sites (e.g. Beavercreek Rd to Hillendale), walking trails).  Approach artists, 3 Rivers Art Guild,  Collaborate w/ PRAC, Metro Interpretative Grant project  Possibly NRC interface with other tourism agencies for enhanced interpretive activities. E.g. Metro Citizen Naturalists, Clackamas Tourism Council.  Emphasize canopy preservation over and near these creeks.  Priority <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Abernethy Creek</li><li>2. Coffee Creek</li><li>3. Singer Creek</li><li>4. Newell Creek</li><li>5. Caufield Creek</li><li>6. Mud Creek</li><li>7. Tour Creek</li><li>8. Livesay Creek</li><li>9. Thimble Creek</li><li>10. Unnamed Creeks</li></ul>	City Lead: Parks / PW / NRC Lead: Neeley		Need NRC member lead Need coordination with PRAC, Parks and Pubic Works Determine Budget Identify Stream Reach Develop signage content, graphics, map Prioritize Creeks for Pilot project – Well Known – Major ones: <b>Abernethy</b> , Coffee, Newell, develop sign content
		Pursue and advance habitat projects under Lower Harbor Trust Fund – NRDA, Clackamette Cove restoration.			



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		Continue to collaborate with Willamette Falls Legacy Project			
<b>Goal 2.</b> Address Critical Facility Needs  <i>Public Works Center</i>  <i>Deferred Maintenance Issues</i>	<b>NRC Responsibility #1: Promote Community Involvement in Natural Resources Conservation</b>  <b>NRC Responsibility #3: Receive Notice and Comment on Land Use Applications and Projects within City Limits and the Urban Growth Boundary</b>	Ongoing activity as City addresses all projects listed under City Goal 3.  Support / Involvement with Public Works Center Master Plan  Tour / On-Site Discussion on Stewardship of the resources on Public Works and City Sites	NRC: Staff: Lewis, Montalvo, Walter		
<b>Goal 3.</b> Enhance the Liveability of the Community  <i>Tri-City Service District Governance</i>  <i>Transit Service</i>  <i>Sewer Moratorium</i>  <i>Waterfront Master Plan</i>	<b>NRC Responsibility #1: Promote Community Involvement in Natural Resources Conservation</b>	Assist with connectivity between Rossmann landfill site / interpretive center, Cove and Willamette River	NRC: Staff:		
		Advocate for enhancement and maintenance of Metro South Wetland as north gateway to Oregon City	NRC: Herrmann Staff		
		Continue work with Cove Development on Habitat Restoration	NRC: Staff		
		Pursue and advance projects under Lower Harbor Trust Fund – NRDA process (with John Runyon)	NRC: Staff		
<b>Goal 4.</b> Seek Opportunities to Maintain Communications with Citizens and Facilitate Citizen Participation  <i>Ermatinger House</i>  <i>Economic Development Forums</i>  <i>Electronic Records Mgmt.</i>	<b>NRC Responsibility #1: Promote Community Involvement in Natural Resources Conservation</b> Goal: WFLP Goal 3: Advance Waterfront Master Plan	Communicate with Neighborhood Associations, Citizen Involvement Commission and the Business Community	City Staff: NRC: Neeley		NRC members present at other groups / boards.
		Conduct Natural Resources Tour (annual event)	NRC: Herrmann		
		Prepare Education Materials about Street Trees for Distribution to the Public.	City Staff: Walter NRC:	On-Going	
		Participate in Natural Resources-focused events associated with Arbor Day / Earth Day at City or Urban Renewal Agency Owned Lands in partnership with Greater Oregon City Watershed Council (GOCWC) and Friends of Trees.	City Staff: NRC: PRAC: ?	On-Going	Coordinate prior to April
		Strengthen and Encourage Participation in the Heritage Tree Program	Walter Dahlsrud	On-Going	Brochures \$\$\$ for incentives Further Outreach



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<b>Goal 4.</b> Seek Opportunities to Maintain Communications with Citizens and Facilitate Citizen Participation  <b>Goal 3.</b> Enhance the Livability of the Community	<b>NRC Responsibility #2: Initiate Recommendations to Comprehensive Plan, Codes and Policies.</b>	Ongoing activity as City addresses all projects listed under City Goal 3  Need to update the City’s water resources, stream and wetland inventory (1999). Local Wetland Inventory and Statewide Goal 5 process.  Metro Title 3 and Title 13 enhancement and education for habitat improvement.  Consider Natural Resources Annexation Policy  Consider Tree Protection and Upland Habitat Code Amendment Review NRC meeting agendas with Staff prior to Meetings with time frames	City Staff: NRC: Chair/ Staff	On-Going	
<b>Goal 4.</b> Seek Opportunities to Maintain Communications with Citizens and Facilitate Citizen Participation	<b>NRC Responsibility #4: Conduct Orderly Meetings that Result in Communications.</b>	Maintain and Update a list of Natural Resources Committee priorities to share with Planning Commission and City Commission.	NRC: Warness Staff: Walter	On-Going	
		Provide updates and annual reports about NRC accomplishments and recommendations to City Commission.	NRC: Neeley / Warness	October in advance of City Commission Retreat	
		Schedule joint meeting with PRAC to develop working relationship and develop budget support for joint projects	City Staff: Phil Lewis Pete Walter NRC: Neeley	On-Going	
<b>Commission Goal 4.</b> Seek Opportunities to Maintain Communications with Citizens and Facilitate Citizen Participation	<b>NRC Responsibility #5: Coordinate Activities with Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) and Planning Commission on an annual basis.</b>	Schedule joint meetings with Planning Commission when needed to continue working relationship.  Discussion of NRC Responsibility #2 items above.	City Staff: Laura Terway Pete Walter  NRC: Neeley	On-Going	
<b>Commission Goal 5.</b> Maintain Fiscal Health and Long Term Stability  IT Service and Permitting  Annexation Strategy		Economic Development Strategies involving Cove, Lower Harbor Trust Fund			