



## Historic Review Board

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Transportation and Growth Management Program Grant Selection Committee  
Oregon Department of Transportation  
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To Whom It May Concern,

The Historic Review Board supports the City of Oregon City's Transportation and Growth Management Program grant request to update the transportation and land use components of the Comprehensive Plan. This update will reflect the community's vision for the next 20 years and set goals and policies to equitably guide development projects and plans.

It is imperative to update the Comprehensive Plan to assure it equitably reflects the aspirations of all of our community members. Significant development and demographic changes have occurred since the Comprehensive Plan was last updated 2004, and the purpose of this project is to assure that our future is reflective of all our community members. The equity-based approach to updating the Comprehensive Plan necessitates an inclusive process to empower all of our community members to participate in the process. A successful Comprehensive Plan is dependent on a process which includes all community members so that the resulting plan may serve everyone.

Updating the Comprehensive Plan will allow the community to discuss our historic assets and how they will be supported in the future. In addition to our two locally designated historic districts (one of which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places), Oregon City is full of a range of historic structures spread throughout the City. Potential topics include checking in on the success of our districts, or the appropriateness of public improvements within them.

We are excited to be a part of a project with significant community engagement. The 2.5-year process will allow the community to engage in holistic conversations which include the transportation and land use balanced among many other factors contemplated in the Comprehensive Plan. We are committed to working with Oregon City and the community on this project and encourage your approval of the proposed TGM grant. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Oregon City Historic Review Board