

# **MEMO**

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Subject: Beavercreek Road Concept Plan Map and Code Implementation Project

### I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

#### I.a. CONCEPT PLAN SUMMARY

The Beavercreek Road Concept Plan (BRCP) establishes the goal of creating a complete and sustainable community in southeast Oregon City within a 453-acre district along Beavercreek Road. The district is intended to provide for a mix of uses including an employment campus north of Loder Road, mixed-use districts along Beavercreek Road, and two mixed-use neighborhoods woven together by open space, trails, a network of green streets, and sustainable development practices. District development will help to provide 1000 to 1,600 diverse housing options and to realize the City's economic development goals, including creation of up to 5,000 family-wage jobs. The five subdistricts that support these development goals include:

- *North Employment Campus:* The largest subdistrict, located north of Loder Road and is intended for tech flex and campus industrial uses.
- *Mixed Employment Village:* Located along Beavercreek Road between Meyers Road and Glen Oak Road, and intended for mixed-use, 3-5 story building scale, active street life.
- *Main Street:* A node located Beavercreek Road and Glen Oak Road, intended for mixed-use, local shops and services.
- West Mixed-Use Neighborhood: Located along Beavercreek Road south of Glen Oak Road and the Main Street subdistrict, and intended for medium to high density housing and limited community uses.
- *East Mixed-Use Neighborhood:* Located in the southeast end of concept plan area, and is intended for low-density residential and green space throughout.

• *Parks, Open Spaces and Resource Areas:* Includes a connected system of parks, open spaces and natural areas that link together and link to the environmentally sensitive areas throughout the district, including the undevelopable portion of the powerline overlay.

The Beavercreek Road Concept Plan was initially adopted in 2008 and re-adopted in 2016, following legal and legislative findings that affirmed the plan's consistency with Metro regional employment goals. (See File No. LE-15-0003.) While approximately half of the district has been annexed to the City, mapping and zoning regulations need to be developed and applied for the annexed areas and the remainder of the district to fully implement the BRCP.

### I.b. IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT SUMMARY

Oregon City aims to further implementation of the Beavercreek Road Concept Plan (BRCP) through comprehensive plan designation and zone mapping, and development code amendments. The specific tasks for this project will be to develop comprehensive plan map and zoning map designations to implement the Beavercreek Road Concept Plan map, and supporting development code regulations for each implementing zone. The existing Concept Plan map was the guide for mapping implementation. Existing city zoning, bolstered by recent Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations) code amendments, generally lines up with the desired land use concepts within the plan and will facilitate implementation with minor amendments. Additional plan goals beyond land use implementation are outside the scope of this project, including infrastructure, transportation and economic development measures that have already been completed or planned for the concept plan area. Additional items will be pursued separately from this land use implementation project.

#### I.c. PROJECT PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

The BRCP implementation project engaged a range of stakeholders in multiple venues and formats over eight months, with each successive round of engagement used to inform project refinements in subsequent phases.

The first round of engagement consisted of four stakeholder interviews with property owners, economic development representatives, and local educational institutions to understand current conditions and priorities for the implementation project. This initial round also included three presentations to the following community groups to update them on the status of the BRCP concept plan and hear their priorities for the implementation process:

Caulfield Neighborhood Association- January 22, 2019

- The Hamlet of Beavercreek- January 23, 2019
- Beavercreek Blue Ribbon Committee- January 17, 2019

Three public meetings were held at the Oregon City High School, near the concept plan area, and at City Hall during the course of the project to provide information and discussion opportunities on the evolving maps and code amendments:

- Tuesday, January 29, 2019- Oregon City High School Library- 7:00-8:30 PM
- Tuesday, April 9, 2019- Oregon City High School Library- 7:00-8:30 PM
- Monday, June 10, 2019- City Hall Commission Chambers 5:00-7:00 PM

For all meetings, materials were also available online including comment forms to allow community members to participate virtually if they were not able to attend the meetings in person.

Additional presentations were held at the following City meetings to detail the implementation project elements:

- Citizen Involvement Committee- January 7, 2019
- Transportation Advisory Committee- March 19, 2019

The proposed map and code amendments were discussed at the two work sessions this spring:

- Planning Commission Work Session- May 13, 2019
- City Commission Work Session-June 11, 2019

Throughout the project, ongoing methods used to engage citizens in the process have included:

- Project website with regular updates (https://www.orcity.org/Beavercreekconceptplan)
- Email Updates announcing upcoming meetings and events
- Mailing List
- Public comment tracker, compiling feedback from all engagements with responses from staff, updated throughout the project
- Online comment forms
- Naming survey for renaming the concept plan area
- Notice board posted within the concept plan area

The following meetings are anticipated as of the date of this report as part of the adoption process.

- 1st Planning Commission Hearing: August 12, 2019-7:00 PM
- City Commission Work Session (Beavercreek Road Street Design): August 13, 2019
- Additional Planning Commission and City Commission public hearings and work sessions to be scheduled.

All meetings will be properly noticed and advertised through the project's mailing list and website.

#### II. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

#### II.a. AMENDMENT SUMMARY

The implementation project includes map and text amendments consistent with BRCP including:

- 1. Comprehensive plan text amendments: Proposed clarification in the Parks Master Plan (ancillary document to the Comprehensive Plan) as well as amendments to the Transportation System Plan (ancillary document to the Comprehensive Plan) as needed.
- 2. *Comprehensive plan map amendments:* Proposed amendments to the comprehensive plan map implement the five subdistricts identified in the BRCP consistent with the concept plan maps throughout the concept plan area.
- 3. Zoning map amendments: Proposed amendments to the zoning map implement the five subdistricts consistent with the concept plan and comprehensive plan designations for properties within the concept plan area that have been annexed into the city limits. Zoning for properties within the Concept Plan boundary but not annexed into the City will be applied at the time of annexation, consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan map.
- 4. Zoning text amendments: Code amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code include geographically specific provisions to supplement the base zoning district provisions to fully implement the concept plan goals for each subdistrict. Limited amendments to subdivision and site plan review standards are also proposed to ensure concept plan standards are implemented at the time of development.

The BRCP subdistricts are proposed to be implemented with existing city comprehensive plan designations and zoning districts for proposed maps, with proposed code amendments building on existing district standards.

Subdistrict	Comprehensive plan	Zone
	designation	
North Employment	Industrial (I)	Campus Industrial (CI)
Campus		
Mixed Employment	Mixed-Use Corridor	Mixed-Use Corridor
Village	(MUC)	(MUC-2)
Main Street	Mixed-Use Corridor	Neighborhood
	(MUC)	Commercial (NC)
West Mixed-Use	High-Density	High-Density
Neighborhood	Residential (HDR)	Residential (R-2)
East Mixed-Use	Medium-Density	Medium-Density
Neighborhood	Residential (MDR)	Residential (R-5)
Environmentally		Natural Resources
Sensitive Restoration		Overlay District
Area		(NROD)
		Geological Hazard
		Overlay District
		(GHOD)

#### II.b. SUMMARY OF ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS

The proposed code amendments specific to each subdistrict are described below, and supplement rather than supplant the base zone standards.

#### OCMC 16.08, Land Divisions - Process and Standards

 Proposed code amendments include additional public park requirements or fee-in-lieu option for certain properties to ensure land for the South Central Open Space Network is reserved and dedicated to the city at the time of residential subdivisions. This is expected to largely apply to development in the R-5 district.

# OCMC 17.10, R-5 Medium Density Residential District (East Mixed-Use Neighborhood subdistrict)

 No changes are proposed to the mix of uses or dimensional standards in the zone beyond those proposed in the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations).

- Standards for the Low-Impact Conservation Area implement the plan goals
  for the area upslope of Thimble Creek, on the eastern edge of the Beavercreek
  Road district. The proposed standards limit development to two units per
  acre, require open space preservation and restoration, and require view
  corridors to preserve views.
- A 40-foot perimeter buffer is proposed along the southern edge of the district including landscaping, setbacks and fencing, to manage the transition to lower-density residential development outside City limits along Old Acres Lane to the south.

# OCMC 17.12, R-2 High Density Residential District (West Mixed-Use Neighborhood subdistrict)

- Allows additional uses consistent with the Concept Plan include live/work dwellings and limited commercial/mixed-use spaces.
- Provides up to a 20% density bonus for development incorporating sustainability features.
- Additional changes in Site Plan and Design Review standards to add requirement for additional public park dedication or fee-in-lieu, consistent with requirement for new subdivisions.

# OCMC 17.24, MC Neighborhood Commercial District (Main Street subdistrict)

- Limits uses to a 10,000 SF building footprint to encourage pedestrian-scale, main street businesses. Limits residential uses to 50% of the project floor area, and prohibits ground-floor residential uses within 150 feet of Glen Oak Road (which will be the "main street.") Adds a new use category for artisan and specialty goods production to allow limited manufacturing type uses.
- Increase dimensional standards to match scale proposed in the Concept Plan, including a five-story height limit and 0.5 FAR minimum.
- Improves building presence and interaction along the street by requiring parking to be located behind building facades.

# OCMC 17.29, MUC Mixed-Use Corridor District (Mixed Employment Village subdistrict)

 Light industrial uses are permitted to implement the employment aspect of the vision for this subdistrict. Retail and service uses, including food service, are limited to 20% of a site to maintain the focus on employment uses generating family-wage jobs. Residential uses are limited to upper stories only.

- One parcel with an in-progress residential development is permitted outright, to avoid creating a nonconforming use.
- An additional dimensional standard implements a minimum 0.35 FAR for new development to ensure efficient use of land.

# OCMC 17.31, CI Campus Industrial District (North Employment Campus subdistrict)

- Retail and professional service uses are limited consistent with Metro Title 4
  requirements to preserve land for industrial uses. Offices are permitted
  consistent with uses outlined in the Concept Plan, whereas distribution and
  warehouse uses are prohibited because they create relatively few jobs per acre
  inconsistent with the plan goals.
- Several parcels with existing single-family residential development are permitted outright, to avoid creating nonconforming uses. (These parcels are outside of Title 4 lands, so there is no conflict with employment requirements.)
- Additional standards require landscaping, berms and fences within the required 25-foot transition area between industrial and residential uses.
- Outdoor storage is limited to a maximum of 25% of the developable area to avoid inefficient use of land that does not support employment plan goals.
- A minimum 30-foot open space and trail corridor is required along the powerline corridor. Additional parks, trails, urban agriculture and community garden uses are permitted consistent with the plan goals for uses within the powerline easement.
- Sustainable development features are required for all development to implement the plan's sustainability goals.

# OCMC 17.44, US – Geologic Hazards and OCMC 17.49 – Natural Resources Overlay District

No changes are proposed to the geologic hazard or natural Resources Overlay
District standards for this district; resource areas within the concept plan area
will be protected consistent with existing standards.

# OCMC 17.62, Site Plan and Design Review

 Proposed code amendments include additional public park requirements or fee-in-lieu option to ensure land for the South Central Open Space Network is reserved and dedicated to the city at the time of residential subdivisions. This is intended to apply to any residential development in the R-2 or the mixed-use districts that does not get developed through subdivision.

#### III. COMPLIANCE

#### III.a. CHAPTER 17.68 ZONING CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

### 17.68.010 Initiation of the amendment.

A text amendment to this title or the comprehensive plan, or an amendment to the zoning map or the comprehensive plan map, may be initiated by:

- A. A resolution by the commission;
- B. An official proposal by the planning commission;
- C. An application to the planning division presented on forms and accompanied by information prescribed by the planning commission.

All requests for amendment or change in this title shall be referred to the planning commission.

**Response**: This request is for amendments to the zoning map, amendments to the comprehensive plan map, and text amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code and was initiated by the Planning Division.

#### 17.68.020 Criteria.

The criteria for a zone change are set forth as follows:

A. The proposal shall be consistent with the goals and policies of the comprehensive plan.

**Response**: Consistency with the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan (OCCP) Goals and Policies follow starting on page 11.

B. That public facilities and services (water, sewer, storm drainage, transportation, schools, police and fire protection) are presently capable of supporting the uses allowed by the zone, or can be made available prior to issuing a certificate of occupancy. Service shall be sufficient to support the range of uses and development allowed by the zone.

**Response:** The capacity of the respective public facilities and services to support the proposal is addressed below.

Water and Sewer Capacity

Please refer to the attached memorandum from 3J Consulting. The memorandum provides an assessment of the water and sanitary sewer system implications of the map and code amendments proposed with the BRCP implementation project.

Wastewater treatment is provided by the Tri-City Sewer District, which the project contacted for comment.

The 3J memorandum concludes that development of 1,105 dwelling units and 5,734 jobs within the BRCP area have been adequately planned for in infrastructure master plans and sufficient capacity will be available to serve development. The Sanitary Sewer (2014) and Water Distribution (2012) Master Plans were all created subsequent to initial adoption of the Beavercreek Road Concept Plan (2008). Each master plan incorporated the BRCP area into future capital improvement projections and will ensure adequate water and sewer capacity is developed.

South Fork Water Board (SFWB), Oregon City's water provider was contacted for comment.

Schools

The proposal was sent to the Oregon City School District (OCSD) for comment.

Police and Fire Protection

Oregon City Police Department and Clackamas Fire District capacity would not be affected by the proposal, since the proposal does not change existing service areas. They have been contacted for comment.

Wastewater Treatment

Tri-City Sewer District was contacted for comment.

Storm Drainage

This proposal does not change the city's adopted policies and technical documents related to storm water management and erosion control. The Draft 2019 Oregon City Stormwater Master Plan includes the BRCP area, which is part of the Newell Creek Basin, but does not identify any capital improvement projects specifically needed to serve the BRCP district. The Plan states that the eventual layout of the stormwater conveyance systems and management facilities will be crafted through the preliminary and final design process for development projects within the BRCP district.

**Transportation** 

Impacts to the transportation system are addressed under (C) below.

Based on the various analyses provided, public facilities and services are presently capable of supporting the uses allowed by the proposal, or can be made available prior to issuing a certificate of occupancy. **This criterion is met.** 

C. The land uses authorized by the proposal are consistent with the existing or planned function, capacity and level of service of the transportation system serving the proposed zoning district.

**Response:** The impacts of the proposal on the transportation system were reviewed by a transportation consultant, DKS. Please refer to the DLS analysis and memorandum which is attached to this narrative. The memorandum provides an assessment of the transportation implications of the project proposal. The memorandum assesses whether the proposed amendments trigger a finding of significant effect that would require further analysis to determine transportation impacts under OAR 660-12-0060 (Transportation Planning Rule or "TPR").

The memo concludes that the proposed map and code amendments do not result in a significant change in the number of trips resulting from the dwelling units and jobs anticipated within the BRCP district compared to the traffic anticipated and planned for in Oregon City's Transportation System Plan (TSP) adopted in 2013. Therefore, the proposed amendments do not have a significant effect on the transportation system and that the city may adopt findings to that effect when adopting the proposed amendments. **This criterion is met.** 

D. Statewide planning goals shall by addressed if the comprehensive plan does not contain specific policies or provisions which control the amendment.

**Response:** The acknowledged Oregon City Comprehensive Plan (OCCP) addresses all of the applicable Statewide Planning goals unless the Statewide Goal is inapplicable. The relevant sections of the OCCP implemented by this proposal, and the applicable Statewide Goals, is indicated below.

Statewide Planning Goal	OCCP Section / Goal(s) Implemented by this
_	Proposal
1: Citizen Involvement	1. Citizen Involvement / Goals 1.2, 1.4
2: Land Use Planning	2. Land Use Planning / Goals 2.1, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5,
_	2.6, 2.7
3: Agricultural Lands	3. Not applicable within UGB
4: Forest Lands	4. Not applicable within UGB
5: Natural Resources, Scenic and	5. Open Spaces, Scenic and Historic Areas, and
Historic Areas, and Open Spaces	Natural Resources / Goals 5.1, 5.4
6: Air, Water and Land Resources	6. Quality of Air, Water, and Land Resources /
Quality	Goals 6.1, 6.2
7: Areas Subject to Natural Hazards	7. Natural Hazards / Goal 7.1
8: Recreation Needs	8. Parks and Recreation / Goal 8.1,

9: Economic Development	9. Economic Development / Goals 9.1, 9.3, 9.5,
	9.7, 9.8
10: Housing	10. Housing / Goals 10.1, 10.2
11: Public Facilities and Services.	11. Public Facilities / Goals 11.1, 11.6, 11.7
12: Transportation	12: Transportation / Goal 12.1
13: Energy Conservation	13. Energy Conservation / Goal 13.1
14: Urbanization	14. Urbanization / Goal 14.3
15: Willamette River Greenway	Not affected by this proposal.
16: Estuarine Resources	Not applicable.
17: Coastal Shorelands	Not applicable.
18: Beaches and Dunes	Not applicable.
19: Ocean Resources	Not applicable.

Detailed responses to the OCCP goals and policies are provided in Section III.b below.

#### III.b. OREGON CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOALS AND POLICIES

# Goal 1.2 Community and Comprehensive Planning

Ensure that citizens, neighborhood groups, and affected property owners are involved in all phases of the comprehensive planning program.

Policy 1.2.1

Encourage citizens to participate in appropriate government functions and land-use planning.

# Goal 1.4 Community Involvement

Provide complete information for individuals, groups, and communities to participate in public policy planning and implementation of policies.

*Policy* 1.4.1

Notify citizens about community involvement opportunities when they occur.

Response: The proposal is consistent with these Goals and Policies. The project provided numerous opportunities for citizen involvement, including engagement with the Citizen Involvement Committee, the Caufield Neighborhood Association, property owners, and other stakeholders through multiple avenues throughout the eight-month project planning process with multiple notification and participation options provided. See Section I.c for full summary of citizen involvement efforts.

# 2.1 Efficient Use of Land

Ensure that property planned for residential, commercial, office, and industrial uses is used efficiently and that land is developed following principles of sustainable development.

**Response:** The proposal maps and supplements existing zoning district standards for the R-5, R-2, NC, MUC-II, and CI zones that have been found to support efficient and sustainable development. The BRCP envisions the area developed with vibrant, walkable, amenity rich neighborhoods with active community centers, as mapped and implemented by this proposal. The proposed code amendments further support efficient land use by providing residential density bonuses, FAR minimums for mixed-use development, and requiring sustainable design features for industrial development. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

# Policy 2.1.1

Create incentives for new development to use land more efficiently, such as by having minimum floor area ratios and maximums for parking and setbacks.

**Response:** The proposed code amendments create additional incentives for efficient land use in the BRCP district beyond the existing code standards, including higher minimum FARs for development in the two mixed-use zones and reduced setbacks and landscaping area for the NC zone applied to the Main Street subdistrict. The OCMC already includes parking maximums in OCMC 17.52.020. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Policy 2.1.2

Encourage the vertical and horizontal mixing of different land-use types in selected areas of the city where compatible uses can be designed to reduce the overall need for parking, create vibrant urban areas, reduce reliance on private automobiles, create more business opportunities and achieve better places to live.

Response: The proposed map amendments apply two existing mixed-use zones with the BRCP area, the MUC-II and NC zones. In addition to the mix of office, commercial and residential uses allowed in the base zones, the proposed code amendments expand the mix of uses including allowing light manufacturing uses in the MUC-II zone. The proposed code amendments limit the scale and percentages of different categories of uses, including limiting residential uses to upper stories or ground-floor uses set back a minimum distance from the main roadways, to provide for a greater mix of uses. The proposed code amendments also introduce opportunities for small-scale commercial uses in the R-2 zone for additional opportunities for mixed-use development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

#### Goal 2.3 Corridors

Focus transit-oriented, higher intensity, mixed-use development along selected transit corridors.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments apply two existing mixed-use zones with the BRCP area, the MUC-II and NC zones, along Beavercreek Road, which has potential to be a future transit corridor as development increases potential ridership numbers. The higher-intensity residential development zoned R-2 is also located along Beavercreek Road, compared to medium-density residential areas zoned R-5 located further east away from major roads. In addition, the site is near the Clackamas Community College which has a transit center for Tri-Met. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 2.4.2

Strive to establish facilities and land uses in every neighborhood that help give vibrancy, a sense of place, and a feeling of uniqueness; such as activity centers and points of interest.

**Response:** The essence of the BRCP is to establish a district with interconnected, vibrant neighborhoods. The proposed map amendments support a mix of uses throughout the district, included a district focal point in the Main Street subdistrict zoned NC that will serve as the hub for the district's neighborhoods. The proposed code amendments also support development of smaller-scale activity centers throughout the district, such as permitting small-scale commercial uses with the East Mixed-Use Neighborhood zoned R-2 and supporting creation of the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedications. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.4.3

Promote connectivity between neighborhoods and neighborhood commercial centers through a variety of transportation modes.

**Response:** The BRCP plans for multimodal transportation networks throughout the district, as supported by the proposed map and code amendments. The proposed code amendments support creation of the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedications, which will form a linear park and multimodal trail connecting multiple subdistricts. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Goal 2.5 Retail and Neighborhood Commercial

Encourage the provision of appropriately scaled services to neighborhoods.

**Response:** The map amendments, consistent with the BRCP map, provide for a Main Street subdistrict zoned NC in close proximity to the residential East and West Mixed-Use Neighborhoods. In addition, the proposed code amendments add opportunities to integrate small-scale commercial uses in the West Mixed-Use Neighborhood zoned R-2. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 2.5.4

Encourage the development of successful commercial areas organized as centers surrounded by higher density housing and office uses, rather than as commercial strips adjacent to low-density housing.

**Response:** The map amendments, consistent with the BRCP map, provide for a Main Street subdistrict zoned NC in close proximity to the higher-density West Mixed-Use Neighborhood zoned R-2 and the Mixed Employment Village subdistrict zoned MUC-II that will support office uses. There are no commercial strips proposed adjacent to lower-density housing in the East Mixed-Use Neighborhood zoned R-5. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.5.5

Encourage commercial and industrial development that enhances livability of neighborhoods through the design of attractive LEEDTM-certified buildings and environmentally responsible landscaping that uses native vegetation wherever possible, and by ensuring that development is screened and buffered from adjoining residential neighborhoods and access is provided by a variety of transportation modes.

Response: The proposed code amendments include requirements for sustainable design features for industrial development within the North Employment Campus zoned CI; the menu of features includes LEEDTM-certified buildings and use of native vegetation. The proposed code amendments also provide for an enhanced landscaping buffer incorporating berms and fencing between the industrial subdistrict and adjacent residential development in the East Mixed-Use Neighborhood. The BRCP includes plans for a multimodal transportation network that will be built out as development occurs. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

# Goal 2.6 Industrial Land Development

Ensure an adequate supply of land for major industrial employers with family-wage jobs.

**Response:** The map amendments designate 236.1 gross acres, estimated at 132.1 net acres for Industrial designation and Campus Industrial zoning; the North Employment Campus is the largest of all the BRCP subdistricts. All Metro Title 4

land protected for employment use has been designated and zoned CI. The existing CI zone allows a range of uses that support family-wage jobs, such as light manufacturing; the proposed code amendments further protect job generation potential by limiting the amount of site area that can be used for outdoor storage areas and prohibiting distribution and warehouse uses, which typically do not generate significant job opportunities. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 2.6.2

Ensure that land zoned or planned for industrial use is used for industrial purposes, and that exceptions are allowed only where some other use supports industrial development. New non-industrial uses should especially be restricted in already developed, active industrial sites.

**Response:** The map amendments ensure that land planned for industrial use is protected for industrial purposes by zoning it CI. The CI zoning code standards limit non-industrial uses, and the proposed code amendments further limit the size of any supporting retail or office to 5,000 SF per establishment or 20,000 per development. Existing residential uses on a handful parcels within the North Employment Campus are permitted outright, rather than rendered nonconforming uses, but no new residential uses are permitted. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.6.3

Protect the city's supply of undeveloped and underdeveloped land zoned for industrial uses by limiting non-industrial community uses, such as schools, parks, and churches on such properties and by limiting larger commercial uses within those areas.

**Response:** The CI zoning code standards already prohibit schools and churches; parks, trails and urban agriculture uses are proposed as permitted uses in the code amendments for the North Employment Campus subdistrict, intended to apply within the powerline easement areas that would otherwise be undevelopable for industrial use. The proposed code amendments limit the size of any supporting commercial use to 5,000 SF per establishment or 20,000 per development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.6.4

Protect existing and planned undeveloped and underdeveloped industrial lands from incompatible land uses, and minimize deterrents to desired industrial development.

**Response:** Much of the North Employment Campus industrial lands are currently undeveloped. The map amendments applying the CI zone will protect these lands from incompatible development through existing CI use standards. The CI zoning

code standards limit non-industrial uses, and the proposed code amendments further limit the size of any supporting retail or office to 5,000 SF per establishment or 20,000 per development. Existing residential uses on a handful parcels within the North Employment Campus are permitted outright, rather than rendered nonconforming uses, but no new residential uses are permitted. The CI zoning code standards also prohibit schools and churches; parks, trails and urban agriculture uses are proposed as permitted uses in the code amendments for the North Employment Campus subdistrict, intended to apply within the powerline easement areas that would otherwise be undevelopable for industrial use. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.6.5

Ensure that land-use patterns create opportunities for citizens to live closer to their workplace.

**Response:** A central feature of the BRCP is the integration of residential and employment opportunities to create possibilities to live, work and play in the district. The proposed map amendments will create residential and employment districts in close proximity, including two mixed-use districts with both residential and employment opportunities. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

**Policy 2.6.6** 

*Identify industrial uses that could partner with Clackamas Community College as training centers and future employers of students graduating from CCC.* 

**Response:** CCC was identified as a stakeholder in the implementation project, and was engaged in the map and code development. The proximity of the North Employment Campus and the CCC campus create an exciting opportunity for future industrial developments in the BRCP area that partner with CCC as training centers and future employers. The existing CI use standards permit a wide range of industrial uses, including light manufacturing and research and development, that could accommodate future industrial uses within the BRCP district. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.6.7

Establish priorities to ensure that adequate public facilities are available to support the desired industrial development.

**Response:** Public facility master planning has been completed for the district, and planned water, sewer, stormwater, and transportation facilities have been shown to support the full 5,734 jobs projected with this implementation project. See response to approval criteria 17.68.020.B and C in Section III.a. All proposed industrial

development will be reviewed through the Site Plan and Design Review process in OCMC 17.62 that includes a criteria for approval for any new development that public facilities are adequate to support the proposal. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.6.8

Require lands east of Clackamas Community College that are designated as Future Urban Holding to be the subject of concept plans, which if approved as an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan, would guide zoning designations. The majority of these lands should be designated in a manner that encourages family-wage jobs in order to generate new jobs and move towards meeting the city's employment goals.

**Response:** The lands east of CCC have been incorporated into the BRCP and envisioned for industrial development that encourages family-wage jobs. The proposed map amendments, guided by the approved concept plan, designate this area for Industrial designation and Campus Industrial zoning. The existing CI zone allows a range of uses that support family-wage jobs, such as light manufacturing; the proposed code amendments further protect job generation potential by limiting the amount of site area that can be used for outdoor storage areas and prohibiting distribution and warehouse uses, which typically do not generate significant job opportunities. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 2.7 Oregon City Comprehensive Plan Land-Use Map

Maintain the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan Land-Use Map as the official long-range planning guide for land-use development of the city by type, density and location.

**Response:** The proposal includes amendments to the official Comprehensive Plan Land-Use Map as part of on-going maintenance to update designations for the BRCP area. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 2.7.2

Use the following 11 land-use classifications on the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan Land-Use Map to determine the zoning classifications that may be applied to parcels:

- Low Density Residential (LR)
- Medium Density Residential (MR)
- High Density Residential (HR)
- Commercial (C)
- Mixed Use Corridor (MUC)
- Mixed Use Employment (MUE)

- *Mixed Use Downtown (MUD)*
- Industrial (I)
- Public and Quasi-Public (QP)
- *Parks* (*P*)
- Future Urban Holding (FUH)

**Response:** The proposed comprehensive plan map amendments apply the Medium Density Residential, High Density Residential, Mixed Use Corridor, and Industrial designations to the BRCP area, with zoning classifications that are consistent with these designations. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 5.1 Open Space

Establish an open space system that conserves fish and wildlife habitat and provides recreational opportunities, scenic vistas, access to nature and other community benefits.

Response: The BRCP prioritizes an open space network that preserves identified environmental resource areas, parks, trails, and viewpoints, including the South-Central Open Space Network and the Low Impact Conservation Area upslope of Thimble Creek on the eastern edge of the district. The map amendments will include mapping and applying the Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) — OCMC 17.49 and Geologic Hazards—OCMC 17.44 to habitat areas. The proposed code amendments will create the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedication at the time of development, protect trail corridors throughout the district's open space system by requiring dedication of easements at the time of development, and protect the Low Impact Conservation Area by limiting development to two units per acre and protecting view corridors. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

#### *Policy* 5.1.1

Conserve open space along creeks, urban drainage ways, steep hillsides, and throughout Newell Creek Canyon.

**Response:** The existing Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) will be applied to all riparian corridors and the Geologic Hazards standards will be applied to all steep hillsides to conserve those areas. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 5.4 Natural Resources

Identify and seek strategies to conserve and restore Oregon City's natural resources, including air, surface and subsurface water, geologic features, soils, vegetation, and fish and wildlife, in order to sustain quality of life for current and future citizens and visitors, and the long-term viability of the ecological systems.

**Response:** The proposed amendments do not include any changes to OCMC 17.44, Natural Resources Overlay District, or to OCMC 17.49 – Geologic Hazards. These acknowledged codes are intended to conserve, protect and restore inventoried natural resources within the City's Urban Growth Boundary. **The proposal is consistent with this policy.** 

Policy 5.4.16

Protect surfacewater quality by:

- providing a vegetated corridor to separate protected water features from development
- maintaining or reducing stream temperatures with vegetative shading
- minimizing erosion and nutrient and pollutant loading into water
- providing infiltration and natural water purification by percolation through soil and vegetation

**Response:** The proposed amendments do not include any changes to OCMC 17.44, Natural Resources Overlay District, which provides for a vegetated corridor and shading along street corridors, or to the City's recently adopted stormwater and erosion control standards, design manuals or review processes. **The proposal is consistent with this policy.** 

#### Goal 6.1 Air Quality

Promote the conservation, protection and improvement of the quality of the air in Oregon City.

**Response**: The proposed amendments will not affect any codes or policies that implement Goal 6. The City's overlay districts, such as the Natural Resource Overlay District, Flood Management Overlay, and Geologic Hazards Overlay will apply regardless of the proposed changes. All engineering standards and building code standards for storm drainage, grading, erosion control, water quality facilities will continue to apply to development. Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) air and water quality permits are required separately for new development. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

*Policy* 6.1.2

Ensure that development practices comply with or exceed regional, state, and federal standards for air quality.

**Response:** Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) air and water quality permits are required separately for new development. Oregon City planning and

engineering staff are included in the coordination of these permits prior to issuance by DEQ. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 6.2 Water Quality

Control erosion and sedimentation associated with construction and development activities to protect water quality.

**Response:** Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) air and water quality permits are required separately for new development. Oregon City planning and engineering staff are included in the coordination of these permits prior to issuance by DEQ. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

*Policy* 6.2.1

Prevent erosion and restrict the discharge of sediments into surface- and groundwater by requiring erosion prevention measures and sediment control practices.

**Response:** All engineering standards and building code standards for storm drainage, grading, erosion control, and water quality facilities will continue to apply to development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

*Policy* 6.2.2

Where feasible, use open, naturally vegetated drainage ways to reduce stormwater and improve water quality.

**Response:** All engineering standards and building code standards for storm drainage, grading, erosion control, and water quality facilities will continue to apply to development. **The proposal is consistent with this policy.** 

### **Goal 7.1**

Natural Hazards Protect life and reduce property loss from the destruction associated with natural hazards.

**Response:** Development within the Natural Resources Overlay District and Geologic Hazards Overlay District (which includes sloped and historic landslide areas) is limited by development standards in the Municipal Code to protect the public.

Policy 7.1.1 Limit loss of life and damage to property from natural hazards by regulating or prohibiting development in areas of known or potential hazards.

**Response:** Development within the Natural Resources Overlay District and Geologic Hazards Overlay District (which includes sloped and historic landslide areas) is limited by development standards in the Municipal Code to protect the public.

# 8.1 Developing Oregon City's Park and Recreation System

Maintain and enhance the existing park and recreation system while planning for future expansion to meet residential growth.

**Response:** The BRCP prioritizes a network of parks, trails, and open spaces, including the South-Central Open Space Network. The proposed code amendments will support creation of the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedication at the time of development and protect trail corridors throughout the district's open space system by requiring dedication of easements at the time of development. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

# Policy 8.1.1

Provide an active neighborhood park-type facility and community park-type facility within a reasonable distance from residences, as defined by the Oregon City Park and Recreation Master Plan, to residents of Oregon City.

**Response:** The South-Central Open Space Network will create park facilities within proposed neighborhoods; all residences will be within approximately 1/4 mile of the network, which will include multiple elements including features similar to a neighborhood park-type facility and a multipurpose trail. The proposed code amendments will create the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedication at the time of development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Policy 8.1.2

When property adjacent to an existing neighborhood or community park becomes available, consider adding property to the park and developing it to meet the current needs of existing neighborhoods.

**Response:** There are no existing parks in the BRCP area, however, future park facilities in the South-Central Open Space Network will be expanded over time as the properties in the district are developed. The proposed code amendments will create the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedication at the time of development, and include provisions for dedication of land within the mapped South-Central Open Space Network to allow the facility to expand and maintain connectivity throughout the district. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 8.1.5

Identify and construct a network of off-street trails throughout the city for walking and jogging.

**Response:** The BRCP identifies a network of off-street trails including regional trails throughout the district. The proposed code amendments will protect identified trail corridors by requiring dedication of easements at the time of development. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 8.1.9

Emphasize retaining natural conditions and the natural environment in proposed passive recreation areas.

**Response:** Passive recreation areas will include open space areas and environmental resource areas. The Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) — OCMC 17.49 and Geologic Hazards — OCMC 17.44 will be applied to habitat areas which promote retention of natural conditions. In addition, the proposed code amendments include provisions for the Low Impact Conservation Area that require environmental restoration as a condition of any adjacent development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 8.1.12

Identify and protect land for parks and recreation within the Urban Growth Boundary.

**Response:** The BRCP identifies and prioritizes a network of parks, trails, and open spaces, including the South-Central Open Space Network. The proposed code amendments will support creation of the South-Central Open Space Network through required parkland dedication at the time of development and protect trail corridors throughout the district's open space system by requiring dedication of easements at the time of development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 8.1.14

Require or encourage developers to dedicate park sites as part of the subdivision review process. When possible, require or encourage developers to build parks to City standards and give them to the City to operate and maintain.

**Response:** The proposed code amendments will require parkland dedication to create the South-Central Open Space Network as part of subdivision review process. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Goal 9.1 Improve Oregon City's Economic Health

Provide a vital, diversified, innovative economy including an adequate supply of goods and services and employment opportunities to work toward an economically reasonable, ecologically sound and socially equitable economy.

**Response:** A core aspect of the BRCP is to create economic opportunities, and the proposed map and code amendments implement three distinct subdistricts focused on employment opportunities. The North Employment Campus, proposed for CI zoning, will provide family-wage employment opportunities. The two mixed-use subdistricts in the Mixed Employment Village and Main Street will provide goods and services, and additional jobs in those sectors. In total, the proposal is estimated to support up to 5,734 jobs, exceeding the BRCP goal of 5,000 jobs. The proposed code amendments include provisions such as sustainable design elements for industrial development and the inherent efficiencies of mixing uses within the district and individual subdistricts to reduce distances travelled to live, work, shop and eat, which will support ecologically sound economic growth. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

# Policy 9.1.1

Attract high-quality commercial and industrial development that provides stable, high-paying jobs in safe and healthy work environments, that contributes to a broad and sufficient tax base, and that does not compromise the quality of the environment.

Response: Three of the BRCP subdistricts, proposed to be implemented through map and code amendments, will support commercial and industrial development. The North Employment Campus, proposed for CI zoning, will support primarily industrial development with family-wage employment opportunities. The Mixed Employment Village subdistrict will provide support high-quality commercial and office employment, with similar opportunities in the Main Street subdistrict. In total, the proposal is estimated to support up to 5,734 jobs, exceeding the BRCP goal of 5,000 jobs. The proposed code amendments include provisions such as sustainable design elements for industrial development and the inherent efficiencies of mixing uses within the district and individual subdistricts to reduce distances travelled to live, work, shop and eat, which will support ecologically sound economic growth. Natural resources will be protected through the Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) – OCMC 17.49 and Geologic Hazards – OCMC 17.44 to habitat areas to ensure development does not compromise the quality of the environment. As discussed in response to Goals 6.1 and 6.2 above, compliance with existing state and local air and water standards will ensure protection of those resources at the time of future development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 9.1.2

Contribute to the health of the regional and state economy by supporting efforts to attract "traded sector industries" such as high technology and production of metals, machinery, and transportation equipment. (Traded sector industries compete in multi-state, national, and international markets and bolster the state's economy by bringing money in from sales of goods and services outside of the state.)

**Response:** The BRCP prioritizes recruitment of sustainable industries, which could include traded sector industries. The proposed map and code amendments support this goal by creating development opportunities for such industries within the proposed North Employment Campus and Mixed Employment Village subdistrict. Additional recruitment efforts will be led by the City's Economic Development Department. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 9.3 Retention of Existing Employers

Retain existing employers, both public and private, and encourage them to expand their operations within the City.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will create significant new acreage for industrial and employment growth, which could be acquired and developed by existing employers looking to expand their operations. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 9.3.1

Protect existing industries from encroachment by incompatible land uses, and ensure that expansion options are available to them wherever possible.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments will not create any incompatible land uses near existing industries. The proposed map and code amendments will create significant new acreage for industrial and employment growth, which could be acquired and developed by existing employers looking to expand their operations. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 9.5 Retail Service

Allow a variety of retail outlets and shopping areas to meet the needs of the community and nearby rural areas.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will support the creation of the Main Street subdistrict along Glen Oak Road providing retail and shopping opportunities for the immediate BRCP district and nearby areas. The code amendments specifically support retail development by limiting residential uses to upper stories and the rear portion of sites, to ensure commercial development remains the priority. Limited retail outlets are also permitted under the proposed

code amendments for the Mixed Employment Village to support those who work and live in the subdistrict. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 9.5.1

Develop local neighborhood or specific plans, when appropriate, to blend infill development along linear commercial areas into existing neighborhoods.

**Response:** The BRCP district is undeveloped and as such, does not have existing commercial or existing neighborhoods; the plan as implemented by the proposed map and code amendments proactively creates opportunities to blend commercial development within neighborhoods. The proposed map and code amendments create opportunities for retail and commercial development primarily within the Main Street subdistrict, which is located along Glen Oak Road interior to the district, rather than strung out as a linear commercial development along Beavercreek Road. The proposed code amendments also allow small-scale retail and commercial development within the West Mixed-Use Neighborhood to the south of the Main Street subdistrict. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 9.5.2

Develop plans to provide necessary public services to surrounding rural industrial lands for future development.

**Response:** No changes are proposed to adopted infrastructure master plans for water, sewer and stormwater and the Transportation System Plan (TSP) which will ensure provision of necessary services to industrial lands within and outside of the BRCP district. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 9.7 Home-Based Businesses

Provide a supportive climate for home-based businesses.

**Response:** The City has already adopted standards and permitting processes for home occupations, defined by OCMC 17.04.580 and permitted in all residential zones. The City has developed a worksheet to support owners of home occupations to comply with business licensing and zoning requirements. (See https://www.orcity.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic\_development/page/4592/2016\_home\_occupation\_worksheet\_-\_fillable.pdf) Home-based businesses will similarly be allowed and supported within residential areas of the BRCP district. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 9.7.1

Encourage home-based businesses that are low impact and do not disrupt the residential character of the neighborhoods in which they are located.

**Response:** No changes are proposed to adopted home occupation standards in OCMC 17.04.580, which limit disruptions to neighborhood residential character by prohibiting non-resident employees, prohibiting retail sales onsite, prohibiting offsite sound impacts, prohibiting outdoor uses, and requiring that uses are secondary to the residential purpose of the dwelling. During the development of the code amendments, a "cottage industry" concept was explored to permit small-scale manufacturing based businesses as home occupations within the BRCP neighborhoods, such as welding or cabinet making. Some small-scale manufacturing could be permitted under the existing home occupations code, provided it was conducted indoors and did not generate off-site sound impacts, however, changes to the home occupation standards to promote such uses or loosen current restrictions are not recommended based on citizen feedback concerning potential disruptions to residential neighborhood character. During the April 9, 2019 public workshop, citizens shared concerns that noise and visual impacts from potential cottage manufacturing uses could be a conflict with residential neighborhoods, as well as concern that the smaller homes and dwelling types proposed in the BRCP neighborhoods would not have sufficient room for such uses or sufficient buffering between residences. Therefore, existing home occupation standards are proposed for BRCP neighborhoods to encourage home-based businesses while limiting disruptions to residential neighborhoods. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 9.7.2

Encourage the support services that home-based businesses need.

**Response:** No changes are proposed to adopted home occupation standards in OCMC 17.04.580 or City policies to support business owners. The City will continue to work with business owners to support them in obtaining business licenses. The plan provides nearby mixed use and employment districts to support home based businesses. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 9.8 Transportation System

Recognize the importance of the land use-transportation link and encourage businesses to locate in areas already served by the type of transportation system they need.

**Response:** The adopted BRCP transportation strategy includes elements such as planning a mixed-use community that will increase options for internal trip making, developing a framework of collector streets, improving Beavercreek Road itself to accommodate trips within and through the district, and developing off-site transportation connections guided by the Transportation System Plan; the transportation strategy was developed to serve the intended industrial and

commercial development in each subdistrict. The proposed map and code amendments provide for the intended types of development in each subdistrict, that will be served by existing and planned transportation elements. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 9.8.1

Through coordination with TriMet and local employers, encourage and promote the use of mass transit to travel between residential areas and employment areas.

**Response:** The adopted BRCP sets the stage for future transit by providing transit-attractive destinations, such as high-density employment and residential nodes, and a logical network of roadways that would support future transit routes. The proposed map and code amendments support future transit improvements by implementing the plan subdistricts that concentrate job and housing densities near Beavercreek Road and the transit center at Clackamas Community College. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 9.8.4

Promote "shared parking" and transportation demand management techniques such as transit vouchers, car or van pooling, and flexible schedules and telecommuting options to reduce peak hour trips.

**Response:** The adopted parking standards permit shared parking facilities per OCMC 17.52.020.B.2, and will apply to development within the BRCP area. Additional transportation demand management techniques are more appropriate for individual businesses to develop, and can be implemented at the time of development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

*Policy* 9.8.6

Encourage the provision of multi-modal transportation to support major existing employers.

**Response:** There are no existing employers within the BRCP area that will be affected by the proposed map and code amendments. However, the amendments will support development of a multimodal transportation system throughout the BRCP area consistent with adopted transportation strategies, including transit, sidewalks, bike routes, and off-street trail network that will serve future employers in the North Employment Campus and throughout the district. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 9.8.7

Assess methods to integrate the pedestrian, bicycle and elevator transportation modes into the mass transit system.

**Response:** The adopted transportation strategies in the BRCP include development of on and off-street pedestrian and bicycle facilities throughout the district; an elevator mode is not proposed because it is not suitable for the district's topography. The proposed map and code amendments support future development of these facilities by requiring facilities to be constructed at the time of site development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 10.1 Diverse Housing Opportunities

Provide for the planning, development and preservation of a variety of housing types and lot sizes.

**Response**: The BRCP prioritizes a variety of housing types for a range of income levels across the different subdistricts. The proposed map and code amendments support these goals by implementing the West and East Mixed Use Neighborhoods, with additional residential opportunities in the mixed-use Main Street and Mixed Employment Village subdistricts. The proposed zoning districts for the West and East Mixed-Use Neighborhoods are R-2 and R-5, respectively; these districts were significantly revised as part of the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations) earlier in 2019 to better meet this goal. The housing code amendments allow for a broad range of housing options collectively referred to as "missing middle housing," defined as a range of multi-unit or clustered housing types compatible in scale with single-family homes that help meet the growing demand for housing choices at a variety of scales across a variety of neighborhoods, encouraging a more diverse housing stock in residential zones that are currently dominated by single-family residential homes. The proposed map and code changes with this proposal implement these zones and will guide planning and development of a variety of housing types and lot sizes. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

Policy 10.1.1

Maintain the existing residential housing stock in established older neighborhoods by maintaining existing Comprehensive Plan and zoning designations where appropriate.

**Response:** There are no established older neighborhoods in the BRCP area, however, there are a handful of existing residences. The proposed code amendments will permit existing homes with proposed CI zoning to remain permitted uses rather than making them nonconforming uses. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.2

Ensure active enforcement of the City of Oregon City Municipal Code regulations to ensure maintenance of housing stock in good condition and to protect neighborhood character and livability.

**Response:** No changes are proposed to the code enforcement standards or policies with this proposal. As neighborhoods are developed in the BRCP area, code enforcement will ensure housing and neighborhoods are maintained in good condition. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.3

Designate residential land for a balanced variety of densities and types of housing, such as single-family attached and detached, and a range of multi-family densities and types, including mixed-use development.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments designate land for a variety of densities and types of housing as follows: 25.1 gross acres of High Density Residential with R-2 zoning, 136.7 gross acres of Medium Density Residential with R-5 zoning, and 13.5 gross acres of Mixed-Use Corridor with NC zoning for mixed-use residential development. The existing zoning standards for these districts permit a range of densities for different housing types ranging from a minimum of 7.0 units per net acre for single-family detached homes in the R-5 zone to a maximum of 21.8 units per net acre for townhouse and multifamily development in the R-2 zone, or up to 26.2 units per net acre for projects that incorporate sustainability features in the proposed code amendments. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.4

Aim to reduce the isolation of income groups within communities by encouraging diversity in housing types within neighborhoods consistent with the Clackamas County Consolidated Plan, while ensuring that needed affordable housing is provided.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments apply the revised R-5 and R-2 zoning district standards that were developed as part of the Equitable Housing Project specifically to provide greater variety of affordable housing options, both regulated, income-restricted housing options and market-rate housing options that are lower priced and thus affordable to housing with lower household incomes. The variety of housing types allowed in both zones will provide opportunities to integrate affordable housing into the BRCP neighborhoods as they are developed. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.5

Allow Accessory Dwelling Units under specified conditions in single-family residential designations with the purpose of adding affordable units to the housing inventory and

providing flexibility for homeowners to supplement income and obtain companionship and security.

**Response:** Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) are permitted in both the R-5 and R-2 zoning districts proposed for the BRCP neighborhoods with this proposal; no further changes to the ADU regulations are included with this proposal. Code revisions adopted with the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations) included a provision in OCMC 16.08.095 that restricts new subdivisions from applying code, covenants, and restrictions (CC&Rs) that prohibit ADUs, which will ensure that new developments within the BRCP are not restricted by public zoning code or private CC&Rs from developing ADUs. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.6

Allow site-built manufactured housing on individual lots in single-family residential zones to meet the requirements of state and federal law. (Pursuant to state law, this policy does not apply to land within designated historic districts or residential land immediately adjacent to a historic landmark.)

**Response:** The Oregon City Municipal Code does not differentiate between manufactured housing and other housing types on individual lots and the proposed code amendments do not propose to change this; an individual manufactured house is permitted on any lot where a single-family detached, site-built house would be permitted in the BRCP neighborhoods under the proposed R-5 and R-2 zoning. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.1.7

Use a combination of incentives and development standards to promote and encourage well-designed single-family subdivisions and multi-family developments that result in neighborhood livability and stability.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments apply the R-2 and R-5 zoning districts within the BRCP, which already incorporate numerous incentives and development standards to support livability and stability. The proposed code amendments further support livable neighborhoods by requiring parkland dedication or fee-inlieu for all new subdivisions and multifamily developments, to create the South-Central Open Space Network with park and trail facilities serving the BRCP neighborhoods. The proposed amendments also include a density bonus option as an incentive for multifamily development to incorporate sustainability features. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 10.2 Supply of Affordable Housing

Provide and maintain an adequate supply of affordable housing.

Response: The proposed map amendments add significant buildable residential land to the City's inventory, including 12.1 net acres of buildable land zoned R-2 in the West Mixed Use Neighborhood and 64.5 net acres of buildable land plus 15.9 acres of constrained land zoned R-5 in the East Mixed Use Neighborhood and additional opportunities in the two mixed-use subdistricts with a combined estimated potential for 1,105 new housing units. Maintaining an adequate supply of buildable land will help keep housing prices affordable by reducing land scarcity. These areas will be developed under the R-5 and R-2 zoning district standards recently amended with the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations) project that expand the range of housing types permitted, decrease minimum lot sizes for many types, and increase density for some missing middle housing types. Together, these standards create opportunities to build market-rate housing that is more affordable than traditional single-family detached, large-lot subdivisions. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 10.2.1

Retain affordable housing potential by evaluating and restricting the loss of land reserved or committed to residential use. When considering amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Land-Use Map, ensure that potential loss of affordable housing is replaced.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments commit a total of 161.8 gross acres of land for residential use, consistent with the BRCP map; no existing residential land or affordable housing will be lost with this proposal. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.2.2

Allow increases in residential density (density bonuses) for housing development that would be affordable to Oregon City residents earning less than 50 percent of the median income for Oregon City.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments apply the R-2 zone to the West Mixed Use Neighborhood, and existing R-2 code standards provide up to a 20% density bonus for affordable units at 80% AMI for a minimum term of 30 years for apartment projects. No further changes to the affordable housing density bonus is proposed with this project. **The proposal is therefore consistent with this policy.** 

Policy 10.2.3

Support the provision of Metro's Title 7 Voluntary Affordable Housing Production Goals.

# **Response:** (From Comprehensive Plan, P. 77):

In 2001, Metro adopted amendments to Title 7 of the Urban Growth Management Functional Plan to implement the Regional Affordable Housing Strategy (2000), which identifies measures to provide adequate affordable housing in the Metro region. The amendments require local jurisdictions to consider adopting a number of tools and strategies for promoting the creation and retention of affordable housing. Metro defines an affordable housing unit as one that requires no more than 30 percent of household income for people earning 50 percent of the median household income in their jurisdiction. By that definition, an affordable housing unit in Oregon City in 2000 would cost \$570 per month or less. The 2002 housing inventory and analysis showed that the number of lower-cost units in Oregon City was inadequate to meet both the current (2002) and projected housing needs of the city's lower-income residents. Title 7 tools and strategies have been adopted as Goal 10.2 and Policies 10.2.1 through 10.2.4.

The proposed map and code amendments support affordable housing creation consistent with Title 7 through compliance with Goal 10.2 and Policies 10.2.1 through 10.2.4, as demonstrated in this section. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 10.2.4

Provide incentives that encourage the location of affordable housing developments near public transportation routes. Incentives could include reduction of development-related fees and/or increases in residential density (density bonuses).

**Response:** As mentioned in Policy 10.1.4, the West Mixed Use Neighborhood will be zoned R-2 under the proposed map amendments and the R-2 standards include a 20% density bonus for affordable units at 80% AMI for a minimum term of 30 years. The West Mixed Use Neighborhood is located along Beavercreek Road and the future Center Parkway which have been identified as potential future public transportation routes. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 11.1 Provision of Public Facilities

Serve the health, safety, education, welfare, and recreational needs of all Oregon City residents through the planning and provision of adequate public facilities.

Policy 11.1.1

Ensure adequate public funding for the following public facilities and services, if feasible:

- *Transportation infrastructure*
- Wastewater collection
- Stormwater management
- Police protection
- Fire protection
- Parks and recreation
- Water distribution

**Response:** As demonstrated within this report the aforementioned systems can accommodate the impact anticipated in the Concept Plan.

#### Policy 11.1.7

Develop and maintain a coordinated Capital Improvements Plan that provides a framework, schedule, prioritization, and cost estimate for the provision of public facilities and services within the City of Oregon City and its Urban Growth Boundary

**Response:** As demonstrated within this report the aforementioned systems can accommodate the impact anticipated in the Concept Plan.

# Goal 12.1 Land Use-Transportation Connection

Ensure that the mutually supportive nature of land use and transportation is recognized in planning for the future of Oregon City.

Response: The adopted BRCP includes interconnected land use and transportation elements that ensure appropriately scaled multimodal facilities will serve future development. The plan establishes a variety of interconnected subdistricts with a mix of uses that increase opportunities for local trips while decreasing total trips utilizing the broader transportation network. The proposed map and code amendments implement this vision to balance land use and transportation goals; the proposal is supported by a transportation memo prepared by DKS that concludes that development associated with the proposal can be served by the planned Citywide transportation system. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

#### Policy 12.1.1

Maintain and enhance citywide transportation functionality by emphasizing multi-modal travel options for all types of land uses.

**Response:** The adopted BRCP includes multimodal transportation provisions. As development occurs, on-street and off-street pedestrian and bicycle facilities will be required to be constructed as outlined in the plan. The proposed map and code amendments are consistent with the BRCP and will support expanded multimodal facilities throughout the district serving all the different land uses from industrial to residential. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 12.1.3

Support mixed uses with higher residential densities in transportation corridors and include a consideration of financial and regulatory incentives to upgrade existing buildings and transportation systems.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments create mixed-use subdistricts including the NC-zoned Main Street and MUC-II-zoned Mixed Employment Village that permit high-density residential development, as well as a mix of uses within the district as a whole across the five subdistricts. The map and code amendments will facilitate a mix of uses at higher residential densities along Beavercreek Road, including the two aforementioned mixed-use districts and the R-2-zoned West mixed Use Neighborhood. There are no significant existing buildings within the BRCP area affected by this policy. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 12.1.4

Provide walkable neighborhoods. They are desirable places to live, work, learn and play, and therefore a key component of smart growth.

Response: Walkability is a central goal of all the BRCP neighborhoods, and is supported by the proposed map and code amendments. Neighborhoods will built around blocks with a maximum block length of 530 feet, except for the industrial areas in the North Employment Campus, consistent with zoning standards in OCMC 16.12.030 for implementing districts that create easily walkable neighborhoods that minimize out-of-direction travel by pedestrians. On-street pedestrian facilities will be required consistent with green street cross-sections which create a desirable walking environment, in addition to an off-street trail network. The proposed code amendments support a compelling, walkable Main Street subdistrict along Glen Oak road by requiring building presence along a minimum percentage of the site and limiting parking areas to the rear of the site. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Conserve energy in all forms through efficient land-use patterns, public transportation, building siting and construction standards, and city programs, facilities, and activities.

**Response:** The Concept Plan includes an efficient mix of uses to allow those that leave in or near the site to also obtain amenities and employment nearby.

# Goal 14.3 Orderly Provision of Services to Growth Areas

Plan for public services to lands within the Urban Growth Boundary through adoption of a concept plan and related Capital Improvement Program, as amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

Response: The proposed map and code amendments implement an adopted concept plan for Beavercreek Road. The Sanitary Sewer Master Plan (2014), Water Distribution Master Plan (2012), Stormwater Master Plan (2019 Draft), and Transportation System Plan (2013) were all created subsequent to initial adoption of the BRCP in 2008 and plan for public services to serve residential and employment growth forecasted for the concept plan area. The proposed map and code amendments are estimated to support 1,105 dwellings and 5,734 jobs, consistent with demand forecasted and planned for in adopted capital improvements plans. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

Policy 14.3.1

Maximize new public facilities and services by encouraging new development within the Urban Growth Boundary at maximum densities allowed by the Comprehensive Plan.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments provide for higher densities in the BRCP area to maximize utility of new public facilities developed to serve the area. Residential development will be subject to high and medium-density residential standards in the R-2 and R-5 districts respectively. Both zones have minimum density standards equal to 80% of the maximum allowed density, to ensure higher density development, as well as opportunities for types like cluster housing, duplexes, and 3-4 plexes in the R-5 zone that allow higher densities than would otherwise be permitted for single-family detached residential uses. Employment development in the two mixed-use districts will be subject to FAR minimums under the proposed code amendments to ensure efficient use of land and public facilities. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 14.3.2

Ensure that the extension of new services does not diminish the delivery of those same services to existing areas and residents in the city.

Response: The adopted Sanitary Sewer Master Plan (2014), Water Distribution Master Plan (2012), Stormwater Master Plan (2019 Draft), and Transportation System Plan (2013) ensure that public facilities are extended to new areas, including the BRCP area and development anticipated through the proposed map and code amendments, without compromising the ability to provide services to existing areas and residents of the city that meet adopted service standards. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 14.3.3

Oppose the formation of new urban services districts and oppose the formation of new utility districts that may conflict with efficient delivery of city utilities within the Urban Growth Boundary.

**Response:** The BRCP area is within the future service area of city utility providers and no new urban service districts or utility districts are proposed. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 14.3.4

Ensure the cost of providing new public services and improvements to existing public services resulting from new development are borne by the entity responsible for the new development to the maximum extent possible.

**Response:** All development proposed with the BRCP area under the proposed map and code amendments will be subject to development review, which requires that new development provide for on-site and off-site public services needed to serve the development. The City has also adopted System Development Charges (SDCs) that are assessed at the time of development to pay for the costs of expanding public services. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### III.c. BEAVERCREEK ROAD CONCEPT PLAN GOALS AND POLICIES

# Goal 1 Complete and Sustainable Community

Create a complete and sustainable community, in conjunction with the adjacent land uses, that integrates a diverse mix of uses, including housing, services, and public spaces that are necessary to support a thriving employment center.

**Response:** The proposal implements the plan vision for a mix of uses within the district and within individual subdistricts, notably the Mixed Employment Village and the Main Street subdistricts. Housing is provided for in all subdistricts except the North Employment Campus. Services are permitted through proposed zoning standards in all subdistricts except the East Mixed Use Neighborhood. Public spaces

are provided for consistent with the BRCP, including the South Central Open Space Network, powerline corridor and trail network. Many of the zoning standards, particularly the expanded residential zones, support compact development, coupled with resource protection standards for sensitive environmental areas. Much of the sustainable infrastructure planning, including LID stormwater and green street designs, was done with the BRCP and can be implemented at the time of site development. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

#### Policy 1.1

Adopt new comprehensive plan and zone designations, and development code, that implement the Beavercreek Concept Plan. Require all development to be consistent with the Concept Plan and implementing code.

**Response:** The proposal applies comprehensive plan and zone designations to implement the BRCP, with development code amendments that supplement existing zoning district standards for each subdistrict to fully implement the BRCP vision for those subdistricts. Development will be reviewed for conformity with the implementing code through the development review process; discretionary development applications, such as master plans, will be required to comply with the Concept Plan as well. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 1.2

Establish sub-districts to implement the Concept Plan. The sub-districts are:

*North Employment Campus - NEC* 

The purpose of the North Employment Campus is to provide for the location of family wage employment that strengthens and diversifies the economy. The NEC allows a mix of clean industries, offices serving industrial needs, light industrial uses, research and development and large corporate headquarters. The uses permitted are intended to improve the region's economic climate, promote sustainable and traded sector businesses, and protect the supply of sites for employment by limiting incompatible uses. The sub-district is intended to comply with Metro's Title 4 regulations. Site and building design will create pedestrian-friendly areas and utilize cost effective green development practices. Business and program connections to Clackamas Community College (CCC) are encouraged to help establish a positive identity for the area and support synergistic activity between CCC and NEC properties. Businesses making sustainable products and utilizing sustainable materials and practices are encouraged to reinforce the identity of the area and promote the overall vision for the Beavercreek Road area.

Response: The NEC subdistrict will be implemented with the Industrial comprehensive plan designation and the Campus Industrial (CI) zoning district. The permitted uses in OCMC 17.37.020 include a range of industrial, light manufacturing, research and development, and corporate headquarters uses that support family-wage employment. The proposed additional code standards for the NEC include limitations on retail and service uses to 5,000 SF per use or 20,000 SF total per site to limit incompatible uses. The proposed code standards and subdistrict boundaries have been reviewed against Metro Title 4 maps and code requirements. Site and building design for development in the subdistrict will be required to implement green design features from a menu proposed in OCMC 17.37.060.G. Outside of the code and map implementation projects, supporting efforts to build relationships with CCC and to recruit businesses with sustainable practices will be led by the City's Economic Development department. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Mixed Employment Village - MEV

The purpose of the Mixed Employment Village is to provide employment opportunities in an urban, pedestrian friendly, and mixed use setting. The MEV is intended to be transit supportive in its use mix, density, and design so that transit remains an attractive and feasible option. The MEV allows a mix of retail, office, civic and residential uses that make up an active urban district and serve the daily needs of adjacent neighborhoods and Beavercreek Road sub-districts. Site and building design will create pedestrian-friendly areas and utilize cost effective green development practices. Business and program connections to Clackamas Community College and Oregon City High School are encouraged. Businesses making sustainable products and utilizing sustainable materials and practices are encouraged to reinforce the identity of the area and promote the overall vision for the Beavercreek Road area.

Response: The MEV subdistrict will be implemented with the Mixed Use Corridor comprehensive plan designation and the Mixed Use Corridor-2 (MUC-2) zoning district. The permitted uses in OCMC 17.29.020, with refinements in proposed OCMC 17.29.080.C, include a range of retail, office, civic and residential uses. Proposed use standards also limit the percentage of building area that can be used for retail, service, and residential uses, to ensure that employment uses are also integrated into site development. Minimum FAR standards will support higher intensity development that will support future transit service. Site and building design for development in the subdistrict will be support an urban, pedestrian friendly setting through a height limit of 60 feet to permit multistory construction, maximum setbacks to bring development up to the street, and prohibition on

ground floor residential uses to support active ground floor uses. (See existing OCMC 17.29 and proposed 17.29.080.) Additional building and site development standards in OCMC 17.62.050 will apply at the time of development. Outside of the code and map implementation projects, supporting efforts to build relationships with CCC and to recruit businesses with sustainable practices will be led by the City's Economic Development department. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Main Street - MS

The purpose of this small mixed-use center is to provide a focal point of pedestrian activity. The MS allows small scale commercial, mixed use and services that serve the daily needs of the surrounding area. "Main Street" design will include buildings oriented to the street, and minimum of 2 story building scale, attractive streetscape, active ground floor uses and other elements that reinforce pedestrian oriented character and vitality of the area.

Response: The MC subdistrict will be implemented with the Mixed Use Corridor comprehensive plan designation and the Neighborhood Commercial (NC) zoning district. The permitted uses in OCMC 17.24.020, with refinements in proposed OCMC 17.24.050.C, include a range of retail, service and residential uses, capped at 10,000 square feet per establishment to create a small-scale character for the subdistrict. Proposed dimensional standards include a minimum height of two stories, maximum five-foot front setbacks to ensure that development engages with the street, minimum FAR of 0.5 to create more intensive development, requirement for parking areas to be located behind buildings, standards for planter boxes and urban plazas as part of required landscaping, and prohibition on ground floor residential uses to support active ground floor uses. (See existing OCMC 17.24 and proposed 17.24.050.) Additional building and site development standards in OCMC 17.62.050 will apply at the time of development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

West Mixed Use Neighborhood – WMU

The West Mixed Use Neighborhood will be a walkable, transit-oriented neighborhood. This area allows a transit supportive mix of housing, live/ work units, mixed use buildings and limited commercial uses. A variety of housing and building forms is required, with the overall average of residential uses not exceeding 22 dwelling units per acre. The WMU area's uses, density and design will support the multi-modal transportation system and provide good access for pedestrians, bicycles, transit and vehicles. Site and building design will create a walkable area and utilize cost effective green development practices.

**Response:** The WMU subdistrict will be implemented with the High-Density Residential comprehensive plan designation and the R-2 High-Density Residential (R-2) zoning district. Permitted residential uses, as recently expanded in the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations), provide for a variety of multifamily residential, singlefamily attached, cluster housing, duplexes, triplexes and quadplexes. (See OCMC 17.12.020.) The proposed code amendments add live/work units as conditional uses and permit small-scale commercial and mixed-use development as part of a master plan. (See proposed OCMC 17.12.060.C.) The minimum and maximum density permitted in the R-2 district is 17.4 to 21.8 units per acre. (See OCMC 17.12.050) Up to a 20% density bonus can be earned for affordable housing or, in the WMU, for projects incorporating sustainable design features. (See proposed OCMC 17.12.D.) The base density and density bonuses together will not exceed an overall average of 22 units per acre. The density of development will support transit use, and site design will integrate pedestrian and bicycle facilities at the time of development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

East Mixed Use Neighborhood - EMU

The East Mixed Use Neighborhood will be a walkable and tree-lined neighborhood with a variety of housing types. The EMU allows for a variety of housing types while maintaining a low density residential average not exceeding the densities permitted in the R-5 zone. Limited non- residential uses are permitted to encourage a unique identity, sustainable community, and in-home work options. The neighborhood's design will celebrate open space, trees, and relationships to public open spaces. The central open space, ridge open space scenic viewpoints, and a linked system of open spaces and trails are key features of the EMU. Residential developments will provide housing for a range of income levels, sustainable building design, and green development practices.

Residential comprehensive plan designation and the R-5 Medium-Density Residential (R-5) zoning district. Streets will be developed with sidewalks and street trees per adopted street standards, and may not exceed a maximum block length of 530 feet to ensure a robust, connected street network supporting walkability. (See OCMC 12.08, Street Trees; OCMC Table 16.12.016 for sidewalk widths; OCMC 16.12.030 for block spacing.) Permitted residential uses, as recently expanded in the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations), provide for a variety of single-family detached, single-family attached, accessory dwelling units, cluster housing, duplexes, triplexes and quadplexes. (See OCMC 17.10.020.) The R-5 density standards will apply in the

EMU zone. (See OCMC 17.10.050.) The variety of residential uses, including smaller lot sizes for selected types, will support housing for a wider range of income levels. The smaller lot sizes and home sizes will inherently increase the efficiency and sustainability of residential development, for example, reducing heating and cooling needs, and the mix of uses in the BRCP district will support green living by reducing the need for vehicle trips. Home occupations will be permitted to provide in-home work options; see response to OCCP Policy 9.7.1 for further discussion. New development will be required to dedicate parkland for the South-Central Open Space, and view points will be created along the ridgeline through view corridor standards. (See proposed OCMC 16.12.042 and 17.10.070.C, respectively.) Trail corridors will be identified and reserved through the subdivision review process. (See OCMC 16.08.025.E.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 1.3

Within the Northern Employment Campus sub-district, support the attraction of family wage jobs and connections with Clackamas Community College.

**Response:** Under the proposed code amendments, the NEC subdistrict permits a range of industrial, light manufacturing, research and development, and corporate headquarters uses that support family-wage employment. Outside of the code and map implementation projects, supporting efforts to build relationships with CCC and to recruit businesses with family-wage jobs will be led by the City's Economic Development department. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 1.4

Within the Mixed Employment Village and Main Street sub-districts, promote job creation, mixed use and transit oriented development. Adopt minimum densities, limitations on stand-alone residential developments, and other standards that implement this policy.

**Response:** Under the proposed code amendments, the MEV and MS subdistricts permit a range of employment opportunities including light manufacturing (MEV only), office, retail and service uses. Proposed code standards require that residential uses be proposed as part of a mixed-use project, rather than stand-alone residential developments, and limit residential uses to upper-stories in both the MS and MEV subdistricts. (See proposed OCMC 17.24.050.E and 17.29.080.E.) In the MS subdistrict, ground-floor residential uses may also be permitted on the rear of sites, set back a minimum of 150 feet from the front property line and not to exceed 50% of the total building site area, with a minimum density of 17.4 units per acre. (See proposed OCMC 17.24.050.E.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

The Main Street sub-district may be located along the extension of Glen Oak Road and not exceed 10 gross acres. The specific configuration of the MS sub-district may be established as part of a master plan.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments designate the MS subdistrict along Glen Oak Road, totaling 13.5 gross acres or 6.6 net acres. The gross acre numbers that we have include the ROW along Glen Oak and Center/Holly, which may be inflating this figure. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 1.6

Within the West and East Mixed Use Neighborhoods, require a variety of housing types. Allow lot size averaging and other techniques that help create housing variety while maintaining overall average density.

**Response:** Permitted residential uses in R-5 and R-2 zoning districts, proposed to implement the EMU and WMU subdistricts, provide for a variety of single-family detached, single-family attached, accessory dwelling units, multifamily, cluster housing, duplexes, triplexes and quadplexes. (See OCMC 17.10.020 and 17.12.020.) Lot size averaging is permitted per OCMC 16.08.065. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 1.7

Within the MEV, MS, WMU and EMU sub-districts, require master plans to ensure coordinated planning and excellent design for relatively large areas (e.g. 40 acres per master plan). Master plans are optional in the NEC due to the larger lot and campus industrial nature of the area.

Response: Master planning is permitted in all subdistricts as a discretionary review alternative. (OCMC 17.65.) Mandatory master planning is not proposed in light of state standards requiring clear and objective residential development standards and proposed amendments which address concerns generally reserved for Master Plans, such as required park aquisition. Since 2008 when the BRCP was developed, state law has been strengthened to require a clear and objective review option for all residential and mixed-use development to provide greater certainty for housing development. (ORS 197.303, 197.307.) Master planning provisions are generally discretionary, and so should not be made mandatory for residential or mixed-use areas. Many of the concept plan provisions, such as green streets and LID stormwater development, can be implemented by existing or proposed code standards and thereby meet the master planning intent. Master planning can provide an alternative review path, with incentives such as higher densities or modifications to base zone standards like minimum lot sizes. The City could also

require master planning as a condition of annexation or zone change. **The proposal** is consistent with this Policy.

### Goal 2 Model of Sustainable Design

Be a model of sustainable design, development practices, planning, and innovative thinking.

Response: The greatest strength of the BRCP, as implemented by the proposed map and code changes, is the mix of uses that will support a vibrant, interconnected district. Much of the sustainable infrastructure planning, including LID stormwater and green street designs, was done with the BRCP and subsequent utility master planning, will can be implemented at the time of site development. Many of the zoning standards, particularly the expanded uses in the residential zones, support compact development, coupled with resource protection standards for sensitive environmental areas. The proposed code amendments include site-specific sustainable design features required in the NEC subdistrict through the implementing CI standards, and incentivized in the WMU subdistrict through the implementing R-2 standards in the form of a density bonus. Future implementation efforts will continue building partnerships with private and institutional stakeholders to further support sustainable development and economic development. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

# Policy 2.1

Implement the Sustainable Storm Water plan recommended in the Concept Plan. During site specific design, encourage innovative system design and require low impact development practices that manage water at the site, street and neighborhood scales.

**Response:** Since the BRCP was initially written in 2008, the City has adopted the Stormwater and Grading Design Standards (2015), emphasize low-impact development (LID) practices, source controls for higher pollutant generating activities, erosion prevention and sediment controls, and operation and maintenance practices designed to properly manage stormwater runoff and protect our water resources. Some of the LID techniques permitted include porous pavement, green roofs, filtration planters, infiltration planters, swales, and rain gardens. (See https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/stormwater-and-grading-design-standards) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Policy 2.2

Storm water facilities will be designed so they are amenities and integrated into the

overall community design.

**Response:** LID techniques such as green roofs, filtration planters, infiltration planters, swales, and rain gardens, consistent with the 2015 Stormwater and Grading Design Standards, will serve as amenities integrated into the community. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 2.3

Support public and private sector initiatives to promote sustainable design, development practices and programs, including but not limited to:

- Energy efficiency
- Water conservation
- Compact development
- Solar orientation
- Green streets/infrastructure
- Adaptive reuse of existing buildings/infrastructure
- Alternative transportation
- Pedestrian/Cyclist friendly developments
- Natural drainage systems
- Tree preservation and planting to "re-establish" a tree canopy
- Minimizing impervious surfaces
- Sustainability education (builder, residents, businesses and visitors)
- Collaboration with "local" institutional and economic partners, particularly Clackamas Community College and Oregon City High School
- Community based sustainable programs and activities

**Response:** Many of these initiatives are ongoing and involve multiple stakeholders, which the City will continue to support. The proposed map and code amendments will directly and indirectly support a number of them. The proposed residential standards in particular support compact development by allowing a variety of residential units at higher density than permitted density for single-family detached residential uses. The City has adopted green street standards with the 2013 Transportation System Plan and the low impact development stormwater and grading design standards that will be applied to all new development. Sidewalks and bicycle lanes will be built with new roadways at the time of development to

provide alternative transportation infrastructure, as well as off-street trails. Bicycle parking will be required in new developments per OCMC 17.52.040. Tree protection, preservation, removal and replanting is regulated per OCMC 17.41 to support tree preservation. Impervious surfaces can be minimized through application of the low impact development stormwater standards, and supported by recent reductions to off-street parking required for residential uses in OCMC 17.52 with the Amendments to the Oregon City Municipal Code (including the Equitable Housing Project recommendations). **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 2.4

Work with stakeholders and the community to develop LEED or equivalent green building standards and guidelines to apply in the Concept Plan area.

Response: As part of the proposed code amendments, industrial development in the NEC subdistrict will be required to incorporate sustainable design features; one option is to propose a LEED certified building. (See proposed OCMC 17.37.060.G.8.) Similarly, WMU development may elect to build to LEED standards as one option to qualify for a density bonus. (See proposed OCMC 17.12.060.D.12.) The existing site development standards in OCMC 17.62 that apply to all new development except low-density residential already include green building standards and guidelines that supports sustainability. For example, 15% site landscaping is required along with conservation of natural resource areas which, along with adopted LID stormwater standards, minimizes impervious surface and treats stormwater runoff. Mandatory green building standards for all development, beyond the sustainable features for industrial and high-density residential, are not recommended. Requiring compliance with a third-party set of standards, such as LEED, is inherently problematic because it outsources City decision-making to a third party, with standards that are updated more frequently than City code is updated. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

## Goal 3 Green Jobs

Attract "green" jobs that pay a living wage.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments lay the foundation for future "green" job and green industry recruitment by designating 135.1 net acres for industrial development under the CI standards, and permitting a wide range of industrial, research and development, and corporate headquarters uses. Further business recruitment efforts will be led by the City's Economic Development department and community partners to promote the BRCP area, building off the existing Beavercreek Employment Area efforts that already include a portion of the

BRCP area. (See https://www.orcity.org/economicdevelopment/beavercreek-employment-area) **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 3.1

Coordinate with county, regional and state economic development representatives to recruit green industry to the Concept Plan area.

Response: The proposed map and code amendments will support business recruitment efforts for the BRCP area that will be led by the City's Economic Development department and county, regional and state economic development representatives. The City can expand current partnerships such as the Beavercreek Employment Area Blue Ribbon Committee that include city, county and regional representatives. (See https://www.orcity.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic\_development/page/11230/beavercreek\_employment\_area\_-\_marketing \_and\_recruitment\_strategy.pdf) The Committee was identified as a stakeholder in this implementation project and provided their input at a meeting held January 17, 2019. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 3.2

Promote the Concept Plan area as a place for green industry.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will support business promotion efforts for the BRCP area that will be led by the City's Economic Development department. The City can promote the BRCP area, building off the existing Beavercreek Employment Area efforts that already include a portion of the BRCP area. (See https://www.orcity.org/economicdevelopment/beavercreek-employment-area) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 3.3

Work with Clackamas Community College to establish programs and education that will promote green development within the Concept Plan area.

**Response:** Clackamas Community College was identified as a stakeholder in this implementation project and interviewed early in the process to incorporate their ideas into the map and code amendments. The College has participated in the Beavercreek Employment Area efforts to date as a member of the Blue Ribbon Committee and the City will continue working with the College. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 4 Sustainable Industries

Maximize opportunities for sustainable industries that serve markets beyond the

Portland region and are compatible with the site's unique characteristics.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments lay the foundation for sustainable industries by designating 135.1 net acres for industrial development under the CI standards, and permitting a wide range of industrial, research and development, and corporate headquarters uses. Further business recruitment efforts will be led by the City's Economic Development department and community partners to promote the BRCP area, building off the existing Beavercreek Employment Area efforts that already include a portion of the BRCP area. (See https://www.orcity.org/economicdevelopment/beavercreek-employment-area) **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 4.1

As master plans are approved, ensure there is no net loss of land designated North Employment Campus.

**Response:** The proposed map amendments designate 236.1 gross acres with an estimated 135.1 net acres with the Industrial comprehensive plan designation and CI zoning district. Any rezoning proposal will have to show compliance with the BRCP, including this policy, which will prevent any net loss of NEC land. Much of the NEC land is designated Industrial land consistent with Metro Title 4 regulations, and is further protected from conversion to non-industrial uses by Metro standards. (See https://www.orcity.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/planning/page/12700/title\_4\_map\_-\_employment\_and\_industrial\_land.pdf) The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 4.2

Coordinate with County, regional and state economic development representatives to recruit sustainable industries that serve markets beyond the Portland region.

Response: The proposed map and code amendments will support business recruitment efforts for the BRCP area that will be led by the City's Economic Development department and county, regional and state economic development representatives. The City can expand current partnerships such as the Beavercreek Employment Area Blue Ribbon Committee that include city, county and regional representatives. (See https://www.orcity.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic\_development/page/11230/beavercreek\_employment\_area\_-\_marketing \_and\_recruitment\_strategy.pdf) The Committee was identified as a stakeholder in this implementation project and provided their input at a meeting held January 17, 2019. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

### **Goal 5 Natural Beauty**

Incorporate the area's natural beauty into an ecologically compatible built environment.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will protect natural resources within the future built environment of the district by requiring dedication of parkland to create the South-Central Open Space Network, requiring dedication of trail corridors identified in the BRCP, protecting trees per OCMC 17.41, and protecting riparian habitat and geologic hazard areas from development through application of the Natural Resources Overlay District in OCMC 17.49 and the Geologic Hazards Overlay Zone in OCMC 17.44. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 5.1

Incorporate significant trees into master plans and site specific designs. Plant new trees to establish an extensive tree canopy as part of the creation of an urban community.

**Response:** All future development in the areas affected by this proposal will be required to comply with tree protection standards in OCMC 17.41, which include replanting standards with development. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 5.2

Provide scenic viewpoints and public access along the east ridge.

**Response:** Under the proposed map and code amendment, the east ridge area will be zoned R-5. Proposed R-5 standards for the BRCP area in proposed OCMC 17.10.070 include view protection standards along the ridgeline requiring view corridors. (See proposed OCMC 17.10.070.C.) An additional viewpoint is incorporated in the South Central Open Space extent; those parklands will be required to be dedicated at the time of residential development. (See proposed OCMC 16.12.042.) The east ridge trail corridor as identified in the Trails Master Plan will be identified and reserved through the subdivision review process, ensuring public access. (See OCMC 16.08.025.E.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 5.3

Protect views of Mt Hood and locate trails and public areas so Mt Hood can be viewed within the community.

**Response:** Under the proposed map and code amendment, trails and public areas identified in the BRCP will be acquired by the City and protected from

development, which will protect views of Mt Hood from those facilities. Parkland within the South Central Open Space Network will be required to be dedicated at the time of residential development. (See proposed OCMC 16.12.042 and 17.62.058.) Trail corridors as identified in the Trails Master Plan will be identified and reserved through the development review process, including a 30-foot corridor through the powerline easement area identified in the BRCP as providing Mt Hood views. (See OCMC 16.08.025.E and proposed 17.37.060.F.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Policy 5.4

Establish open space throughout the community consistent with the Open Space Framework Plan. Allow flexibility in site specific design of open space, with no net loss of total open space area.

Response: Under the proposed map and code amendment, open spaces identified in the BRCP will be protected from development and/or acquired by the City. Parkland within the South Central Open Space Network will be required to be dedicated at the time of residential development. (See proposed OCMC 16.12.042 and 17.62.058.) Trail corridors as identified in the Trails Master Plan will be identified and reserved through the development review process. (See OCMC 16.08.025.E.) Additional natural, undeveloped open space will be protected through application of the Natural Resources Overlay District in OCMC 17.49 and the Geologic Hazards Overlay Zone in OCMC 17.44 which restrict development in sensitive areas. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

#### Policy 5.5

Protect steeply sloped and geologically sensitive areas along the east ridge from development.

**Response:** Through the proposed code amendments, the steeply sloped areas along the east ridge will be protected through the application of the Geologic Hazards Overlay Zone in OCMC 17.44, which limits development on slopes 25 to 35% and prohibits all development on slopes over 35%. The east ridge will be further protected through application of the proposed Low Impact Conservation Area standards, which limit development density and development area and require mitigation. (See proposed OCMC 17.10.070.C.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Goal 6 Multi-modal Transportation

Provide multi-modal transportation links (such as bus routes, trails, bike- ways, etc.)

that are connected within the site as well as to the surrounding areas.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will support the provision of multi-modal transportation links within the site and to surrounding areas at the time of development. The transportation network of major arterials and collectors within the BRCP area have been adopted in the City's Transportation System Plan (2013); the projects must be complete or completed by the developer at the time of development. Improvement of these major rights-of-way will meet green street standards with multimodal elements. The trails network, as part of the Trails Master Plan, will be required to be built prior to or as a condition of development as well. Bus routes will be planned with Tri-Met as part of ongoing coordination efforts. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 6.1

Work with Tri-Met and stakeholders to provide bus service and other alternatives to the Concept Plan area.

**Response:** Bus service will be planned with Tri-Met as part of ongoing coordination efforts outside of the proposed map and code amendments. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 6.2

As land use reviews and development occur prior to extension of bus service, ensure that the mix of land uses, density and design help retain transit as an attractive and feasible option in the future.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments support development of a mix of uses both across the district and within individual subdistricts that include employment, commercial and residential uses that can support future transit service. Minimum densities will be applied to residential development in the EMU and WMU subdistricts, at 7.0 units per acre and 17.4 units per acre respectively; any ground-floor residential uses in the MS subdistrict will also be required to meet a minimum density of 17.4 units per acre. Minimum FARs are also proposed for the MEV and MS subdistricts to guide intensive design supportive of future transit options. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 6.3

Ensure that local street connectivity and off-street pedestrian routes link together into a highly connected pedestrian system that is safe, direct, convenient, and attractive to walking.

Response: The proposed map and code amendments will require local street connectivity and off-street pedestrian routes to be developed with all new development. OCMC 16.12, which applies to new subdivisions and site plan reviews, requires a maximum block length of 530 feet to maintain connectivity except in the CI zone, discourages cul-de-sacs and dead ends, and requires public off-street pedestrian and bicycle accessways when through streets cannot be provided; together these provisions provide for a highly connected pedestrian system. (See OCMC 16.12.025, 16.12.030, 16.12.032.) Additionally, development under the proposed map and code amendments will be required to reserve trail corridors supporting completion of the off-street trails network established in the Trails Master Plan. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 6.4

The "walkability" of the Concept Plan area will be one of its distinctive qualities. The density of walking routes and connectivity should mirror the urban form – the higher the density and larger the building form, the "finer" the network of pedestrian connections.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will require pedestrian connectivity that mirrors the urban form. A maximum block length of 530 feet applies in all proposed zones except the CI-zoned NEC subdistrict, where greater spacing between streets is appropriate for industrial campus development. (See OCMC 16.12.030.) Within the "finer" grained residential and mixed-use subdistricts, code standards to be applied through these proposed map amendments will also require provision of a well-marked, continuous and protected on-site pedestrian circulation system within development sites per OCMC 17.62.050.C. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 6.5

Require trails to be provided consistent with the Concept Plan Circulation Framework.

**Response:** Development under the proposed map and code amendments will be required to reserve trail corridors supporting completion of the off-street trails network established in the Trails Master Plan. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 6.6

Provide bike lanes on Beavercreek Road and all collector streets, except for Main Street. The City may consider off-street multi-use paths and similar measures in meeting this policy. Bike routes will be coordinated with the trails shown on the

Circulation Framework.

**Response:** Streets, including Beavercreek Road, will be built prior to or as a condition of development, and will be required to be constructed to the City's adopted green street standards that include bike lanes except on Glen Oak Road which will serve as the Main Street. Off-street multiuse paths may be developed along Center Parkway (Holly) within an expanded right-of-way as part of the South Central Open Space Network. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Goal 7 Safety Along Beavercreek Road

Implement design solutions along Beavercreek Road that promote pedestrian safety, control traffic speeds and access, and accommodate projected vehicular demand.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will not affect the design of Beavercreek Road, which will be built as planned in the BRCP and the adopted TSP. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 7.1

Design Beavercreek Road to be a green street boulevard that maximizes pedestrian safety.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will not affect the design of Beavercreek Road, which will be built as planned in the BRCP and the adopted TSP as a green street boulevard. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 7.2

Work with the County and State to establish posted speeds that are safe for pedestrians and reinforce the pedestrian-oriented character of the area.

**Response:** Future coordination with the County and the State about the posted speeds is outside of the scope of the proposed map and code amendments. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 7.3

Control access along the east side of Beavercreek Road so that full access points are limited to the intersections shown on the Circulation Framework. Right in-Right-out access points may be considered as part of master plans or design review.

**Response:** The proposed map and code amendments will support limited access along the east side of Beavercreek Road. At the time of development, driveway spacing and access limitations will be applied to individual lots including standards that require a minimum of 175 feet per driveway along an arterial like Beavercreek Road, that limit access to one driveway per frontage, and that require access to be

provided from the lowest classification street. (See OCMC 16.12.035.) Requirements to develop an alley network in all subdistricts except the NEC will also limit access needs for individual lots. (See OCMC 16.12.025.) The City may adopt additional access limitations specific to Beavercreek Road. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Goal 8 Oregon City High School and Clackamas Community College

Promote connections and relationships with Oregon City High School and Clackamas Community College.

**Response:** Both OCHS and CCC were identified as stakeholders in this implementation project, and engaged through initial interviews and invitations to all public meetings throughout the project; OCHS hosted two public open houses on January 29 and April 9, 2019. Future implementation efforts will continue to engage OCHS and CCC. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

### Policy 8.1

Coordinate with OCHS and CCC when recruiting businesses and promoting sustainability. Within one year of adoption of the Concept Plan, the City will convene dialogue with OCHS, CCC and other relevant partners to identify target industries and economic development strategies that are compatible with the vision for the Concept Plan. Encourage curricula that are synergistic with employment and sustainability in the Concept Plan area.

**Response:** Both OCHS and CCC are members of the Beavercreek Employment Area Blue Ribbon Committee that includes city, county and regional representatives to discuss economic development strategies for the area incorporating the two institutions and portions of the BRCP area. (See https://www.orcity.org/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic\_development/page/11230/beavercreek\_employment\_area\_-\_marketing \_and\_recruitment\_strategy.pdf) Future implementation efforts will continue to engage OCHS and CCC. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

#### Policy 8.2

Prior to application submittal, require applicants to contact OCHS and CCC to inform them and obtain early comment for master plans and design review applications.

**Response:** The City will develop internal policies to ensure that OCHS and CCC are engaged at the time of pre-application conferences required before all subdivision,

master plan, and site plan review applications are submitted, to inform OCHS and CCC and provide opportunity for early comment. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 8.3

Improving the level-of-service and investing in the Highway 213 corridor improves the freight mobility along Highway 213, which provides access to Beavercreek Road and the Concept Plan area. Protecting the corridor and intersections for freight furthers the City goal of providing living-wage employment opportunities in the educational, and research opportunities to be created with CCC and OCHS.

**Response:** Alternative Mobility Targets were adopted for Highway 213 in 2018, including the Highway 213 and Beavercreek Road intersection, which will support freight mobility along Highway 213 to support employment opportunities in the BRCP area. OCHS and CC are encouraged to continue to implement TDM strategies. **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

### Goal 9 Unique Sense of Place

Have a unique sense of place created by the mix of uses, human scale design, and commitment to sustainability.

Response: The essence of the BRCP area is the mix of uses both across the district as a whole and within individual subdistricts, which will be fully implemented by the proposed map and code amendments to create the five subdistricts including mixed-use zoning for the MEV and MS subdistricts. Design elements implemented through the proposed code amendments include maximum square footages for individual business establishments, minimum FARs, and maximum setbacks in the MS and MEV subdistricts; pedestrian connectivity within sites, subdistricts, the district and beyond; and building design standards, as discussed elsewhere in this narrative. Sustainability will be integrated into the fabric of the district as discussed in response to Goal 2 and related policies, including sustainable infrastructure, mix of uses, natural resources protection, and sustainable building and site design elements for industrial development and multifamily development in the R-2 zoned WMU zone. The proposal is consistent with this Goal.

Policy 9.1

Utilize master plans and design review to ensure detailed and coordinated design. Allow flexibility in development standards and the configuration of land uses when they are consistent with the comprehensive plan, development code, and vision to create a complete and sustainable community.

Response: Under the proposed map and code amendments, new development will be reviewed through site plan design review, subdivision, and/or master plans. Development standards can be modified through minor and major variances if they are consistent with the comprehensive plan including the BRCP vision. (See OCMC 17.60.) The configuration of land uses will be established by the proposed map amendments and can be modified through future map amendments consistent with OCMC 17.68, though the range of uses allowed in each subdistrict through the proposed code amendments is intended to be flexible and potentially reduce the need for map amendments, such as the R-2 standards for small-scale commercial and mixed-use in the primarily residential EMU subdistrict. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

#### Policy 9.2

Implement human scale design through building orientation, attractive streetscapes, building form/architecture that is matched to the purpose of the sub-district, location of parking, and other techniques. The design qualities of the community should mirror the urban form – the higher the density and larger the buildings, the higher the expectation for urban amenities and architectural details.

Response: Design elements implemented through the proposed code amendments that support human-scale design include maximum square footages for individual business establishments, minimum FARs, and maximum setbacks in the MS and MEV subdistricts; pedestrian connectivity within sites, subdistricts, the district and beyond; and requirements for parking to be located at the rear of sites served by alley access. The proposed code amendments also apply the building design standards in OCMC 17.62.055 for all development, except industrial development, requiring quality building materials, siting of structures along the front property line, buildings oriented towards the street, entryways, façade modulation and articulation, and fenestration. The proposed code amendments will support attractive streetscapes through both design standards for private development along the street, such as maximum setbacks and provisions for pedestrian plazas and outdoor café seating within the setbacks, and the green street standards for the public right-of-way development. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

#### Policy 9.3

Density should generally transition from highest on the west to lowest in the eastern part of the site.

**Response:** Generally, the proposed map and code amendments support graduated density across the district from west to east. Density transitions from highest in the west along Beavercreek Road, with the R-2 zoning for the WMU subdistrict that

allows development up to 21.8 units an acre, transitioning to medium density at a maximum density of 8.7 units per acre for single-family detached homes in the east with the R-5 zoning for the EMU subdistrict. The density transitions to very low density on the eastern edge of the site within the Low Impact Conservation Area, limited to two units per acre. (See proposed OCMC 17.10.070.C.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

Policy 9.4

Promote compatibility with existing residential areas at the north and south end of the Concept Plan area. Transition to lower densities, setbacks, buffers and other techniques shall be used.

**Response:** The proposed code amendments support compatibility with existing residential areas to the north and south of the BRCP area by requiring buffers and setbacks. Under the proposed map and code amendments, the northern edge of the district is zoned CI and industrial development within the zone that is adjacent to residential is required to provide a 25-foot-wide buffer including landscaping, trees, berms, and fencing. (See proposed OCMC 17.37.060.D.) At the southern edge of the district, the proposed code requires a perimeter transition requiring larger 6,000 square foot lots restricted to single-family detached uses, a 40-foot setback from the edge of the district, and a combination of landscaping, trees and fencing. (See proposed OCMC 17.10.070.D.) **The proposal is consistent with this Policy.** 

# Goal 10 Ecological Health

Manage water resources on site to eliminate pollution to watersheds and lesson impact on municipal infrastructure by integrating ecological and man-made systems to maximize function, efficiency and health.

**Response:** The City has adopted the Stormwater and Grading Design Standards (2015) that emphasize low-impact development (LID) practices, which will be applied to new development within the BRCP area under the proposed map and code amendments. The Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) in OCMC 17.49 will also be applied to stream corridors and riparian habitat through the proposed map and code amendments to protect water resources on site. **The proposal is consistent with this Goal.** 

Policy 10.1

Utilize low impact development practices and stormwater system designs that mimic natural hydrologic processes, minimize impacts to natural resources and eliminate pollution to watersheds.

Response: Since the BRCP was initially written in 2008, the City has adopted the Stormwater and Grading Design Standards (2015), emphasize low-impact development (LID) practices, source controls for higher pollutant generating activities, erosion prevention and sediment controls, and operation and maintenance practices designed to properly manage stormwater runoff and protect our water resources. Some of the permitted LID techniques, some of which mimic natural hydrologic processes, include porous pavement, green roofs, filtration planters, infiltration planters, swales, and rain gardens. (See https://www.orcity.org/publicworks/stormwater-and-grading-design-standards) The proposal is consistent with this Policy.

Policy 10.2

Prepare the Environmentally Sensitive Resource Area overlay to protect, conserve and enhance natural areas identified on the Concept Plan. Apply low-density base zoning that allows property owners to cluster density outside the ESRA and transfer to other sites.

**Response:** Areas identified within the Environmentally Sensitive Resource Area will be protected by a variety of strategies through the proposed map and code amendments. Most importantly, the Natural Resources Overlay District (NROD) in OCMC 17.49 will be applied to stream corridors and riparian habitat, including Thimble Creek on the eastern edge of the site. The Geologic Hazards Overlay District will be applied to steep slopes per OCMC 17.44, limiting development on slopes 25 to 35% to two units per acre and prohibiting development on slopes above 35%. The key ESRAs identified on page 1 of the BRCP are generally protected through the combination of these two overlays, however, there are minor discrepancies in the extent of individual nodes. In 2008 when the BRCP was being drafted, there was discussion that upland habitat areas could be protected through the NROD as well, however, subsequent development of the NROD standards elected to exclude upland habitat areas because there is no mechanism for such in Metro's Title 13. The exclusion of the upland habitat areas slightly reduces the extent of some of the identified ESRA nodes, but the NROD and geologic hazard overlays together protect the core of each resource area. The NROD includes density transfer provisions in OCMC 17.49.240. The proposal is consistent with this Policy.