

**RESOLUTION NO. 1861**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE ADOPTING THE WILSONVILLE TRACT MASTER PLAN AND NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PLAN, AND FORWARDING A RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL TO THE METRO COUNCIL.**

WHEREAS, the voters of the Portland Metropolitan region passed a 135.6 million dollar Open Spaces, Parks and Streams Acquisition Bond Measure (Metro Resolution No. 95-2074-A, a.k.a. the "Greenspaces Bond Measure") in 1995 to purchase and protect regionally significant natural areas and open spaces; and

WHEREAS, to date, over 8,000 acres of regionally significant open spaces, including 80 miles of river and stream frontage have been protected to provide the public with recreational opportunities and links in the urban fabric to the natural environment; and

WHEREAS, properties purchased with Greenspaces Bond Measure funds are to be used only for passive recreational activities such as picnicking, hiking, and nature watching; and

WHEREAS, With the encouragement of a strong local grassroots effort, Metro purchased the 230 acres of property commonly referred to as the Wilsonville Tract as part of the Tonquin Scablands target area; and

WHEREAS, a City Council Goal for Fiscal Year 2003-04 was to "provide quality parks, trails and protect significant open spaces and natural areas"; and

WHEREAS, to help implement this goal, the City Council identified the completion of a management plan in cooperation with Metro for the Wilsonville Tract; and

WHEREAS, the Greenspaces Bond Measure did not provide any funding for master planning or improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City initiated the master planning effort due to the close proximity of the site to the City and the tremendous benefits the property will provide to the citizens of the City and the region and the Center for Research on Environmental Science and Technology (CREST); and

WHEREAS, over the past year and a half, the City of Wilsonville has prepared a "Wilsonville Tract Master Plan and Natural Resources Management Plan" (Master Plan) with the assistance of the public and a Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC); and

WHEREAS, the planning process included a substantial public involvement process that included three public open houses, numerous SAC meetings, and a number of additional special meetings and site visits; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan that has been prepared has been closely coordinated with Metro, the West Linn-Wilsonville School District and community members and is consistent with community vision and the use limitations outlined in the Bond Measure; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan has been developed to guide future management and development of the property consistent with Metro Bond Measure requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan provides for a model for public education and environmental stewardship, and provides a framework for ecological recovery in balance with human activity and interests; and

WHEREAS, the Master Plan will assist the City and Metro in obtaining funding for future improvements related to habitat restoration and providing public access; and

WHEREAS, the Wilsonville Tract property will provide important future bicycle and pedestrian connections from Villebois to the Boones Ferry Primary, Wood Middle School, CREST Educational campus; and

WHEREAS, the Wilsonville Planning Commission held two public hearings on the Master Plan, the first on January 14, 2004 and the second on February 11, 2004 at which time the Planning Commission forwarded a recommendation of approval of the Wilsonville Tract Master Plan and Natural Resources Management Plan to the City Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

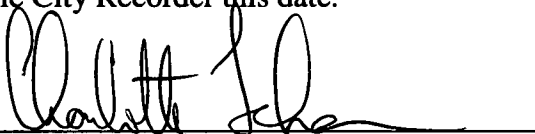
Section 1. Findings and Recommendations.

- a) The City Council hereby adopts as findings of fact the above recitals and the Statements of Fact and Conclusionary Findings in the staff

report on this matter dated March 15, 2004, incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.

- b) The City Council hereby forwards a recommendation of approval of the Wilsonville Tract Master Plan and Natural Resources Management Plan to the Metro Council and directs Staff to work with Clackamas County to obtain the necessary permits to implement the plan.
- c) This resolution becomes effective upon adoption.

ADOPTED by the Wilsonville City Council at a regular meeting thereof this 15th day of March 2004, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this date.

  
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CHARLOTTE LEHAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sandra C. King, City Recorder, CMC

**SUMMARY OF VOTES:**

Mayor Lehan	Yes
Council President Kirk	Yes
Councilor Holt	Yes
Councilor Scott-Tabb	Yes
Councilor Knapp	Yes