

**Coalition of Gresham Neighborhood Associations  
December 10, 2024 – Remotely Held (Zoom)  
Meeting Minutes**

NEIGHBORHOOD	ATTENDEES	NEIGHBORHOOD	ATTENDEES
Centennial		North Central	INACTIVE
Central City	INACTIVE	Northeast	INACTIVE
Gresham Butte	Stephen Estes, Theresa Tschirky, Jim Buck	North Gresham	INACTIVE
Gresham Pleasant Valley		Northwest	Kat Todd, Chris Fast, John Bildsoe
Historic Southeast	INACTIVE	Powell Valley	Stella Butler
Hogan Cedars	INACTIVE	Rockwood	
Hollybrook	INACTIVE	Southwest	Kathy Gardenhire, Dana Duval
Kelly Creek	Charles Teem, Carol Rulla,	Wilkes-East	Janet Unruh
Staff & Guests	Lina Sizmin, City of Gresham, Neighborhood Services; Mary Phillips, Senior Land Use Planner, City of Gresham; Gabby Sinagra, Planner II, City of Gresham; Jaquenette McIntire		

The meeting opened at 7:02 p.m., Carol Rulla, Coalition Co-President presiding.

1. Meeting minutes for November 12, 2024, were approved as presented.
2. No public comment was presented.
3. Tree Code Update with Mary Phillips and Gabby Sinagra.
  - a. The presentation was an update on the current Tree Code Project. The project scope includes high levels of community engagement; update to the City’s tree goals, policies, procedures and regulations; update to Volumes 1-3 of the Community Development Plan; an updated tree list; and creation of a technical tree manual. The presentation also included a review of the feedback received through the Community Goals and Priorities survey. After the review, Mary Phillips led a discussion on the survey feedback, the community goals and concerns identified and whether the goals meet the community needs. Several coalition members shared their thoughts and concerns on situations that they felt should be addressed in the Tree Code.
4. Neighborhood and City News and Reports:
  - a. Neighborhood Services Report: No report. Announcements: Gresham Newsletter should be out next week. Fire Chief Lewis is retiring at the end of December. Some discussion on people not receiving the Gresham Newsletter.

b. Co-President Report:

Carol Rulla: Announcements: 1) A Housing Summit will be held in the Mt Hood Community College Vista Dining Hall on Friday, January 17, starting at 8 a.m. Carol thought most Neighborhood Presidents received an invitation on behalf of Metro Councilor-elect, Vince Jones-Dixon. Everyone is welcome. 2) Reminder of Coalition elections will be held in January.

Jim Buck: Jim announced that he offered public testimony before the Oregon Transportation Commission on December 4<sup>th</sup> concerning the issue of landscaping along Highway 26 as it enters Gresham. He has asked commission chair for a formal response on what action they plan to take with ODOT. He will share the response when it comes.

c. NA Reports and Concerns.

1) Stella Butler-Powell Valley: Stella had some trouble contacting Neighborhood Services and asked if the phone number had changed. Lina: Yes and she would send the information out.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Dana Duval – Coalition Secretary-Treasurer

Next meeting: <b>Tuesday, January 14</b>
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