



Cornelius Town Center & Urban Renewal Plans Public Meeting March 7, 2019

# ROADMAP

Town Center Plan Update

Crash Course – UR 101

**Review of Presentation Boards** 

Next Steps

Cornelius Town Center and Urban Renewal Plans		•	$\bigwedge$	•	2019				
Tasks	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	June	July	Aug	Sept
Task 1. Project Initiation and Management									
Task 2. Community Engagement									
Task 3. Existing Conditions									
Task 4. Design Workshop									
Task 5. Town Center Master Plan Alternatives									
Task 6. Town Center Plan	*	•	*	•					
Task 7. Urban Renewal Plan	•	-	*	•	•	•			
Task 8. Implementation/Action Plan									
Task 9. Adoption			$\setminus$ /		•	<b>*</b>	•		
Task 10. Code Amendments									
★ Kickoff/Public Meetings									
Project Advisory Committee Meeting									
<ul> <li>URA/Planning Commission/City Council Meeting</li> </ul>									
Technical Advisory Committee									

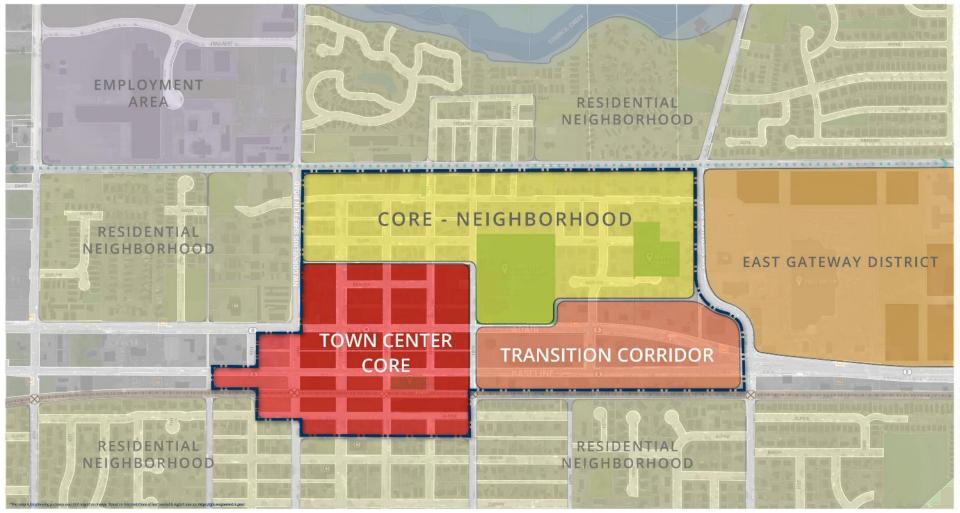
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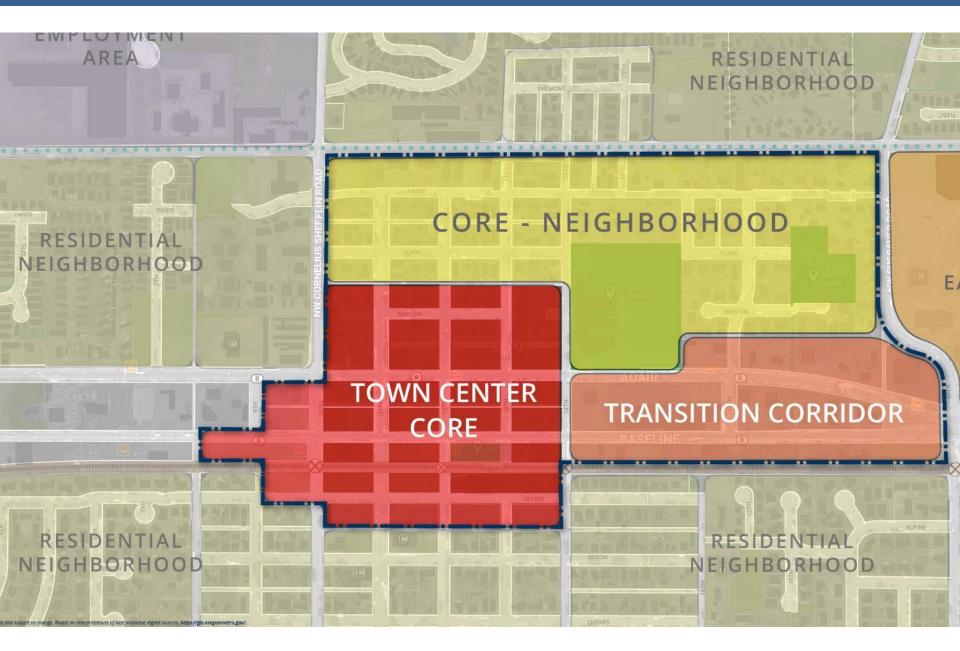
#### **Town Center Guiding Principles**

- 1. Celebrate and reconnect with the **natural context**.
- 2. Strengthen and re-establish "**Old Town**" as the Heart of Cornelius.
- 3. Create a community gathering space and civic plaza.
- 4. Revitalize close-in neighborhoods.
- 5. Improve **context-sensitive highway couplet** character.
- 6. Provide **gateways** to signal Cornelius as a distinct and walkable place.
- 7. Create a **contemporary mixed-use village** around Fred Meyer.
- 8. **Connect** to the future Council Creek Regional Trail and potential future regional transit.





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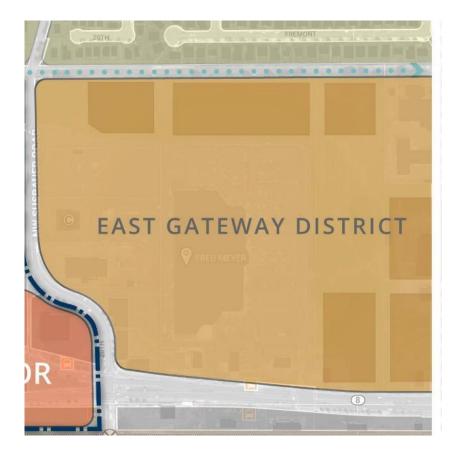


#### **Town Center**

- Town Center Core. The Core has a unique and authentic character, distinct from larger-scale retail along corridor. A walkable place focused on civic uses, wellness, culture, and craft food and beverage.
- **Core Neighborhood.** An extension of the Core with a more residential character. Denser mixed-use neighborhood to support the Core that provides a variety of housing options and opportunities for professional service businesses.
- **Transition Corridor.** A noticeable transition from auto-oriented businesses to a variety of commercial uses. Clear gateways with art and landscaping prompt a change in the behavior of motorists passing through town.

#### **East Gateway District**

Distinct from the Town Center Core, the **East Gateway District** is a suburban retail center for contemporary living anchored by Fred Meyer, with easy vehicular access and parking. A connected network of streets is lined with a larger scale and mix of housing, offices, chain businesses, and park areas.



## TOWN CENTER PLAN FRAMEWORK



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#### **Town Center Core Area**



### TOWN CENTER OPPORTUNITY SITES

1. Gas station lot at 10<sup>th</sup> and Baseline (Estby) is undergoing environmental clean-up.

2-3. Vacant lots adjacent to the southern rail line.

4. Storefronts at 12<sup>th</sup> and Baseline could benefit from façade improvements.

5. Opportunity for mixed use development across from Cornelius Place.

6. Possible acquisition and redevelopment of Western States Fire Apparatus building.

7-8. Potential locations for 10,000 sf public plaza with splash pad.

9. Grande Foods (aka Hank's):

- Short-term exterior and potentially interior improvements
- Long-term candidate for acquisition and redevelopment.

### TOWN CENTER PLAN FRAMEWORK

#### **Town Center Core Area**



# TOWN CENTER CONNECTIONS

<u>14<sup>th</sup> Street Greenway</u>
 between Council
 Creek regional trail
 (north) and Tualatin
 River (south).



- Trails to connectivity on <u>Cornelius Elementary School</u> site.
- <u>Clark Street</u> improvements including sidewalks, curb extensions/ ramps and street trees.
- <u>City street connections</u> to Council Creek Regional Trail.
- Town Center <u>alleyway improvements</u> with pedestrian amenities and decorative features.

# TOWN CENTER OTHER FEATURES

- <u>Gateways</u> welcome people to the Town Center.
- <u>Neighborhood trailheads provide easy</u> access to and from the Council Creek Regional Trail.
- Improvements to transit stops including benches, bike parking, and trash cans. Consider bus shelters should as ridership increases.
- <u>Public bike parking</u> spread out in a few spaces or a larger concentration in one location.





#### TOWN CENTER PARKING

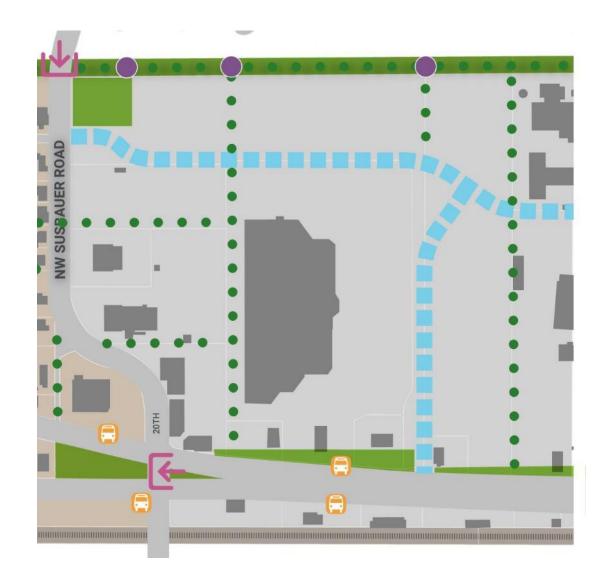
- Currently marked on-street parking in the Core:
  - Helps delineate parking area for drivers in adjacent lane.
  - Discourages drivers from parking too close to other cars.
- Most drivers find parking on same block face as destination.
   As the Town Center develops:
  - Parking availability (on- and off-street) will decrease.
  - Drivers will need to walk farther to reach their destination.
    - A two-minute walk is considered acceptable.

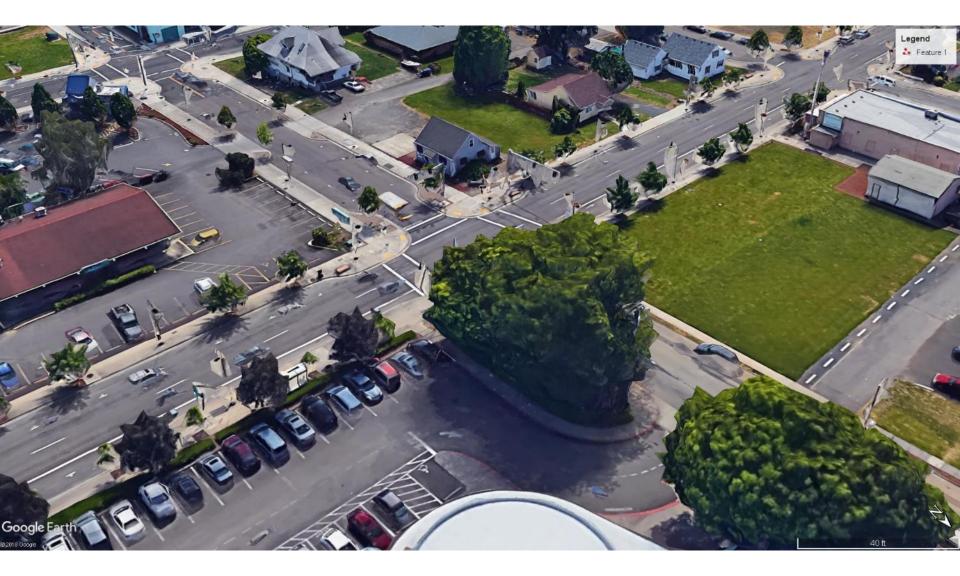


 Add designated ADA parking spaces to the on-street parking supply in the Core.

# EAST GATEWAY DISTRICT CONNECTIONS

- Larger trailhead to welcome people to and from Council Creek regional trail and into East Gateway District.
- Future roadway connections including extension of N. Davis Ave collector with two travel lanes, sidewalks, pathways, and landscaping.







PROPOSED ZONING

#### **Town Center**

Town Center Subdistrict	Existing Zoning	Proposed Zoning		
Town Center Core	Main Street Retail Commercial Main Street General Employment Main Street Civic Main Street Design Overlay Multi-family Residential (A-2) Single-family Residential (R-7)	Central Mixed Use Retain A-2 for properties on south side of Alpine St		
Core Neighborhood	Multi-family Residential (A-2) Single-family Residential (R-7) Main Street Mixed Use along 19 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> Streets	Core Residential Corridor Commercial for Elementary School site		
Transition Corridor	Main Street General Employment	Corridor Commercial		

#### Central Mixed Use Zone

- Mix of retail, commercial, office, and civic uses, and ground-floor residential.
- 3-story height (40-45 feet) limit.
- Require limited design elements for sites fronting Adair and Baseline:
  - Weather protection features (arcades, canopies, awnings)
  - Distinctive corner treatments
  - Several from a menu of design choices
- Second alley-facing entrance and lighting for sites with alley frontage.
- Ensure that existing residential uses can continue.

#### **Core Neighborhood Zone**

- Prioritize existing and expanded residential uses in close-in neighborhoods with access to downtown.
- Allow for gentle infill that supports the nearby Town Center commercial development.
- Avoid creating pressures on existing, relatively affordable, housing stock.
- Allow limited expansion of service commercial and professional office uses through expansion of home occupation provisions.
- Expand home occupation options, such as commercial service and professional office uses. Avoid competing with Core for strictly commercial, retail, and office developments.

#### EAST GATEWAY IMPLEMENTATION - ZONING

#### East Gateway Mixed Use Zone

Town Center Subdistrict	Existing Zoning	Proposed Zoning		
East Gateway	Main Street Mixed Use Main Street General Employment Core Commercial Employment	Gateway Mixed Use		

#### EAST GATEWAY IMPLEMENTATION - ZONING

#### East Gateway Mixed Use Zone

- Accommodate existing Fred Meyer, commercial uses, and mix of employment, retail and residential uses on undeveloped property.
- Options for horizontal and vertical mixed use.
- Consider applying <u>Corridor Commercial zone</u> to developed portions along north side of highway.

#### **East and West Corridors Zone**

Town Center Subdistrict	Existing Zoning	Proposed Zoning
West Corridor	Main Street Mixed Use Main Street General Employment Highway Commercial	Central Mixed Use for properties on west side of 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave Highway Commercial, including NW corner of 10 <sup>th</sup> Ave and Adair
East Corridor	Main Street General Employment Core Commercial Employment	Highway Commercial on the south side of highway Gateway Mixed Use on the north side of highway

#### **Corridor Commercial Zone**

Applied to important redevelopment sites including Grande Foods and the elementary school.

- Encourage a presence along the street.
- No new drive-throughs permitted.
- Schools to be a permitted use.

# FUNDING

#### **Project Types**

<u>Public-Private Partnerships</u>: Property acquisition, façade improvement program, demolition of blighted buildings, brownfield remediation.

<u>Housing Development Tools:</u> Construction incentives, SDC waivers.

<u>Transportation and Infrastructure Enhancements</u>: Sidewalk improvements, connectivity projects, road improvements, lighting improvements.

<u>Open Space Projects and Downtown Amenities</u>: Public art program, decorative informational signs, new splash park, gateway projects, street furniture.

#### **Potential Public Sector Toolkit**

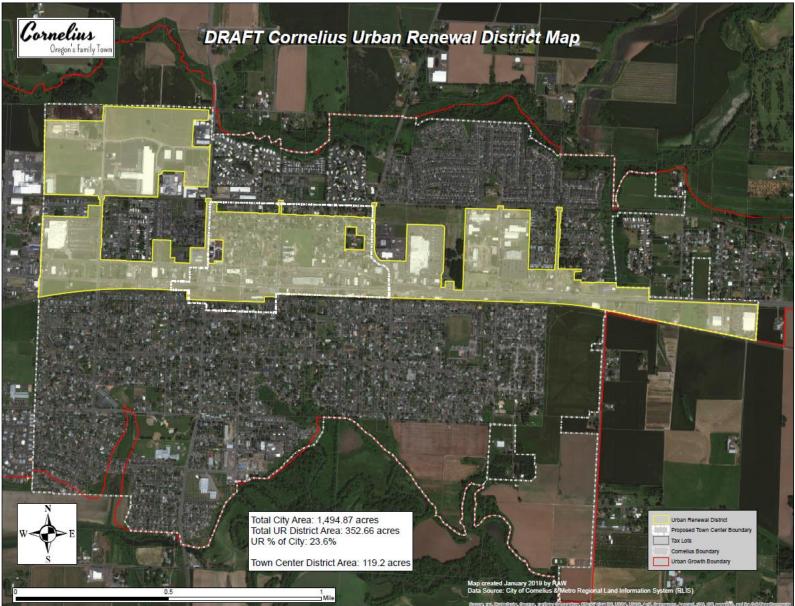
Local Funding Tools	State, National, or Private Funding Tools	Tax Abatements and Credits	Locally Controlled Programs and Incentives
Urban RenewalLocal Improvement District (LID)Economic Improvement DistrictGeneral Obligation BondsConstruction Excise TaxFees or other Dedicated Revenue	State of Oregon Transportation Loans and Grants Metro TOD Program Metro MTIP Community Development Block Grants Section 108 EPA Brownfield Grants EB-5	Enterprise Zone Vertical Housing Program Historic Preservation Tax Credit Multiple Unit Limited Tax Exemption Affordable Housing Property Tax Abatement Oregon Affordable Housing Tax Credit Low Income Housing Tax Credit	Land Assembly and Property Price Buy Down Expedited or Fast-Tracked Building Permit Programs System Development Charge Financing or Credits Reduced or Waived Permit Fees Predevelopment Assistance Tenant Improvement Grants/Loans Reduced Parking Requirements Incentives for Space-Efficient Housing

#### **Recommendations**

- <u>Urban renewal</u> is the cornerstone funding tool, supported by other tools.
- Pursue a set of programs and actions to increase attractiveness for development:
  - o Incentives
  - Regulations
- Once the project list is finalized, narrow the list of potential tools.
  - Economic feasibility
  - o Fairness
  - Legality and eligibility
  - Political acceptability

# URBAN RENEWAL 101

# **URBAN RENEWAL AREA BOUNDARY**



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# WHY URBAN RENEWAL FOR CORNELIUS?

Urban Renewal provides funding to implement city plans and address the barriers to development in the following ways:

- 1. Implement Town Center Plan
- 2. Revitalize Town Center
- 3. Spur development in Town Center
- 4. Implement additional infrastructure projects within urban renewal area



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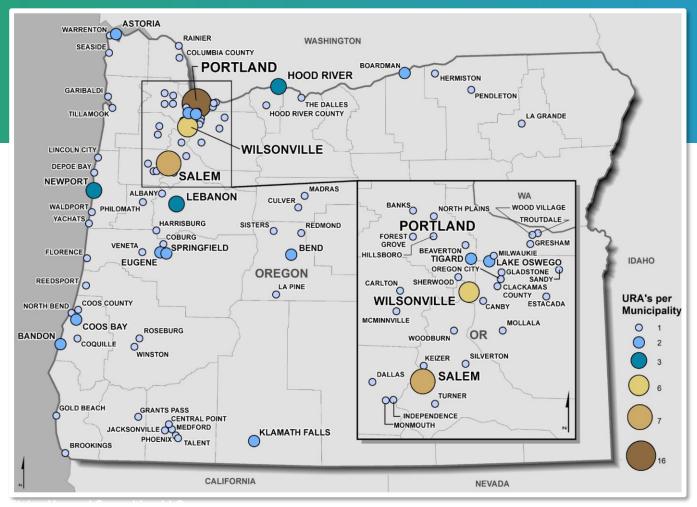
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## CITIES WITH URBAN RENEWAL



### **WHAT IS BLIGHT?**

- Blight is a precondition to any Urban Renewal Area
- Specific criteria defined by state statue, generally covers:
  - Underdevelopment or underutilization of property
  - Poor condition of buildings
  - Inadequacy of infrastructure including streets and utilities

# HOW DOES AN URBAN RENEWAL AREA FUNCTION?

#### 1. Income Source

 Yearly property tax collections based on growth within Boundary (more detail on mechanism in later slide)

#### 2. Expenses

Projects, programs, and administration

#### 3. Spending Limit

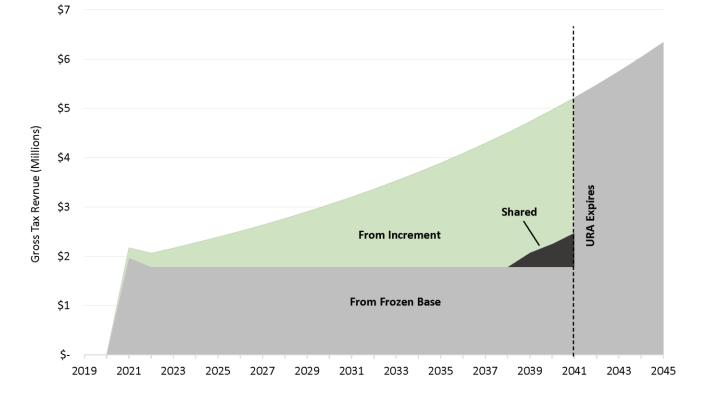
- Capped by Maximum Indebtedness (MI):
  - The total amount of money that can be spent over the life of the district on projects, programs, and administration.



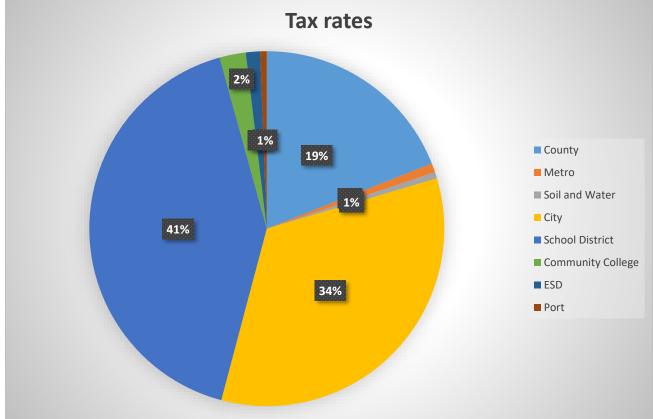
# HOW DOES URBAN RENEWAL FINANCING WORK?

Cornelius Urban Renewal Area: TIF Revenue





#### **LEVERAGING CITY TAX RATE**



# A HYPOTHETICAL PROPERTY TAX BILL

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operty Value			\$100,000
ounty	\$	2.2484	\$224.84
etro	\$	0.0966	\$9.66
oil and Water	\$	0.0691	\$6.91
ty	\$	3.9836	\$398.36
chool District	\$	4.9142	\$491.42
ommunity College	\$	0.2828	\$28.28
SD	\$	0.1538	\$15.38
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# A HYPOTHETICAL PROPERTY TAX BILL

			Property Value
Taxing District	Rate	Property Value	
Property Value		\$100,000	\$103,000.00
County	\$ 2.2484	\$224.84	\$231.59
Metro	\$ 0.0966	\$9.66	\$9.95
Soil and Water	\$ 0.0691	\$6.91	\$7.12
City	\$ 3.9836	\$398.36	\$410.31
School District	\$ 4.9142	\$491.42	\$506.16
Community College	\$ 0.2828	\$28.28	\$29.13
ESD	\$ 0.1538	\$15.38	\$15.84
Port	\$ 0.0701	\$7.01	\$7.22
Urban Renewal			
Total	\$ 11.8186	\$1,181.86	\$1,217.32

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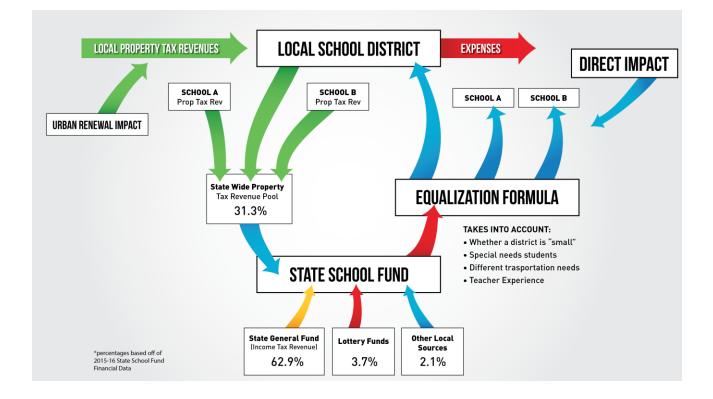
			Property Value	Property Value
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Property Value		\$100,000	\$103,000.00	\$103,000.00
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School District	\$ 4.9142	\$491.42	\$506.16	\$491.42
Community College	\$ 0.2828	\$28.28	\$29.13	\$28.28
ESD	\$ 0.1538	\$15.38	\$15.84	\$15.38
Port	\$ 0.0701	\$7.01	\$7.22	\$7.01
Urban Renewal				\$35.46
Total	\$ 11.8186	\$1,181.86	\$1,217.32	\$1,217.32

# **IMPACTS TO TAXING DISTRICTS**

- Urban Renewal does not provide new money
  - Diverts funds that would go to other property tax districts
- Continue receiving taxes on frozen base
- Temporarily forego taxes on any growth in Urban Renewal area
- Growth may not have occurred but not for urban renewal



### URBAN RENEWAL IMPACT Local Schools



# UR 101 PROPERTY TAX SUMMARY

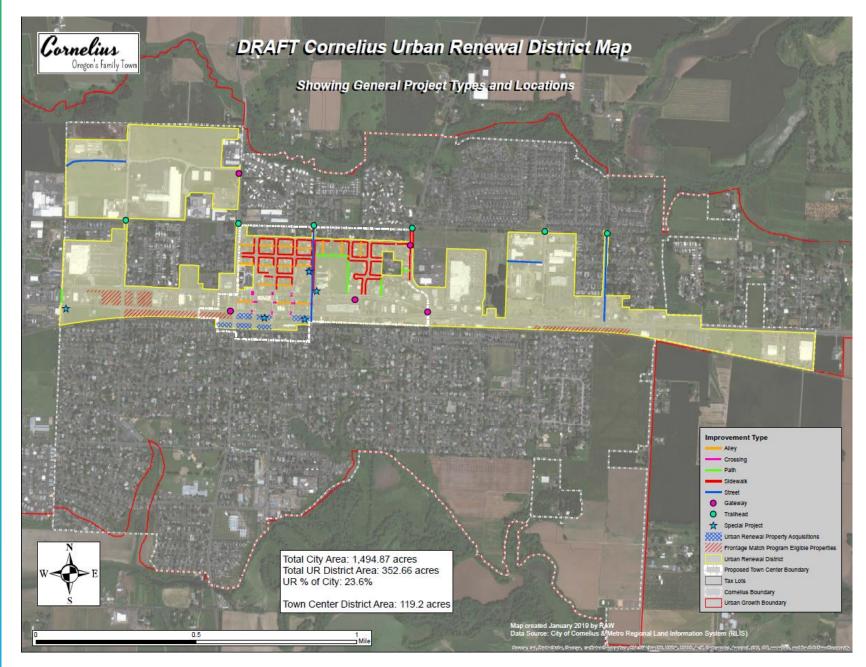
- No new taxes due to the division of taxes from Urban Renewal
- Schools are indirectly impacted by urban renewal
- There will be a line item for Urban Renewal on your property tax bill if this Plan is adopted
- There are no local option levies impacted by the proposed urban renewal plan
- Potential bond impact: one year 88 cents per \$100,000 assessed value

# HOW IS A PLAN ADOPTED?



### PROJECTS

1. Transportation	\$8,050,000
2. Developer Incentives	\$2,550,000
3. Acquisition	\$2,430,000
4. Creating Community	\$3,655,000
5. Administration (5%)	\$835,000
Total	\$17,520,000



#### **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. April 1 Create Urban Renewal Agency
- 2. May 6Agency Meeting



- 3. May 7 Consult and Confer letters to taxing districts
- 4. June 19 Potential Washington County Briefing
- 5. June 25 Planning Commission Meeting
- 6. July 15 City Council Hearing
- 7. August 14 Effective Date of Urban Renewal Plan if adopted

# OPEN HOUSE

## PROPERTY TAXES AND URBAN RENEWAL

- Urban Renewals Division of Taxes does not increase property taxes, it uses increases in property taxes that were already happening
- Urban Renewal is a line item on your property tax bill
- The Assessor must go through the following steps when distributing Urban Renewal Taxes:
  - 1. "Calculation" of TIF to be collected
  - 2. "Distribution" of TIF Citywide to property tax payers
  - 3. "Collection" of property tax revenues

# URBAN RENEWAL UTOPIA

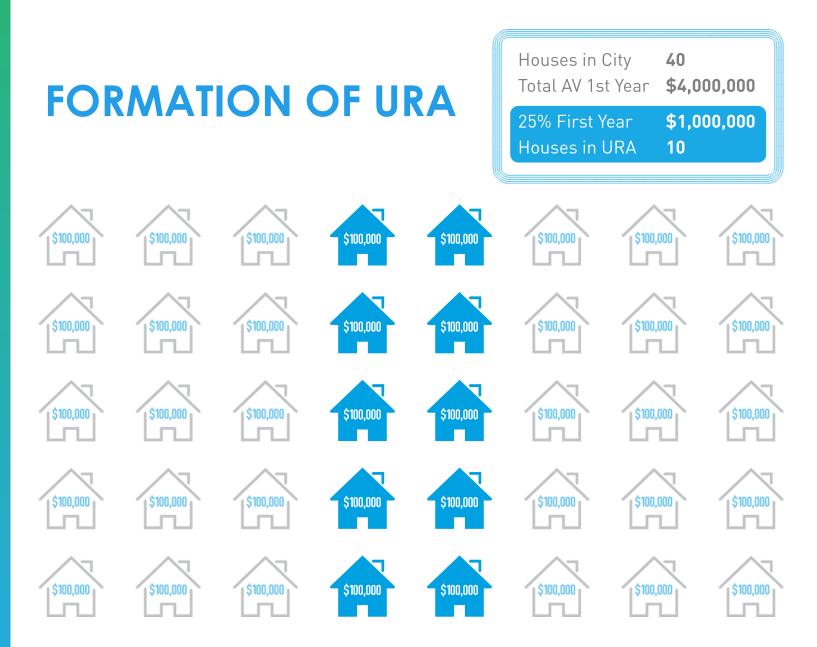
The following slides detail in a conceptual manner the steps an Assessor goes through to distribute TIF revenues to an Urban Renewal Agency: Calculation
 Distribution
 Collection

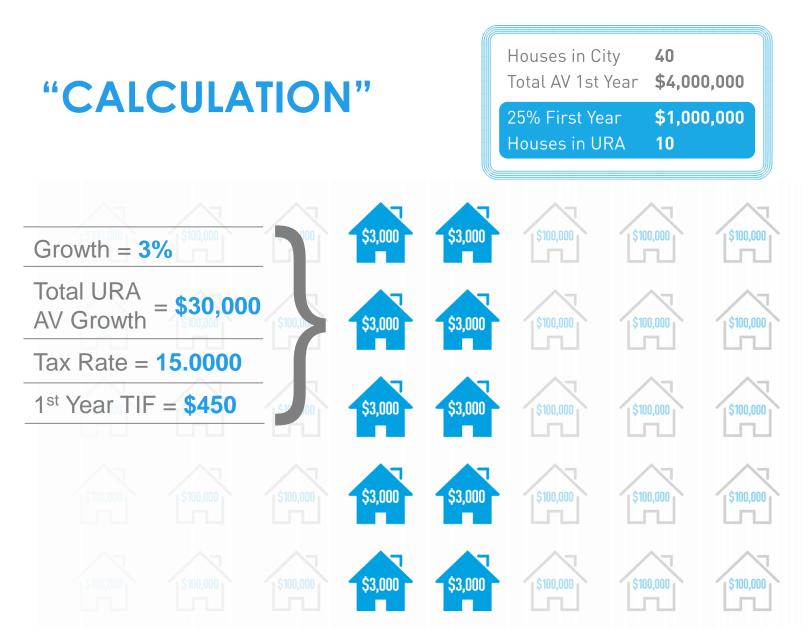
#### **HYPOTHETICAL CITY**

 Houses in City
 40

 Total AV 1st Year
 \$4,000,000









#### "DISTRIBUTION"

Houses in City	40
Total AV 1st Year	\$4,000,000
25% First Year	\$1,000,000
Houses in URA	10

