#### **RESOLUTION NO. UR 23-01**

# A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING TAX INCREMENT FOR THE 2023-2025 BIENNIUM

## ADOPTING THE BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Oregon City Urban Renewal Commission hereby adopts the 2023-2025 Biennial Budget in the amount of \$10,490,800 now on file at City Hall at 625 Center Street, Oregon City, Oregon.

#### MAKING APPROPRIATIONS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amounts for the budget period beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2025, and for the purposes shown below are hereby appropriated:

	Appro	Total		
URBAN RENEWAL FUND Oregon City Urban Renewal Agency Contingency	\$	10,426,800 64,000		
Total Adopted Budget	-	01,000	\$10,490,800	

#### **DECLARING TAX INCREMENT**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Oregon City Urban Renewal Commission hereby resolves to certify to the county assessor a request for the Oregon City Downtown/North End Urban Renewal District to set the incremental assessed value to \$0 for the fiscal year 2023-24, which will generate approximately \$0 of taxes imposed, and to set the incremental assessed value to \$55,165,000 for the fiscal year 2024-25, which will generate approximately \$828,000 of taxes imposed by dividing the taxes under Section 1c, Article IX, of the Oregon Constitution and ORS Chapter 457.

BE IT FURTHER RESOVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Commission.

Approved and adopted at a regular meeting of day of June 2023.	the Urban Renewal Commission held on the 21st  Michael Mitchell, Chair
Attested to this 21st day of June 2023:	Approved as to legal sufficiency:
Jakob & Wiley City Recorder	City Attorney

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# Oregon City Urban Renewal Agency Urban Renewal Commission Revised Biennial Budget July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025

## Introduction

The Oregon City Urban Renewal Agency's 2023-2025 Proposed Biennial Budget is balanced and has been prepared in accordance with Oregon Budget Law. For the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025, the total budget is \$15,927,600.

The Agency is a separate legal entity from the City of Oregon City that is established under State law. Oregon Revised Statues Chapter 457.035(1) creates "a public body corporate and politic to be known as the urban renewal agency" for each municipality. The Oregon City Urban Renewal Commission is responsible for providing oversight for the District as specified in the Downtown/North End Urban Renewal Plan, amended in September 2007.

On November 8, 2016, voters approved Measure 3-514, which was intended to limit the use of urban renewal in Oregon City. On July 18, 2017, the Circuit Court determined that the measure is preempted by Oregon Revised Statutes Chapter 457. The Court found that the measure is inconsistent with State law and the Agency's expenditures are not restricted. This decision was appealed to the Oregon Court of Appeals. On November 15, 2022, the Court of Appeals declared that a portion of the measure, specifically part E of Section 59 in the Oregon City Municipal Code is unenforceable as preempted by state law.

The Urban Renewal Commission approved the 11<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan on December 21, 2022. This amendment updated the project plan to three primary projects, which are the Rossman Landfill, Clackamette Cove, and the Stimson Property, and several secondary projects, including the County Courthouse on Main Street, Improvements to the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center, and downtown railroad Quiet Zone, and development of the vacant 12<sup>th</sup> and Main Street property.

On May 16, 2023, voters rejected Measure 3-597, which requested the approval for the Urban Renewal Agency to borrow up to \$44 million for projects in the Urban Renewal Plan. The proposed budget presented reflects a status quo budget while recognizing that the Urban Renewal Commission has yet to determine the future of the Urban Renewal Agency after learning the outcome of the election. In spite of this, the responsibility of the Urban Renewal Budget Committee is to review the proposed budget and determine the tax levy, the uses of all resources, and approve the budget. Subsequently, the Urban Renewal Commission has the responsibility to review the approved budget, revise if necessary, and adopt the budget. While the timing of the election in May, the requirement to adopt a budget by June 30, and the publication of mandatory newspaper notices for Budget Committee meetings all complicated the forward process, the Urban Renewal Agency must still meaningfully determine the future. At a minimum, the declaration of the tax increment for the 2023-24 and 2024-25 tax years will determine if the agency continues to collect new revenue (approximately \$3.15 million per year) toward the projects identified above. The second key choice of the Urban Renewal Agency is the use of new tax increment revenue as well as existing funds on hand (\$9.2 million). The future is in the hands of the Urban Renewal Agency.

## **Budget Highlights**

The approved budget is funded by total biennial revenues of \$6.7 million (excluding beginning fund balance), 95% of which are from property taxes. Revenues increased by \$68,000, or 1%, over the previous budget. Tax increment increases are budgeted at 2.0% for each year of the biennium. Other revenue sources include income from property rentals and investment income.

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Projected spending for the biennium totals \$15.86 million and is comprised of minimum operating and legal costs as well as capital projects. Finally, the budget includes costs to operate Agency owned rental properties. An operating contingency of \$0.64 million is available for appropriation to projects pending the Urban Renewal Commission's review.

The Downtown/North End Urban Renewal Plan includes an established debt limit of \$130.1 million as a maximum for urban renewal investment ("maximum indebtedness").

Respectfully,

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Executive Director, OCURA

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Urban Renewal	2	2017-2019 Actual	2019-2021 Actual		2021-2023 Amended Budget		2023-2025 Proposed Biennium		2023-2025 Approved Biennium		2023-2024 URC Revised Budget		2024-2025 URC Revised Budget		2023-2025 URC Revised Biennium	
Resources																
Beginning Fund Balance	\$	3,399,456	\$	5,468,808	\$	3,073,311	\$	9,230,800	\$	9,230,800	\$	9,230,800	\$	60,000	\$	9,230,800
Property Taxes		5,390,098		6,237,989		6,287,500		6,336,800		6,336,800		46,000		854,000		900,000
Rental Income		164,347		208,197		221,000		240,000		240,000		120,000		120,000		240,000
Interest Income		217,125		181,543		90,000		90,000		90,000		30,000		60,000		90,000
Other Income		95,000		126		30,000		30,000		30,000		15,000		15,000		30,000
Total Resources	\$	9,266,026	\$	12,096,663	\$	9,701,811	\$	15,927,600	\$	15,927,600	\$	9,441,800	\$	1,109,000	\$	10,490,800
Requirements	•			440.000		440.000		440.000		440.000		•••				440.000
Agency Administration	\$		\$	440,000	\$	440,000	\$	440,000	\$	440,000	\$	220,000	\$	220,000	\$	440,000
Legal & Consultant Services		5,537		176,448		240,000		240,000		240,000		120,000		120,000		240,000
Rental Expenses		49,628		64,039		100,000		100,000		100,000		50,000		50,000		100,000
Cost Reimbursement		-		867,490		-		-		-		-		-		-
Operating Materials and Supplies		7,856		8,947		12,000		14,000		14,000		7,000		7,000		14,000
Community Programs and Grants		120,000		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Capital Outlay		395,038		40,450		-		15,069,600		15,069,600		8,984,800		648,000		9,632,800
Principal and Interest		3,219,159		7,526,578		-		-		-		-		-		-
Operating Contingency		-		-		8,909,811		64,000		64,000		60,000		64,000		64,000
Unappropriated Fund Balance		5,468,808		2,972,711		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total Requirements	\$	9,266,026	\$	12,096,663	\$	9,701,811	\$	15,927,600	\$	15,927,600	\$	9,441,800	\$	1,109,000	\$	10,490,800

## **BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* Agency Administration includes minimum staff time/contracts to operate (policy meetings, contract management, investments, debt service, financial audits, impact reports, etc.).
- \* Legal & Consultant Services are costs to administer the future projects and support the Commission.
- Rental Expenses are costs to manage and maintain properties (Amtrak Station, Clackamas Landscape, two houses).
- Operating Materials and Services are costs for transcription and audit services.
- Capital Outlay represents the balance of available funds for capital projects as identified in the Urban Renewal Plan.

#### **URC REVISED HIGHLIGHTS**

- \* Property Taxes: Incremental Assessed Value is \$0 in 2023-24 with prior year tax collections as \$46,000. Incremental Assessed Value is \$55,165,000 in 2024-25, which anticipates approximately \$828,000 in 2024-25 levy collections plus prior years tax collections as \$26,000.
- Capital Outlay reduced to reflect lower revenue.