

City of Wood Village Vision Statement for 2030

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Wood Village is a safe, stable city. It has a strong community identity focused around community-connectedness and historical recognition of the Original Village while maintaining convenient accessibility to the larger regional metropolitan area. Resources are developed and maintained with an emphasis on livability and sustainability for current as well as future residents.

Residents have many opportunities to meet each other and interact with their neighbors. Each neighborhood has a unique sense of identity which is shared with others through community and city sponsored events. Neighborhoods are clean, green and vital.

The environment is clean, green and quiet with an emphasis on clean air, quality water, and an abundance of trees throughout the City. The City's park is a model of urban environmental management with a diversity of trees, well-maintained trails with good connectivity to the community, well-maintained playing fields, a safe playground for young children, and many opportunities for residents to recreate and become educated about the environment.

Ensuring public safety is a high priority. Police and fire services are reliable, cost efficient and responsive to the needs of residents. Citizens feel safe in their homes, businesses and neighborhoods. A commitment to community policing has been established through the Neighborhood Watch program and the Citizens' Police Academy. Emergency management plans are well established, coordinated and comprehensive.

The City's housing is maintained to enhance livability and provide adequate resources for a diverse population; it is well cared for and attractive. Types and tenures are provided for all income levels. A balance between single and multi-family homes has been established with an effort made to preserve single family homes with large backyards.

The transportation system allows traffic to flow in an efficient, multi-modal and coordinated manner within the City as well as the metropolitan region. The City remains free of any designated truck routes. No additional parkways, arterials or freeways directly impact our community. Multnomah County-owned roads are improved to their compatible functional classification capacity and City-owned roads are in excellent condition. Innovative designs have been used that reduce fuel consumption and protect the environment. The utility infrastructure is cost effective, efficient, damage resistant and resilient. The water supply is adequate, safe and palatable. Sewer capacity is adequate for full build out. Storm water is clean and properly collected throughout the drainage system.

The economy is thriving with a vibrant mix of services, restaurants and large and small scale retail businesses, strategically located throughout the City. Several small manufacturing businesses are established here and a clean, high-value industry has located in the Columbia Cascade River District providing a higher density of family wage jobs with benefits. The Wood Village Town Center provides a variety of services, retail shops, office space, entertainment and residences with a public gathering place that serves as a main attraction and draws regional shoppers and tourists.

The City's government is well managed and provides efficient, cost effective and comprehensive public services. It maintains a focus on public service that is highly responsive, friendly and personal. It acts as a catalyst and facilitator to meet community needs, and to help community members help themselves. City Hall creates many opportunities for active public engagement in government and proactively seeks citizen involvement, input and participation. Elected officials are prudent, responsive and fiscally responsible. Regional partnerships and cooperation with other jurisdictions and agencies are valued.