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Lynn Peterson, Metro Council President
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RE: Land Conservation and Development Commission Hearing on the Appeal of the Director's Approval of Metro's UGB Amendment Submittal (Order 001953)

Dear Council President Peterson,

The Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) received six appeals of the Director's Decision approving Metro's UGB Amendment (Order 001953) during the 21-day appeal period. The Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) will hear the matter on September 25th, 2025. DLCD will transmit the staff report and recommendation concerning the appeal of DLCD Order 001953 by September 4th, 2025, if not earlier.¹ Hearing details are provided on the commission's webpage: <https://www.oregon.gov/lcd/Commission/Pages/Meetings.aspx>

Commission rules allow the local government or governments whose decision is under review; persons who filed a valid appeal; and other affected local governments to file written exceptions to the staff report that DLCD will transmit. The exceptions must be filed with DLCD within 10 calendar days from the date the subject staff report is sent (see OAR 660-025-0160(5)). LCDC will make a final decision on the submittals based on the written record and oral arguments based on the written record. LCDC will consider oral argument at the hearing, limited to Metro, the city of Sherwood and any other affected local government, and those who filed a valid appeal (see OAR 660-025-0085 and OAR 660-025-0160). In order to complete the hearing in the available period, LCDC may limit the time for argument.

Please feel free to contact Laura Kelly, DLCD Regional Representative, at 503-798-7587 or laura.kelly@dlcd.oregon.gov with any questions.

¹ Pursuant to the requirements of OAR 660-025-0160(4)

Sincerely,



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