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BEAVERTON TO HOST URBAN LAND INSTITUTE PANEL ON DOWNTOWN REDESIGN

BEAVERTON, Ore. – The community is invited to hear from a panel of Urban Land Institute members, with expertise in urban design and development on Tuesday, Feb. 9 from 3-4 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall (12725 SW Millikan Way). The panel will present their recommendations in light of the city's visions and plans and will respond to key questions: what are the most important recommendations for transforming our downtown core from a suburban community to a more urban city; do the city's Design Standards and Guidelines hinder or assist good urban design; what tools are needed to successfully implement urban design expectations for the core area?

The event is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to RSVP to lcrabtree@BeavertonOregon.gov as seating is limited to 90. This event concludes the panel's engagement inclusive of a tour, discussions with public and private stakeholders, and deliberations.

For more information please contact the events program at events@BeavertonOregon.gov or 503-526-2559.

ABOUT URBAN LAND INSTITUTE NW

The mission of Urban Land Institute (ULI) Northwest, "is to provide leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating and sustaining thriving communities worldwide. ULI Northwest carries forth that mission by serving the Northwest's public and private sectors with pragmatic land use expertise and education." For more information, visit <http://northwest.uli.org/about-us/>.

ABOUT BEAVERTON

Beaverton is a welcoming and responsible city that enjoys one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. In 2015, Beaverton was recognized as one of the **safest cities** in the Pacific Northwest (according to CQ Press with cities more than 75,000). Recently, the city's award-winning finance department received the **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award** as well as the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting**. In 2012, the city was awarded the **Mayors' Climate Protection Award** from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was named one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine. The city was named **one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement** by *Forbes.com* and **one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America** by *Prevention* magazine. The city also received the **Recycler of the Year** award from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, named

a **Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation, received a **Silver Award Bicycle Friendly Community** designation by the League of American Bicyclists, and recognized as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**. Lastly, the city's nationally acclaimed visioning program was named **Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter and also received the prestigious **3CMA Award of Excellence**.

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