



Board of Directors
North Clackamas School District 12
12400 SE Freeman Way
Milwaukie, Oregon 97222

Agenda

North Clackamas School Board
Tuesday, March 18, 2025 7:45 PM
Board Room/YouTube
12400 SE Freeman Way
Milwaukie, OR 97222

Times listed on the agenda below are only estimates and may be adjusted.

OPEN SESSION

7:45 Call to Order

7:45 1. City of Happy Valley Request: Community Recreation Center Legislative Support - Action 2
Presenter: Tiffany Shireman

8:00 Adjourn

CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY REQUEST:
Community Recreation Center Legislative Support

ACTION
Agenda Item #1
March 18, 2025

BACKGROUND:

The City of Happy Valley is seeking the support of North Clackamas School District (NCS D) for proposed state legislation regarding facility development funds.

Per NCS D Board Policy BI, "The Board may study, discuss, and weigh the merits of pending legislation for the purpose of determining its official position through Board action."

The NCS D Board of Directors received a presentation regarding this request at its March 13, 2025 meeting. Representatives from the City of Happy Valley responded to questions and comments from the Board.

SPECIFIC REQUEST FROM CITY OF HAPPY VALLEY:

"At the joint City Council / School Boarding meeting, the City of Happy Valley presented its plans for a future community recreation center (HVCRC). The City is working with Representatives Dobson and Nguyen during the 2025 legislative session to secure \$5 million of state funds for the HVCRC. As part of this effort, the City has prepared a flyer that provides an overview of the project and state funding request. The City is in the process of collecting logos from various organizations to include on the flyer to demonstrate the broad support of the project. Happy Valley has asked the NCS D if it would be willing to provide its logo for the flyer."

ATTACHMENT:

- [Board Policy BI](#): Board Legislative Action
- [City of Happy Valley Flyer](#)
- [Presentation Slides](#) from City of Happy Valley

PRESENTER/STAFF CONTACT:

Tiffany Shireman, Chief of Staff, North Clackamas Schools



Code: **BI**
Adopted: 6/19/86
Readopted: 1/20/11
Orig. Code(s): BI

Board Legislative Action

The Board will represent the district's interests in legislative action to promote the welfare of public education at the federal, state and local level, or direct those interests to be represented through its executive officer, the superintendent, or designee.

The Board may study, discuss, and weigh the merits of pending legislation for the purpose of determining its official position through Board action. If established, these official positions will be the stand of the district in the legislative process.

Board members, individually or as members of professional organizations, will not seek to represent any other positions on legislative matters unless it is made clear that such representation is not the official stand of the district.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 332.107](#)



COMMUNITY CENTER

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Located in the bustling Portland-Metropolitan region, the City of Happy Valley is a rapidly expanding urban destination. Over the last several years, the City has collaborated with the community to develop a Community Center concept, prioritizing many amenities not found elsewhere in Happy Valley or neighboring communities.

BE PART OF OUR STORY

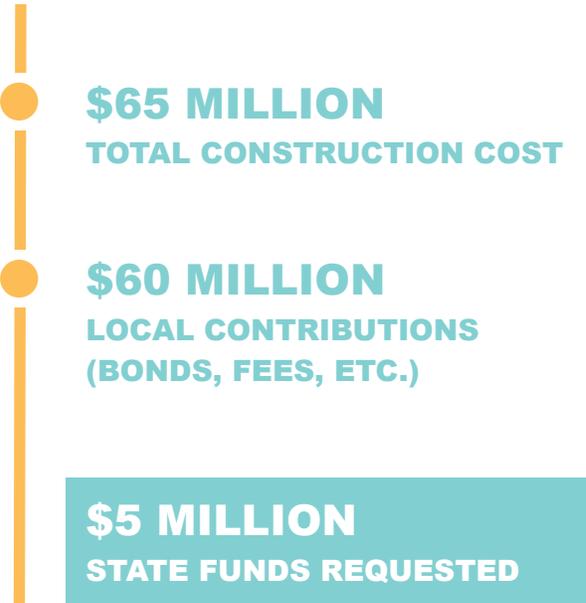
To meet the needs of one of Oregon’s *fastest growing* and *most diverse* communities – and the unincorporated areas we serve – the City of Happy Valley is preparing to construct a 65,000 square-foot Community Center. The Center will include a 200-person gathering room, community kitchen, double court gymnasium, aquatics facilities, and fitness and cardio areas supported by childcare. The City has developed financing options that will cover over 90% of the cost. State dollars would fill the last remaining funding gap and move the project into construction.

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Local feedback consistently shows a shortage of spaces to gather and build community. The Community center provides facilities for athletic and aquatic programming currently lacking in the area and meeting spaces for community events, gatherings, and meetings.
- The Center enriches recreation opportunities near the county’s largest affordable housing development and catalyzes development of a planned downtown commercial district.
- The Center will serve more than 27,000 residents in Happy Valley, and well over 100,000 neighbors outside of the city limits.
- The property will be served by regional bicycle, pedestrian, and transit networks, providing multimodal access to the site.

STATE FUNDS NEEDED

In 2023, the City spent \$15.7 million in local dollars to purchase land for the future Community Center. Moreover, the City will soon complete a finance strategy to advance the project into design and construction phases. The finance strategy is expected to include a combination of city dollars, developer fees, and bonds. Existing funds, however, are insufficient to construct the project to scale envisioned by the community. Since the City can only collect revenues from residents, State funds are needed to offset the contribution for the 100,000+ neighbors who live outside of the City and will use the facility.



WHO WILL WE SERVE?

The City of Happy Valley is a rapidly growing community with one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. 25% of our residents identify as Asian, 7.8% of two or more races, and 4.3% identify as Hispanic or Latino. And the proposed Center would serve more people than just than Happy Valley’s residents – it would provide a robust venue for public activities and programming for our neighboring communities including Gresham, Boring, Gladstone and unincorporated Clackamas County.

