

# Laurelhurst

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## President's Letter

*A message from the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association President David Tunley*

Spring is finally here, and it is my favorite time of the year in Portland. It is beautiful; the sun is shining, flowers bloom, birds sing, and people enjoy more of the outdoors—the city bursts with life.

With Spring comes a new election cycle. In two short months, on May 17th, Portlanders will have the opportunity to cast their votes in the city-wide 2022 primary election. This year, the positions up for election are Portland City Auditor, Commissioner Position No. 2—currently held by Dan Ryan, and Commissioner Position No. 3—currently held by Jo Ann Hardesty. I encourage all Laurelhurst residents to visit the city's election website at [Portland.gov/elections](https://portland.gov/elections) for the latest information on candidates and their policies. This election is vital to Portland's prosperity and the livability of the Laurelhurst neighborhood. City Commissioners have significant authority over how our city bureaus operate, and if you are anything like me—you have many concerns about the status quo.

While city elections are one thing, there are many ways to contribute at a local level right here in our neighborhood. The LNA Board elections will be held on May 10th; please consider running. The LNA also needs volunteers for committees (page 12). Our committees and group coordinators work as sub-groups of the LNA that tackle specific projects that contribute to our broader neighborhood. For example, the Arches Committee is tasked with caring for, maintaining, and restoring the historic arches in our neighborhood. The Communications Committee is tasked with streamlining our neighborhood outreach via the LNA newsletter, emails, and social media. The Laurelhurst Club Committee is tasked with the management of the club and its' finances on behalf of the LNA.

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## LNA Board expected to approve bylaws amendments

*See what the Bylaws Committee proposes changing.  
By LNA Bylaws Committee*

The ownership of the Laurelhurst Club created new responsibilities for our Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association board. After over a year of conquering a steep learning curve (kudos to the Laurelhurst Club Committee) it became obvious that greater continuity on the board was necessary. Considering the complexities of owning the club, one-year terms were no longer practical for LNA board members. This badly needed change to our bylaws triggered a review and updating of the LNA bylaws which are being voted on during the March LNA general membership meeting.

Under current bylaws, all board members are elected annually for a one-year term. Such a constant turnover is not feasible when managing the complexity of a business like the Laurelhurst Club. The proposed solution is the implementation of staggered two-year LNA board terms. Under the proposed change, every year half of the board will be up for reelection for a two-year term. This will provide the needed continuity to successfully manage the club.

Under current bylaws, the Past Chair is a voting board member for the year after their term ends.

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


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## Upcoming Events Calendar

-  **LNA General Membership & Board Meeting**  
New time: 6:30 PM  
Check website for the meeting link  
[laurelhurstpdx.org/events](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/events)
-  **Laurelhurst Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Group**  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Email [dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com](mailto:dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com) for details
-  **LNA Board of Directors Meeting**  
New time: 6:30 PM  
Check website for the meeting link  
[laurelhurstpdx.org/events](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/events)
-  **Friends of Laurelhurst Park Work Party**  
Time: 9 AM - Noon  
3600 SE Ankeny Street on the north side of the park)
-  **Laurelhurst Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Group**  
Time: 6:30 PM  
Email [dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com](mailto:dei.laurelhurst@gmail.com) for details
-  **Portland Primary Election**  
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Have an upcoming event you'd like to share in the newsletter? Send an email with details to [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com).

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## Editor's Note

By Sydney Bubsy, LNA Newsletter Editor

I volunteered to edit the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association newsletter because I love storytelling. It's my profession and my passion. But more than that, I love my community and I love my neighbors. I really do believe that my neighbors are some of the best in the city. Since moving here in 2020, I've met so many amazing people who are passionate and engaged in making our corner of the world the best that it can be. That's a feeling I share with y'all. It's why I do this work because I want to amplify the issues that affect our community and the voices of my neighbors.

It's recently been brought to my attention that some folks are upset by the frequency of the articles published in the LNA newsletter about WeShine, a nonprofit that aims to build transitional microvillages for Portland's homeless men and women. The concern is based on an assumption that publishing these updates constitutes some sort of official endorsement or favoritism from the LNA. WeShine was founded by our neighbor Jan McManus. She also serves as our Southeast Uplift Representative, an elected member of the LNA Board of Directors. Even if Jan weren't a board member, I would run her submissions because she's a neighbor first and she's doing the work she thinks benefits our community most. This is an editorial choice I stand behind, which is why it's being raised here in my editor's note.

Publishing updates from a Laurelhurst neighbor about her efforts to provide solutions for Portland's homeless men and women does not undermine the hundreds of hours TJ Browning and her team of volunteers have dedicated to holding Portland city officials accountable for safety and livability. It doesn't invalidate the conversations LNA President David Tunley has fought to have with city commissioners so he can share your concerns about the long term impact of camps at Laurelhurst Park. It doesn't erase the hours of manual labor the Beautification Committee clocks picking up trash and cleaning graffiti.

But it might challenge your point of view.

And if it makes you uncomfortable, I invite you to share that with me. We accept letters to the editor from Laurelhurst neighbors. We also welcome submissions for special articles like the ones Jan submits for WeShine. If you have something you'd like to share with the community, feel free to send me an email at [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com).

## President's Letter

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This will be my last spring in Portland. After a year and a half in the city, my husband and I have decided to relocate back to San Francisco.

Despite Portland's current problems, we have loved living in the Laurelhurst neighborhood and making friends with so many of our wonderful neighbors. Our brief time here will always be a big part of our story. One of the things that I have loved most about this community is that neighbors genuinely care for this neighborhood. We have come together in so many ways to improve the livability of our neighborhood. We have picked up trash from the streets together, removed graffiti from our streets, we have scoured the playground for used needles, we have cleaned up garden spaces, volunteered with park workers to improve our amazing park, and some of us have even enjoyed a few cocktails together. Keep up the excellent work. Like James and I have always said, this is our little corner of paradise, and we should all work together to look after it.

Take Care,  
David Tunley

## LNA Board expected to approve bylaws amendments

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The Past Chair position has been eliminated under the new proposed bylaws. The Past Chair was a position created to provide consistency and historical knowledge to board business. Since there will always be six board members remaining after an election, those members will provide the needed technical and historical knowledge for new incoming board members. There are other changes to the bylaws, but the proposed board staggered terms is the most impactful.

All proposed bylaw changes can be viewed on the LNA website: [laurelhurstpdx.org/news](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/news).

Please review before the next general membership meeting. Before voting, there will be an opportunity during the March General Meeting to ask any questions or make comments. **The next General Meeting will be on March 8, 6:30 pm.** Check the website for the meeting link [laurelhurstpdx.org/events](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/events).

## Save the Date: LNA Board Elections May 10, 2022

*Proposed changes to the LNA bylaws take effect for 2023-2024 elections. Read about the proposed changes to terms of office on the front page. All Directors shall be elected this May.*

Each May, Laurelhurst neighbors elect a new Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association Board of Directors. Traditionally, voting has been in-person, by paper ballot at the May General Meeting. In 2020, due to Covid, voting was held online and by paper ballot. Both options will likely be offered again this year.

Board members represent and serve the Laurelhurst community on issues impacting the neighborhood. Each member accepts certain functional responsibilities per the position taken, attends 12 Board and General meetings per year, and often joins or leads LNA committees. To learn more, contact [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com).

**Candidates, send your 300-word candidate statement to [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com) by Sunday, March 27 to be published in the May issue. Statements may be edited to meet space constraints.**

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# Letters to the Editor

Got something on your mind? We want to hear from you.

Send an email to [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com) to share your thoughts.

## Can our neighborhood take a leadership role in reducing the use of gas powered leaf blowers (and gas pruning tools)?

Submitted By Dan Hoyt

Dozens of cities in numerous states have banned the use of leaf blowers. Both Multnomah County and the City of Portland are eliminating their use by crews. These actions were taken to protect citizens from the unhealthy noise, dust, and pollution these tools generate. The tools are particularly harmful to children. A simple google search yields many articles from a wide range of sources that describe the surprisingly large impact of these tools. A 2011 study by Edmunds found that a two-stroke gasoline-powered leaf blower spewed out more pollution than a 6,200-pound Ford F-150 SVT Raptor pickup truck. The study noted that "hydrocarbon emissions from a half-hour of yard work with the two-stroke leaf blower are about the same as a 3,900-mile drive from Texas to Alaska in a Raptor."

Should we pull together as a neighborhood to voluntarily reduce the use of these tools? There may be circumstances in which these are the right tools for the job. However, often we lose more than we gain. Probably we have all endured a summer evening or Saturday morning experience of fumes, noise, and disruption as a leaf blower corrals half a bucket of twigs and leaves (that would have enriched the soil if left alone)?

Would our neighborhood be well served by restricting the amount and times these tools operate? Would our walks through the neighborhood and weekend hours in our yards be more enjoyable? How important is a perfectly sculpted hedge and a leafless yard? From my perspective, there is an opportunity to think globally and act locally; improve our quality of life while taking a small step to reduce our contribution to the environmental emergency. A "win-win." What do you think? If enough people show interest, then I believe we can put together a game plan. Please share your thoughts with the LNA.

-Dan Hoyt



Image from [portland.gov](http://portland.gov).

## Regarding the LNA Bottedrop Committee Donation Guidelines: "Low Barrier" vs "Housing Ready"

Submitted By TJ Browning

I read with interest the article in the last LNA Newsletter regarding the use of LNA's BottleDrop program to support homeless programs. This was the first time I saw the criteria for evaluating which nonprofit homeless program gets our support. After reading, I question one criteria listed as it does not serve the neighborhood or the homeless. Furthermore, I believe it violates another listed criteria.

"Offering a welcoming low-barrier organization..." is a problematic required criteria currently used in determining who gets the LNA financial support. How does this stated criteria of "low barrier" help solve the homeless problem? How does it meet another listed criteria that states the funding must, "...demonstrate an impact and for benefit for Laurelhurst and its adjacent neighborhoods"?

Low barrier shelters are temporary housing. Residents in low barrier shelters are not required to address behavior or issues preventing housing stability. This contrasts with homeless programs that subscribed to "housing ready" practices. Housing ready requires residents to address issues such as addiction, mental health problems or job training. Unless these underlying issues are resolved, there is little chance of many homeless transitioning into permanent housing. Low barrier shelters are not a solution to homelessness. They are merely a stop gap measure to temporarily remove campers from the streets.

Those who live near the homeless camps by the park can attest to the revolving door of low barrier shelters. Repeatedly, campers are forced to leave the area and offered low barrier shelter space. Within days the same campers return to the neighborhood. Upon their return, these "regulars" exhibit the same problems that contribute to their homelessness. Frequently those behaviors negatively impact the safety of the park, neighbors and even the campers. This certainly has not been a "benefit" to any neighborhood much less the homeless.

I recently toured Bybee Lakes Hope Center, the old Wapato Jail. They call their facility a "Reentry Outreach Center." Besides shelter and food, their program offers drug and alcohol treatment, job training and placement, medical and dental care and even childcare.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Regarding January BottleDrop (continued from page 4)

There are many excellent housing ready programs that could use our financial help. However, the current criteria for awarding our bottle funds prohibit them being used in this way. If the LNA wants to be a part of the solution to homelessness while benefiting ours and all neighborhoods, then let's make our funding go to a solution-oriented program. The bottle fund proceeds should be awarded only to "housing ready" nonprofits.

-TJ Browning

## LNA Cleanup event draws record number of volunteers

By James Tunley, Beautification Committee Coordinator

After a well-deserved break during the festive period and New Year, the LNA Beautification team came together again in late January on a beautiful early-spring day. Maybe it was the good weather; maybe it was new year's resolutions; or maybe we just have great community-minded neighbours; but it was one of the highest turnouts we've seen to date!

The team met near All Saints' School and beautified along Cesar Chavez south to Burnside, north to I-84 and into the surrounding neighbourhood streets. As usual the team removed graffiti, picked up trash and disposed of used needles. **Thank you all.**

As you will have read in the President's letter, David and my time in Portland is coming to an end shortly. I am very grateful to all of you who have come out in the heat, the cold, the wet and even thunder to make our neighbourhood a better place to live. As I walk my dogs throughout the neighborhood each day, I notice how Laurelhurst is looking cleaner and cleaner. I am looking for a volunteer to take over the Beautification coordinator position. If you would love to inherit an awesome squad of volunteers, all the clean-up equipment and make a positive impact please contact me at [james.tunley@gmail.com](mailto:james.tunley@gmail.com)



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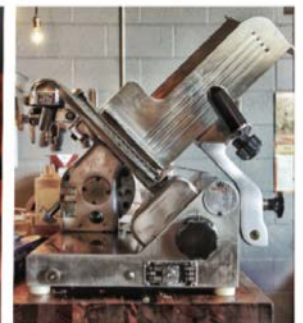
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# Laurelhurst Club receives nonprofit status

By Fred Cooper, LNA Treasurer

With the approval of the Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association Board, Fred Cooper, Treasurer, submitted an application to Multnomah County for an exemption from property tax and business personal property tax. After several months of deliberation, the County Tax Assessor has granted LNA a partial exemption for The Laurelhurst Club building and land, and a full exemption from personal property tax. These exemptions are permanent so long as LNA does not significantly change the use of the property or a change in ownership. Mr. Cooper reported to the Board at their January meeting that the tax exemption will reduce annual expenses by over \$ 5,500 a year. The exemption began with the current fiscal year 2021-2022.



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## WeShine Seeks Volunteers as it Builds its First NE Portland Micro-Village

*Northeast Portland church will host the non-profit's first village.*

*By Janet McManus, WeShine Executive Director*

We are making progress towards our goal of building and operating welcoming, safe, and empowering transitional micro-villages in Portland neighborhoods.

### The News is Out

On January 10, KATU shared our plans of opening a new micro-village in NE Portland in the spring. Check out the news segment here:

[katu.com/news/local/new-micro-village-expected-to-open-by-early-spring-in-se-portland](http://katu.com/news/local/new-micro-village-expected-to-open-by-early-spring-in-se-portland)

### Amazing Partnership

We are pleased to announce our collaboration with Parkrose Community United Church of Christ ([www.parkroseucc.org](http://www.parkroseucc.org)) at 125th and NE Halsey. In conjunction with the congregation and church leadership, we have decided to focus our first village on BIPOC and/or sexual and gender minorities including trans women, a group particularly vulnerable to life on the streets.

### Gearing up to Build

Our architect extraordinaire, Francis McBride and carpenter/designer Kevin Lane designed and built a prototype of our sleeping pods. Along with a team of volunteers, Francis and Kevin recently assembled the prototype at the church and it came together beautifully (see above). With the able leadership of board member DJ Heffernan and his capable team of engineers Matt Dolan and Scott Robertson, we're finishing the site plan.

### Next Steps

We are preparing to launch a social media-based fundraising campaign in February to bolster funds for the new village, and to help expand our community partnerships. Parkrose Community UCC's Christian Education Director Erica Martin, with WeShine's ED Jan McManus, have been reaching out to neighborhood groups and organizations. We will let you know as soon as we launch the fundraising campaign, since we will need your help getting the word out!



## What We Need

- Board members from historically excluded groups with skills in finance, fundraising, public relations, human resources, or law
- 2,000 SF Warehouse space with light and electricity to use during for a 30-day period during February
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## Want to Share News with the Neighborhood?

Email [laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:laurelhurstnewsletter@gmail.com) to submit an article for consideration for the LNA newsletter. Preference is given to submissions with local interest to the neighborhood and the editor reserves the right to decline submissions that don't meet editorial standards. Local businesses are invited to place ads. Email [ads.laurelhurst@gmail.com](mailto:ads.laurelhurst@gmail.com) for pricing.

# Spring Deadline for Century Plaques April 11

*Century Plaques Available for Homes Built In 1922--or Earlier*

*By Dian Odell, Century Plaque Committee*

If your home was built in 1922 or earlier, you can order a Century Home Plaque for it. Over 330 of your neighbors have purchased plaques for their homes. Show your pride in your 100-year-old house with this beautiful permanent decorative emblem.

We submit accumulated orders in batches to the foundry twice a year. The next batch will be submitted in April, for receipt back to you the weekend of June 4. Order deadline to be included in this batch is April 11!

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## Friends of Laurelhurst Park gears up for 2022 season

*By Alice Knouff, Friends of Laurelhurst Park*

Plans are in the works for Friends of Laurelhurst Park 2022 Work Parties. While we had a few setbacks in 2021 (late seasonal start due to Covid and scorching weather in August,) we accomplished a lot together. Shrub beds and woody areas got spruced up with pruning, weeding out invasives, and a whole-lotta-mulching. Our Parks and Recreation staff give us guidance and project support and are fun to work with.

Highlights include meeting volunteers from around the city as well as working alongside new and longtime neighborhood residents. We welcome new faces to our ever-changing group; come join in to support this beautiful historic park!

### 2022 WORK PARTIES

#### 2nd Thursdays, 9am – 12 noon

Thursday, April 14, Thursday, May 12, Thursday, June 9, Thursday, July 14, Thursday, Aug 11, Thursday, Sept 8, Thursday, Oct 13

Unexpected cancellations or changes in the work party schedule will be posted on the park kiosk near the Parks building on Ankeny. Volunteers meet at the blue-green Parks building (3600 SE Ankeny Street on the north side of the park). Please bring work gloves, and wear work shoes/clothes. All tools are supplied.

Please join our email list for updates by contacting Peggy Glascock: [peggy.glascock53@gmail.com](mailto:peggy.glascock53@gmail.com); 503-459-9248.

You can order your plaque online using a credit card or PayPal at the LNA website

([laurelhurstpdx.org/product-page/laurelhurst-century-home-plaque](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/product-page/laurelhurst-century-home-plaque)) or by mailing a check to the LNA Treasurer, 3721 SE Ankeny St, Portland OR 97214. Include a note with your name, address, active email address and phone number, as well as the year your home was built. Each plaque is \$100.

If you need help with the year your house was built, a good place to start is the Portland city database at Portland Maps ([portlandmaps.com](http://portlandmaps.com)). Or send your questions to [lnacenturyplaque@gmail.com](mailto:lnacenturyplaque@gmail.com).



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# Oregon Primary: What's on the Ballot?

*The LNA is planning a candidate forum*

On Tuesday, May 17, Oregon voters will decide who they'd like to see on the ballot later this fall. In addition to a host of state and county offices, Laurelhurst voters will cast votes to narrow the list of candidates for three important positions in the City of Portland.

At the time of this printing, Commissioner #2 Dan Ryan, had one certified challenger for his seat: AJ McCreary. Commissioner #3 JoAnn Hardesty has been formally challenged by two candidates, Vadim Mozyrsky and Renee Gonzalez. Currently, Simone Rede is the only candidate to certify for City Auditor. The Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association is planning a candidate forum. Details including time and location will be announced on LNA's Facebook page and website.

**Listed below are a few key dates ahead of the Primary:**

**Tuesday, April 26, 2022**

Voter registration and party change deadline

**Wednesday, April 27, 2022**

Ballots mailed

**Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

Primary Election

For more information on the Primary check out the **Multnomah County website**

[multco.us/elections/may-17-2022-primary-election](http://multco.us/elections/may-17-2022-primary-election)

**City of Portland website**

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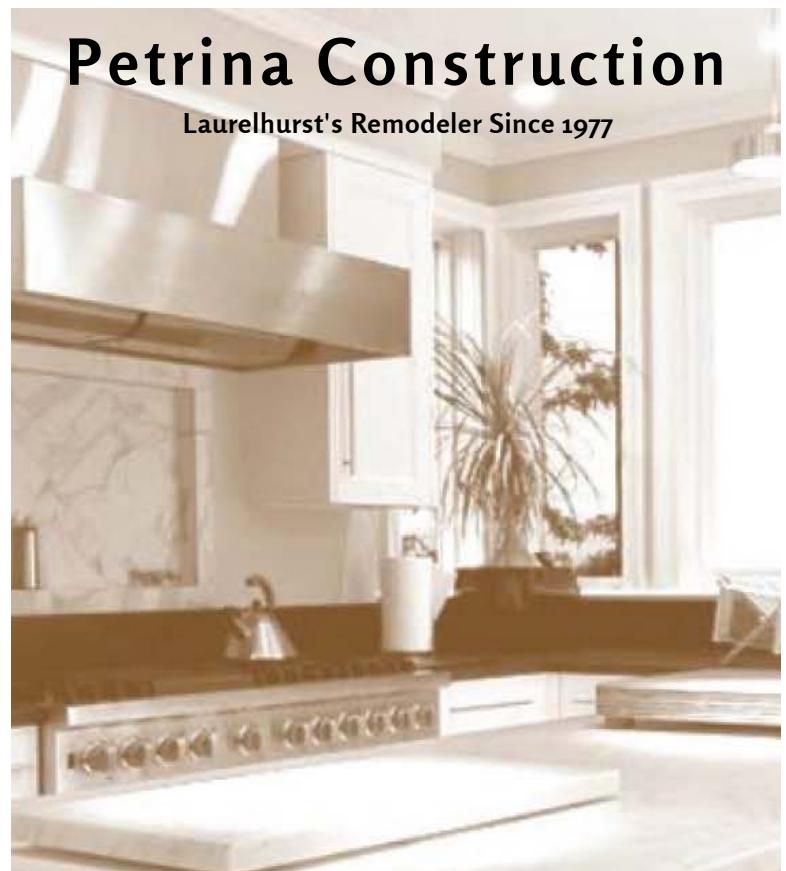
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# City Council approves rule changes for historic districts

By Constance Beaumont, Laurelhurst neighbor

On January 26, 2022, the Portland City Council voted to approve the Historic Resources Code Project (HRCPP), a measure that will change the rules for designating and protecting historic buildings and districts. Some of the rule changes will affect Laurelhurst, which was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2019. Until now, property owners/developers could not demolish “contributing buildings” in a historic district (i.e., structures found to contribute to the historic and/or architectural significance of the district) unless:

1. Denial of a demolition proposal would deprive an owner of all reasonable economic use of the property; or
2. Demolition would be more supportive of Portland’s planning policies than preservation, rehabilitation, or reuse of the structure.

## Revisions to Demolition Review Criteria

The new rules eliminate the “deprivation of all reasonable economic use” as a stand-alone criterion for demolition approval. In the future, demolitions will be allowed if, upon evaluation, they meet one of the following criteria:

1. The proposed demolition has been found to be equally or more supportive of relevant local planning policies than a historic building’s preservation or rehabilitation. Among other factors, the evaluation must consider:
  - the building’s condition, historic significance, value to the community, and association with historically marginalized individuals or communities;
  - economic consequences for the owner/community;
  - the merits of demolition – and those of a development slated to replace the building to be demolished;
  - the merits of preserving the historic resource
  - any proposed mitigation for the demolition.

(Now removed from the list of factors that previously had to be considered: the effect that a proposed demolition – and replacement structure – would have on the historic area’s desired character.)

2. The proposed demolition will be mitigated to enhance, preserve, or restore the significance of the historic district. Among other things, the proposed mitigation must consider not only the economic consequences for the owner and the community but also the building’s association with historically marginalized individuals or communities.

3. The proposed demolition will facilitate the creation of more deeply affordable dwelling units than could result from preservation or rehabilitation. “Deeply affordable” means permanently affordable to those earning no more than 60% of the area median family income. Under most circumstances, proposals to demolish garages and sheds (i.e., “accessory structures”) will no longer be subject to review. **Continued on page 11**

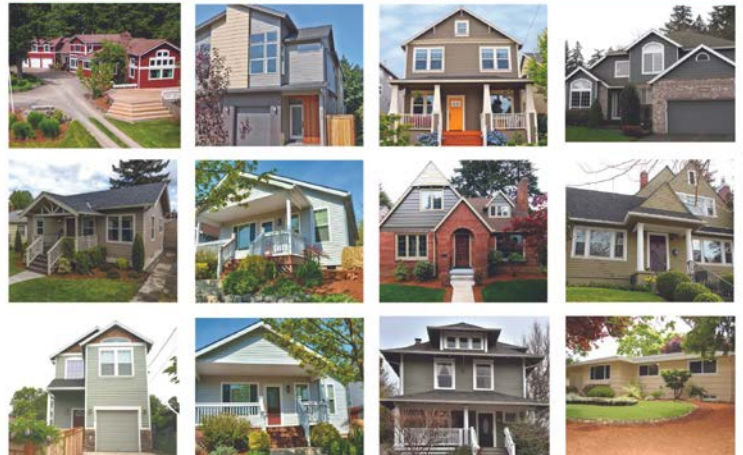


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# City Council approves rule changes for historic districts

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## **A stronger planning and Sustainability Commission, a weakened Landmarks Commission**

When it comes to recommending the designation or de-designation of historic districts, the new law strengthens the voice of the Planning and Sustainability Commission (PSC) and weakens that of the Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC). City Council member Mingus Mapps had proposed an amendment that would have allowed the HLC to make recommendations directly to the City Council. Because none of the other Council members supported this proposal, however, the HLC will now only be able to make recommendations to the PSC, which will become the body that makes recommendations directly to Council – despite the fact that none of the PSC members is required to have any expertise in historic preservation.

## **Weakened Requirements for Relevant Expertise on Landmarks Commission**

The new law also dilutes a previous requirement that members of the HLC have knowledge and expertise relevant to the Commission's duties. Another amendment proposed by Commissioner Mapps would have retained the existing membership requirements, but a "friendly" amendment weakening Mapps' proposal passed instead. As a result, the HLC could now have fewer members who are knowledgeable in local history and architecture.

## **Relaxed Design Review Requirements**

The new law also relaxes "design review" rules (sometimes called historic resource review) that require proposed alterations to historic buildings to be reviewed and approved by the city's Bureau of Development Services (BDS). Under the new rules, property owners in local historic districts will be free to install solar panels, make seismic improvements or minor alterations, and replace old windows without undergoing any special review.

It's important to understand, however, that because Laurelhurst was listed on the National Register as a historic district after 2017, it is not – and hasn't been – subject to design review. Design review only applies to locally designated historic districts, such as Ladd's Addition and Irvington.

Laurelhurst property owners may continue to add solar panels, replace windows, and carry out alterations. If at some point in the future Laurelhurst were to become a locally- designated historic district, these new design review rules would become relevant to the neighborhood. (For information about the Historic Resources Code Project changes, visit [portland.gov/bps/hrcp](http://portland.gov/bps/hrcp). Note: Laurelhurst appears as the "Laurelhurst National Register District" on the city's zoning map.)

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in your neighborhood!**

## *Call for Volunteers*



**The Laurelhurst Neighborhood Association needs your help!  
Several committees need coordinators and volunteers.**

### *Civic Interest*

#### **Land Use and Transportation Coordinator**

The Land Use Committee reviews and comments to the city on proposed development and conditional use applications in and around Laurelhurst.

### *Communications*

#### **Communication Committee Members**

Interested in websites, journalism or social media? The Communication Committee manages the use of LNA's communications channels.

### *Environment*

#### **Trees Committee Coordinator**

The Laurelhurst Tree Team seeks to improve the health of our neighborhood trees as part of a larger effort to build community so we all thrive in our urban forest.

### *Environment*

#### **Beautification Committee Coordinator**

The Beautification Committee holds monthly cleanup events focused on litter pickup and graffiti removal throughout Laurelhurst.

### *History & Preservation*

#### **Arches Committee Coordinator**

The Arches Committee works to maintain and preserve the Laurelhurst Arches.

### *Homeless Outreach*

#### **BottleDrop Committee Members**

In 2021, the LNA Board authorized donating the neighborhood's BottleDrop funds to a nonprofit focused on homeless outreach. Committee members are needed to vet qualifying nonprofits and designate the recipient of the BottleDrop funds donation.

Interested in volunteering? Send an email to [lnaboard@googlegroups.com](mailto:lnaboard@googlegroups.com) to learn more.



## What's a NRT Officer?

By Tom Potter, retired Portland Police Chief

The Portland Police Bureau's Neighborhood Response Team (NRT) are "problem solvers." This is a different angle from the traditional law enforcement model. Traditional police work determines if a crime has been committed. If it is determined a crime has occurred, then it can be investigated. NRT officers act proactively to solve problems, hopefully long before things rise to the level of a crime. NRT officers are assigned to specific neighborhoods so they can get to know the area and build relationships with the residents and business owners. NRT officers work proactively to enhance safety and have proven to be an effective tool in enhancing livability. To find out who your East Precinct Neighborhood Response Team officer is, call 503-823-4800.



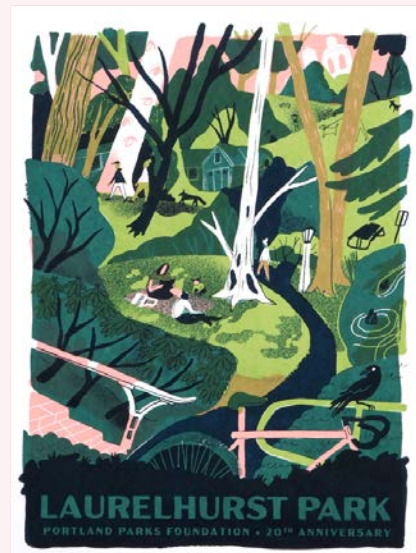
The Laurelhurst neighborhood falls into both the Central and East Precinct of the Portland Police Bureau's NRT.

## Laurelhurst Park 20th Anniversary Poster

Bring the beautiful Laurelhurst Park into your home.

Portland Parks is offering offset lithograph posters featuring Laurelhurst Park and the Portland Parks Foundation's 20th Anniversary. Poster designed by Allie Yacina.

Purchase a poster at [portlandpf.org/store](http://portlandpf.org/store)



PPF commemorated three classic Portland parks—Peninsula, Laurelhurst, and Alberta—plus the Wildwood Trail, each with a poster by a leading Portland designer printed in two versions: a 28" x 21.5" offset lithograph, available for \$30 and a 19.5" x 26" limited silkscreen personally signed by the artist for \$250 (limited run of 50).

You can watch several videos about the posters, artists, and more at [portlandpf.org/20th-anniversary-poster-project](http://portlandpf.org/20th-anniversary-poster-project).

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FOR CAMP!**

# Summer Camp!

## **Steve and Kate's Camp at All Saints**

*Registration Open Now*

Steve and Kate's Camp will hold its seventh day camp season this summer for kids ages four to 12. Camp will run for 10 weeks. Visit their website to sign up:

[steveandkatescamp.com/portland](http://steveandkatescamp.com/portland)

## **Portland Audubon Day Camp**

*Registration Opens January 19 at 9 AM*

Portland Audubon offers week-long, nature-based day camps for kids starting in first grade. Camps in their 172-acre nature sanctuary and neighboring Forest Park combine art, science experiments, exploration and games. Mobile camps take campers by van or bus to learn about some of the beautiful parks, greenspaces and forests in and around Portland. Visit their website for registration information:

[audubonportland.org/our-work/learn/youth-programs/camps-for-kids/summer-camp](http://audubonportland.org/our-work/learn/youth-programs/camps-for-kids/summer-camp)

## **Camp Shazaam**

*Registration opens February 1*

Camp Shazaam offers dance camp at Taborspace for kindergarten through fifth graders of all genders and third graders through middle schoolers for girl-identified, non-binary and trans youth. Contact Camp Director Tara Sawyer by phone 503-516-4680 or email at [campshazaam@gmail.com](mailto:campshazaam@gmail.com). Website:

[campshazaam.godaddysites.com](http://campshazaam.godaddysites.com)

## **OMSI Summer Camp**

*Registration opens February 14*

After being canceled the last two summers due to Covid, OMSI overnight camps are back! The complete schedule of day and overnight camps for students kindergarten through eighth grade will be posted in January. Visit here for more information:

[omsi.edu/camps-and-classes](http://omsi.edu/camps-and-classes)

## **The Children's Gym**

*Registration Opens February or March*

The Children's Gym had limited details to share about summer camp registration at print time, but staff confirmed camps will be held during Portland Public Schools summer break. Registration could begin in February, so check their website periodically for details: [childrensgym.com](http://childrensgym.com)



# Treasurer's Report

A statement of financial position, accrual basis, as of  
December 31, 2021

## ASSETS

### Current Assets

#### Checking/Savings

1010 · Key Bank Checking	8,129.01
1030 · Key Bank Svgs-Homeless S...	4,821.53
1020 · First Interstate Event Checking	27,140.79
1040 · On Point Checking - Arches	12,921.61
1110 · On Point Savings	5.14

Total Checking/Savings	53,018.08
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#### Other Current Assets

1300 · Bottle Drop	1,605.08
1420 · Prepaid Insurance	289.60
1430 · Prepaid Property Tax	691.60
1599 · Deposits	411.74

Total Other Current Assets	2,998.02
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Total Current Assets	56,016.10
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### Fixed Assets

#### 1500 · Fixed Assets

1510 · Land	1,852,900.00
1520 · Building	165,353.00
1530 · Appliances & Furniture	23,560.00
1590 · Accumulated Depreciation	(3,133.80)

Total 1500 · Fixed Assets	2,038,679.20
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Total Fixed Assets	2,038,679.20
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TOTAL ASSETS	2,094,695.30
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## LIABILITIES & EQUITY

### Liabilities

#### Current Liabilities

##### Accounts Payable

2000 · Accounts Payable	7,682.56
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Total Accounts Payable	7,682.56
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#### Other Current Liabilities

##### 2100 · Refundable Deposits

2110 · Initial Deposit	18,615.00
2120 · Final Payment	2,144.00
2100 · Refundable Deposits - Ot...	11,136.00

Total 2100 · Refundable Deposits	31,895.00
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2300 · Line of Credit - First Interst	25,000.00
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Total Other Current Liabilities	56,895.00
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Total Current Liabilities	64,577.56
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### Equity

#### 3100 · Net Assets

3110 · Unrestricted Net Assets	2,022,693.24
3120 · TR Net Assets	3,024.65

Total 3100 · Net Assets	2,025,717.89
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Net Income	4,399.85
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Total Equity	2,030,117.74
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TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	2,094,695.30
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# Secretary's Report

Key Items from the February 8, 2022,  
Board of Directors Meeting:

**1. Bylaws Drafting Committee** reported on draft revisions to current Bylaws and received input from Board members on final edits before posting in advance of membership vote at March General Meeting.

**2. Safety Committee** gave an update on actions and non-actions by City to reduce hazards to and from campers. Board discussed and agreed to increase communications on LNA safety efforts in the Park and agreed to plan for a future Safety Summit hosted by LNA.

**3. The Laurelhurst Club Committee** reported increased bookings at the Club through the fall and a Club Clean-up event on February 27.

**4. Communications Committee** gained Board approval for a revised Charter and presented a proposal to update and improve the LNA website. Board approved expenditures up to \$2000 to begin revamping the website.

## The Laurelhurst Neighborhood Walking Tour

Take a walking tour of Laurelhurst,  
created by resident Amelia Shields and  
narrated by Katy Pozarycki. Audio and  
print versions available at:  
[laurelhurstpdx.org/walkingtour](http://laurelhurstpdx.org/walkingtour)

See page 11 for the walking tour






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