City of St. Helens Notice of City Council Public Hearing Sale of City-Owned Property

In compliance with ORS 221.725, the St. Helens City Council will conduct a public hearing on **Wednesday, September 17, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m.** The purpose of the hearing is to receive written and public comments on the sale of City-owned property, described as the following:

An approximate 33-acre parcel more-or-less north of the white paper mill at 1300 Kaster Road (the Property). The north side of the Property abuts the East Street right-of-way, more-or-less between the S. 15th Street and S. 10th Street rights-of-way. The property is west of the Wastewater Treatment Plant lagoon, east of Kaster Road, and north of the main paper mill complex.

The property is within the following as identified by the Columbia County Assessor records:

- Tax Account No. 11362
 Map No. 4N1W-4DD-11300
- Tax Account No. 11361
 Map No. 4N1W-4DD-10800
- Tax Account No. 13215
 Map No. 4N1W-9-100

The property is zoned Heavy Industrial and developed with improvements previously associated with the paper mill. The proposed use of the property is to expand the paper manufacturing facility. The reason why the City Council considers it necessary or convenient to sell the property is to promote economic development, private investment, and job creation opportunities in the city of St. Helens.

If you wish to submit written comments, please address them as follows:

John Walsh, City Administrator City of St. Helens 265 Strand Street St. Helens, Oregon 97051

Written comments may be submitted in advance or at the hearing. If submitted by 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 16, 2025, copies of the comments will be provided to the Council in advance of the hearing.

The Public Hearing will be held via Zoom and in person at the St. Helens City Council Chambers, 265 Strand Street, Plaza Entrance, St. Helens, Oregon. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to City Hall at 503-397-6272.

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