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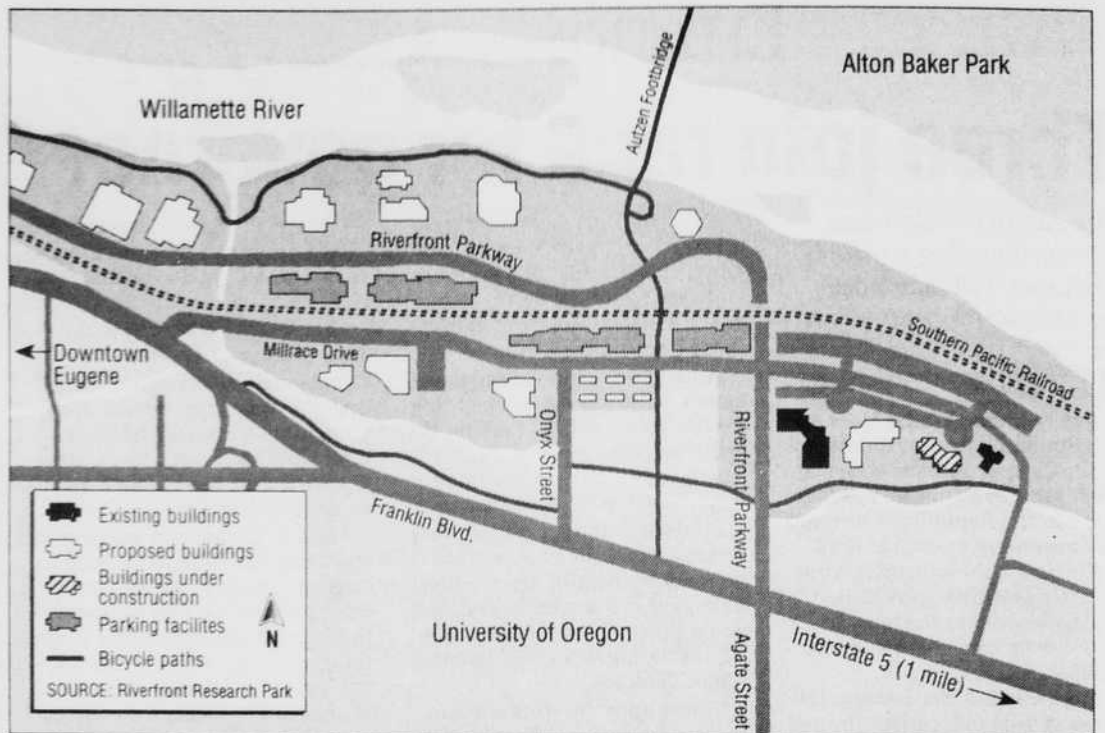
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## Park: City to continue funding

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"It will be a straightforward, hard look at where the Riverfront Research Park is headed and if continuation is good for the University. Whether people are supporters of the park or not, I think [the committee] is a really good thing for the University community."

The park's layout calls for 15 buildings and 1.2 million square feet of development on state-owned land nestled between the University and the Willamette River. Research-related tenants who could make use of student and faculty expertise are also included in the plan. The park currently is home to two buildings, with a third building under construction.

Although the committee has only met three times and a regular meeting schedule has yet to be established, Paris said committee members might break up into separate work groups to discuss design, land-use and governance is-

sues. She added that committee members will also attempt to elicit e-mail input from the University community, as well as host a public forum to discuss the park later this month.

In addition to Frohnmayer forming the committee, the City Council voted last month to continue directing scaled-back urban renewal funds toward the district that encompasses the park. The area is one of two urban renewal districts designated by the city.

The decision proved to be important for the park, as the council was faced with the option of terminating the district.

In a 5-3 vote, council members agreed to extend a base level of urban renewal funding to the district that encompasses the park. The funding will continue through the year 2005 to subsidize infrastructure costs and improvements to the park, said Riverfront Research Park manager Diane Wiley.

However, the 10-year mark for the park's layout has not come without challenges.

Junior Robertson, a long-time research park opponent, along with a citizens' committee, has filed a series of potential ballot initiatives with the city recorder's office that would limit further research park construction. Although the office has denied all of the initiatives ballot access, Robertson said the committee is prepared to file similar initiatives in the future.

While the council voted to continue urban renewal funding for the park, Robertson said he is optimistic his committee's next initiative will gain ballot access. But he said he would prefer to see construction come to a halt without such an initiative.

"If it is possible to remove [construction within the research park] without an initiative — the better," he said. "I predict the research park will not expand."

## Month: Assault is a 'major epidemic'

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said Linda Hoover, survivor advocate for the Office of Student Life. Hoover is helping coordinate the many groups involved with Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

The "3-D" luncheon series — drinks, desserts and discussions — will address issues related to assault. On Tuesday, May 5, Robin Holmes will present "Race and Rape" at 11:30 a.m. in the EMU Ben Linder Room. Luncheon topics also include "Men Care, but What Can We Do?" at 11:30 a.m. May 12 in the Ben Linder Room; "Activism and the Anti-violence Movement" at noon May 20 in the EMU Fir Room; and "Moving On" at 11:30 a.m. May 26 in the Ben Linder Room.

A self-defense workshop titled "Self-defense from the Inside Out" will educate women on the basics of awareness, assertiveness and physical escape skills. The workshop will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, in the Carson Gold Room.

Awareness workshops such as these are important, especially in the University setting, McCravy said.

"You have lots of people who come from a safe environment and don't realize that sexual offenders prey on college students," she said. The prevalence of alcohol also makes a university a dangerous place, she said.

"Offenders don't have to look far to find someone passed out on a couch," she said.

SASS tracks the number of times a crisis caller identifies himself or herself as a University student. In 1996-97, the office received 977 calls from students and 15 from University faculty or staff. SASS counts by call, not by person.

"The University has to face reality: Date rapes occur with alarming frequency," Hoover said. She said that while her office recorded only 17 unofficial incident reports on sexual assault for 1996-97, accurate assessments are difficult to make.

SASS estimates only one in 20 to 50 of those assaulted call a crisis line or report it.

The campus group Greeks Against Rape is involved with this month's events, including making supportive banners for Take Back the Night. Jeff Hotchkiss, director of the group, said men's involvement in the issue of assault is crucial.

"There's a need to educate more men," he said. "There are some people who don't want to do bad things; they just don't know any better." Hotchkiss said the group is planning anti-rape seminars.

Jack Stratton will lead a workshop on "The Role Men Play in Ending Sexual Violence" at 9 p.m. May 21 in the Ben Linder Room.

McCravy said the most important goal of the month is to stress that sexual assault is a major epidemic in society.

"When you think of the statistics and plug it in to all the people you know, you realize that it doesn't just affect other people."

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