PDC Seeks Proposals For New Hotel/Residential Development At RiverPlace

Completion is expected in summer 1999

The Portland Development Commission (PDC) announced the availability of a development site in the RiverPlace Project for a new hotel and residential development project. A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be issued for a mixed-use development that will complement existing development within the RiverPlace project area as well as future residential and commercial development proposed for the North Macadam district to the south. The 2.37 acre-site, referred to as Parcel 1, lies northwest of the PG&E Gas Transmission-Northwest headquarters and is currently bounded by SW River Parkway and the planned Waterfront Park extension currently under construction. It is the site of the former Pacific Power and Light steam plant.

The Commission is seeking the development of a full service 80 to 130 room hotel combined with at least 150 condominiums. PDC's minimum goal is that ten percent of the units be affordable to households earning between 80% and 120% of median family income, however, the Commission encourages proposals which reach a goal of twenty percent of units to be affordable within this range.

first begun nearly 20 years ago when the Planning Commission and City Council adopted PDC's South Waterfront Development Program.

Between the years of 1980 and 1983 the Marina basin was dredged, utility relocation and street construction work were completed and the Waterfront Park Extension from the Hawthorne Bridge to Montgomery Street was underway.

Today the total RiverPlace development provides 490 housing units and provides jobs in 220,000 sq. ft. of office, 29,000 sq. ft. of restaurants and retail, Downtown Portland's only marina and the first class Riverplace



19th **Annual** Black Colleges Conference "Spotlights"

Portland's Black Colleges Committee, Inc. will present its 19th Annual Conference for middle and high school students and parents on Saturday, October 17, 1998 from 8:30 am to 2:30 p.m. at Portland Community College, Cascade Campus Student Center, 705 N. Killingsworth St. Registration is from 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. The theme of this year's conference is "Black Colleges: Centers of Academic Excellence." Ms. Nneka Priestly, a 1998 graduate of Clark-Atlanta and alumni of Portland's Grant High School will deliver the opening address. Ms. Tara Y. Williams, a 1997 graduate of North Carolina A & T and a mechanical engineer will deliver the luncheon keynote. North Carolina A & T graduates the highest number of African American Students with engineering degrees than any other school in the nation. This past year the school graduated 5 African American students with Ph D.'s in engineering, more than all other colleges and universities combined. Xavier, Howard, Spelman and Morehouse, the nation's top four undergraduate institutions responsible for sending African Americans to medical school will be featured at this conference. 85% of African American doctors are Black college graduates. Ifetayo Moore, a third year dental student at OHSU will present the spotlight on Xavier, Cindy Fontenot of NIKE will represent Spelman. Students will receive information and materials in interactive workshop sessions. Portland alumni of Black Colleges representing their institutions include Tamisha Lewis (Tuskegee) and current students attending Fort Valley State and Wilberforce. Morris Brown and Howard University will send recruiters to this event. Other colleges that will be represented include Tennessee State, Morehouse, and Jackson State.

During the conference participants will have an opportunity to attend 5 college spotlight sessions. Each session is 40 minutes. Lunch is included.

Students who are interested should contact their school counselor.

