

City seeks grant for land buy

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The City of Cannon Beach Tuesday night approved a plan to pursue a grant opportunity to partially fund acquisition of a 28-acre addition to the Ecola Creek Forest Reserve. Members of the City Council unanimously agreed to seek the grant, which is administered by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board. The funds originate from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

"We think it's a good addition to the ECFR because we already adjoin it, the creeks pass through it on the ECFR park," Project Manager Mark Barnes said after the meeting. "Tonight the council agreed to take the next step."

The total project cost is \$287,514, of which the city's share would be \$65,838, or 23 percent of the total cost. If the grant application is successful, the state would kick in more than \$75,000, or 27 percent of the project, and the federal government would put in about \$146,000, or about half the project cost. Potential contributing partners include Trout Mount Forestry, Biosurveys LLC, Trout Unlimited, the Columbia River Estuary Study Taskforce, the Ecola Creek Watershed Council, and North Coast Land Conservancy which are already engaged in discussion regarding this project. The city may also seek commitments from the Clatsop-Nehalem Confederated Tribes and the Haystack Rock Awareness Program.

The parcel is currently owned by Terry and Carmen Swigart. The property's assessed value hovers at around \$60,000, according to City Manager Brant Kucera at a January meeting.

The L-shaped parcel, on the east side of U.S. Highway 101, abuts the 1,040-acre forest reserve and spans Ecola Creek in the lower watershed area of the city's old treatment plant.

Within the parcel lies an old steel double-culvert in Waterhouse Creek, a fish-bearing stream and tributary to Ecola Creek, that no longer functions and is a barrier to fish passage. Part of the grant would pay for the culvert's removal. The parcel would also prove more immediate access to the reserve, allowing people to cross the highway and walk into the wetlands for hiking, fishing, wildlife viewing and other activities. The property could be partially developed in the future if it is not protected by acquisition.

The draft proposal prepared by the city to the National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program was presented at Tuesday's meeting. According to the application, the streams and wetland habitat to be protected by the project include coho salmon and other fish of state or federal concern. Lack of off channel habitat and large woody debris are currently limiting factors to the Ecola Creek watershed's coho population. The application states that the Ecola basin is currently only projecting coho parr at about 31 percent

of its habitat capacity. Coho and winter steelhead — considered a federal species of concern — would both benefit from newly protected habitat, as well as numerous species observed in the watershed consistently or occasionally.

If the grant application is successful, the plan would provide protection for Ecola Creek wetlands by improving freshwater flows and habitat connections. The plan also includes a proposal to scrape down a road section to the elevation of adjacent wetlands and to plant spruce and cedar on a high section of the roadway. An abandoned logging road that crosses the acquisition parcel's north boundary would be used for restoration access.

According to the grant proposal, the entire proposed project would be owned and managed by the City of Cannon Beach as a sub-grantee of the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.

The city is currently in direct discussion with the landowner regarding acquisition of the parcel and has developed a direct working relationship with the landowner, according to the grant application.

The grant application also includes a proposal for education and outreach programs that could begin after the city has acquired the parcel. The restoration aspect of the project would include removal of invasive plants on the abandoned logging road, including Himalayan blackberry, English holly and Scotch broom.

The restoration project would include removal of these plants and monitoring for future recurrences.

Should the grant be awarded, an appraisal would be completed and an option agreement for acquisition access would be sought. "This is the second step of a multi-step grant process," said Barnes at Tuesday's meeting. "This is still a draft. Importantly, this is going to be going to the Legislature with several other grant applications in the package in the next couple weeks."

Barnes said that the proposal would serve to make sure that the application doesn't come to representatives as "a surprise out of the blue."

According to Barnes, the tentative budget calls for city costs that would cover staffing and cash costs that may be lost if the grant is unsuccessful. These include reimbursable costs such as survey and appraisal which would be returned to the city if successful, but not if the grant application was rejected.

Project management is proposed at \$40,560, and the appraisal would cost about \$10,000, according to the draft budget in the grant application.

At Tuesday's meeting, members of the Common Council demonstrated their support for the submittal of the grant application for the coastal wetlands acquisition grant.

If the project moves forward, due diligence could begin in 2016 and the project closeout could reach completion by September 2019.



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Shades of surrealism and 1960s psychedelic poster art can be seen in Spencer Reynolds' unfinished, untitled oil painting, which was the subject of an artist demo during Spring Unveiling 2015. He was a featured artist at Archimedes Gallery.

Unveiling kicks off

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"I love everything, from minimalism, to abstract, to impressionism, to whatever," he said. "I just love art."

Because media consumers now live in an age when visual art flies at them from countless directions, a great deal of it probably seeps into artists' work without their knowing it, he said. It would be a heady exercise to tease apart all of Reynolds' sources of inspiration.

In the moment of creation, however, he just focuses on what *feels* right on the plywood canvass before him — what it takes to elicit an emotional response from viewers as they gaze at an ocean turning in on itself beneath a dark, foreboding sky, while a mysterious unseen light casts the fearsome waters in a fiery glow.

Just go with it

The ceramic sculptures of John and Robin Gumaelius unveiled at White Bird Gallery during the arts festival also defy obvious labels.

The pale figurines are "dressed" in motley patterns and tiny paintings. Their frozen expressions are eerily inscrutable, their bodies posed to suggest important human stories trapped in media res.

"You look at it, and you think, 'There must be a story going on,'" Robin Gumaelius said.

And all around the sculptures are birds that she described as "little messengers" whispering in their ears.

Allyn Cantor, owner and operator of the White Bird, said the figurines look rather like French marionettes. They remind Cara Mico, a White Bird employee, of the strange, otherworldly art in Tim Burton's film "Beetlejuice."

So what traditions are the doll-like figurines tokens of? What neat little boxes can one place the

Gumaelius' work inside to make it easier to approach?

Don't bother asking such questions: pedantic classifications have no place here. Theirs is pure, unadulterated art, crafted for its own sake, intuited rather than intellectualized.

John, a metalworker, and Robin, a ceramicist, combine their gifts — which they honed as students together at Brigham Young University — and absorb all manner of influences, including the books they read to their four children. J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter" series and Edward Gorey's illustrated children's books come to mind, Robin Gumaelius said.

The Gumaelius children — Ruby, 12, Eliza, 10, Carmella, 8, and Cecil, 5 — get in on the action, too. Sometimes they will copy their parents' drawings, then the parents will copy their children's copy, and so on, Robin Gumaelius said. From this back-and-forth collaboration come pieces that are utterly unanticipated.

"A lot times, we don't even really know what it's going to look like when we're making it," she said.

In their artist statement, the Gumaeliuses, who live in the unincorporated community in Brooklyn, Washington, don't credit a movement, tradition or artistic figure (except Joni Mitchell) for their inspiration. They credit the elements of life itself:

"Radio stories, history books, biking adventures, gardening notes, neighbors spied, strangers watched in stores and parks and cars jangle in our heads and come so freely to our fingers that when we see the pieces finished we are often delighted — as if we are not their creators; they just come to talk with us for a while and then leave again."

"We're not necessarily trying really hard to be original. That's not our end goal," John Gumaelius said. "We just go with it, you know?"

Ocean Spa opens in Cannon Beach



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Poised to cut the ribbon at the Ocean Spa's grand opening, held April 29, are three of the business' four partners: Holli Sarkady, center right; her husband, Andrew Sarkady, standing behind her; and David Snodgrass, center left. (The fourth partner, Pam Snodgrass, David's wife, could not attend.) A contingent of Chamber of Commerce leaders and local supporters turned out to welcome the business, housed on the second floor of Village Centre in Cannon Beach. (Far left: Sheri Russell, secretary of the chamber; far right: Christen Allsop, a chamber board member.) The Ocean Spa, which held a soft opening April 21, offers massages, facials, body treatment, foot treatment, steam-and-shower treatment, scrubs, wraps, color light therapy, manicures (including acrylics) and pedicures. They may eventually offer hair styling services, Holli Sarkady said.

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