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PARKS & RECREATION BOND MEASURE FOR INDOOR RECREATION CENTER & PARK IMPROVEMENTS FAILS

Hillsboro, Oregon – Hillsboro voters did not approve the Parks & Recreation measure 34-151 for an approximately \$44.5 million general obligation bond to finance the construction of an indoor recreation center at the 53rd Avenue Community Park and improvements at seven Hillsboro parks and open spaces.

“Of course it’s disappointing that the bond measure didn’t pass; however, this doesn’t change our commitment to providing quality parks & recreation services to our community and we will continue to look for ways to improve and expand the services we provide” says Hillsboro Parks & Recreation Community Resources Manager Corinne Bloomfield.

While there are no plans in place currently, Hillsboro Parks & Recreation will continue to look for opportunities to make the projects included in the bond measure happen for the Hillsboro community.

The 53rd Avenue Community Park Indoor Recreation Center plans were created through an extensive public input process, and will be a part of the diverse 43-acre community park located in the geographic center of Hillsboro. The recreation center is to include a 7,000 square-foot leisure pool, two basketball courts, climbing wall, children’s indoor playground, teen space, jogging/walking track, fitness area, indoor soccer field, four tennis courts, Tuality Healthcare wellness center, locker rooms and a dividable community meeting room with kitchen.

The park and open space improvements included in the bond measure included:

- construction of a park shelter, restroom and plaza at Turner Creek Park;
- construction of interpretive facilities, restrooms, a shelter, a plaza, and a segment of the Rock Creek Regional Trail at Patterson Street Nature Park;
- construction of trails and interpretive facilities at Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve;
- construction of a restroom and renovation of a shelter and walkways at Hamby Park;
- construction of a play fountain at Frances Street Park and McKinney Park; and
- updates to the Hillsboro Pioneer Cemetery, including security lighting, fencing, interpretive signage, and walkways.

For more information about Hillsboro Parks & Recreation or the 53rd Avenue Community Park plans, visit www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/ParksRec or call 503-681-6120.

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