



## Support House Bill 4106

*HB 4106 is necessary to effectuate an agreement to settle longstanding legal dispute and provide certainty to our shared residents*

For the past two years, the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Board of Directors for the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD), and the City of Happy Valley have been involved in a legal dispute over parks and recreation services. The parties have recently come to a comprehensive agreement that will resolve all legal claims between them. The agreement is contingent upon the successful passage of HB 4106 in the 2020 legislative session.

**The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners and Happy Valley City Council ask for your support in passing HB 4106, which will withdraw Happy Valley from NCPRD. As a result, it will put an end to two years of costly litigation resulting in savings to taxpayers, certainty to residents, and a renewed focus on building new parks and providing great recreation programs and services for their respective residents.**

The comprehensive agreement, which includes passage of HB 4106, will put an end to multiple lawsuits, appeals, unnecessary legal fees, and years of uncertainty and potential risks for both parties.

Specifically, the agreement includes:

- Clackamas County and Happy Valley will jointly develop and support narrowly-crafted legislation in the 2020 session that withdraws Happy Valley from the District, thereby allowing the City to become its own parks and recreation provider. (The legislation will not create a new pathway for cities to withdraw from special districts or county service districts in Oregon).
- NCPRD payment of \$14.3 million to the City of Happy Valley. The funds for this payment will come from one-time development fees generated in Happy Valley as well as a portion of the Hood View Park sale proceeds.
- Transfer of the following parks to the City of Happy Valley, relieving NCPRD of ongoing maintenance and management costs: Southern Lites, Village Green, Ashley Meadows, District owned properties adjacent to Mt. Talbert, Hidden Falls, and Mt. Scott Creek Trail.
- Agreement from City not to withdraw properties currently inside NCPRD boundaries if or when they annex to Happy Valley. This will lock in NCPRD's current tax base, giving the District greater certainty to make long-term financial decisions.

**Please join us in supporting HB 4106**

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