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BEAVERTON SELECTS FIRST AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH COOPER MOUNTAIN

BEAVERTON, Ore. – The Beaverton City Council unanimously selected Wishcamper Development Partners proposal as the first affordable housing development in South Cooper Mountain. The selection, which occurred at the May 12 city council meeting, has been recommended to Metro for consideration of concept endorsement and \$9 million in reserved funds allocated to the city by the Metro Affordable Housing Bond.

The proposed project located at 17811 SW Scholls Ferry Road includes three buildings with a total of 164 units, serving families and senior households at 30 percent and 60 percent of Area Median Income. One building of 84 units is designated as senior housing and is projected to include ground-floor community amenities, a leasing office and commercial and/or retail lease space.

The affordable housing development is part of larger development plans, which include a pedestrian-oriented center, local shopping opportunities and mixed-use buildings.

“This is exactly the type of development we want to see in Beaverton,” said Mayor Denny Doyle. “There is an urgent need for additional affordable housing in the city and the region.”

The South Cooper Mountain area is the region’s next great community that includes 2,300 acres and three distinct subareas close to existing amenities like Mountainside High School, Cooper Mountain Nature Park, and other parks. For more information on the area, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/southcoopermountain.

Housing affordability and availability are important topics in Beaverton and the city’s housing goals include strategies for housing stability for all community members, while continuing to meet the growing demand for housing for all income levels.

In November 2018, Metro voters approved a \$652.8 million bond—providing Beaverton with \$31 million to add at least 218 new affordable housing units, half of which will be family-sized units, and 89 deeply affordable units. Other projects include The Mary Ann, set to begin construction in June, an upcoming project near the Elmonica light rail station, and a third project, known as Project C, which is expected to be built on a city-owned site with a solicitation to be issued late this year.

For more information about affordable housing in Beaverton, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/affordablehousingbond.

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