

whether the UGB process and METRO's general mindset are too Portland centric. Commissioner Lehan clarified urban reserves are not slated for urban development now, but that they are designated areas where, if growth is to occur, that the urban reserves are where it should happen; these areas are "reserves". The question was asked if METRO ever looks back at past predictions and considers real world outcomes when making current predictions. It was acknowledged that newly emerging areas take time to develop. As an example, it took Pleasant Valley 10 years to put in place infrastructure to accommodate growth. Malu clarified that simply being zoned as commercial or buildable land qualifies that land as "available supply" for purposes of the survey. There doesn't need to be an active permit, application, or development in place for it to be counted as such.

Item 5)

Commissioner Lehan framed and led a discussion regarding the delivery of urban services in unincorporated areas of Clackamas County. Exploration of this issue will be a focus for the BCC and County staff over the next year. Staff is beginning to look into issues and data. The question of "how should we move forward to discuss and determine the future growth of Clackamas County. Because of development patterns, the County has become the deliverer of urban services in large parts of the County. However, not being a city, it does not have access to many funding options of funding that would help provide for those services. Are there urban unincorporated areas in County that should be either annexed or incorporated in order for urban services to be more directly provided? It was acknowledged that any new city would have a steep hill to climb in order to become viable or successful. It was noted that "urban services" means different things to different folks; it would be helpful to have one working definition. A comprehensive list of the services that are provided by counties would also be helpful. The difficulties with code compliance in higher-density, unincorporated areas was noted. It was clarified that this exploration of urban services in unincorporated areas will extend to all areas within the county and not just within the UGB.

Item 6)

Commissioner Lehan provided an update on the Urban/Rural Reserves process and on the follow-up intergovernmental agreements.

Item 7)

Danielle Cowan provided a list of bills that the County worked on or tracked during the February legislative session and the bills' ending status. Also shared with the Committee was a write-up regarding two task forces that were created during the interim session; one is a task force on Stage II Business Development and Economic Gardening, and the other is a task force on Education Career Preparation and Development. Recruitments for these will be going out in the near future and the enabling legislation for both included emergency clauses.

Item 8)

In the interest of time there was no "One Minute Update." However, John Valley of U.S. Senator Merkley's Office let everyone know that the Senator is holding a town hall next Tuesday night at Clackamas Community College. The Eagle Creek Barton CPO is holding a Candidates' Forum April 8th at Eagle Creek Grade School. West Linn informed everyone that the Willamette Locks are being tested on May, 15 – everyone bring your boats. The Villages at Mt. Hood is holding a Candidates' Town Hall May 15. Notice was given that there will be construction ODOT delays on HWY 213 in the area of Mulino. People with notices of events were encouraged to forward them to Jim Ausitn so that they can be distributed via the C4 distribution list.

Item 9)

Adjourned