



EMERGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEADERS NETWORK (ELGL)

CITY OF FAIRVIEW MEETING AGENDA

AUGUST 17, 2011

12:00 WELCOME TO FAIRVIEW, Jessica Struyk, Fairview Management Intern

12:05 MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS & SPECIAL GUESTS, Kent Wyatt, Tigard Sr. Mgt. Analyst

12:15 SPEAKER INTRODUCTION, Joseph Gall, Fairview City Manager

12:20 SPEAKER, ERIK KVARSTEN, Gresham City Manager

Erik Kvarsten was appointed City Manager on August 1, 2004 following six months as Gresham's Assistant City Manager. Prior to managing Oregon's fourth largest city, Erik gained management experience in a number of Oregon cities including:



- Eight years as City Manager of Troutdale;
- Six years as City Manager of Independence;
- Three years as City Manager of Sweet Home;
- Two years as the first City Manager of Turner; and
- Two years as the Community Services Manager of Stayton.

Erik was drawn to public service because he saw it as “an opportunity to participate in striking a balance between liberty and equality and between individuality and community.” A graduate of the School of Community Service and Public Affairs at the University of Oregon, Erik was introduced to local government through a 1982 internship under Pete Wall, the former City Manager of Mt. Angel. According to Erik, the internship, which included the negotiation of a solid waste franchise and solving a long standing neighborhood cat problem, “sealed my fate forever.”

12:40 QUESTIONS FOR SPEAKER, All

ELGL Project Coordinator

Megan Messmer has been selected as the first ELGL Project Coordinator. She will be updating the website, organizing luncheons, and strengthening relationships with other professional associations (OMFOA, LOC, OCCMA, OAMR). Megan has already played a huge role in centralizing ELGL's communications, assisting with the ELGL picnic, and participating in meetings with regional leaders such as Alex McIntyre, Lake Oswego City Manager.

Upcoming ELGL Events

- September 15, 2011 @ 12:30 – Sherwood City Manager Jim Patterson
- October 12, 2011 - Heather Gantz, Senior Consultant for Waldron & Company
- November 16, 2011 (tentative) - Oregonian Editors Tom Wolfe & Amy Wang
- December 2011 - Holiday Happy Hour (*Jordan Wheeler is organizing*)

We are beginning to schedule meetings for 2012. Please email suggestions for speakers or topics to oregonelgl@gmail.com