

# Eugene City Council - Environmental Vote Descriptions - 2008 and 2009

## **Protecting Forestland**

Vote to adopt resolution opposing the Western Oregon Plan Revisions (WOPR) and urge greater protection of old-growth and mature forests on federal lands in Oregon.

Passed 5-3 on 1/14/2008.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Protecting Natural Spaces**

Vote to adopt Ridgeline Open Space Vision and Master Plan, to provide for future protection of important natural areas along the south hills ridgeline.

Passed 6-1 on 2/25/2008.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Protecting Land and Livability**

Vote to deny amendment of comprehensive plan to allow expansion of gravel mining on Delta Sand & Gravel site near Delta Hwy, with significant impacts to the livability of the surrounding residential neighborhood, as well as on traffic in the area.

Passed 5-4 on 7/28/2008.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Protecting Water Quality**

Vote to not include protections for stormwater drainage ditches in city code (as opposed to merely administrative protections in guidance manual).

Failed 5-4 on 8/11/2008.

**NO is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Sustainable Development**

Vote to remove the West Eugene Parkway from the city's transportation plan and to add two other projects with higher priority and less environmental impact.

Passed 5-4 on 8/13/2008.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Waste Diversion**

Vote to direct the City Manager to adopt the goal of increasing the volume of waste diverted from landfill from internal operations and facilities from current levels of an estimated 45 percent to at least 75 percent by 2014 and 90 percent by 2020 and report back to the council with a work plan for implementation.

Passed 8-0 on 2/9/2009.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Protecting Waterways**

Vote to pass Council Bill 4975, an ordinance protecting water quality by protecting stream segments and waterways from development impacts.

Passed 5-3 on 3/9/09.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Supporting Climate Change Planning**

Vote to support amendments to HB 2001, advocated for by 1000 Friends of Oregon, to require state's three largest MPOs (Metro, Salem-Keizer, Eugene-Springfield) to consider greenhouse gas emissions in transportation and land use planning and funding decisions.

Passed 5-4 on 5/13/09.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Supporting Bikeways**

Vote to request STP-U funding for West Bank bike path extension, in order to improve multi-modal transportation routes.

Passed 7-0 on 7/8/2009.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Sustainable Development**

Vote to approve a multi-unit property tax exemption for a proposed project, despite that the project did not garner the number of sustainability and livability "points" required for such approvals.

Passed 4-3 on 11/9/2009.

**NO is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Sustainable Transportation**

Vote to move a West 11th Ave. widening project to a lower priority category in the area transportation plan, in order to avoid foreclosing recommendations from the West Eugene Collaborative.

Failed 5-2 on 11/9/2009.

**YES is the pro-environment vote.**

## **Reducing Sprawl**

Vote to approve rezoning of the River Ridge property near the UGB for low-density residential development, allowing for sprawl that would increase rather than decrease the area's auto-dependent travel.

Passed 6-1 on 11/9/2009.

**NO is the pro-environment vote.**

# Eugene City Council Environmental Scorecard 2008-2009

Issue	Kitty Piercy * Mayor	Bonny Bettman Ward 1	George Brown Ward 1	Betty Taylor Ward 2	Alan Zelenka Ward 3	George Poling Ward 4	Mike Clark Ward 5	Jennifer Solomon Ward 6	Andrea Ortiz Ward 7	Chris Pryor Ward 8
Protecting Forestland	did not vote	+	not in office	+	+	-	-	-	+	+
Protecting Natural Places	did not vote	absent	not in office	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Protecting Land and Livability	+	+	not in office	+	+	-	-	-	+	-
Protecting Water Quality	+	+	not in office	+	+	-	-	-	+	-
Sustainable Development	+	+	not in office	+	+	-	-	-	+	-
Waste Diversion	did not vote	not in office	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Protecting Waterways	did not vote	not in office	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+
Supporting Climate Change Planning	+	not in office	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-
Supporting Bikeways	did not vote	not in office	+	+	+	+	+	absent	+	+
Sustainable Development	did not vote	not in office	+	absent	+	-	-	-	+	-
Sustainable Transportation	did not vote	not in office	+	absent	+	-	-	-	-	-
Reducing Sprawl	did not vote	not in office	+	absent	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>42%</b>

⊕ = PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE    - = ANTI-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

\* Mayor Kitty Piercy is required to vote only when it is necessary to break a tie vote.

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