Dear Clackamas Community College Board Members,

RE: Comment on the GMCG contracting approach for the Natural Resources Center of Excellence for the June 25 Board meeting

I'm writing today to support Clackamas Community College and OSU Extension.

I support the CMGC approach for the Natural Resources Center of Excellence and its benefits as opposed to the "lowest bidder," which is the state law baseline. That said, the CMGC approach will be as beneficial as the structure governing it and the criteria set up in the selection.

I support approving the first reading of the resolution on June 25. But before the second reading of the CMGC resolution, I'd like to see edits to the resolution to identify that OSU Extension will have shared decision-making power as part of a co-development approach to the facility's design, construction, and operation.

I'll be following this item. By collaborating with the County, Community College, and OSU Extension, I know we can achieve the long-desired (and years of financially saving by the OSU Extension & 4-H Service District) delivery of a high-quality Natural Resources Center for Excellence.

Please reach out to me at 440-796-0298 with any questions or if you would like to discuss.

Thank you,

Garet Prior A Garet in Wilsonville