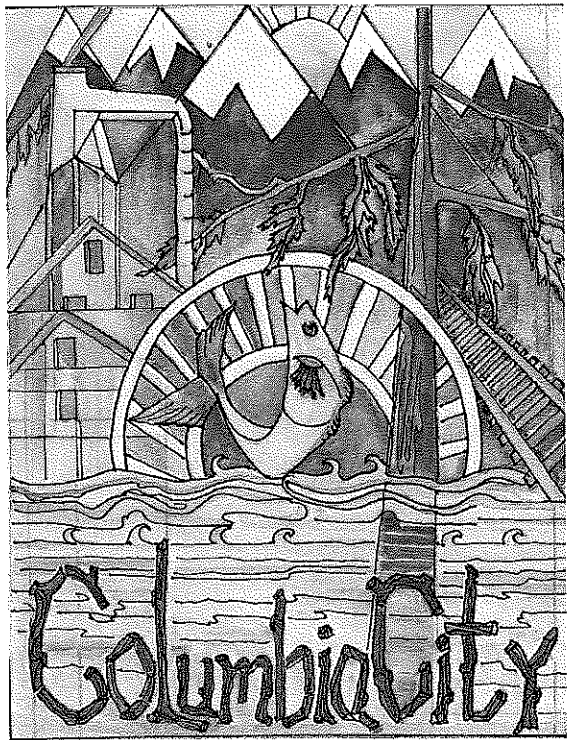
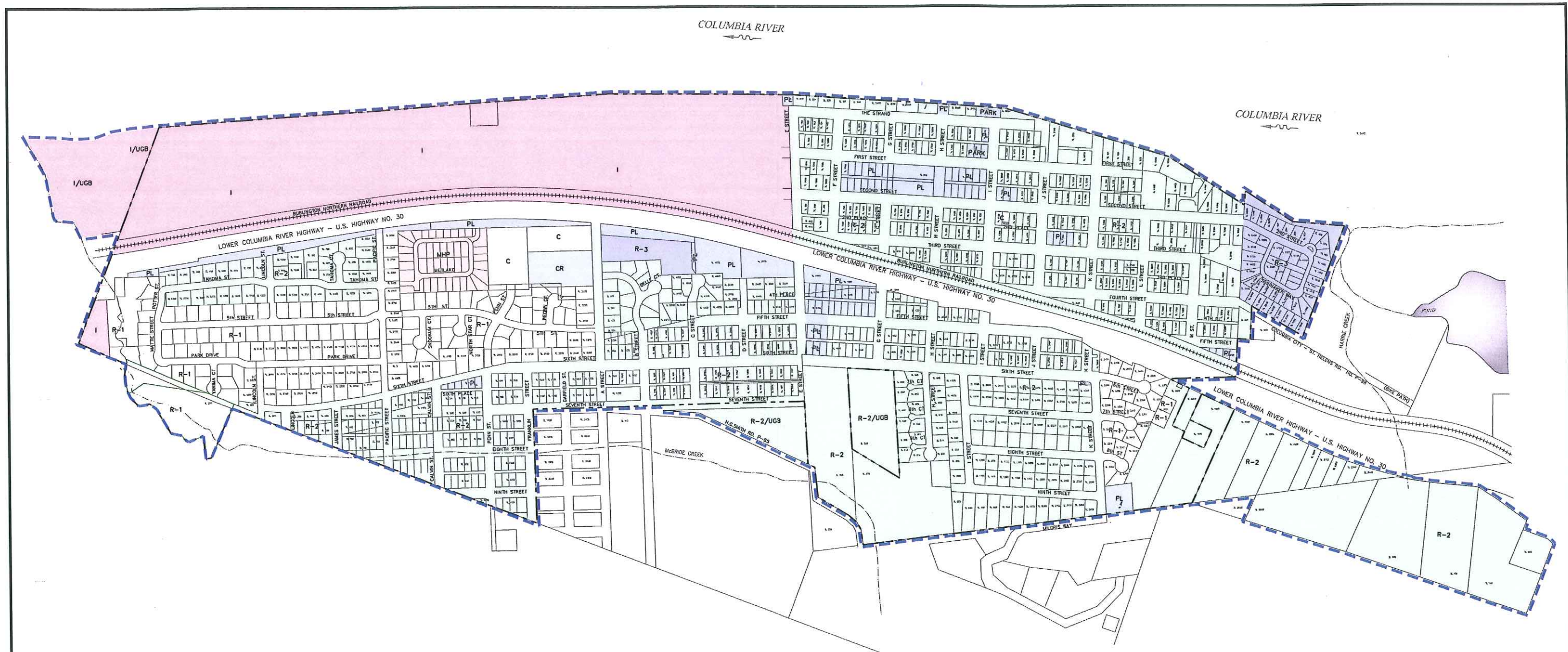




Community Profile



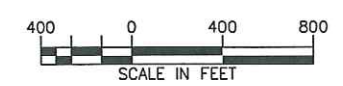


LEGEND

CITY OF COLUMBIA CITY LIMITS	-----	AREA:
URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY (UGB)	-----	484.11 ACRES
	-----	554.21 ACRES

LAND USE DESIGNATION

		AREA:
(R-1) SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	NEWER PLATTED AREAS	67.5 ACRES
(R-2) GENERAL RESIDENTIAL	DUPLEX/SFD	298.49 ACRES
(R-3) MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL	3-10 DU/AC	14.05 ACRES
(MHP) MANUFACTURED HOME PARK	MANUFACTURED HOMES ONLY	6.77 ACRES
(C) COMMERCIAL	RETAIL/SERVICES (BUSINESS)	5.19 ACRES
(CR) COMMERCIAL RECREATION	COLUMBIA RIVER ATHLETIC CLUB	2.81 ACRES
(I) INDUSTRIAL	"OLD MILL SITE"	101.80 ACRES
(PARK) PUBLIC LANDS, PARK (PL)		21.96 ACRES




NOTE:
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APRIL 2011

CURRENT CITY LIMITS AND EXPANDED UGB OVERVIEW MAP

CITY OF COLUMBIA CITY



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COMMUNITY PROFILE DETAIL

LOCATION:

Northwest Oregon, along the Columbia River and the Oregon/Washington border, 29 miles north of Portland, 2 miles north of St. Helens, 70 miles southeast of Astoria, 180 miles south of Seattle.

Date of Incorporation: 6/7/1926

Date City Charter Adopted: November 7, 1972

POPULATION	
YEAR	NUMBER
2010 (Official Census)	1,946
2009	1,990
2008	1,975
2007	1,955
2006	1,890
2005	1,785
2004	1,760
2003	1,720
2002	1,650
2001	1,620
2000 (Official Census)	1,595
1999	1,665
1998	1,635
1997	1,550
1996	1,465
1995	1,385
1994	1,240
1993	1,120
1992	1,070
1991	1,045
1990 (Official Census)	1,003
1980 (Official Census)	680
1970	537
1960	423
1950	405
1940	327

POPULATION INCREASE	
YEAR	PERCENT
1940 - 1950	23.85%
1950 - 1960	4.44%
1960 - 1970	26.95%
1970 - 1980	26.63%
1980 - 1985	10.29%
1985 - 1990	33.73%
1990 - 1995	38.09%
1995 - 2000	15.16%
2000 - 2005	11.92%
2005 - 2010	9.02%

AGE COMPOSITION				
	2000		2010	
under 5 years	92	6%	87	4.5%
5 to 19 years	354	22%	311	16.0%
20 to 44 years	454	29%	489	25.2%
45 to 64 years	480	31%	700	36.0%
65+ years	191	12%	359	18.4%

HOUSEHOLD INCOME			
	Columbia City	Columbia County	State
Median, 2000	\$59,545	\$45,797	\$40,916
Median, 1990	\$36,812	N/A	\$27,250

TAXES	
Sales Tax	None
Property Tax Rate per \$1,000 value	\$15.2200

EDUCATION	
Number of Attendance Centers	1
Student/Teacher Ratio	32/1
Total Enrollment	221

POLICE PROTECTION	
Number of Employees (sworn)	4
Number of Reserves (sworn)	2

RECEATION AND CULTURE	
Number of Parks	6
Number of Museums	1
Number of Libraries	1

CLIMATE:	
Measurement Location	St. Helens
Elevation	24'
Temperature:	
Lowest Monthly Average	32° F
Highest Monthly Average	81° F
Hottest Month	August
Coldest Month	January
Driest Month	July
Wettest Month	December
Precipitation:	
Average Annual Precipitation	42.76"
Humidity (Hour 10, local time) data:	
Average - July Afternoon	62%
Average - January Afternoon	82%

CITY ELECTIONS:	
Registered Voters	1,303
Votes in Last General Election	1,188
Percentage Voting in Last Election	91.17%

HOUSING UNITS				
Percent built prior to 1990				56%
Percent built 1990-2000				44%
	1980	1990	2000	2010
Total Housing Units	228	361	640	830
Vacancy rate, 2010				5.2%
Owner occupied, 2010				677
Renter occupied, 2010				110
Median gross rent, 2000				\$780
Median value of owner-occupied housing, 2000:				
Columbia City			\$175,600	
Columbia County			\$150,700	

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	
April 2011	County
Total labor force	24,815
Total employment	21,995
Percent unemployed	11.5%
2000	County
Total labor force	22,860
Total employment	21,490
Percent unemployed	6.3%
Commuting outside of Columbia County for employment	50.3%
2000	City
Percent unemployed	4.4%
Commuting outside of Columbia County for employment	36.7%

ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUATION:	
2011	\$155,944,837
2010	152,046,110
2009	145,480,308
2008	140,761,420
2007	131,417,410
2006	124,536,120
2005	116,372,335
2004	105,569,267
2003	100,953,377
2002	96,012,063
2001	90,882,241

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TOP TWENTY TAX PAYERS IN COLUMBIA CITY

Owner	Description	Assessed Value	Real Market Value	Total Taxes
Port of St. Helens	Industrial	\$1,845,180	\$2,540,280	\$28,084
Bernet Barge Lines	Utility	1,629,100	1,629,100	24,038
Northwest Natural Gas Co.	Utility	1,563,800	1,563,800	23,074
Private party	Apartments	1,187,940	1,948,130	18,080
Private party	Mobile Home Park	1,139,450	1,245,500	17,342
Private party	Residence	891,180	1,188,590	13,564
Private party	Residence	884,750	1,352,830	13,466
Private party	Residence	873,860	1,366,890	13,300
Comcast Corporation	Utility	878,700	878,700	12,966
West Oregon Wood Products	Industrial	863,140	863,140	12,736
Private party	Residence	767,710	767,710	11,328
West Oregon Wood Products	Industrial	717,200	717,200	10,583
Private party	Residence	657,080	1,049,130	10,001
Private party	Residence	649,710	1,148,700	9,580
Private party	Residence	619,560	931,060	9,430
E & V Development LLC	Developer	592,370	1,042,970	9,016
Private party	Residence	583,780	878,930	8,885
Private party	Residence	575,860	884,050	8,765
Private party	Residence	571,130	811,290	8,693
Private party	Residence	542,190	815,910	8,252
Total value of top ten tax payers		\$18,033,690	\$23,623,910	\$271,183
Total value of Columbia City		\$155,944,837	\$216,410,674	

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COLUMBIA COUNTY NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT

	MARCH 2011	% OF TOTAL	MARCH 2010	CHANGE FROM MARCH 2009
TOTAL NONFARM PAYROLL EMPLOYMENT	9,390	100.00%	9,610	-220
TOTAL PRIVATE	7,180	76.46%	7,300	-120
Mining and logging	190	2.02%	200	-10
Construction	380	4.05%	370	10
Manufacturing	1,150	12.25%	1,230	-80
Trade, transportation, and utilities	1,840	19.59%	1,920	-80
Information	80	0.85%	100	-20
Financial activities	510	5.43%	520	-10
Professional and business services	580	6.18%	550	30
Educational and health services	1,060	11.29%	1,040	20
Leisure and hospitality	970	10.33%	960	10
Other services	420	4.47%	410	10
GOVERNMENT	2,210	23.54%	2,310	-100
Federal government	70	0.75%	90	-20
State government	240	2.56%	260	-20
Local government	1,900	20.23%	1,960	-60

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COMMUNITY PROFILE

Columbia City is located in northwestern Oregon on the banks of the Columbia River, approximately 32 miles north of the City of Portland on Highway 30 and 2 miles north of the City of St. Helens and 61 miles east of the Pacific Ocean.

The City is dominated, ecologically and visually, by the Columbia River, which is nearly a mile wide here. Fir-clad slopes provide a backdrop west of town; across the River are the foothills of the Cascade Range. Five snow-covered peaks are visible from the City: Mount St. Helens, Mt. Adams, Mt. Hood, Mt. Rainier, and Mt. Jefferson.

Population: The population of the City of Columbia City was estimated to be 1,946 according to Census 2010.

Climate: Columbia City has a temperate climate with dry, moderately warm summers and wet, mild winters. Average annual precipitation in the County is slightly less than 50 inches. Prevailing winds up and down the Columbia River provide some circulation in local air sheds and assist in dilution of air pollutants. Snow or freezing weather is rare, and 100° F. is seldom reached in the summer.

History: Columbia City's location on the bank of the "Mighty Columbia River" made it a link in development of River transportation. The steamboat navigation was started on the Columbia River by the building of the combination sail and steam sidewheel ship "Beaver" launched in 1834 at London, England, for the Columbia and Willamette River traffic by the Hudson Bay Company. On its first voyage up the Columbia River to where it was to be based at Fort Vancouver, it would have gone by the sight that is now Columbia City. All that was here then was an Indian fishing village, which they called "Cumahi." There is no way to tell how it was spelled for the Indians did not have a written language.

Steam navigation continued to aid in the River development. The Caples Brothers of Columbia City owned and operated the Sternwheeler "Metlako" and ran it on a passenger and freight schedule from Portland to Woodland, Washington, and waypoints. The Graham Brothers owned and operated the Sternwheeler "Ottawa" out of early Columbia City. Later the Caples Brothers owned and operated the steam-powered propeller-driven "Victor." The three-foot diameter four-blade propeller of the "Victor" is now on display at the Caples House Museum.

The McVey house was built in 1871 as a store with a residence on the second story. By 1891 the building was also used as the Post Office. This was the only boat landing in the City, and River traffic stopped to pick up passengers and refuel--many of the River-going vessels burned wood for power. This house is a historic landmark and still stands at 2040 The Strand.

The Caples House was built in 1870 by Doctor Charles Caples, a doctor in the area. The house was presented to the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in 1959 and is open to the public. The facility consists of the Main Museum (which is the original house), the Carriage House (which has been converted into a Costume house and Children's Attic with old dolls and toys), a Country Store, a Pioneer Tool Shed, and the Knapp Social Center (which contains an assembly room, kitchen, library, and caretakers' living quarters).

During World War I the Sommarstrom Brothers built a shipyard with four ways - to build four ships at once - in the south part of Columbia City where River Club Estates is now located. They hired a large crew and built wood ships for the U.S. Government. When the war ended, the ship contracts were cancelled.

Government: The City of Columbia City received its charter in 1926. The City has a Mayor and four Council Members. The City has a seven-member Planning Commission. The City Hall is located at 1840 Second Street, next to the City's Community Hall. The Public Works office and shops are on the corner of Second Place and "J" Street.

Commerce and Industry: There is a mini-mart and a gas station at Highway 30 and "A" Street. The Port of St. Helens owns the only industrial property in the City and has one of the few deep-water docks along the River. The site is also served by the Portland and Western Railroad and the Columbia River Highway. Portions of the site are leased by ProBuild Lumber Company and West Oregon Wood Products.

Schools: Children in the 6th grade within the St. Helens School District attend Columbia City Grade School. Students in other grades attend schools in St. Helens, two miles away.

Housing: There are approximately 737 single-family dwelling units, 53 manufactured homes, and 24 duplex units within the City. There are four multiple-family units providing another 16 housing units.

Communications: Cable television is available in Columbia City. There is no local television station, however. There is also a post office located on the corner of Second and "I" Streets. Two newspapers are located in nearby St. Helens.

Recreation: The geographic location of the City provides a natural environment for the enjoyment of outdoor activities. Harvard Park features playground equipment, and the school grounds also offer a playground for use by the public. Jim Bundy Memorial Park hosts a picnic shelter and wooded areas, and offers a beautiful display of trillium from April through June. Carolyn King park provides spectacular views of the Columbia River and Datis Park is located on the Riverfront. There are also two privately owned parks open to the public with spectacular river views - Pixie Park and Ruth Rose Richardson Park. The City owns a Community Hall, which can be rented for athletic or social activities. The Caples Museum and Knapp Social Center offer opportunities for entertainment and rental use. The Columbia City Sports and Recreation Club, a membership organization, provides a weightlifting room, racquetball courts, a swimming pool, a hot tub, sauna, complete aerobics, cardiovascular machines, a basketball court, and classes. The Columbia River

offers some of the finest fishing in the State, and many residents are quite active in this outdoor sport. Sailing and water sports have become increasingly popular for both participants and viewers alike. Many residents consider their view of the River and the River traffic one of the most appealing features of the City. The marinas in the area, as well as County and State parks, provide additional recreational opportunities.

Special Events: In June with the military ships traveling up the Columbia River and past the City on their way to Portland for the annual Rose Festival celebration.

The City is a good place to watch the Fourth of July fireworks set off from Sand Island across from the Columbia County Courthouse in St. Helens.

The second Saturday in December brings the arrival of the Christmas ships. Private boats decorated with lights motor by the City for everyone to enjoy.

Transportation: Columbia County Rider provides general public transportation services.

Bike Paths: A designated bike path begins at the northwest City limits and follows along the top of the bank of McBride Creek to Highway 30. It then extends south along Highway 30, crosses east to the River and runs south to the end of Fourth Street. From there it leads through a scenic, wooded area to the City of St. Helens (Rutherford Road Parkway). It passes Dalton Lake, which is located between Rutherford Road Parkway and the Columbia River.

Fire and Police Protection: The Columbia River Fire and Rescue offers fire protection to the City. A Forestry Department office is located in the City near the intersection of Highway 30 and "E" Street. The Police Department is staffed by the Police Chief, Police Sergeants, Police Officers and Reserve Police Officers. The present paid staffing level is 2.55 full-time equivalents. In addition, the City is served by the Columbia County Sheriff's Department and the Oregon State Police.

Medical Facilities: Doctors' offices are in nearby St. Helens, two miles away.

Services: Residents of Columbia City are served by Hudson Garbage Service, and the Columbia River Public Utilities District serves the City with electricity. Qwest provides telephone service, Northwest Natural Gas provides gas, Comcast serves the City with cable television, and water and sewer services are provided by the City.

Park Descriptions:

Harvard Park (0.39 acres): This developed neighborhood park is located on Sixth Street between Calvin and Penn Streets. It currently has playground equipment, an open green area for field games, park benches, picnic tables, drinking fountain and a restroom.

Columbia City Bike Path (5.39 acres): This popular bike path is used by walkers,

bicyclists, joggers, and skaters. It extends along the west side of Highway 30, and it is easily accessible from a trail system that leads to the City of St. Helens.

McBride Meadows Trail System (2.09 acres): This trail system extends from the paved City Bike Path at the north end of the City in a westerly direction along the top of the bank along McBride Creek. It is accessible from Mattie Street in two locations - at Tahoma Street and Park Drive.

Jim Bundy Memorial Park (2.86 acres): This park is located at the corner of "E" Street and Highway 30, adjacent to the Columbia City Bike Path. This centrally located park is heavily wooded and easily accessible to travelers. It features a beautiful display of trillium from April through June. The park has a picnic shelter, picnic tables, park benches, walking trails, and restroom.

Datis Park (0.14 acres): This waterfront park is located on The Strand and provides a scenic view of the river activity. The Parks Committee plans to add a fishing dock.

Carolyn King Park (0.06 acres): This viewpoint park provides spectacular views of the Columbia River, Mt. St. Helens, and Mt. Adams. The park is located at the corner of Ninth and "K" Streets, and has a covered picnic table.

Columbia City Elementary School (1.92 acres): This area is accessible to the public during non-school hours, and includes playground equipment, volleyball area, soccer and softball field, basketball court, picnic tables, and benches with views of the Columbia River. The park is accessible from Second, First and "F" Streets.

Pixie Park (0.31 acres): This waterfront park is privately owned by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). This park is located at the corner of The Strand and "I" Street. This is a popular park for picnics and it provides breathtaking views of Columbia River, Mt. Adams, Mt. Hood, and river traffic and activities. It has a well maintained grassy area for lounging and picnics, picnic tables, and access to the river.

Ruth Rose Richardson Memorial Park (0.46 acres): This private park is also owned by the DAR and is located on "I" Street between First Street and The Strand. This park provides a grassy area for picnics, and benches with spectacular views of the Columbia River, Mt. Adams, and river traffic and activities.

Adopt-a-Highway entrance sign area: The City has partnered with Oregon Department of Transportation to landscape a 1/3 acre area along Highway 30. The site serves as home to a beautifully crafted "Welcome to Columbia City" entrance sign that was designed and built by a local artist.