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Community, business and taxpayers all win in county sales of surplus property in North/Northeast Portland

Multnomah County recently completed two property transactions that stand to benefit neighbors, local business, and taxpayers throughout the county. The sale of county surplus properties is part of a comprehensive strategy to focus limited taxpayer resources on county services and programs.

In both cases, Multnomah County followed an open public process to solicit public comment on the proposed sale of the properties and invited proposals for purchase from all interested parties.

“The positive outcomes from the sale of these properties are due to a great public process of neighborhood and public input,” said Multnomah County Commissioner Serena Cruz Walsh. “I’m thrilled that we were able to maximize value for the taxpayers and bring the Eliot and St. Johns neighborhoods new businesses and new members of the community.”

The Peninsula Building, at 7220 North Lombard St. was sold to MEI-Charlton, Inc., (MEIC, <http://www.meic.com>), a provider of engineering, science and technology solutions. The move allows MEIC to stay in Portland and expand its range of services, grow its workforce, and remain a vital part of the Portland business community.

The former Medical Examiner’s building, at 301 NE Knott St., was sold to Knott Street, LLC. Buyers and neighborhood residents Eric and Jennifer Hanson will develop a state-of-the-art medical clinic for Eric’s practice (www.knottstreetdermatology.com) and a distinctive office space in the newly designated historic building, soon to undergo a major renovation.

“These two sales represent real progress toward Multnomah County’s Facility Strategic Plan goals,” said Mike Sublett, Multnomah County Senior Property Management Specialist. “In each case, we worked with neighborhood groups and the real estate community to achieve fair returns on valuable county assets and solutions that benefit all parties.”

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