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## **City of Tigard Receives LOC's Good Governance Award**

BEND, Ore. – During its 97<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference Thursday evening, the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) presented its 2022 Good Governance Award to the city of Tigard for its Public Safety Advisory committee. The award recognizes progressive and innovative city operations and services. This year, the LOC's Good Governance Award was presented to co-recipients, with the city of Chiloquin also recognized for the Chiloquin Elementary School Green Schoolyard project.

### **About the Tigard Public Safety Advisory Committee**

In the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd in 2020, the city of Tigard's elected officials received more than 500 comments from community members, with many calling for the public examination and reassessment of the Tigard Police Department. This outpouring of public input shaped the Tigard City Council's discussion of racial justice and city action. Mayor Jason Snider invited the community to identify and eliminate institutional racism to ensure equity within all city operations and structures, and to improve the lived experience of all people of color.

Through a co-design process, the Tigard community, the Tigard City Council, and the Tigard Police Department joined together to identify a community-driven solution for police reform and racial justice. This led to the creation of the Tigard Public Safety Advisory Board. As one of several initiatives in the city's Anti-Racism Action Plan, the advisory board is responsible for reviewing the city's public safety practices, having inclusive community conversations about these practices, and making recommendations to city council on these practices.

### **About the League of Oregon Cities**

Founded in 1925, the LOC is a voluntary association representing all 241 of Oregon's incorporated cities. The League helps city governments serve their citizens by providing legislative services, policy setting, intergovernmental relations, conferences and training, technical assistance and publications.

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