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**URBAN LAND INSTITUTE (ULI) OF OREGON/SW WASHINGTON
ANNOUNCES “RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE” AWARDS**

Outstanding Local Projects, Programs and Leaders to be Recognized

PORTLAND, Ore. – August 20, 2007 - Urban Land Institute (ULI) of Oregon and SW Washington is pleased to announce the recipients of the 1st Annual Recognizing Excellence Awards. These awards have been designed to honor persons, places and programs that epitomize ULI’s mission of “providing leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating and sustaining thriving communities.”

Winners will be recognized at the first ULI Annual Awards Dinner on Thursday, September 27, at the Tiffany Center at 1410 SW Morrison Street, Suite 600, in Portland. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The awards presentation will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased online for \$75 for members, \$85 for non-members and \$65 for students. A table can be purchased for \$800 that includes 8 premium seats and company recognition.

To determine the winners, ULI executive committee members reviewed, researched and qualified more than 100 nominations. A jury of policy makers and real estate leaders from Oregon and SW Washington reviewed entries and selected the most innovative projects, people and programs in this region. Jury members included:

- David Bragdon, Metro, President
- Wink Brooks, City of Hillsboro, Special Projects Manager (former Planning Director)
- Rob Drake, City of Beaverton, Mayor
- Arun Jain, City of Portland, Chief Urban Designer
- Rudy Kadlub, Costa Pacific Communities, Chief Executive Officer

Jurors abstained from voting on all projects, persons and programs that posed conflicts of interest.

The awards will go to the following industry leaders and achievements:

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Development of Excellence

1. Eastbank Esplanade, Portland, OR
2. Esther Short Park Blocks, Vancouver, WA
3. Fairview Village, Fairview, OR
4. Lakeview Village, Lake Oswego, OR
5. New Columbia, Portland, OR
6. Northwest Crossing, Bend, OR
7. Orenco Station, Hillsboro, OR
8. The Pearl, Portland, OR
9. Villebois, Willsonville, OR

Program of Excellence

10. *Get Centered!* Metro, Portland, OR

Excellence in Leadership

11. Andy Cotugno, Metro
12. Mark Edlen, Gerding/Edlen Development
13. Skip Rotticci, Costa Pacific Communities
14. Ethan Seltzer, Portland State University
15. Homer Williams, Williams & Dame Development

About Urban Land Institute

Urban Land Institute's (ULI) mission is to provide leadership in the responsible use of land and in creating and sustaining thriving communities worldwide. As the preeminent, multidisciplinary real estate forum, ULI facilitates the open exchange of ideas, information and experience among local, national and international industry leaders and policy makers dedicated to creating better places.

As one of ULI's 48 district councils in North America and Europe, ULI Oregon/SW Washington's goal is to deliver professional programs on regional issues, real estate trends, and local projects and to promote the best real estate development practices and land use policy.

Delivering professional programs on regional issues, real estate trends, and local projects, The Recognizing Excellence Awards is just one of the district's events. For more information on ULI visit www.uli.org.

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