



## PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

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### Requests for Interest Portland Parks & Recreation **Short Term Lease Opportunity**

#### **Multnomah Arts Center Cottages 1 & 2**

7688 SW Capitol Highway  
Portland, OR 97219



**PP&R Program Objective:** Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) invites interest from licensed non-profit or community arts organizations to submit proposals for a lease agreement at the Multnomah Arts Center (MAC).

Various leasing opportunities are currently available at several PP&R locations. Details of these distinct facility leasing opportunities can be found at: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bibs/68383>

At MAC, Cottages 1 & 2 are currently available, each being 1040 sq ft. with a small restroom. The lease rate is \$13.88 per square foot, and a copy of the rent schedule and floor plan for each space is attached to this RFI. A copy of a draft lease agreement is available at: <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/bibs/68383>

Responsive proposals must demonstrate a sound business plan with financial sustainability. PP&R will entertain proposals for initial lease terms as follows: (1) through July 2019; (2) Starting October 2019 for 1-2 years. Options to renew will be considered based on mutual benefit but are not guaranteed.

*Note: These spaces will not be available for access from August through September 2019 due to external construction, and no lease fees will be assessed during this time.*

This Request for Interest (RFI) is encouraging and creating the competitive environment for a new agreement to be created. This RFI is designed to give all who may be interested an opportunity to suggest a public-private partnership through a lease agreement.

#### **Goals for Leasing PP&R's Community Arts Spaces:**

- Provide affordable spaces for community needs.
- Activate currently underutilized community arts spaces.
- Respond to the Arts Affordability Plan.
- Enhance the experience of Portland residents in community arts spaces.
- Provide opportunities for organizations serving the community equitably to grow.
- Support vibrant and inclusive community spaces reflective of the greater community.
- Support activities that are responsive to equity goals and critical community needs.
- Support activities that strengthen networks and encourage creative partnerships between the City, nonprofits, community-based organizations, and residents.
- Support cultural, ritual, and artistic practices that bring diverse people together and contribute to more cohesive, resilient communities.
- To identify lessees that do not directly compete with PP&R programs for revenue.

#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

This RFI requires proposers to provide the following:

- **Cover Letter** must include the following:
  - Name of individual or organization submitted RFI
  - Name(s) of person(s) authorized to represent the proposer in any agreement negotiations and execution
  - Contact information (street address, phone, and email address)
- **Mission, Values & Goals** must include the following:
  - Stated mission or purpose
  - Description of how proposer has demonstrated alignment with the City of Portland's Racial Equity Goals (see below)
  - Description of how proposer has demonstrated alignment with the City of Portland's values of diversity and inclusion
- **Business Plan** must include the following:
  - Description of the community services, programs or activities the proposer provides that result in positive financial, social, environmental and/or cultural impact and positive community experience.
  - Description of the specific communities and demographics the proposer serves
  - Proposer's qualifications and experience to operate their business.
  - Demonstration of a sound business plan with financial sustainability
  - Last year's Tax Form 990 (if applicable) or Federal tax returns

- **Concept Use Plan:** Provide description of your utilization of the space and design needs for your proposed idea/activity in narrative form. A simple site plan sketch, and other graphics including but not limited to images of your concept are welcomed.
- **Non-Compete:** Statement confirming that proposer's services, programs, or activities do not directly compete with PP&R programs for revenue.

### Citywide Racial Equity Goals

- Equity Goal #1 - We will end racial disparities within city government, so there is fairness in hiring and promotions, greater opportunities in contracting, and equitable services to all residents.
- Equity Goal #2 - We will strengthen outreach, public engagement, and access to City services for communities of color and immigrant and refugee communities, and support or change existing services using racial equity best practices.
- Equity Goal #3 - We will collaborate with communities and institutions to eliminate racial inequity in all areas of government, including education, criminal justice, environmental justice, health, housing, transportation, and economic success.

### Proposal Evaluation

An evaluation review committee will evaluate the proposals received. For the purpose of scoring, each of the committee members will evaluate proposals in accordance with the criteria and point factors listed above. The evaluation committee may seek outside expertise, including but not limited to input from technical advisors, to assist in evaluating proposals. High scoring to a proposal is not a guarantee that an agreement will result.

The successful proposer(s) shall be selected by the following process:

1. The committee will score the written proposals based on the information submitted according to the evaluation criteria and point factors.
2. The committee will require a minimum of 10 working days to evaluate and score the written proposals.
3. A short list of proposers may be selected for oral interviews if deemed necessary, which may result in additional points. The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of proposers on the short list depending on whether the proposers have a reasonable chance of being awarded a contract.

PP&R reserves the right to consider one or multiple proposals with compatible uses/activities. PP&R also reserves the right to reject all proposals. Nothing in this RFI mandates PP&R enter into any contract with proposer. Following the proposal evaluation, PP&R may select one of these options:

1. Approval of one or multiple proposals and enter into negotiations to:
  - a. Lease all of Room 36 at Multnomah Arts Center anticipated to commence Winter 2019

- b. Lease all or part of Room 37 (offices) at Multnomah Arts Center anticipated to commence Winter 2019
2. Request additional information from the proposer(s); or
3. Reject all proposal(s).

All PP&R decisions are final, and not subject to appeal or dispute.

**Proposal Submission:**

- Optional on-site pre-submittal tours will be held prior to submission deadline.
- Multnomah Arts Center will host on-site tours on Sunday, January 6, 3-5pm, and Wednesday January 9<sup>th</sup> at 5-7pm.
- Proposers are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting as they will have the opportunity to view the current interior design of the building and its fixtures.

**Proposals are due not later than Friday, January 18**

*PP&R reserves the right to extend RFI period. If extension is issued, all submitted Proposals will have the opportunity to use this extra time to update their proposals if they desire.*

Proposals submitted will be no more than 10 pages. Please submit one electronic copy to the PP&R Contact listed below by due date.

**PP&R Contact:**

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**Preferred Use Guidelines:**

The following list of desired uses is a tool for prospective applicants. However, PP&R will consider all proposals that meet the desired program objectives and stated goals. The following list has been created to serve not as pre-approval, but as guidelines, each use remaining subject to a level quality screening. Proposals that meet the desired objectives for year-round, daily positive activity will be prioritized.

**(i) Single-Tenant Preferred Uses**

The following uses are desired for the premises:

- ◆ Office and meeting space for nonprofit community arts organizations
- ◆ Rehearsal space for nonprofit performing arts groups
- ◆ Art studio space for nonprofit community arts organizations or social practice artists

**(ii) Compatible Uses**

The following complementary activities will also be considered, provided the proposed combination of activities meets PP&R's primary objective for daily, positive activity.

- ◆ Opportunities and activities that support arts/culture
- ◆ Opportunities and activities that support equity/inclusion
- ◆ Art Gallery

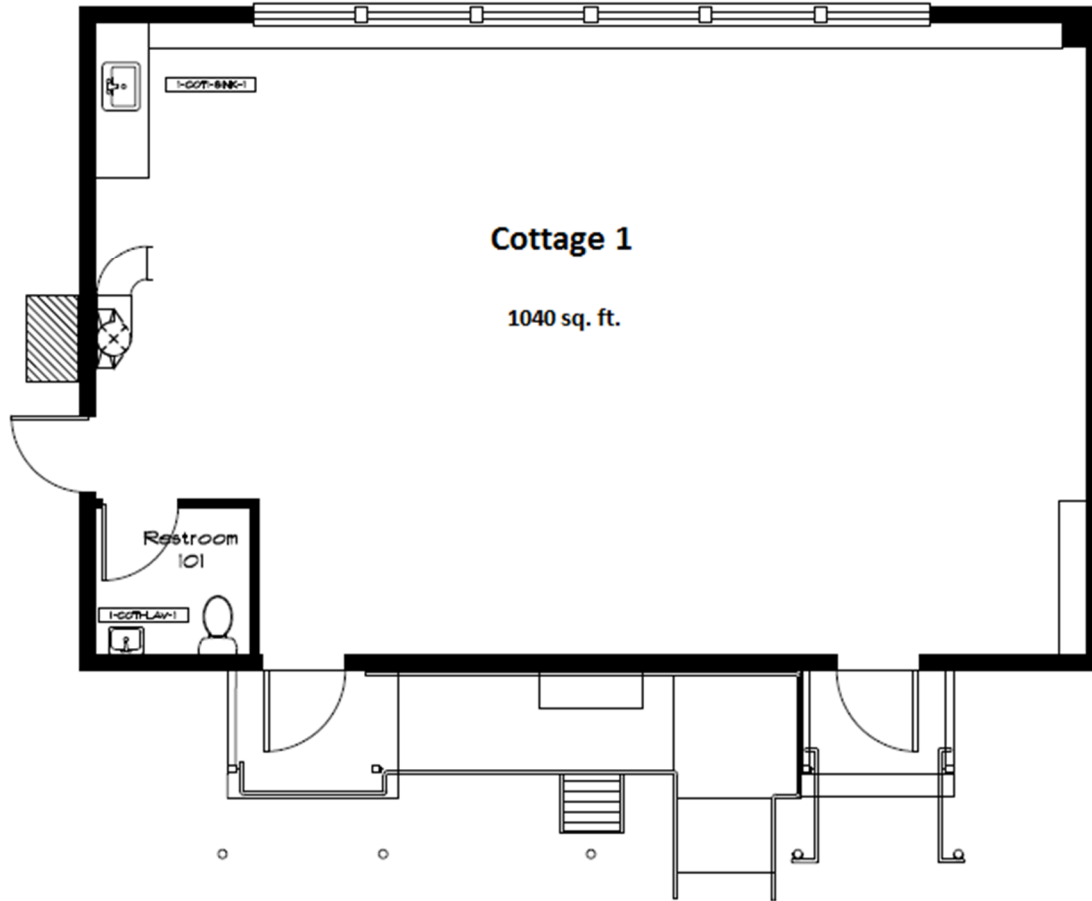
**(iii) Not acceptable uses**

The following uses have been identified as generally not desired for the Premises. PP&R will not consider proposals for the following activities:

- ◆ Welding, soldering, open flames
- ◆ Malodorous chemicals/processes
- ◆ Services, programs, or activities that compete with PP&R programs for revenue.

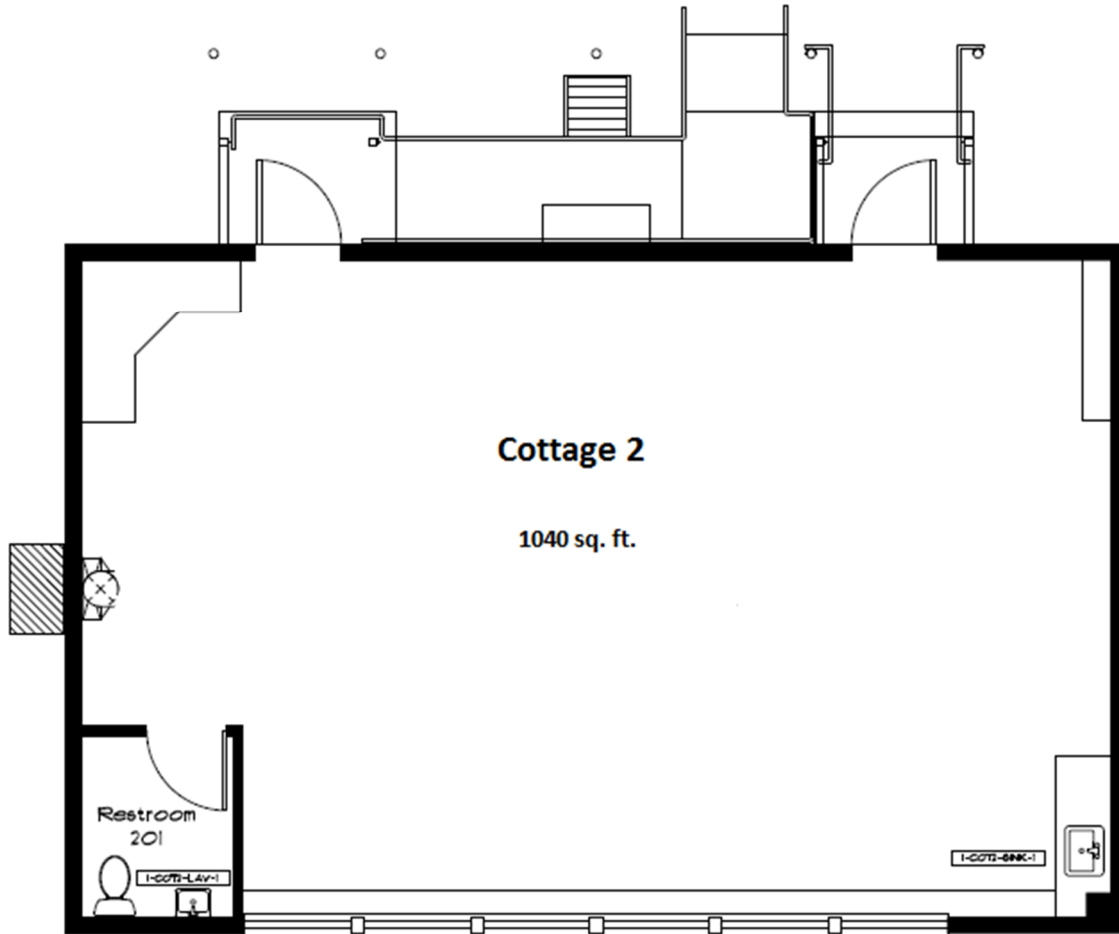
**Attachments:****Rent Schedule**

Nonprofit or community arts organizations are offered a rate of \$13.88 per square foot.

**Cottage 1**

| Cottage 1 | Square Footage | Monthly Cost | Yearly Cost |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| All       | 1040           | \$1,202.93   | \$14,435.16 |

**Cottage 2**



| Cottage 2 | Square Footage | Monthly Cost | Yearly Cost |
|-----------|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| All       | 1040           | \$1,202.93   | \$14,435.16 |