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BRICK PAVERS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AS PARK CONSTRUCTION MOVES AHEAD

ASTORIA, OREGON — In 2012, ground was broken on the City of Astoria's newest park – and its Bicentennial Legacy Project – the Garden of Surging Waves. As part of the daylong celebration, individuals, families and organizations lined up to purchase bricks in support of the project.

Bricks remain available for purchase even as construction of the park is underway. Cost is \$50 per brick, and each brick can be inscribed with up to two lines of text and up to 18 characters per line. Proceeds from brick purchases will go toward construction of additional portions of the Garden of Surging Waves project.

City Council approved a "sequenced approach" to construction of the Garden of Surging Waves at a regular meeting in February of this year. Fundraising efforts to date were enough to cover construction of Sequence A, which represents the majority of construction costs for the project. Construction of Sequence A is currently underway at the site, located at the southeast corner of 11th and Duane Streets in downtown Astoria. Construction of this sequence is expected to be complete within four months, barring weather or unexpected delays.

At 11 a.m. Friday, April 26, 2013, Astoria Mayor Willis L. Van Dusen and City Councilors Karen Mellin, Russ Warr, Drew Herzig, and Arline LaMear will gather at the site to unveil two new signs — one detailing the construction sequences and fundraising progress, and the other showing the familiar watercolor rendering of the completed site. The signs will remain at the construction site until the Garden of Surging Waves is complete. A donor board is also planned for the site and will remain until the permanent recognition wall is constructed.

To learn more about the Garden of Surging Waves project, please visit www.gardenofsurgingwaves.org or call the City of Astoria, 503.325.5824.