



# City of Tigard Press Release

13125 SW Hall Boulevard | Tigard, Oregon 97223 | [www.tigard-or.gov](http://www.tigard-or.gov)

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE | May 28, 2015**

**Contact:**

Buff Brown  
Senior Transportation Planner  
City of Tigard  
503-718-2557  
[buff@tigard-or.gov](mailto:buff@tigard-or.gov)

## **National Expert on Walkable Communities Speaking in Tigard, June 15**

Author, planner and walkability expert Jeff Speck will give a free public presentation on creating walkable communities on June 15, at the Broadway Rose Theatre in Tigard.

Speck is a nationally recognized urban planner and author of two critically acclaimed books, *Walkable City* and *Suburban Nation*. Speck's presentation will address how urban environments, including communities like Tigard, can become healthier through efforts that make them more walkable.

**What:** Presentation: "Walking the Walk: Creating the Walkable City"

**When:** Monday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Broadway Rose Theatre, 12850 SW Grant Ave., Tigard ([www.broadwayrose.org](http://www.broadwayrose.org))

**Cost:** No tickets are required; the public is welcome

Speck's visit is organized by the City of Tigard, with support from the Tigard Area Chamber of Commerce; the Tigard Downtown Alliance; the Westside Transportation Alliance; the Safe Routes to School National Partnership—Pacific Northwest branch; and the Bicycle Transportation Alliance.

On June 16, Speck also will provide a two-hour workshop on walkability. This second event is also free and open to the public, although space is limited. Registration is required.

**What:** Walkability workshop (free)

**When:** Tuesday, June 16, 3-5 p.m.

**Where:** Tigard City Hall, Council Chambers, 13125 SW Hall Blvd., Tigard

**How:** Registration required; public invited (email: [Buffb@tigard-or.gov](mailto:Buffb@tigard-or.gov))

For more information on Speck's work promoting walkable communities, visit his web site at: [www.jeffspeck.com](http://www.jeffspeck.com).

For more details on Tigard's efforts to become the most walkable community in the Pacific Northwest where people of all ages and abilities enjoy healthy and interconnected lives, visit our website at: [www.tigard-or.gov/strategic\\_plan.php](http://www.tigard-or.gov/strategic_plan.php).

-###-