



# Press Release

## **The City of Beaverton's Central Plant Honored as one of the Top 50 Most Innovative Government Programs in the Country**

Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government has announced that the Beaverton Central Plant has been selected from among nearly one thousand applicants at the federal state, county, and city level as one of the top 50 innovative government programs for 2007.

On April 3, 2007 the City's Beaverton Central Plant was singled out as part of the Innovations in American Government 2007 Awards, sponsored by the Ash Institute.

"The programs represent the very best of public management," Ash Institute director Gowher Rizivi said. "We are honored to highlight innovative practices that produce renewed confidence in public service."

Linda Adlard, chief of staff, for the City of Beaverton accepted the award by saying "we are of course pleased to be recognized by Harvard University and it is gratifying to serve our community in ways that will help revitalize our downtown redevelopment. It is my hope we will continue to build on our success at the Beaverton Central Plant and support our community as we move towards a greener, more sustainable future."

The city owned Beaverton Central Plant is a sophisticated, highly efficient heating and cooling facility that provides space conditioning to the downtown Round project. To further promote energy efficiency and reduced environmental impacts, the Beaverton Central Plant has recently launched a web based sustainability program [www.sustainablebeaverton.com](http://www.sustainablebeaverton.com) which is expected to support future downtown development.