

To: City Council
From City Manager, Nathan Cherpeski
Subject: Friday Update
Date: January 8, 2016



Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location
January 11, 2016	7:00 P.M.	Planning Commission- CDO update	City Hall Annex - Council Chambers
January 12, 2016	3:00 P.M.	Traffic Control Board	City Hall Annex - Conference Room
January 14, 2016	8:00 A.M.	Downtown Advisory Committee	City Hall Annex - Conference Room
January 18, 2016	All day	Martin Luther King Holiday - All non-emergency offices closed	
January 19, 2016	6:00 P.M.	Council Work Session - Code Enforcement	City Hall Annex - Conference Room
January 19, 2016	7:00 P.M.	Council Meeting	City Hall Annex - Council Chambers

City Manager

We have some very unique businesses in our community. Many have markets far beyond the Klamath Basin. I continue to try and meet with business owners in the community. This week, I toured Cook Woods. I was impressed with the operation. They have the capability of milling extremely large stock. They work with an impressive mix of unique and exotic woods. I would encourage you to stop by and see what we have tucked away in Klamath Falls.

Haggen Bankruptcy – We have been told that one of the stores (6th and Washburn) will be part of an auction on February 5th. Another recent announcement had Haggen Inc rejecting the lease on the downtown store. The actual property is owned by Haggen Property North LLC. The address with the Assessor is different than the one listed in the bankruptcy filings. We are attempting to make contact with that owner at the new address.

Police

The Police Department is purchasing and integrating scheduling software to make scheduling and time tracking more timely and efficient. The PD is also evaluating the benefits of on-line crime reporting and will present information to council in the coming months. On-line reporting wouldn't replace our response to citizens, but it may provide another option for our citizens to use.

Airport

With the increasing popularity of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), the FAA has put in place rules on operations within five miles of an airport. Users are required to contact the airport prior to operations. How do you know if you are in the required reporting area? We have a map we have provided on-line, but FAA released an app B4UFLY to assist. I have attached their announcement. We encourage anyone operating a UAS to contact the airport to protect those flying traditional aircraft and those operating the UAS.

Support Services

- January is the busy month for software conversions. The Fleet module, RTA Software, went live this week and is functioning well for a first week. Our Tyler consultant will be on-site for training on the EnerGov work orders system beginning January 19 and we will go live the following week.
- Discussion with our credit card merchant provider was held this week and we are getting much closer to being able to take payments across the web. It looks some applications will be ready in February and others in March.
- We are preparing the Judge recruitment process and strategy to present at the January 19 Council meeting. We plan to post the job immediately after Council approves the process. Thanks to all the pro-tem judges for helping us to cover court session in January, February, and March.
- This is the first year for reporting under the ACA and payroll has been very busy making sure all our year end reporting requirements are covered. CIS is considered a self-insured plan so that adds a few additional complications for the members, but they have been proactive in getting us the information we need. No issues at this time for this new process. It was good news that the "Cadillac Tax" provision was delayed an additional two years.
- Parks is very busy with the CIP and moving all of our parks improvement projects forward. The Parks Board meeting on Thursday evening was very helpful in providing direction for the coming months as we move into the budgeting period. Thank you to all the volunteers on this Board.
- Robbie West was promoted this week as our new Utility Billing Service Supervisor. We welcome Robbie. Larry Hayes will be retiring at the end of the month after a very enduring and productive career of 30 years at the City. He will be greatly missed, but we wish him well in his planned travels.

Public Works

We are often asked about the traffic separator on OR 140 between Washburn Way and Altamont. It is an ODOT facility, but we get asked nonetheless. So Mark posed the question to ODOT. I am attaching the information Mark Willrett received regarding the need.

To: John Barsalou
Subject: RE: FAA Releases B4UFLY Smartphone App



**Federal Aviation
Administration**

News & Update

You are subscribed to [News & Updates](#) from the FAA Homepage. This information has recently been updated, and is now available.

FAA Releases B4UFLY Smartphone App

January 6- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Administrator Michael Huerta today announced the public release of the B4UFLY mobile application following an initial beta testing period.

B4UFLY tells users about current or upcoming requirements and restrictions in areas of the National Airspace System (NAS) where they may want to operate their unmanned aircraft system (UAS). The app is now available for Apple devices and can be [downloaded from the App Store](#).

The FAA also is releasing a beta version of B4UFLY for Android devices, which can be [downloaded from Google](#).

“We expect B4UFLY will help raise public awareness about what it means to operate unmanned aircraft safely,” Huerta said at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, NV. “It is another important part of our education and awareness efforts to foster a culture of safety and accountability for the UAS community.”

The B4UFLY app includes a number of enhancements the FAA developed as a result of user feedback during the [beta testing announced in May 2015](#). Within two taps, users know if it is safe to fly at their current location. The app provides a status indicator that

tells users: “Proceed with Caution,” “Warning – Action Required,” or “Flight Prohibited.” The app also features a planner mode that allows users to select a different time and location for an upcoming flight and determine if there are any restrictions at that place and time.

By law, hobbyists who want to fly within five miles of an airport must notify the airport operator and the air traffic control facility (if there is one) prior to flying. For now, B4UFLY will ask users who are supposed to notify the airport before flying for voluntary information about their planned flight. This will not meet the statutory requirement to notify the airport and air traffic control facility, but the data will help the agency make informed policy decisions related to notification. This information will not be publicly available.

You can find more information on our [B4UFLY webpage](#).

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Date: December 15, 2015

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SUBJECT: OR140: Greensprings Intch – Kfalls/Malin Hwy (K18677)
*Washburn Way – Altamont – Concrete Traffic Separator
Hwy 42 MP 3.02-3.42*

On the South Klamath Falls Highway, there is an existing concrete traffic separator spanning the length between the Washburn Way eastbound on-ramp and Altamont Drive. The intent of the traffic separator is to reduce conflicts associated with eastbound traffic merging from the ramp onto OR140. This is accomplished by restricting eastbound vehicles coming from Washburn Way from weaving through traffic on OR140 to make a left-turn onto Altamont Drive.

While the traffic separator is still necessary to reduce vehicular conflicts on OR140, a Road Safety Audit conducted on the South Klamath Falls Highway in 2013 identified that the median delineation, striping, and signing are inconsistent and outdated. Recommendations for improvements, which will be incorporated in this project, include:

- Installing an overhead guide sign reading “Altamont Drive Next Left” on Washburn Way Interchange overpass (eastbound)
- Updating the median delineation and striping
 - Yellow striping along median separating eastbound left turn and through lanes should be white
 - Black delineators along median separating eastbound left turn and through lanes should be white with white reflectors

The improvements noted above are anticipated to improve driver understanding of the intersection, and reduce occurrences of missed turns or last minute maneuvers.