

To: City Council
 From City Manager, Nathan Cherpeski
 Subject: Friday Update
 Date: February 5, 2016



Calendar

Date	Time	Event	Location
February 8, 2016	7:00 P.M.	Planning Commission- CDO review	Jeff Ball Room @ Police Department
February 15, 2016	All day	Presidents day Holiday - All non-emergency offices closed	
February 16, 2016	6:15 P.M.	Executive Session - Labor Negotiations	City Hall Annex - Conference Room
February 16, 2016	7:00 P.M.	Council Meeting	City Hall Annex - Council Chambers
March 10, 2016	6:30 P.M.	Joint Meeting - City Council and Planning Commission Presentation by Kittleson - Oregon Avenue Protective Bike Lanes and an update will be provided on the separate Urban Trails Master Plan	Jeff Ball Room @ Police Department

City Manager

Blighted Properties - We are continuing to pursue the blighted property issue. Joe Wall met with several of the non-profit groups focused on affordable housing to discuss needs they see in the community. I reached out to the realtors association for feedback in prioritizing the list of focus properties. The City Attorney has scheduled a conference call meeting with several other City Attorneys around the state to discuss how they are dealing with the same issue. We also met with SCOEDD to discuss various funding that might be available to assist in this effort.

Blue Zones – This effort is continuing to gain momentum. One policy we will need to address is the concept of “complete” streets. In essence, we are to take into account all forms of transportation (vehicle, mass transit, bicycle, pedestrian, freight, etc...) when planning a street. Since we attempt to do that now, it isn’t clear if this policy would be much of a change for the City. We will use the Blue Zones to bring in training to better help staff and council understand this issue.

Police

The police department is conducting a lieutenant promotional process for two patrol lieutenants. Chief Henslee anticipates announcing the successful candidates late Friday afternoon.

Public Works

Public Works has been participating with Klamath County and other agencies on a training exercise that looks at how response would take place in the event of a Cascadia earthquake event. These planning exercises are leading up to a state wide training exercise the 7th and 8th of June.

With the bids for Sugarman's Park (6th and Main) coming in too high, staff met with Council on Monday to present the option of having City forces construct the majority of the project. Council was in favor of this idea. We have met several times since Monday and are continuing to advance the project.

Staff has been looking at ways to get the most out of our GIS system. Our GIS provider, ESRI will be demonstrating other capabilities of the system in the next few weeks.

Public Works and the City Manager met with Roosevelt school last week to discuss traffic concerns around the school. The school and the City have come up with some low cost items to consider that should help during student drop off and pick up times.

For the first time in several years, we have had significant snow. Below are the statistics on snow removal with estimated costs for City staff and contract snow removal.

Streets & Equipment Division Snow removal statistic 2015 -2016 Snow Season

November 1, 2015 -February 3, 2016

Totals,

Lane Miles Plowed – 8,477.5 lane / miles

Hours plowed – 1173 hours

Snow Haul yards – 10,236 cubic yards

Hauling hours – 538 hours

Cinders placed 320 yards

Total - \$168,621.24