



Kids and Adults Have Fun and Run at the Reindeer Romp



In December hundreds of community members of all ages gathered at the Family Fun Center for the fifth annual Reindeer Romp and Kids Dash with Parks and Recreation Manager and part-time elf Brian Stevenson leading the way.

Library Programs Move to Other Locations in January for Six Months \$1.35 Million Remodeling Project to Renovate Library, Improve Public Access to Services

During the six-month period from January through June, many of the Wilsonville Public Library's activities and programs are being moved to new locations, including City Hall, the Parks and Recreation building and the Community Center. For details and updates on program times and locations, check with the library by phone, the library's Facebook page or on the web at www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org.

The \$1.35 million project includes remodeled/reconfigured spaces, ADA-compliant restrooms, new furniture and carpet and an upgraded heating-air conditioning-ventilation (HVAC) system. The Library District of Clackamas County is contributing \$1 million, with the balance from the City's general fund.



Children and adult library programs and events are being temporarily relocated to other City facilities until June; see www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org for schedule updates.

Wilsonville and ODOT to Study I-5 Congestion Solutions South of Wilsonville

The City of Wilsonville and Oregon Department of Transportation are partnering to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion on the I-5 Boone Bridge heading south from Wilsonville.

The "Southbound I-5 Boone Bridge Auxiliary Lane Study" plans to examine the traffic impacts and costs for adding an additional lane on I-5 from the Wilsonville Road interchange (Exit 283) south past Miley Road (Charbonneau Exit 282B) to the Aurora/Canby/Hubbard Highway 551 interchange (Exit 282A).

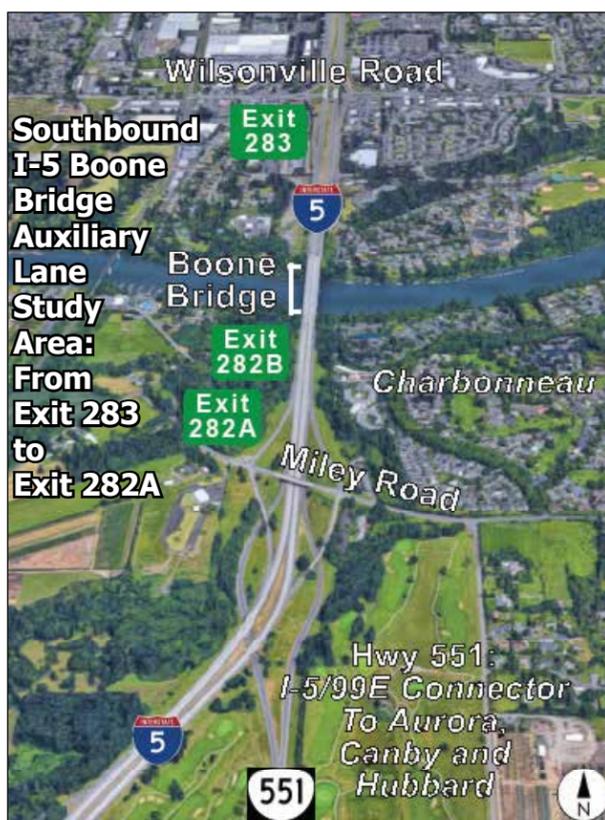
The study is one component of several projects that the City is undertaking to reduce morning and evening commute-hours traffic congestion in the I-5/Wilsonville Road interchange area (see page 2). Additionally, the planning effort is part of the larger City Council-directed push for a more comprehensive "South Metro I-5 Corridor Study" that would examine the costs and benefits of both a range of potential highway improvements to I-5 from Tigard/Highway 217 to Aurora/Donald Ehlen Road Exit 278, along with increased public-transit options.

After the Council approved a \$50,000 City contribution to the study, the planning process started in October 2017 and concludes in the summer of 2018. The three phases of work include:

- Technical analysis of benefits and impacts;
- Gathering of public input and preferences; and,
- A resolution of support by the City Council, then adoption by the Oregon Transportation Commission for inclusion in the updated Metro Regional Transportation Plan.

During legislative hearings on the successful "Transportation Investment Package" (House Bill 2017) passed in 2017, a Congestion & Freight Mobility Workgroup estimated that the "Boone Bridge &

Lanes" project would cost \$120 million and could be constructed in 10-15 years. The City and ODOT seek to accelerate potential consideration of the project by obtaining a more accurate cost estimate and traffic-mitigation impact of potential improvements.



For more information on the project and public-comment opportunities, visit the project web site at www.ci.Wilsonville.or.us/I-5BooneBridge. See page 2 for additional related content on transportation.

Mayor's Message

Thanks to City Volunteers Council and Community Appreciate Your Service on City Boards and Commissions

As we start a new year, on behalf of the Wilsonville City Council and greater community, I would like to offer a hearty "Thank You" to the residents and business people who serve as volunteers on various City boards and commissions. We especially want to recognize the following community members whose current terms of service ended in December.



The following people have made important contributions to our community through their recent time serving on City advisory bodies. Some of these volunteers have completed their term of service or resigned early due to personal reasons, while others remain eligible for and seek reappointment for additional terms.

Budget Committee

- Alan Steiger, since January 2012
- Arthur Park, since March 2016

Library Board

- Caroline Berry, since July 2013

Planning Commission

- Al Levit, since May 2010
- Jerry Greenfield, since January 2014

Also during this past year, two members who have served since the outset of the new Tourism Promotion Committee in 2015 and whose terms expired were reappointed to standard three-year terms.

Tourism Promotion Committee

- Jeff Brown, since October 2015
- Al Levit, since October 2015

I want to thank all of the additional current, on-going board and commission members who continue to serve our community. These volunteers include your elected City Councilors, who cheerfully accept the tremendous commitment of time and energy that Council positions entail.

Wilsonville is fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers.

I would also like to recognize the positive contributions made by graduates of our **Wilsonville Citizens Academy** who help support community events, and some of

whom are now serving on City committees or local nonprofit boards.

Finally, I want to acknowledge our appreciation to **Al Levit**, who has served for 14 years — first for two terms totaling six years on Development Review Board and then two terms of eight years on the Planning Commission. And he continues to serve on the Tourism Promotion Committee. Due to the dedication of citizens like Al, Wilsonville has developed to become a well-planned, livable community for people of all stages of life.



Al Levit

Wilsonville is fortunate to have so many dedicated volunteers who are willing to spend their personal time working with others helping to make our community an exceptional place to live, visit and do business.

With continued strong community engagement in our civic affairs, I am confident that 2018 will be another great year for Wilsonville. Feel free to let me know your thoughts — reach me at 503-896-0048 or mayor@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Tim Knapp, Mayor

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City Council Approves Agreements with ODOT for I-5/Wilsonville Road Interchange, Boone Bridge Study, and More Traffic Mitigation Plans

In October, the City Council approved an agreement with the Oregon Dept. of Transportation (ODOT) for a construction project to modify the I-5/Wilsonville Road interchange Exit 283 southbound freeway on-ramp. The \$700,000 project adds a third stacking lane to the metered I-5 on-ramp in order to increase capacity to hold an additional 25 vehicles waiting to enter the freeway during evening rush-hour.

The project is part of five congestion-improvement projects approved by the City Council totaling an approximately \$1 million in the I-5/Wilsonville Road/Boones Ferry Road intersection area designed to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion.

Other congestion-relief projects include:

- Lengthening the southbound Boones Ferry Road double left-turn lanes onto eastbound Wilsonville Road, which is complete.
- Reconstructing the southern, signalized entrance/exit to Old Town Square/Fred Meyer shopping center to include a second travel lane on northbound Boones Ferry Road between the exit/entrance and Wilsonville Road.
- Signing “No Turn on Red” during evening rush-hour for right-turn movements from northbound Boones Ferry Road onto eastbound Wilsonville Road.
- Working with ODOT on the Southbound I-5 Boone Bridge Auxiliary Lane Study; see page 1 for details.
- Considering installing ‘red-light’ cameras to deter running red lights and blocking intersections.

Traffic Issues with the Southbound I-5 Boone Bridge Area

The mile-plus stretch of southbound I-5 from Wilsonville Road Exit 283 past Miley Road Exit 282B to Highway 551 Exit 282A has a number of problems.

Symptoms of the Problem

- Traffic bottleneck between I-5 Wilsonville Road interchange (Exit 283) and two nearby interchanges at Miley Road (Charbonneau Exit 282B) and Wilsonville-Hubbard Cut-off Highway 551 (Exit 282A).
- Up to 4.5 hours of daily congestion.
- Evening commute speeds drop to 25 mph, with the PM queue backing-up to I-205.
- I-5 congestion causes spill back on Wilsonville Road and nearby intersections at Boones Ferry Road and Town Center Loop West.

Contributing Factors

- Over 129,000 vehicles per day pass-by Wilsonville on I-5, with 62,000 vehicles crossing the Boone Bridge going south. For comparison, the I-5 Boone Bridge carries nearly as much traffic as the I-5 “Columbia River Crossing” Interstate Bridge—only four percent less traffic—and one-third more semi-trucks.
- Extensive traffic weaving between lanes that induces slow-downs and accidents: More than 20% of the evening peak-hours traffic enters I-5 at Wilsonville Road on-ramp while over 35% of the traffic exits at Charbonneau or Wilsonville-Hubbard Cut-off Highway 551 that also accesses Canby. Over the four-year period of 2011-15, this stretch of I-5 had 148 automobile accidents.



Safety Tips for Winter's Cold Weather

With winter well under way, now is the time to think about some personal and home safety tips can also save time and money. Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue firefighters always see an increase around the first of the year in outdoor-related injuries and flooded buildings damaged by broken water pipes.



Minimize the Risk of Personal Injury

- Increased slip-and-fall injuries are of particular concern this time of year. Be extra careful on icy surfaces around your home; use kitty litter or sand to increase traction.
- Make sure to dress appropriately for outdoor activity; dress in layers with hats, gloves and waterproof boots. Be aware of the wind chill factor, which can often lower the temperature by several degrees.
- Avoid traveling when the weather service has issued storm advisories. If traveling, make sure someone knows the destination, route and anticipated time of arrival. Pack extra water, food, blankets, and clothing in case of an unexpected emergency.

Improve Home Safety This Winter

- Have the home heating system serviced professionally to make sure that it is clean, working properly, and ventilated to the outside.
- If heating with wood, inspect and clean fireplaces and chimneys. Always discard ashes in a metal container away from combustible materials.
- Check smoke alarms to ensure they are working properly. Prevent carbon monoxide (CO) emergencies by installing a CO alarm.
- Insulate exposed water pipes in the garage and cover outdoor water spigots. Know the location of the home or business water shut-off valve.

Visit www.tvfr.com for more winter safety tips.

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- Salem-Keizer 'Cherriots'
- Canby CATS

For info - www.RideSmart.com



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503-682-2744
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Library Programs Relocate During Remodeling Project

Due to the library renovation, winter library programs are being held in different locations around the community. Stay current on library events with our website www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org, Facebook page, Twitter, and eNotify email notifications.

Mondays, starting Jan. 8.

- **Play Group:** 10-11:30 am at Community of Hope Church

Tuesdays, starting Jan. 9

- **Toddler Time:** 10-10:30 am at City Hall
- **Baby Time:** 11-11:45 am at City Hall
- **Family Storytime:** 6:30-7 pm at City Hall

Wednesdays, starting Jan. 10

- **Family Storytimes:** 10-10:30 am; 11-11:30; 1-1:30 pm at City Hall

Thursdays/Fridays – No Storytime

Other Programs

- **Book Notes Concerts:** Community Center
- **Book Club:** Community Center
- **Genealogy Club:** City Hall
- **Great Books Discussion Group:** City Hall
- **ESL class:** Parks and Recreation Building

Location Addresses

- Community Center, 7965 SW Wilsonville Rd
- Community of Hope Church, 27817 SW Stafford Rd
- City Hall, 29799 SW Town Center Loop East
- Parks and Recreation Building, Town Center Park, 29600 SW Park Place

Programs that not to be held during the renovation include First Friday Films, Curiosity Cafe, K-2 Book Adventures, Lego Night, and The Zone.

Adult Winter Reading Program Starts in January

Read books and win prizes during the dark dreary winter months starting on Tuesday, Jan. 2.

What can the program do for you?

A past participant reported that her goal had been to read one fiction book a month, but once she signed-up for the Adult Winter Reading Program, she read “several.” And she discovered books that she wouldn’t normally read on the display table, including a series that she and her husband both read together, which they usually don’t do.

Pick-up forms at the library, or download them from our website:

www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/AWRP



Library Book-Drops Now Available in All Wilsonville Primary Schools

You can now return your Clackamas County (LINCC) library materials—including items checked-out at the Wilsonville Public Library—to your child’s West Linn-Wilsonville School District primary school in Wilsonville!

Wilsonville Public Library staff pick-up the items once a week, and the items are checked-in as of the



date you returned them. This timelag means your items may appear on your account for up to a week.

These book drops were made possible by funds raised by the Wilsonville Public Library Foundation.

Upcoming Classes and Events

Library Closed

Monday, Jan. 1 – New Year’s Day
Monday, Jan. 15 – MLK, Jr Day

Book Club

“Britt-Marie Was Here”
by *Fredrik Backman*

Thursday, Jan. 11, 6–8 pm
Community Center,
Classrooms 2 & 3

www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/bookclub

Book Notes Concert: Rhythm Culture

Saturday, Jan. 13, 2–3pm
Community Center,
Multi-Purpose Room

www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/concerts

Genealogy Club

Monday, Jan. 22, 1–2:30 pm
City Hall, Council Chambers
www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/gc

Great Books Discussion Group “Symposium” by Plato

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 6–8 pm
City Hall, Arrowhead Creek Room
www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org/gb

Visit our website for more events:
www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org

or find us on Facebook and Twitter



POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER

Be Ready for Winter: Inclement Weather Driving Tips

With the start of another new year, this is a good time to remind everyone of a few tips for driving in inclement weather.

Of course, the best tip in bad weather is to not drive at all—**stay home or take the SMART bus**. However, if driving is your only or best option, below are a few important tips to remember:

Before your trip

- Visit www.TripCheck.com or call 511 for up-to-date travel and road conditions.
- **Clear all snow and ice** from the vehicle windows and hood to improve visibility; take time to let the windshield de-fog in advance of driving.
- Make sure you have a **full tank of gas** before departing, especially when going up to the mountains.
- Ensure you **have an emergency kit** in your car in case you get stuck or stranded.

- **Carry chains** that fit your vehicle and practice chaining up ahead of time.
- **Leave early** and allow yourself enough travel time when going to work or to an appointment.

During your trip

- If you have to **install chains**, put them on in a **safe and level area**. Carry a **waterproof tarp** to keep dry when installing the chains and keep children and pets safe in your car to avoid distraction or injury. Shortly after installation, pull over in a safe place, **check and retighten the chains** to ensure they fit properly. Remember to pull over and stop immediately if any part of your chain fails or comes loose. Don't drive faster than 30 miles per hour when using chains.
- **Avoid spinning or locking your wheels** and accelerate and decelerate slowly, with or without chains.
- Always **leave enough room between you and the car in front of you**; leave at least one car length for every 10 miles per hour you are traveling.
- **Be alert to and prepared for black ice** as it can be difficult to see. If your vehicle has an outdoor temperature gauge, check it out periodically to see if temperatures are dropping down to freezing.
- If you have to pull over for any reason, **pull over on the right-hand shoulder** of the road and as far away from traffic as possible.
- **During nighttime** driving, your vision may be impaired slightly so **drive defensively and at a safe distance** from other vehicles.



Police Chief Rob Wurpes

I hope these inclement weather driving tips help you and your family have a safe and prosperous New Year.

Rob Wurpes, Chief of Police

See page 7 for a recap of new laws for Oregon drivers that take effect in 2018

Winter Weather Safety Tips

- Keep emergency supplies at home, work and in the car.
- Stay off roads during and after winter storms: travel only if necessary; keep your car gas tank full; let someone know your destination/route/arrival time.
- Prepare for power loss: check batteries in flashlights/ radios; use safe heating devices; only use generators in open areas away from windows and home to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Have a carbon monoxide alarm in place, especially if using alternative heating devices.
- Bring pets/companion animals inside and move livestock to sheltered areas with drinking water.
- Check on neighbors, before and after a storm to make sure they are okay.

What Size Is Our Police Department?

Lately one of the most frequent questions presented to me is, "How many officers do you have on staff?"

The Wilsonville Police Department has a total staff of 19 that is composed of 11 patrol officers, three sergeants, one School Resource Officer (SRO), one traffic motorcycle officer, one detective, one professional office staff and a chief of police. This year, we are adding one more officer to focus on traffic-safety issues. We have four different hourly shifts and varied days off to give us the best coverage 24 hours every day.

Additionally, through the partnership with the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, we have a full complement of extra law-enforcement services readily available that include incident reconstruction and forensic analysis, K9 unit, marine patrol, aircraft, search & rescue, SWAT and more.

Transit-Travel Training Available

Seniors and persons with disabilities in Sour RideWise program receive access to information, public transportation training, and support centered on the safe and independent use of public transportation.

- **Public transit info:** Information is sometimes all it takes to get someone traveling independently on transit. We are at the ready to provide support and knowledge over the phone.
- **Group transit trips:** Group trips are designed to help people feel comfortable with the transit system in a social, relaxed environment.
- **One-on-one travel training:** Personalized, hands-on experience using our regional transit system.

★ Call 503-682-7790 x1438 to speak directly with our onsite Travel Trainer, Sydney.

Community Bike Walk Map

An updated, free Wilsonville Community Bike and Walk map is available for pick up at various locations around town.

Get your copy today at City Hall, Community Center, Library, Park and Recreation building in Town Center Park or the Wilsonville Post Office.



SMART Transit Center/WES Commuter Rail Station
9699 SW Barber St
Mail: 29799 SW Town Center Loop E.
Office: 28879 SW Boberg Road
503-682-7790 • smart@ridessmart.com
www.RideSMART.com

Holiday Service Hours

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Monday, Jan. 15

Regular Bus Service
SMART offices closed

President's Day

Monday, Feb. 19

Regular Bus Service
SMART offices closed

Join Walk Smart indoors at the Community Center for 'Walk Fit' and get some indoor walking this winter. Come out of the cold, wet weather and enjoy a warm place to get some exercise.



In addition to having a walking course set up, Fitness Specialist Brad Moore is on-hand to lead those interested in group stretching and a few strength-building exercises.

All participants receive a free pedometer, compliments of Walk Smart. Join us on **Mon and Wed, Jan. 8 – March 21, 3-4 pm.**

Feliz Año Nuevo!

Do You Have a Healthy New Years Resolution? Walk More!

Perhaps you have set a goal to lose weight or become more active in 2018. There are many simple ways to incorporate physical activity into your day. Think transportation options!

Here are a few SMART ideas to help you reach your goal:

- **For shorter trips**, walk or bike: Riding your bicycle one hour per week could burn an extra 500 calories.
- **Ride the bus** or train: Recent studies show that transit commuters tend to be more active than automobile commuters are because they walk to and from their bus stops, adding more exercise to their routines.
- **Walk at lunch:** Go for a brisk 20-minute walk during your lunch break to recharge your batteries

and burn a few extra calories. Walking helps rev-up your metabolism and helps you feel more productive throughout your day. Generally, a 20-minute walk covers about one mile. Remember that every step counts. In the summer, join the SMART 'Walk at Lunch' program.



SMART 'Walk at Lunch' program participants get a move on in summer 2017.

City Prepares Winter Snow-and-Ice Removal Plan

Residents and Property Managers Required to Clear Sidewalks and Driveway Entrances

As winter weather moves in, the City's Public Works Department prepares to enact the snow-and-ice removal plan. The objective of the City's plan is to provide timely, efficient and cost-effective snow removal and ice control on key priority streets and sidewalks.

Road treatments include snow plowing and sanding. The City has chosen not to use anti-icing or de-icing chemicals on roadways due to environmental concerns and potential damage to vehicles and infrastructure.

During a major snow and ice event, Public Works crews may operate around the clock to ensure 24-hour coverage. The City has two trucks equipped with sanders and snow plows and additional walk-behind equipment for clearing sidewalks.

Similar to most Oregon cities, all Wilsonville property owners of residences and commercial/industrial facilities are required by law to clear snow and ice from their sidewalks and driveway approaches.

According to the plan, crews begin plowing roadways after approximately two inches of snow has accumulated. Snow plowing routes are shown on the adjacent map, where Priority 1 and 2 routes are kept

clear to provide a transportation system to connect essential facilities such as schools, fire stations, public-transit facilities and the police station. Priority 3 routes are cleared or sanded to provide secondary connectivity and mitigate known problem areas.

The intent of plowing and sanding key roads is to provide a reasonably safe traveling surface. Bare or dry pavement should not be expected. The City plows close to the road surface, but high enough to avoid damaging raised street-pavement markers and cross-walk flashers.

City maintained sidewalks are cleared to provide a minimum four-foot-wide travel surface. Removal of ice from sidewalks occurs upon accumulation; re-

moval of snow during the day follows within six hours after the snow stops falling. To help keep sidewalks clear, the City may apply a minimal amount of potassium chloride, calcium chloride or magnesium chloride product by hand or drop spreader.

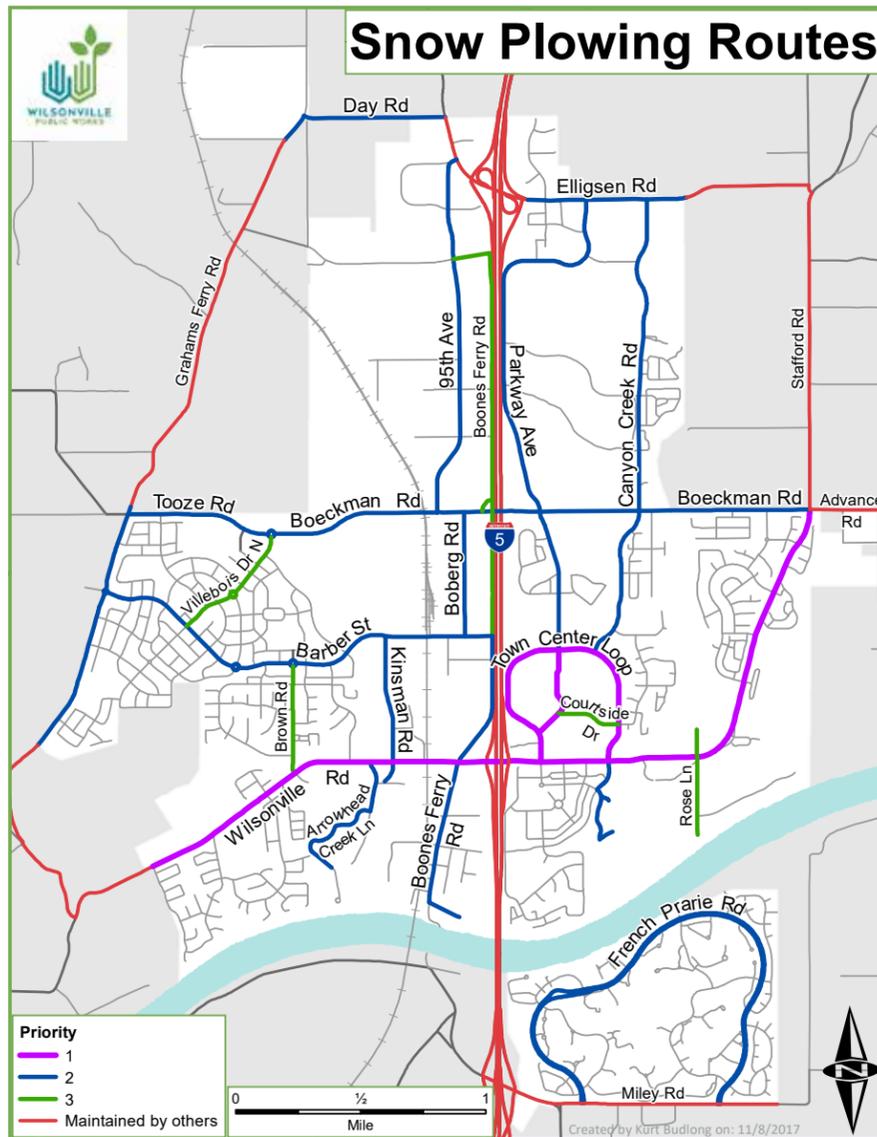
Residents of Wilsonville are requested to support the City's snow and ice plan to achieve the best possible results for the community. During snow events and winter storm conditions, please keep parked vehicles off the City's snow and sanding routes.

Similar to most Oregon cities, all Wilsonville property owners of residences and commercial/industrial facilities are required by law to clear snow and ice from their sidewalks and driveway approaches, according to City Code.

Snow and ice should never be heaped over catch basins or culvert pipe openings, which can then become clogged and result in localized flooding, unsafe driving conditions and potential property damage. The City recommends that residents along plowing routes clear their frontage after the City snow plow has traveled through the area.

The Oregonian newspaper reported on January 12 that, "if pedestrians slip and fall on sidewalks lining your property, you could be sued in civil court not only for their hospital bills,

but their pain and suffering. In reality, of the small batch of slip-and-fall lawsuits filed each year in the Portland area, almost all are against businesses — grocery stores, gas stations, business plazas — blamed for customers' falls in parking lots or on walkways that weren't shoveled, sanded or de-iced. Homeowners are hardly ever sued, but the possibility is still there."




WILSONVILLE PARKS & RECREATION

Administration Building: 29600 SW Park Place
 Parks Programs: 503-783-7529
 Community Center: 7965 SW Wilsonville Road
 503-682-3727
www.WilsonvilleParksandRec.com

Registration Now Open for Parks and Recreation Programs!

Registration for the Winter and Spring session of classes and programs is now open. Classes begin the first part of January, and many programs fill to capacity; so if you are interested, early registration is encouraged!

Activities for all ages can be viewed and registered for on-line at www.WilsonvilleParksandRec.com.

Reservations for park facilities are accepted starting in March.

Daddy Daughter Dance on Feb. 2 Features 'Under the Sea' Theme

Dads and father figures, grab that special girl and come out for this year's Daddy Daughter Dance. The event takes place on Friday, March 2, at the Community Center beginning at 7 pm. Themed as 'Under the Sea,' appropriate beach attire and mermaid outfits are encouraged.

This fun event sells-out every year, so don't wait to register! There are prize give-aways and a free photo booth.



Wilsonville Piecemakers Donate Quilts to Home-Delivered Meal Participants

This winter, the Wilsonville Piecemakers, a local quilting group overseen by Wilsonville Community Seniors, Inc., donated 20 quilts to participants of the Home-Delivered Meals program. Mindy Bergquist, member of the Piecemakers, said the group "puts love and thought into each of [their] quilts".



The Piecemakers have been active for over 20 years and give back to the community year-round in a variety of ways, including donating quilts, hats, scarves and more. The group also volunteers for the Nutrition Program's Congregate Meals. They graciously accept donations of quilting-weight cotton fabric, quilting notions, and sewing machines, as well as monetary donations.

The Home-Delivered Meals program provides weekday meals to home-bound seniors and persons who are disabled.

The Home-Delivered Meals program, which has been around for over 30 years, provides weekday meals to home-bound seniors and persons who are disabled. Many of the quilt recipients do not have family support, are bedridden, or otherwise in need.

Evie Proctor, Nutrition Coordinator, says the delivery drivers are like the "eyes and ears of the community." For some program participants, the volunteer drivers are the only people they see each day. Those interested in volunteering as a home-delivered meals driver may contact Evie at 503-570-1527. Monetary donations are also accepted for the Home-Delivered Meals program.

Upcoming Classes and Events

School's Out – Lets Go Fishing!
 Ages 8–12
 Monday, Jan. 15
 8:30 am–3 pm
 Mary S. Young Park
 \$65

Healthy Bones and Balance
 Ages 18+
 Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 Jan. 17–March 5
 (No class on Feb. 19)
 8:30 am–9:20 am
 Community Center
 \$59

The World of Altered Books
 Ages 18+
 Tuesdays
 Jan. 23–March 13
 10 am–12:00 pm
 Community Center
 \$55

Knitting Class – Leaf Scarf
 Ages 18+
 Wednesdays
 Jan. 17–March 7
 2–4 pm
 Community Center
 \$47

Town Center Planning Effort Hits Major Milestone

Joint City Council-Planning Commission Meeting Reviews Findings from Public Input Process and Community's Concept for Town Center

The Wilsonville Town Center Plan seeks to create a community-driven vision for the 100-acre Town Center area supported by strategic actions that can include new projects, policies, programs or partnerships. Led by the City Council-appointed Town Center Plan Task Force, a volunteer citizen panel composed of residents and area business managers, the plan is being developed by a project team staffed by City planners and consultants.

Project Background

In the first phase of the project that started a year ago, existing conditions, opportunities and constraints were identified while community outreach focused on establishing a vision and set of goals for Town Center. In the second phase, over the course of the summer, community-preference input established a concept for what future Town Center might look like.

During the summer, the project team brought forward initial design concepts to members of the public for their consideration and input at a number of venues, including a community design workshop, an online design survey, and an in-person design survey posted at the Library and presented at community events, including Rotary Summer Concerts, Kiwanis Kids Fun Run, Fun in the Park, Wilsonville Brewfest, and the City-sponsored Community Block Party.

The Town Center Plan Task Force met in October to review public input gathered over the summer and

evaluate emerging concepts and priorities from that feedback for future land use and activity centers that include more open-space and better connectivity in Town Center.

In November, the Planning Commission

had an opportunity to ask questions and provide input on draft Town Center community design concepts. This discussion provided a framework for a follow-up work session with the task force later in November. Discussion included evaluating the connections included in the design concept to ensure there are no missing active transportation connections and to consider how “green streets” can support auto traffic while being bike and pedestrian friendly.

The task force considered a range of topics to further refine potential land uses in the community design concept, including:

- The most desirable locations for developing first
- The best locations for key activity centers
- Appropriate building massing within the various subareas
- Importance of a proposed new intersection at Courtside Drive and Park Place
- Best balance of residential uses (e.g., quantity, location, types)
- Potential for a hotel/convention center
- Prospective commercial uses that should be limited or restricted

Public Design-Survey Results

Results of both in-person and online surveys of community members over the summer showed a

Preferred Building Styles for Town Center

Community members expressed preferences for various kinds of buildings in Town Center Plan surveys.

Mid-high rise condos



Glass, stone and stucco



Outdoor dining



number of building designs and street layouts favored by the public.

The most frequently selected buildings for preferred size were three-story structures, a four-story mid-rise condo and two-story stand-alone restaurant. The latter two buildings featured active outdoor dining areas, which has been a strong community preference throughout the Town Center planning process.

In terms of building materials, survey participants most frequently selected glass, stone and wood siding as the preferred building materials for Town Center. People did not prefer stucco. Overall survey respondents preferred natural or natural-looking building materials and earth-tone colors.

Community members most frequently indicated they prefer to see more restaurant options and outdoor-dining opportunities, including food carts, in Town Center. The public expressed a strong preference for the ability to experience intergenerational activities and play. People would like more and livelier public spaces and streetscapes.

Overall Themes Finding Public Support

Several themes emerged across the responses to all design survey platforms.

- Commercial-retail and restaurant uses received the most support. This echoes the community's interest in more restaurant choices in Town Center that has been a prominent theme repeated throughout the planning process.
- The public supports having mixed-use buildings, especially mixed-use retail and mixed-use office buildings. Ground-floor retail shopping with activated pedestrian spaces with wide sidewalks and seating areas was highly popular.
- Across buildings types and uses, buildings with public-gathering spaces were supported.
- Three-story building heights across building types and uses received consistent support. Some interest was expressed in two-story dining and four-story mixed-use multifamily residential buildings.
- Natural building materials—wood, stone and brick—and earthy colors are preferred.
- There is a strong interest in outdoor, year-round social and gathering spaces, especially outdoor dining.

Next Steps

The City Council and Planning Commission held a special joint meeting in December to review the project's progress to date and ask questions. Council and commission members agreed with the project team's assessment that “breaking-down some superblocks” of large parking lots with a grid network of roads would improve both traffic circulation and mobility for pedestrians and offer new development opportunities.

The result of all these discussions is formulated as the community's design concept for Town Center. In early 2018, the project team plans to present to the public a draft ‘Community Design Concept’ for Town Center in order to evaluate the concept and create a draft plan. The team needs to hear from the community: what did we get right? what did we miss? what else should change? With this public input, the community's concept sets the framework for the eventual Town Center Plan for Council adoption.

The \$420,000 Town Center Plan is funded primarily by a \$320,000 Metro community planning and development grant underwritten by a regional new-construction excise tax.

For more information, see the project website www.WilsonvilleTownCenter.com; or contact Miranda Bateschell, Planning Manager, at 503-570-1581, bateschell@ci.wilsonville.or.us.



WILSONVILLE TOWN CENTER PLAN

Question of the Month

Each month throughout the 18-month-long Wilsonville Town Center Plan initiative, the City is asking community members a Question of the Month. The questions are designed to gather feedback on a wide range of issues related to developing the plan that captures a community-driven vision and strategies to guide the development of Wilsonville's Town Center.

One of the community's concepts for Town Center is a main street. What two amenities would you prioritize for a future main street in Town Center?

1. Wider sidewalks
2. Outdoor seating / vendor space
3. Bike lanes
4. Wide planting and landscaping strip for street trees
5. On-street parking
6. Public street furniture / places to sit or gather

To share your feedback on the Question of the Month or to sign up for project updates and to get more information, visit www.WilsonvilleTownCenter.com or contact Miranda Bateschell, Planning Manager, at bateschell@ci.wilsonville.or.us or 503-570-1581.



Protect Local Waterways — Only Rain Down the Drain!

Have you seen these ‘Don't Pollute’ storm drain markers around town? Catch basins located along the street curbs collect rainwater and drain directly into local streams and the Willamette River.



Please contribute to the health of our local waterways and remember — Only Rain Down the Drain! If you see someone dumping something down a drain, please contact Sarah Sand, City of Wilsonville Stormwater Management Coordinator, at 503-570-1552; sand@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

City Council Approves Major Library Remodeling Project, New Pump Plans, and Old Town Residential Design Standards

During November and December, the Wilsonville City Council took action on a number of projects. The Council approved advancing a major remodeling project for the Public Library. Construction bids for the \$1.35 million project came in approximately \$200,000 over initial staff estimates, and include a completely upgraded heating-air conditioning-ventilation (HVAC) system and new furniture. The Library District of Clackamas County is contributing \$1 million to the project, with the balance of the remodeling costs originating from the City's general fund.

The Council authorized a \$492,000 contract with MurraySmith, Inc., for design of a replacement wastewater-systems pump station in Memorial Park that relocates the facility to a higher elevation away from the 100-year floodplain of the Willamette River. Previous FEMA floodplain maps had not identified the pump station location in the floodplain; however, the major 1996 Willamette River flooding event revealed that the facility was in the floodplain.

The Council conducted a second reading and adopted a new ordinance long in the works that guides design standards for single-family homes in the Old Town area of Wilsonville. The changes to City Code codify designs for new or remodeled homes that are compatible with the historical nature of the Old Town neighborhood, where a majority of residences were built prior to the 1970s. A slight modification of the

code approved by Council clarified that an applicant home-builder can either use the pre-approved Old Town design standards for faster approval or request a different design through the standard City development-review process.

The Council held a special joint work session with the Planning Commission to hear a report from the Town Center Plan Task Force presented by City planning staff and consultants; see page 6 for details.

The Council confirmed the appointment of Brandon Roben, Executive Director of the Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum, to the Tourism Promotion Committee.

Council members also met as board members of the City's Urban Renewal Agency and approved consulting with area taxing jurisdictions for a \$14.5 million increase in the Year 2000 Urban Renewal District's maximum indebtedness. The new funds are to help construct a long-term Transportation Systems Plan project for a proposed bridge on Boeckman Road that crosses the "dip" of Boeckman Creek; see page 8.

In work session, Public Works Director Delora Kerber presented on the proposed Willamette Water Supply Program (WWSP) Willamette Governance Group (WGG) Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA). This contract among various local governments governs management of the operations of the Willamette River raw-water intake and existing Water Treatment Plant, including setting minimum water allocations.

New Laws for Oregon Drivers Take Effect in 2018

In addition to passing a major transportation funding package, the 2017 Oregon legislature approved a handful of other laws that affect drivers and vehicle owners and take effect Jan. 1, 2018.

Crash Reporting

As of Jan. 1, drivers do not need to report a fender bender if the damage is under \$2,500. This is an increase from the \$1,500 threshold that had been in place since 2004. In recent years, many reports submitted to DMV because of the \$1,500 threshold have been for minor crashes, consuming staff time that would be better used for focusing on more serious incidents.

ODOT uses crash data to make informed decisions on how to prioritize engineering the safety of highway and road facilities, and to help provide focus for traffic enforcement resources. Raising the threshold helps focus crash data on incidents that involve fatalities, injuries and serious property damage.

Drivers must report a vehicle crash to DMV within 72 hours if:

- Damage to any vehicle is over \$2,500.
- Any vehicle is towed from the scene.
- Injury or death resulted from this incident.
- Damages to property other than a vehicle involved in the crash is more than \$2,500.

Registration Card Privacy

The owner of a vehicle may black-out or obscure the residence address, business address, mailing address or vehicle address shown on the registration card and on proof of insurance or other current proof of compliance carried in the vehicle. The legislation was developed in response to safety concerns if a vehicle is broken into while away from home or business.

New 'Move-Over' Law for Safety

Drivers are now required to move over to another lane or slow down by at least five miles an hour below the posted speed for any vehicle stopped next to the side of the road displaying hazard lights or other signs of distress. Under prior law, drivers have to move over (or if unable to move over safely, to slow down) only for an emergency vehicle, a roadside assistance vehicle, a tow vehicle or ambulance, when it is displaying warning lights.

The new law clarifies that drivers have a choice to comply by either moving over or slowing down by at least five miles an hour below the posted speed; and now the law applies when approaching any vehicle at the side of the road displaying hazard lights or distress signs. The offense remains a Class B traffic violation.

Between 2011 and 2015 in Oregon, there were 167 serious crashes and eight people died in incidents where a vehicle was parked on the side of the road and there was no emergency vehicle with lights on involved. During that same time frame, in incidents where an emergency vehicle with lights on was aiding a motorist, there were just six serious crashes and no fatalities.

Three-Wheel Vehicle Driver Testing

As of Jan. 1, a licensed Oregon driver will not need to take a drive test to receive an endorsement on their license to drive some three-wheeled motorcycles.

Under Senate Bill 36, this change applies only to three-wheeled vehicles that operate much like a four-wheeled car. The vehicles affected may be defined as motorcycles under Oregon law but are operated more like a car than a motorcycle – with a steering wheel instead of handlebars, for example.

For a comprehensive listing of changes to Oregon laws for drivers or for more information, see www.OregonDMV.com.

Funding Available for Tourism and Community Grant Programs

The Wilsonville Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for the Community Tourism and the Community Opportunity Grant Programs. There are separate deadlines for the two grant programs, each of which has distinct criteria.

The Community Tourism Grant Program

awards funds to organizations that produce projects, programs or events that promote local business and tourism, and for festivals and special events that draw visitors to Wilsonville. The Tourism Promotion Com-

mittee reviews requests and awards the grant funds.

The deadline for the Tourism Grant is Friday, Feb. 2. Funding for the program comes from the City's transient room taxes that are assessed on overnight lodging visitors. Deadlines for the Clackamas County tourism grant programs are to be announced shortly.



The popular Rotary Summer Concerts are funded in part by the Community Tourism Grant Program.

The **Community Opportunity Grant Program**, with funds distributed twice per year for a total of \$25,000, provides funding for a wide range of local programs and projects in Wilsonville. Funds for the Opportunity Grant program come from the City's general fund.

Successful applications for the Community Opportunity Grant program include proposals aimed at promoting education, diversity, arts or community involvement in the city. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board reviews requests and

awards grant funds. **Applications for the Community Opportunity Grant are due Friday, March 2.**

For more information, go online to www.WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/GrantPrograms; or contact Brian Stevenson, Program Manager, at 503-570-1523, stevenson@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

City Invites 'Community Enhancement' Project Nominations

The City is accepting suggestions from the public for project ideas that can enrich the community for funding by the Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Program. The relatively new program provides the community with an opportunity to advance a wide range of projects that otherwise might lack funding.

Funds may be used on a range of projects that seek to:

- Improve the appearance or environmental quality of the community.
- Reduce the amount or toxicity of waste.
- Increase reuse and recycling opportunities.
- Upgrade real or personal property owned or operated by a nonprofit.
- Preserve or enhance wildlife, riparian zones, wetlands and forest lands.
- Improve public awareness and the opportunities to enjoy and appreciate natural areas.
- Improve recreational areas and programs.
- Result in improvement in public safety.
- Benefit youth, seniors, low-income persons or underserved populations.

Anyone may nominate a project for consideration. While not designed as 'grant program,' projects may be nominated by a sponsoring organization that has the capacity to oversee and document implementation. Project nominations for the program are available online at www.ci.Wilsonville.or.us/

CommunityEnhancementProject and due by Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Nominations are reviewed for compliance with applicable laws and regulations, cost estimates and feasibility. Projects are advanced for consideration in the spring

to the Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Committee, which is composed of four community members, two City Council members and the Metro district Councilor.

Projects funded in 2017 include:

- Arts & Culture Survey/Strategic Plan: \$26,100
- Beauty & the Bridge Interpretive Signs: \$20,000
- Graham Oaks Nature Park Pedestrian-Crossing Safety Enhancement: \$20,000
- Electronic Sign and Community Reader Board at the Wilsonville Public Library: \$15,000
- Beauty & the Bridge Lighting Study/Design Project: \$10,000
- 2017 Community Health Fair: \$5,000
- Clackamas Community College – Wilsonville Campus Public Art Installation: \$4,000

For more information, contact Angela Handran, Assistant to the City Manager, at 503-570-1503; handran@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Community Enhancement Projects Submission Deadline

• **Wed, Jan 31**

Online @ www.ci.Wilsonville.or.us/CommunityEnhancementProject

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Museum Hosts New Exhibit

World of Speed Motorsports Museum features the new exhibit, “Andy Granatelli: A Life in Motorsports,” opening on Jan. 20 that explores the remarkable life of a man who achieved success beyond his wildest dreams.

Andy Granatelli started with a repair garage, and became a man who dined with heads of state and pop-culture titans. He challenged land-speed records at Bonneville Salt Flats and grew businesses like STP, but he will perhaps always be best known for his work promoting—and racing at—the Indianapolis “Indy” 500.

The museum hosts a sit-down session with Andy’s son, Vince, on the exhibit opening day, Saturday, Jan. 20, at 11 am.

World of Speed is open for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 15, and is located at 27490 SW 95th Avenue, Wilsonville. World of Speed is a nonprofit, membership organization that operates an educational motorsports museum, where historic race cars, boats and motorcycles tell the story of America’s motorsports culture and leadership role in the world of motorsports.

For more information, see www.worldofspeed.org.



Cub Scouts Collecting Used Christmas Trees on Saturday, Jan. 6

Local Cub Scout Pack 194 is collecting discarded Live Christmas trees on Saturday, Jan. 6, as a fundraiser. Trees may be left at the curbside by 8:30 am or at dropped-off 8:30 am–3 pm at the parking lots of Wilsonville City Hall or Wood Middle School.

Republic Services donates dumpsters and hauls the trees away for composting. A suggested minimum donation of \$15 per tree is requested; however, Scouts collect all trees regardless of the donation amount. Donations can be attached to the tree or mailed to Cub Scout Pack 194, 29030 SW Town Center Loop East, Suite 202, Wilsonville 97070.



Wilsonville Rotary’s 2018 ‘Heart of Gold’ Celebration Honors Volunteers and Community Service Projects

The 17th annual Wilsonville Rotary Club Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction is scheduled for Sat., March 3, at Wilsonville Holiday Inn.

Doors open and the silent auction begins at 5 pm, with the awards dinner and live auction following at 7 pm.

The theme for this year’s event is “Partners in Service,” recognizing that to be a successful community we must work together and support aspirations with action. The celebration dinner is ‘Western style,’ with cowboy and cowgirl attire most appropriate!

“The Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction is our annual celebration of Wilsonville’s great volunteers and

important service projects that benefit the city,” said Rotary Club president Tim Crowley. “We need the community’s help to identify the next deserving honoree who exemplifies what makes Wilsonville such a wonderful community in which to live and work.”

Tickets are \$60 per individual, \$120 per couple or \$480 per table of eight and are available for purchase online at www.wilsonvilleheart.com.

Every year, the Heart of Gold Celebration recognizes local volunteers, including one individual or couple who is chosen for Wilsonville’s highest volunteer honor — the First Citizen Award. The nomination process was held in December and finalists are to be announced in January.

The Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction celebrate Wilsonville’s volunteers and the Rotary’s many service projects, including:

- Wilsonville Chess Program for youth
- International service projects and End Polio Now
- Scholarships for local high school students

- Omelet Breakfasts at elementary and middle schools raise funds to support local education programs
- Wilsonville Rotary Summer Concerts
- Through A Child’s Eyes program

Since 2002, the Rotary Club has honored 21 ‘Wilsonville First Citizen’ recipients at the annual Heart of Gold celebration each winter; last year’s recipient was Mayor Tim Knapp.

For tickets to the event and more details visit www.WilsonvilleHeart.com.

Wilsonville Rotary Club Heart of Gold Dinner and Auction
Sat, March 3, 5-9 pm
Wilsonville Holiday Inn
25425 SW 95th Ave.



Urban Renewal Open House on Jan. 17 for Proposed Amendment to Fund ‘Boeckman Dip’ Bridge

The City is hosting an open house event on Wednesday, Jan. 17, 5-7 pm, at City Hall, 29799 SW Town Center Loop East, to present on the proposed Year 2000 Urban Renewal Plan amendment. The

Urban Renewal Open House
Wed, Jan 17, 5-7 pm
City Hall, 29799 SW Town Center Loop East

City’s Urban Renewal Agency seeks to increase the Plan’s maximum indebtedness by \$14.5 million to help finance the ‘Boeckman Dip’ Bridge, a major transportation project located on Boeckman Road just east of Canyon Creek Road.

The project upgrades a section of Boeckman Road that crosses Boeckman Creek to urban-design standards and to serve all travel modes. Today, the steep vertical curves and narrow width present safety concerns due to limited site distance and incomplete bike and pedestrian facilities. The bridge becomes more important community connection as the Frog Pond area develops.

For more information on the Year 2000 Urban Renewal Plan amendment, contact Jordan Vance, Economic Development Manager, at 503-570-1539; vance@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

City Calendar

JANUARY

1 Mon	• City Offices Closed - Holiday
2 Tue	• Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
4 Thur	• City Council 5 pm - Work Session 7 pm - Meeting City Hall
6 Sat	• Cub Scout Pack 194 Scouting for Trees 8:30 am, City Hall Parking Lot, Wood Middle School, or Your Curb. \$15 suggested donation; see page 8
8 Mon	• DRB Panel A 6:30 pm, City Hall
10 Wed	• Planning Commission 6 pm, City Hall • Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc. Advisory Board 1-3 pm, Wilsonville Community Center
11 Thur	• Park and Recreation Advisory Board 4:30 pm, Park and Rec Admin Building
15 Mon	• City Offices Closed - Holiday
16 Tue	• Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
17 Wed	• Open House for Year 2000 Urban Renewal Area amendment for Boeckman Dip Bridge project, 5 pm, City Hall • Wilsonville Citizens Academy 6 pm, City Hall
18 Thur	• City Council 5 pm - Work Session 7 pm - Meeting City Hall
22 Mon	• DRB Panel B 6:30 pm, City Hall
24 Wed	• Library Board Meeting 6:30 pm, Wilsonville Library
30 Jan	• Tourism Promotion Committee 1 pm, City Hall

FEBRUARY

5 Mon	• City Council 5 pm -Work Session 7 pm - Meeting City Hall
6 Tue	• Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
12 Mon	• Special Joint Meeting: City Council and West Linn Wilsonville School District Board 5:00 pm, City Hall • DRB Panel A 6:30 pm, City Hall
13 Tue	• Tourism Promotion Committee 1 pm, City Hall
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All dates and times are tentative; check the City’s online calendar for schedule changes at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Wilsonville City Council

The City Council usually convenes on the first and third Monday of the month at City Hall, with work session generally starting at 5 pm and meeting at 7 pm. Meetings are broadcast live on Comcast/Xfinity Ch. 30 and Frontier Ch. 32 and are replayed periodically. Meetings are also available to stream live and by video-on-demand at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV. Public comment is welcome at City Council meetings.



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