

# The Boones Ferry Messenger

Monthly newsletter of the City of Wilsonville

January 2021





Julie Fitzgerald, pictured at left celebrating her granddaughter's first birthday, is scheduled to be sworn in on Jan. 4 as the ninth mayor of Wilsonville. The Villebois resident previously served on the City Council, 2013-16, (above, immediately right of Mayor Tim Knapp).

## Wilsonville's Ninth Mayor is Eager to Get Started

Politics runs in her family, which may explain why Julie Fitzgerald already seemed eminently comfortable and confident weeks before stepping into her new role as the ninth Mayor of Wilsonville.

Between Election Day and her scheduled swear-in ceremony on Jan. 4, Fitzgerald had already met with several City departments, interviewed more than 20 candidates for City boards and commissions, and attended the community listening session on Diversity Equity and Inclusion. She's eager to hit the ground running.

"It may sound trite," Fitzgerald said, "but I really love Wilsonville. I want to be a part of maintaining our reputation as a great place to live during a period that's probably going to include a lot of growth and a lot of change."

#### **A Career in Community Building**

Her father served as a County Commissioner in southern Oregon (who twice ran for a U.S. Congressional seat). Her early memories include helping to place campaign signs for a candidate her father was supporting.

"My family was always active in the community," remembers Fitzgerald. "We need a new 4-H building? Great, we'll have a fund-raiser, let's get to work! It's kind of in my blood."

Nevertheless, she harbored no political aspirations

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as a child. Those seeds were sown later, not long after Fitzgerald graduated from Oregon State University with a degree in Animal Science. She was back home, in Curry County, managing the

family's 1,000-head sheep ranch.

"I had learned that if we could raise \$5,000, a public radio transmitter would be installed," remembers Fitzgerald, who stepped up to lead those efforts.

She organized a fund-raiser at an ornate beach home on the Oregon Coast.

"In each room we'd play a different Public Radio feature. We we got some sponsors, we raised all the money and they put the transmitter in. That was where I really learned that you can affect change."

That success foreshadowed a successful career as a fund-raiser that began not long after she started a family of her own.

"After my first child was born, I realized that once you paid the baby sitter it no longer paid off to run a sheep ranch," she said.

During a career in fund-raising, Fitzgerald has led significant efforts in Oregon's charitable sector to support education, health care, and conservation. She is currently Executive Director of the Oregon Zoo Foundation, after previously holding positions at The Nature Conservancy, OHSU Foundation, Oregon 4-H Foundation and Silverton Hospital Foundation.

#### In Love with Wilsonville

She and her husband Bob Renfro, a retired librarian, moved to Wilsonville in 2007. They were living in Southeast Portland when Julie paid a visit to a childhood friend living in Wilsonville.

"I called my husband, and said 'this city is really neat. You've got to come see this neighborhood!," she said of Villebois, the neighborhood they now call home.

Fitzgerald successfully ran for City Council in 2012, and enjoyed the experience. She didn't seek re-election in 2016 because her work for the Nature Conservatory at that time required frequent out-of-state travel.

"Time has passed, and my current job is locally-based," Fitzgerald said. "Even before COVID, this job didn't require travel, and so I found this to be a good time for me to take this on."

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#### Mayor's Message

## **Leading Includes Listening to a City of Diverse Perspectives**

Happy New Year, Wilsonville, and best wishes for a prosperous year that we all hope includes opportunities to gather safely among friends and family, unobscured smiles and the other simple joys we took for granted a year ago.

I enter 2021 hopeful, eager to begin my work as mayor, and grateful for the opportunity with which you have entrusted me. I am committed to leading with innovation, inclusiveness, resilience, and the desire to strengthen our local economy for the benefit of residents and business operators.



Our community already has so many wonderful amenities in place, a tribute to decades of tireless work by many visionaries among our residents, businesses, schools and City staff. I am appreciative to all who have lifted our city to where it stands today; like many residents, I felt compelled to move to Wilsonville after one visit.

I commend Mayor Tim Knapp for 12 years of guidance and well-planned growth. Effective leadership requires thoughtful collaboration. For Wilson-ville's good fortune to continue, we must maintain and pursue an active role in our regional and state governments.

We must also rely on a diverse cross section of community stakeholders to ensure a great future for Wilsonville. Join the public process — attend meetings and town halls, submit comments, complete surveys, apply to join our committees, boards, commissions and task forces. Don't take for granted those things you love about Wilsonville.

In recent years, our community-led process has made possible the future transformation of Town Center, our strategic plan to develop more equitable housing opportunities, a strong business sector, our Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy, a growing network of parks and more. A new plan to ensure that diversity, equity and inclusion are woven into the fabric of our community is also underway.

I'm enthused about our progress, and look forward to working with our City Councilors, City staff and with you to build on our successes and ensure that Wilsonville remains a strong, safe, clean, welcoming city that we — and future generations — are proud to call home.

Please join me in this continued commitment to a thriving, resilient and welcoming Wilsonville. I look forward to working with you.

Julie Fitzgerald, Mayor







### After 17 Years of Service, A Fond (and Wet!) Farewell to Mayor Knapp

Outgoing Mayor Tim Knapp and his wife, Melodee, greeted well-wishers at a drive-thru farewell event at the Wilsonville Community Center in mid-December. The list of visitors paying their respects was long; it included his successor, Julie Fitzgerald (at right). Knapp concluded 17 years on the City Council — the last 12 as mayor — on Dec. 31.

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## Fitzgerald Eager to Begin

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One goal, on which she campaigned, is to involve more people in City government. She wants the voices she's hearing to reflect the community at-large.

"I noticed when I was on council before that when we were looking for input from people, it would routinely be the same people," Fitzgerald said. "It takes quite a bit to drive down to City Hall and sit there for three hours, or even for one hour, and it can feel daunting."

She hopes eventually to host informal neighborhood meetings, using a

"peer-to-peer" approach to make government more accessible to more people, and to generate new ideas.

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Fitzgerald recognizes the City's park system, library and schools as strengths that make Wilsonville a desirable place to live. She also sees the importance of mitigating the physical barriers that divide residents —

The Boones Ferry Messenger isn't

the first publication to feature

Fitzgerald on its cover.

I-5 and the Willamette River — and of continuing to advocate for any project that can address the Southbound traffic bottleneck at the Boone Bridge.

"I want to get to know more people, involve a greater diversity of people, and contribute to the future success of our city as a great place for people to live, work and play."

## **Council Hears Array of Ideas in Open Conversation About Inclusion**

ast month, the City took an important step toward developing a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) plan that provides meaningful, actionable and sustainable strategies to support a more inclusive community.

The City hosted a two-hour 'listening session.' This open

conversation

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-Julie Fitzgerald

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forum, attended by about 60 community members, provided an opportunity for people to share their experiences as Wilsonville residents and advocate for steps to address barriers to inclusion.

The meeting was attended by the entire City Council, incoming Mayor Julie Fitzgerald, as well Wilsonville Police Chief Robert Wurpes and several members of City staff.

"I found it to be a an open and welcoming conversation with a diversity of experiences, observations,

ideas and hopes," Fitzgerald said. "We know that change "I found it to be a an is needed." open and welcoming

Moderating the discussion was Bill de la Cruz, a DEI facilitator who has been retained by the City to oversee the long-term collaboration between the City and the community to develop a plan that ensures Wilsonville

is a place where every resident, worker and visitor feels valued and has an equal opportunity to thrive.

Speakers shared several anecdotal experiences, both positive and negative, about how they experience life in Wilsonville. Several participants advocated for ideas that might bring the community closer and eliminate barriers to inclusion. Generally, the recommendations fit with the following themes:

• Development of a community Task Force to advocate for under-represented individuals and commu-

- Increased Representation, Diversity on City Boards
- Consistent City communication to brand Wilsonville as an inclusive com-
- More Inclusive Cultural Events, Celebrations & Holiday Recognitions
- Education to the Broader Community (addressing micro-aggressions, etc.)
- Opportunities for DEI Advocates to Network and Work More Efficiently Together

At the conclusion of the meeting, each elected official reflected on what they had heard, and underlined their commitment to continuing to work toward a more inclusive community.

"As one participant challenged us, we must think about what we can do to communicate inclusion every day, and bridge to all communities in our city," Council President Kristin Akervall said.

The City's commitment to DEI was first formalized in 2017 with the passage of Resolution 2626, declaring Wilsonville as "an inclusive City that has and will continue to welcome the collective contributions of all persons, honoring and respecting people of every race, color, national origin, immigration or refugee status, heritage, culture."

In collaboration with de la Cruz and several DEI advocates within the community, the City is expected to identify and announce next steps this month.

"When Wilsonville exemplifies an inclusive, welcoming community, it will be because each one of us walks the walk and talks the talk every day," Fitzgerald

Community members are invited to visit LetsTalk-Wilsonville.com/DEI to find a link to the listening session or to contribute their own experiences and ideas to aide the City's DEI planning efforts.

For more information, contact Zoe Monahan, Assistant to the City Manager, 503-570-1505, monahan@ ci.wilsonville.or.us.



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## Happy New Year!

#### **January Service Interruptions**

SMART transit services are not provided on the following days in January.

Friday, Jan. 1: New Year's Day Monday, Jan. 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

#### Take SMART to Medical Appointments

SMART's Medical Shuttle, made possible by a State of Oregon grant, runs hourly, 8:30 am-3:30 pm, each weekday (except holidays). The free shuttle goes from the Wilsonville Community Center to Tualatin Legacy Meridian Park Medical Plaza, and offers connections to TriMet destinations. The bus can do pre-scheduled pick-ups and drop-offs. Call our dispatch team at 503-682-7790

Wilsonville hasta Tualatin Legacy Meridian Park Medical Plaza, de lunes a viernes (excepto días feriados). Actualmente, el transbordador comienza a las 8:30 a.m. y su última salida de Wilsonville es a las 3:30 p.m. El servicio de transporte está disponible para todos de forma gratuita y ofrece conexiones a TriMet para destinos adicionales. El autobús puede desviarse de la ruta para hacer recogidas y devoluciones para los viajes programados con nuestro equipo de despacho. Llame al 503-682-7790.

El Transporte Médico de SMART, que fue posible

gracias a una subvención del estado de Oregón,

se realiza cada hora desde el Centro Comunitario





PUBLIC LIBRARY

8200 SW Wilsonville Road 503-682-2744 WilsonvilleLibrary.org

#### **Library Closures in January**

The Library remains open limited hours, and is also observing the following holiday closures:

Friday, Jan. 1 Tuesday, Jan. 19

To renew items online, select "My Account" on the Library website, or call our automated phone service at 503-659-8634.

WilsonvilleLibrary.org.

## **English Conversation Group**

The English Conversation Group (ECG) is a friendly, informal conversation circle where nonnative speakers can practice speaking English on Mondays (6-7:30 pm) and Saturdays (9:30-10:30 am).

The groups are meeting via Zoom. Email ecg@wilsonvillelibrary.org or call 503-570-1582 to receive a meeting invitation.

WilsonvilleLibrary.org/ESL

#### **Youth Programs Are Back**

Join our Youth Services librarians for our weekly online programs starting Jan. 4.

"Spanish Read-Alouds for Niños" premieres on Mondays at 10:30 am on YouTube.

"Toddler and Baby Time LIVE" streams on Tuesdays at 10:30 am (YouTube, Zoom). "Storytime LIVE" streams on Thursdays at

10:30 am (YouTube, Zoom). WilsonvilleLibrary.org/storytime

### Jan. 6 PROFILES: "Dinosaurs Among Us"

Go on a journey through time to discover how some of the great dinosaurs not only possessed feathers but survived the great asteroid extinction of 66 million years ago and evolved into modern birds.



Presented by Dr. Bill Thierfelder. Wednesday, Jan. 6, 11 am-12:30 pm Sign up to receive the Zoom meeting code: WilsonvilleLibrary.org/classes

> Check out our online programming! YouTube.com/CityofWilsonville WilsonvilleLibrary.org

## **Future Employment Center in Coffee Creek Area Secures First Development Project**

The Coffee Creek Logistics Center, a 110,000-square-foot industrial building, is set to break ground early this year. Upon completion, this state-of-the-art, Class A industrial building would become the first structure built in Wilsonville's planned Coffee Creek Industrial Area

"Coffee Creek Logistics Center fills an urgent need for industrial space in the southwest submarket of the Portland metropolitan area," said City Community Development Director, Chris Neamtzu, noting the area's lack of available large, industrial square footage. "New construction and freeway accessibility make for an appealing site."

Panattoni Development of Tacoma, Wash., plans to finish construction by the end of 2021. Commercial real-estate services firm CBRE is marketing the Coffee Creek Logistics Center to users in the e-commerce, food and beverage distribution, building materials and supply, light manufacturing and assembly industries. CBRE expects brisk interest in the site.

Developing Coffee Creek has been a City initiative nearly two decades in the making.

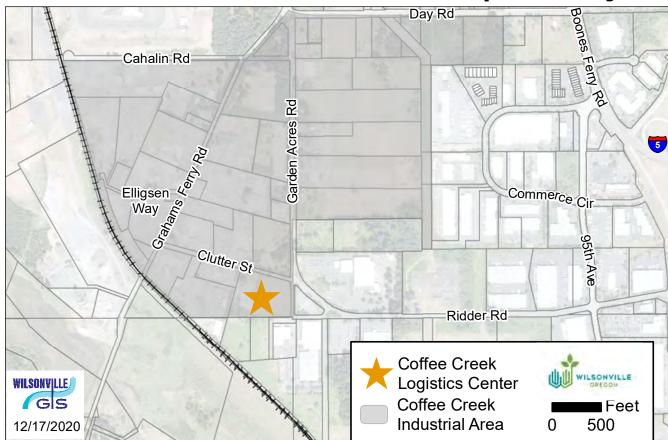
"The City Council worked in a financially-responsible manner to establish one of the region's major new employment centers," says former Mayor Tim Knapp. "It's encouraging to see the fruits of those efforts."

To attract private-sector investment at Coffee Creek,

Initial plans estimate Coffee Creek accommodating up to 1,800 new jobs with an annual payroll in excess of \$98 million. the City sought to designate the area for industrial use in 2002, created an area master plan in 2007, and established an urban renewal area in 2015 to advance the supporting infrastructure.

A significant investment in improvements to Gar-

den Acres Road — the main thoroughfare running through the heart of the district — is nearing completion, providing concrete pavement, wider travel lanes,



protected bicycle and pedestrian facilities and darksky roadway lighting to create safe and reliable access to the area.

This infrastructure improvement paves the way for the development of multiple properties. The City projects that the Coffee Creek Logistics Center may entice more private investment, increasing the assessed value of the urban renewal district from \$62 million to \$790 million over the course of a projected 20-year life.

With this development could come substantial employment growth. Initial plans estimate Coffee Creek accommodating up to 1,800 new jobs with an annual payroll in excess of \$98 million. Because industrial

sector lease and vacancy rates have remained stable, this development could be insulated from the economic uncertainty around the COVID-19 pandemic

"With the economic turmoil and increasing unemployment over the past year, this is an exciting development to advance new family-wage jobs in Wilsonville," Mayor Julie Fitzgerald said.

"Wilsonville has invested significant time and money in planning and infrastructure delivery for Coffee Creek to be ready for opportunities such as these," added City Manager Bryan Cosgrove. "We are grateful to Panattoni Development for choosing Coffee Creek Industrial Area to locate this significant investment."

#### **POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER**

#### Hitting the Road? Take Precautions and Remain Focused

Recently, I took a road trip to eastern Oregon. On the drive back, the road was covered in snow and the air was extremely foggy.

Because I could barely see, it took a second for me to register that two sets of headlights were coming at me, both from my lane and the opposing lane.

Fortunately, the driver who thought it was a good idea to pass in these conditions barely got back into her lane before causing

Police Chief Rob Wurpes

a head-on collision. Thankfully, I was driving well under the speed limit.

This near miss was a stark reminder for me about the dangers of driving in inclement weather (and about other peoples' poor driving habits). It made me think that now may be a good time to share some tips if you find yourself driving in poor winter conditions.

Of course, the best driving tip in bad weather is to not drive at all — stay home or take public transit. When it becomes necessary, SMART transit buses are

chained to deliver you safely.

If driving is your best or only option, here are a few inclement weather driving tips for you to remember.

- Visit TripCheck.com for up-to-date travel and road conditions.
- Clear all snow and ice from the vehicle windows and the hood to improve visibility and allow your vehicle to warm up.
- Make sure you depart with a full tank of gas.
- 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. Seriously! Try it in your driveway before you actually need to do it in really bad weather.
- Leave early and allow yourself enough travel time when going to work or an appointment.
- If you have to install chains, put them on in a safe and level area. Carry a waterproof tarp to keep dry, and keep children and pets safe in your car to avoid distraction and injury.
- Shortly after installation, pull over in a safe place

to check and re-tighten your tire chains to ensure they fit snuggly. Pull over and stop immediately if any part of your chain fails or comes loose.

- Consider studded or snow tires.
  - Don't drive faster than 30 miles per hour when using chains. Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Avoid spinning or locking your wheels.
  - Always leave enough room between you and the car in front of you — leave at least one car length for every ten miles per hour you are traveling and even more in adverse conditions.
- Be alert to and prepared for black ice, which can appear suddenly at any time.
- If you have to pull over, use the right-hand shoulder of the road and as far from traffic as possible.
- When driving at night, your vision may be impaired; drive defensively and at a safe distance.
- Report drivers who appear to be intoxicated immediately by calling 911.

I hope these inclement weather driving tips help your family enjoy a safe, prosperous new year.

Robert Wurpes, Chief of Police

## TVF&R Provides A Few Tips to Lead You Into a Safer 2021

With the New Year underway, now is a great time to resolve to take a few common sense personal and home safety steps that can help carry you and your family safely into and



through 2021. A little preparation could also save you time and money by eliminating winter-related damage to your home or business.

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue firefighters see an increase in outdoor-related injuries around the beginning of each year. To minimize your risk of personal injury, keep these things in mind:

- Be extra careful to avoid slipping on icy surfaces around your home; use kitty litter or sand to increase traction.
- Dress appropriately for outdoor activity; dress in layers with hats, gloves, and waterproof boots.

- Be aware of the windchill factor, which can often lower the temperature by several degrees.
- Avoid traveling when the weather service issues storm advisories.
- If you must travel, make sure someone knows where you are going, what time you expect to arrive, and the route you plan to take.
- Pack extra water, food, blankets, and clothing in case of an unexpected emergency or delay.

Here are a few recommended steps to improve the safety of your home this winter.

- Have your home heating system serviced professionally to make sure it is clean, working properly, and ventilated to the outside.
- If you are heating with wood, inspect and clean fireplaces and chimneys.
- Always discard ashes in a metal container away from combustible materials.
- Check your smoke alarms to ensure they are working properly.

• Prevent carbon monoxide (CO) emergencies by installing a CO alarm in your home.

In addition to fires, TVF&R crews respond to other emergencies that cause severe damage to homes and businesses.

For the past several winters, TVF&R firefighters have responded to hundreds of calls about frozen water pipes that burst and began flowing water. Businesses and homeowners suffered thousands of dollars in damage because they didn't know how to stop the water from flowing.

We recommend you take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the water shut off for your home/ business if you haven't done so already.

During region-wide weather events, first responders must prioritize their response to life-safety incidents.

Knowing how to shut off your water and calling a professional can prevent significant damage to your home. Also, insulate exposed water pipes in the garage and cover outdoor water spigots.

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

#### Wilsonville Town Center Streetscape Planning Now Underway

A project to develop the vince.

Town Center Streetscape Plan got underway in November with two public

About 15 community members joined City staff, the Planning Commission and the City Council, providing valuable feedback that included support for covered gathering spaces, using local materials, planting lowmaintenance native trees and prioritizing pedestrian travel.

Afterward, the project team gathered additional input from the Planning Commission, which was supportive of the initial direction and provided guidance on three initial concepts that were presented.

Now, the project team is now refining the concepts with the intention of returning to the Planning Commission and City Council in the Spring of 2021.

The intent of a streetscape plan is to establish design guidelines for sidewalks and streets, including items such as street furniture, lighting fixtures, landscaping, public art placement and pavement design. The completed plan creates a distinct look and feel for Town Center streets. Over time, the new streetscape will be critical in foster-

ing a strong sense of place for residents, employees

Project managers are still seeking ideas and inspiration for streetscape elements. To share your ideas and receive project updates, visit LetsTalkWilsonville. com/Streetscape

For more information on the Wilsonville Town Center Streetscape Plan, contact Philip Bradford, Associate Planner, 503-570-1623, pbradford@ci.wilsonville.

#### \$80,000 in Grant Relief Approved to Aid Dine-In Restaurant Operators

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m ecognizing}$  the devastating effect of the COV-ID-19 crisis on local restaurant operators, the City Council approved a temporary \$80,000 grant program in December to help compensate local restaurateurs.

The Restaurant Relief Program includes larger grants (about \$2,100) for full-service sit-down restaurants with wait staff, where an order is taken, delivered to the table and tables are bused. Smaller grants (about \$900) were awarded to general take-out, self-service restaurants where diners order at a counter, sit at a table or take-out and are not served by wait staff.

"Developed by City Economic Development staff with input from the Chamber of Commerce and City Council, the program was provided with sufficient funds to award grants to every restaurant in Wilsonville with the exception of high-volume fast-food operators and food carts.

## **Notable Actions: City Boards and Commissions**

City Council	Action	What it Means
Dec. 7	The Council adopted a resolution to provide \$80,000 in relief to local restaurant operators.	Grants of up to \$2,000 are being distributed to help local dine-in restaurants compensate for the loss of business during the pandemic.
Dec. 7	The City Council supported a resolution declaring Dec. 15, 2020, "Mayor Tim Knapp Day."	The move honors the outgoing mayor, who served the community for the greater part of two decades before his term ended in December.
Dec. 7	The City adopted a rate review of solid- waste franchisee Republic Services	For a second year in a row, the City Council is holding steady garbage and recycling collection/disposal rates.
Dec. 7	The Council adopted a resolution establishing by-laws for the Kitakata Sister Advisory Board.	The action allows for greater structure, consistency and financial stability to cultivate the 32-year sister city relationship with Kitakata City, Japan.
Dec. 7	The City's Local State of Emergency was extended until Feb. 2, 2021.	This action provides latitude for the City to continue to coordinate an effective response to COVID-19 by redirecting funding for emergency use as needed,
Dec. 7	The Council approved the re-appointment of Jean Svadlenka to the Development Review Board (Panel A).	This month, Svadlenka begins a new two-year term that continues through December 2022.
Nov. 16	The City Council adopted the Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy.	The move advances the City's aspirations for a more vibrant cultural scene.
Nov. 16	On second reading, the City Council adopted amendments to the City's Transportation System Plan	This update incorporates new projects from the adopted 2019 Wilsonville Town Center Plan, including upgrades of arterial streets and the development of infrastructure to support cyclists and pedestrians.
Nov. 16	The Council affirmed Development Review Board Resolution No. 382, authorizing the construction of a six-unit townhome in Old Town	After voting to call-up this resolution to gain an understanding of the DRB's case file and decision, the Council heard a staff report and voted to affirm the DRB's decision
Nov. 16	The Council adopted a resolution acknowledging results of a readiness assessment completed at the future Coffee Creek Industrial Area.	The action enables the City to consider recommended innovations and best practices designed to hasten commercial/industrial development in Coffee Creek.

#### Community Enhancement Project: Funding Nominations Due Jan. 29

The Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Program (CEP) is accepting project applications until Jan. 29. Each year, the program funds projects nominated by community members and recommended by the Community Enhancement Committee.

To learn more about the program, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/bc-mce or contact Zoe Monahan, Assistant to the City Manager, at monahan@ ci.wilsonville.or.us.



post-holiday message from Wilsonville Com-Lmunity Sharing, a non-profit serving people in Wilsonville experiencing hunger, homelessness

Dear Friends of Wilsonville, As the holiday season comes to a close, Wilsonville Community Sharing would like to thank the City of Wilsonville, the businesses and the individuals who have so generously donated to further our mission.

It has been a difficult year for many in our community, and your generosity is greatly appreciated. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, our employees have re-organized our delivery of services to continue to reach those in need.

With the help of the City, we've been able to expand our programs to provide some help with utility bills and rental expenses. Additionally, our Food Bank Coordinator and Referral Specialist work to connect people with a wide variety of resources locally and beyond.

We thank you for supporting our mission of eliminating hunger, empowering opportunity and restoring dignity to those we serve.

Board Members, Wilsonville Community Sharing.



WilsonvilleParksandRec.com

Parks & Rec Administration 29600 SW Park Pl. 503-783-7529

**Community Center** 7965 SW Wilsonville Rd. 503-682-3727



#### **Visit Our New Park Play Structure**

When you visit the Park at Merryfield, don't forget to check out the new play equipment!

#### **Make Valentines for COVID-19 Heroes**

Wilsonville Parks and Recreation invites you to join us in creating Valentine's Day cards for Frontline Health Care Workers and Senior Caregivers. Beginning Jan. 11, come by the Parks and Rec Admin Building (29600 SW Park Place) to pick up your DIY Valentine's Card Kit, Monday-Friday, 8 am to 5pm. Return your card by Friday, Feb. 5, so we can get it out to these brave and deserving Valentines.

#### Join the Hunt for Cupid's Hearts

On Tuesday, Feb. 2, eight red hearts are being hidden throughout Wilsonville, where they will remain until Feb. 11. Clues to the locations of "Cupid's Hearts" are going to be posted to our Facebook (@WilsonvilleParksandRec) and Instagram (@wvparksandrec) channels throughout the hunt.

Anyone who finds at least five of the eight hearts before the Feb. 12 drawing is being entered to win a kid's Valentine's basket valued at \$50; simply show proof by sending photos to Recreation Coordinator Erica Behler at CupidsHearts@ci.wilsonville.or.us by Feb. 11. Winners will be announced on social media.

#### **Upcoming Classes** and Events:

#### Offices Closed:

Jan. 1 (New Year's Day) Jan. 18 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

#### Pick up Valentine's Day Car Kits

Continues through Feb.5 Weekdays, 8 am-5 pm Parks and Rec. Admin Return all cards by Feb. 5

#### The Hunt for Cupid's Hearts Continues through Feb. 11 Get clues on Instagram, Facebook

Field and Shelter Rentals Open

#### For residents: March 8 For non-residents: March 15

Visit our website for more info:

WilsonvilleParksandRec.com

## Wilsonville 2021 Recycling Guide



## In your **Recycling Container**

Plastic bottles, jugs and round containers



Paper, cardboard, cartons, etc.



Empty and rinse all containers. Flatten cardboard. When in doubt, throw it in the garbage.

**Recycling Depots** 

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## In your Glass Container

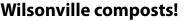


## In your Yard Debris Cart

Leaves, flowers, grass, weeds, tree and shrub trimmings

Less than four inches in diameter and 36 inches in length.

No lumber.



Meat, fish, bones Eggs, dairy, baked goods Fruits and vegetables Spoiled food, table scraps

Food-soiled paper

ci.wilsonville.or.us/composting



## **RECYCLING Drop-Off Locations**

COVID-19 Notice: Call site for COVID policies, to confirm materials are still accepted, and inquire about fees. CLACKAMAS





Scrap Metal / Meta

no lead

Styrofoam™& #6 plastics





locations.

## **Deposit Containers**

Return to BottleDrop Centers, retailers or grocery stores

#### Fred Meyer

30300 SW Boones Ferry Rd., Wilsonville

8255 SW Wilsonville Rd., Wilsonville

bottledropcenters.com



#### **Paints and Stains**

Drop off for free at PaintCare locations

#### **Sherwin-Williams**

19390 SW 90th Ct., Tualatin

#### **Sherwin-Williams**

20673 SW Roy Rogers Rd., Sherwood

paintcare.org



## **Plastic Bags and Wrap**

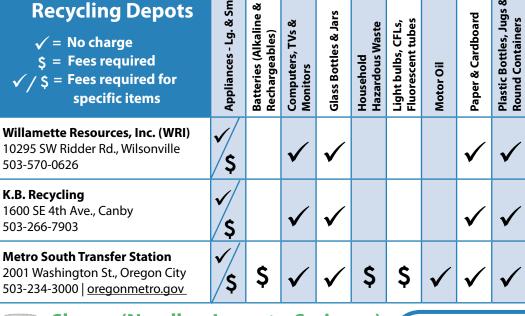
Drop off for free at participating retail locations

#### Fred Meyer

30300 SW Boones Ferry Rd., Wilsonville

25925 SW Heather Pl., Wilsonville

plasticfilmrecycling.org





#### **Sharps (Needles, Lancets, Syringes)**

Check with your local pharmacy about joining a pharmacy container exchange program, or take to Metro South's Hazardous Waste Facility.



#### **Prescription Medications**

Take medications to a free

**Wilsonville Police Department** 

<u>ClackamasProviders.org/drug-take-back-boxes</u>

## **New Recycling Services**

**Residential Food Scraps Composting** Include food scraps in your yard debris cart

### **WRI Now Accepts Polystyrene (#6) Plastics**

Bagged block Styrofoam<sup>™</sup>, no "peanuts." Location info above.

Sign up for Service Day Reminders and Alerts at:

www.clackamas.us/recycling/garbage/company.html

Drug Take Back Box.

30000 SW Town Center Lp E, Wilsonville

### **Tips for Better Service**

- Place carts 2-3 feet apart and away from parked cars, hanging branches, etc.
- Villebois: carts must be placed at arterial roads, not in alleys
- Multifamily communities: do not block garbage enclosures

### **Look for Wilsonville's Special Garbage Days:**

- "Bulky Waste Day" in Spring & Fall
- "Fall Leaf Collection Day" in Nov.
- "Hazardous Waste Day" in Sept.

#### **More Information**

#### **Customer Service:**

Republic Services 503-981-1278

republicservices.com

#### **Recycling Questions:**

Metro Recycling Information Hotline 503-234-3000

#### Regulations & Oversight, **Online Customer Comment Form:** City of Wilsonville 503-682-1011 ci.wilsonville.or.us/recycling

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Pending, but Health Officials Caution People to Continue Taking Precautions**

ecent news about the FDA's emergency approval of mul-**■** tiple COVID-19 vaccines are cause for optimism in 2021, but health officials say it will be at least several months before the vaccine is available to the general population.

Unfortunately, that means little has changed in the short term. The virus remains highly contagious and potentially lethal; people should still be taking every precaution to slow community transmission of the virus.

Wearing masks, diligently washing/sanitizing hands, avoiding social gatherings and physical distancing are the best ways to keep you — and your family, friends and neighbors — safe. Visit the CDC's website for more information on the distri-

cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html

## Vaccination gives us hope the pandemic will end But in the meantime, we need to continue safety measures to keep the virus from spreading: · Physically distance from others Wash your hands Avoid gatherings Stay home when you're sick healthoregon.org/coronavirus or call 211

#### Don't Forget: More Residential Waste & Recycling Services Now Available

ast month, the City Council Ladopted a rate review of solidwaste hauling franchisee Republic Services, which determined that the company's operating margin fell within the range agreed upon with the City.

bution of vaccines:

What does that mean? Garbage and recycling collection/disposal rates remain unchanged entering

A proposed increase in Metro's tipping-fee (the per-ton charge

that haulers pay to dump garbage at Metro's regional transfer stations) could result in a rate adjustment later in the year.

The City's waste and recycling agreement with Republic Services, renewed in 2018, includes several programs introduced to add additional value for residents and commercial customers. Those residential programs include:

Food Scrap Collection: Residential customers who have yard debris cart service may add kitchen food scraps to the cart. Learn more at ci.wilsonville.or.us/ composting



Polystyrene (hard foam) may be recycled at Wilsonville's transfer station, but must be bagged and secured.

Styrofoam<sup>TM</sup> Collection/Recycling: Republic Services has set up a collection station at the WRI transfer facility for residents and commercial/industrial customers to deposit clean Polystyrene #6 (hard foam) packaging for recycling. To avoid foam flying out of receptacles, items must be bagged.

**Bulky Waste Pick-up for ADA/** Senior Citizens: Wilsonville seniors and residents with disability may request home pick-up of large/

bulky waste items at no charge. Customers who would like to take advantage of this limited-duration program may call 503-682-3900.

The City's annual guide to recycling services, prepared in partnership with Republic Services and Clackamas County Sustainability and Solid Waste, appears on Page 5.

Customer service problem? You can send a note directly to the City and Republic Services and/or learn mor about the City's waste and recycling services, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/garbage

#### Arts & Culture Council to Hosts Virtual Exhibition, Seeks Artists of All Ages or working within a 50-mile radius of

**↑** ilsonville Arts and Culture Council is hosting a virtual exhibition, Jan. 18-Mar. 31, at wilsonvillearts.org

Dream Beyond Covid is a juried, thematic group exhibition of visual works, square in format. As many struggle through isolation and the limitation of "normal" activity, what do we long for? Whom do we want to see? Where do we long to go? How do we hope the world will have changed?

The juried exhibition is open to all artists, young and old (student, enthusiast, amateur, and professional), working in any medium or media, living in



www.wilsonvillearts.org

Wilsonville. The entry deadline is Sunday, Jan.

10, at 11:59 pm. Artists will be notified of acceptance or nonacceptance within one week of the deadline.

Artists may submit up to three works for consideration. Any media are welcome, as long as the work is in a square format. Jurors will disqualify works that discriminate, promote

hatred, or are deemed inappropriate for general audiences. Complete submission details are available at wilsonvillearts.org/calls-for-art.

#### A Welcoming Sign

The City's gateway signs at Wilsonville ■ Rd. have never looked better, following two recent makeovers. Both signs were re-designed as Phase 1 of the City's Signage and Wayfinding Plan. Afterward, they were spruced up with a little seasonal cheer by City crews from Public Works and Park Maintenance.



## City Calendar

All meetings may be held virtually until further notice. For current information, visit ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar

#### **JANUARY**

- New Year's Day City offices, Library and SMART closed
- City Council/Swear-In Ceremony at City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
- 11 Mon DRB Panel A 6 pm, City Hall
- 13 Wed Planning Commission 6 pm, City Hall
- Parks & Rec. Road Advisory Board 4:30, Parks & Rec. Admin or virtual
- 18 Mon Martin Luther King Jr. Day Observed City offices, SMART closed
- Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
  - Library Closed in Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- City Council at City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 25 Mon DRB Panel B 6 pm, City Hall
- Budget Committee Review/Strat. Planning 6 pm, Council Chambers or virtual 26 Tue
- Deadline to Apply for Community Enhancement Project Funding

#### **FEBRUARY**

- 1 Mon City Council at City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
  - 2 Tue Municipal/Traffic Court
    - 5 pm, City Hall
      - The Hunt for Cupid's Hearts Parks & Recreation Contest (page 4)
- Mon DRB Panel A 6 pm, City Hall
- Planning Commission
- 15 Mon Presidents Day City offices, Library and SMART closed
- Municipal/Traffic Court 5 pm, City Hall
- 18 Thu City Council at City Hall 5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 22 Mon DRB Panel B 6 pm, City Hall

All dates and times are tentative; check the City's online calendar for schedule changes at ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar

#### **Reliable Sources for the Latest** COVID-19 Information

News about COVID-19 prevention, response and recovery changes rapidly. The City recommends relying on reliable, factual sources of information: Links to these and other resources are available at ci.wilsonville.or.us/covid-19

#### **Public Health & Information Sources:**

City: ci.wilsonville.or.us/covid-19 WLWV Schools: wlwv.k12.or.us/Page/15953

County: clackamas.us/alert

**State (OHA)**: HealthOregon.org/coronavirus State (OEM): oregon-coronavirus-geo.hub.arcgis.com

Federal (CDC): coronavirus.gov

Federal (FEMA): fema.gov/coronavirus/rumor-control Global: who.int

**COVID-19 Symptom Checker** 

c19oregon.com

Sign Up to Receive City News via Email:

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## **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 or on demand at ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV. Public comment is welcome at City Council meetings.



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