

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

September 30, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Council Meeting	October 5	4:30 p.m. Executive Session 5 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual
Council Meeting	October 19	3 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual

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PUBLIC AGENCY AND COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES

Pacific Power Rate Changes Update

Matthew Chancellor, Regional Business Manager at Pacific Power, provided an update regarding upcoming and expected Pacific Power rate changes (listed below). Note that ranges are provided because of different rate classes.

Except for the rate change taking effect October 1, 2022, to implement Oregon's new low-income rate class, the rate changes listed below are subject to final approval by the Oregon Public Utility Commission. However, Pacific Power believes they have received enough input from stakeholders to



provide these numbers for our planning purposes and feel the approved rates will be very close to what is listed below.

October 1, 2022

- An increase of 0.3-0.5 percent to implement the Oregon low-income rate program

November 5, 2022 (to be approved by OPUC)

- An increase of 0.6-1.5 percent to recover already incurred wildfire related expenses

January 1, 2023 (to be approved by OPUC) – may considering combining the general and TAM increases

- A general rate increase of 4.0-5.5 percent for continued investments in wildfire mitigation strategies, vegetation management and renewable energy resources and that reflects general inflationary impacts for skilled labor, insurance and other business impacts
- A Transition Adjustment Mechanism (TAM) increase of 4.9-7.3 percent for power costs connected to increases in wholesale energy and natural gas prices

April 1, 2023 (to be approved by OPUC)

- A combined increase of 1.7-2.3 percent to account for higher power costs (Power Cost Adjustment Mechanism – PCAM) and deferred accounting adjustments.

PROJECT AND PROGRAM UPDATES

Welcoming Week Photos

Photos of a few of the Welcoming Week 2022 events are available to view [here](#).



DEPARTMENT UPDATES

New “Know Your City” Video Series

One of the products emerging from Community Relations Manager Zavi Borja’s assessment of the City’s communications and engagement strategy was this series of short, catchy “Know Your City” videos. The assessment, which captured input and feedback from underrepresented groups and individuals in the community, told us that people wanted more, simple, visual information about what the City does.

We will begin distributing this series soon and wanted you to see them first.

- **Know Your City: Intro** – One of our Community Relations Managers, Zavier Borja, will take you through a series of videos highlighting key departments within The City of Bend. He will be talking with department directors as they share what it is their department does/is tasked with. Watch: <https://youtu.be/xaa2MTgrnXk>
- **Know Your City: Utility Department** – Listen in and we will hear from Director Mike Buettner and all the services this department provides! Watch: <https://youtu.be/iOJSaWTILdY>
- **Know Your City: Engineering & Infrastructure Planning Department** – Director Ryan Oster will help shed some light on ways to get involved with this department and its projects. Watch: https://youtu.be/Kg47y_BPEjY
- **Know Your City: Transportation and Mobility Department** – David Abbas helps explain all the services this department provides to our City and how you can stay informed. Watch: <https://youtu.be/QwcFxFNxl0>
- **Know Your City: Police Department** – Martin Tabaco and Shelia Miller talk about all the services the Police Department offers and some unique ways that you can be involved and stay informed. Watch: <https://youtu.be/ljiJFqp4lZg>
- **Know Your City: Community Economic Development Department** – Russ Grayson, the City’s Chief Operations Officer, helps shed light on how Bend plans to grow smartly and ways for you to get involved and stay informed on all things development related. Watch: <https://youtu.be/gH7NVVeyGYs>



- **Know Your City: Fire & Rescue Department** – Trish Connolly Deputy Chief of Administration goes into detail about the services this department is tasked with as well as ways to stay informed and get involved. Watch: <https://youtu.be/-Hl6sbxtpbE>
- **Know Your City: Housing Department** – Director Lynne McConnell explains what the housing department is tasked with as well as its limitations, challenges and where the future of this work lies. Watch: https://youtu.be/xFu_dmqfWaY

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