

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

March 31, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

| MEETING/EVENT | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|----------------------------------|----------|---|-------------------------------|
| Council Meeting | April 5 | 5 p.m. Work Session BURA 7 p.m. Regular Meeting | Council Chambers / Virtual |
| Council Stewardship Subcommittee | April 14 | TBD | Council Chambers / Virtual |
| Council Meeting | April 19 | 3 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting | Council Chambers / Virtual |

[VIEW THE FULL COUNCIL SCHEDULE](#)

PUBLIC AGENCY AND COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES

Coordinated Houseless Response Office Announces New Team Member

Cheyenne Purrington announced the Coordinated Houseless Response Office (CHRO) will soon welcome a new team member on April 10th.

Chris Ogren joins the CHRO from partner agency COIC where he currently serves as Housing Coordinator. Chris brings a passionate commitment to ending homelessness along with a strong educational background in affordable housing and public policy. Throughout the hiring process, the hiring panel was impressed by his knowledge of local partners and resources, skillful convening of community groups, and strategic approach to problem solving.



In his new role as Houseless Response Analyst, Chris will provide generalized support to the CHRO, including:

- Coordination of nonprofit partners
- Researching policies and funding sources
- Maintaining digital communication channels
- Oversight of technical assistance contracts
- Administration of special projects
- Other duties as assigned, of course!

CHRO and COIC are working in close partnership to plan a smooth transition that ensures continuity of key responsibilities. You are encouraged to share any questions about this process with either agency's leadership.

Oregon Travel Study

The Oregon Department of Transportation and Oregon's 8 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) are conducting a statewide travel study to better understand when, where and how people travel in Oregon. This study will collect information from households across the state between April 2023 and June 2024.

About 20,000 randomly selected households will be invited to participate. This large statewide study will kick off with a Pilot Study next week (April 3). The main study is scheduled for fall 2023 and spring 2024.

Bend MPO staff believe 100 or more Bend households will be invited to participate in the pilot study, with another 700+ households invited to participated in the main study.

More information will be available on the [City of Bend MPO website](#), which will continue to be updated as the survey process moved forward. Specific questions can be directed to Tyler Deke, Bend MPO Manager, at tdeke@bendoregon.gov or 541-693-2113.



Reminder: Habitat for Humanity Watercress Dedication April 5th

Habitat for Humanity is hosting a dedication of the Watercress project as eight families settle into their new homes. The City first contributed to this community in 2016, and we're excited to welcome the first of the new home owners.

Details: **April 5, 2023 4:30 PM**
63196 NE 18th St.
Bend, OR 97701

RSVP with Darrion at dcotroneo@brhabitat.org



DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Bend Fire & Rescue Crew Receives Letter of Appreciation

The Station 303 B Shift crew received **this letter of appreciation** from a local resident, commending their quick action and attention to his symptoms. Well done, team!

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