

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

May 19, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Budget Committee Meetings	May 22 & 23	4 p.m. – 9 p.m.	Fire Training Center; 63377 NE Jamison Street
Community Building Subcommittee	May 25	3 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Council Chambers / Virtual
Council Meeting	June 7	5 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual

[VIEW THE FULL COUNCIL SCHEDULE](#)

PUBLIC AGENCY AND COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES

\$330,000 ARPA Grant Impact Report

Last year, the City awarded American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants to nonprofits that provide services to individual members of the community who were negatively impacted by COVID-19, especially our houseless community members. The total funding amount was \$330,000. Linked below are two versions of the Impact Report – a text version and a version with a more visual layout.

[\\$330K ARPA Grant Impact Report – Text](#)

[\\$330K ARPA Grant Impact Report - Visual](#)

Viewing tip for Visual report: please click yes for that nice full screen view when you click to open the file and the Acrobat prompt pops up.



Milken Institute Report Best-Performing Small Cities: Bend is #5!

The Milken Institute Research recently released the report **Best-Performing Cities 2023: Thriving in a Changing Economic Landscape**. To note, Bend-Redmond, OR ranked among the top five of this year's Best-Performing Small Cities.

The BPC index reflects the cities' effectiveness at leveraging their resources to promote economic growth and provide their residents with access to essential services and infrastructure. The Index is calculated by using 12 measures that fall into three categories: labor market performance, high-tech impact, and access to economic opportunities.


- **Labor market performance** includes short- and medium-term measures of trends in employment and wages reflecting general labor market conditions.
- **High-tech impact** captures the presence and growth of high-tech industries reflecting the cities' rate of success at attracting investment from the digital sector.
- **Access to economic opportunities** reflects the cities' ability to provide access to the housing and digital services their residents need to thrive in the current economic environment.

April 2023 Pavement Condition Index (PCI) Report

The **April 2023 monthly Pavement Condition Index (PCI) Report** shows our current overall PCI rating at 75. Our Keep The Good Roads Good philosophy for the most cost effective street maintenance is targeting a PCI of 83. Our Arterials and Collectors have overall PCI ratings of 80. The Local Residential Streets which make up about 70% of our transportation system are at a PCI rating of 73.

Envision Bend Project Update

David White, Envision Bend Board Member, provided an update regarding the **Bend Vision Project**. Now in Phase IV, the community-driven vision statement and 5-year action plan are beginning to take shape. Since the Community Summit at COCC on February 7th, Envision Bend has tested 60 leading strategies for the future of greater Bend through a public poll and heard back from 900+ individuals in three short weeks. Dive into the **Community Poll Report here**. Additionally, 55+ Vision Action Team members were recruited to serve on one of four Vision Action Teams: Guiding our Growth, Cultivating an Inclusive Community, Building an Economy for Everyone, and Ensuring a Safe Healthy Environment.



[Click here to read the full, detailed update from David White.](#)

Mobility Hubs and Micromobility: Planning for a Connected Central Oregon

WTS is hosting an event on Thursday, May 25th, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at Kittelson's Bend Office, 1001 SW Emkay Drive Ste 140. See the below invitation for details. Registration for non-members is forthcoming – please check [the website](#) for updates.

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT BEND EVENT!

Mobility Hubs and Micromobility: Planning for a Connected Central Oregon

Join us for a panel discussion on Mobility Hubs, and Micromobility. We are excited to bring an esteemed panel of experts to discuss Mobility Hubs and how they can create places of connectivity and improve the experience of the traveler and the surrounding communities through co-located modes of transportation.

Event details:

Thursday, May 25, from 4:30 – 6:30 pm
Kittelson's Bend Office:
1001 SW Emkay Drive, Suite 140
Bend, OR 97702

Light appetizers and beverages will be provided.

This event is free to WTS members, but please register below to track number of attendees.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



Andrea Breault - Transportation Director, Cascades East Transit

Andrea Breault is the Transportation Director for Cascades East Transit. She has eighteen years of transportation, parking, fleet, and dispatching logistics. She arrived at CET roughly five years ago from Boston, Massachusetts, where she served as Director of Administrative Services overseeing the campus fleet, access control system, the campus shuttle system and the management of parking lots.



Andrea Napoli, AICP, Senior Planner - Bend MPO

Andrea Napoli is the Senior Planner with the Bend MPO. She has been working in the transportation planning field for the past 10-years focusing on multi-modal planning, developing funding programs, transit coordination, and equity-related efforts. Andrea also recently led the Bend Mobility Hubs Feasibility Study, which established a region-wide framework for mobility hub implementation in Bend.



Amanda Howell, Micromobility and First/Last Mile Program Coordinator, ODOT

Amanda Howell is the Micromobility and First/Last Mile Program Coordinator for ODOT and is focused on developing a statewide strategy and leveraging funding opportunities to support micromobility programs. Prior to joining ODOT, she spent five years as a researcher with the UO's Urbanism Next Center. During that time, she focused on new mobility topics, including micromobility, e-commerce, new urban freight, automated mobility, and curb management. While at UO, she co-led the development of the U.S. Shared Micromobility Equity Dashboard and the Shared Micromobility Equity Evaluation Tool.



Katie Mangle, Principal, Alta Planning + Design

Katie is an expert in sustainable transportation, and how to maximize zero-emission, human-centric movement through an equitable process. Over her 27-year long career in Oregon, she has helped many communities become more active and accessible. She understands both the policy planning and capital project development phases of improving transportation for people.



Tobias Marx, Parking Services Division Manager, City of Bend

Tobias Marx serves as the Parking Services Division Manager at the City of Bend, OR. In this role, he brings innovative transportation and mobility programs to the City of Bend. Tobias is a well-rounded and experienced "out-of-the box thinking" parking and mobility professional with a focus on data-driven mobility systems that improve the curb and satisfy all users. He aims for innovative solutions that bring transportation happiness to all users. In Bend, Tobias increased efficiencies through a holistic parking management system and is leading the efforts for a New Mobility Initiative towards a world-class mobility ecosystem.

Note: The panel will be moderated by Eddie Montejo, Planner, Parametrix.



ADVANCING WOMEN IN TRANSPORTATION

Juneteenth Celebration June 17-18 – Sign-Up for the City's Booth!

We are still in need of volunteers for the City's Juneteenth booth on Saturday, June 17th and Sunday, June 18th.

Sign-up for one (or a few!) timeslots here: [City of Bend Juneteenth Booth Sign Up](#)



All City Councilors and City Staff are welcome! Please direct questions and your department's promotional materials to Sara La Torre slatorre@bendoregon.gov. More information is available via the [Juneteenth SharePoint page](#). Thank you for your support of this important event!

PROJECT AND PROGRAM UPDATES

CouncilAll Email Summary

89 total emails were sent to CouncilAll between May 3rd and May 16th. The top themes and concerns included:

- Traffic/Roads
- Trees/Parks
- Houselessness

For more information, view the current [CouncilAll Summary Report](#).

Water Quality Report

The City's Annual Drinking Water Quality – Consumer Confidence Report is required by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. It provides customers with important information about Bend's drinking water, water sources and regulatory monitoring results for 2022.

"Our highest priority is protecting public health by providing safe, high-quality water services. We always take the actions necessary to ensure safe drinking water is delivered to homes and businesses every day," said Mike Buettner, Utility Department Director. "We are pleased to report that once again in 2022, our drinking water quality was equal to or better than state and federal requirements that safeguard public health."

The City of Bend water continues to meet all health standards and is 100% compliant in water quality testing meeting and exceeding water quality standards. The report also details the treatment process of the water as well as information on water supply planning.

View the report online at www.bendoregon.gov/waterreport or contact the Utility Department at 541-317-3000, ext. 2 to request a printed copy.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES



City of Bend Utility Team Assists City of Mitchell With Water Main Emergency

The City of Mitchell recently experienced a water main break, resulting a boil water notice for residents in the area. In coordination with Oregon Emergency Management office and the Oregon Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (OWARN), the City of Mitchell requested assistance from nearby municipalities to assist with the repair.

A small Utility Department Repair team from the City of Bend headed to Mitchell early Friday morning on May 19th to assist with the water main repair. Thank you, team, for offering your services to assist a neighboring community in need!

May BendBuzz Employee Newsletter

The **May 2023 BendBuzz Employee Newsletter** was distributed this week. Learn more about the Future of Work project, evolving work spaces, and meet some employees highlighted in the newsletter.

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Accommodation Information for People with Disabilities

To obtain this information in an alternate format such as Braille, large print, electronic formats, etc. please contact Meghan Goss at mgoss@bendoregon.gov or 541-323-7165.

