

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

March 15, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Council Meeting	March 20	5 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual
Stewardship Subcommittee Meeting	March 25	11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Council Chambers / Virtual
Council Meeting	April 3	5 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual

VIEW THE FULL COUNCIL SCHEDULE

PUBLIC AGENCY AND COMMUNITY PARTNER UPDATES

League of Oregon Cities Bulletin

Read the most recent LOC Bulletin here. Of note, LOC is seeking input to shape Oregon's infrastructure housing future through a survey, registration is open for LOC's Region 9 President's Regional Meeting on Friday, March 22 in Fossil, and LOC is co-hosting a webinar for local governments on Oregon's new Recycling Modernization Act on Thursday, March 21.

Coordinated Houseless Response Office

COIC is pleased to announce the release of the CHRO RFQ, seeking qualified entities to design, site and operate temporary outdoor shelters in Deschutes County. Additionally, CHRO has proposed the

creation of an Intergovernmental Review Team (IRT), comprised of each entity that has contributed or committed to contributing resources to this process, to score and rank submissions. **View the RFQ** here.

Legislative Update

The City of Bend submitted Fiscal Year 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending requests to the Offices of Merkley and Wyden on February 25 and Representative Chavez-DeRemer on March 15.

The City submitted requests for the following three projects. Follow the links to view one-pager on each project.

- Land Acquisition for Existing Outdoor Shelter
- Windsor and Woodside Sewer Project for Affordable Homeownership
- Awbrey Butte In-Conduit Hydropower Project

Thank you to our Housing and EIPD teams for providing the information and acquiring letters of support.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Follow-Up to SDC Interested Parties

The following email was sent to SDC interested parties from The City:

SDC Interested Parties,

Updates to the methodologies, projects lists, fee schedule, and supplemental information will be posted to the **City's SDC webpage** at the end of March. Interested parties will continue to be notified of any updates, including when those documents become available for review.

On May 1, the public hearing that began on January 17 will be continued for the public to provide additional comment on the revised reports or fee schedule, and for Council to consider for adoption. Please note the May 1 continued hearing date reflects a change from the formerly anticipated April 17 date.

Written comments will be provided to City Council for their consideration. Written comments must be received by 5pm on April 30 (the day before the public hearing) to be considered. Oral comment will be taken at the public hearing.

On April 3, City Council will hold a work session to review items that have changed, as reflected in the documents to be posted to website.

Continuing the hearing has allowed staff time to conduct more outreach, make adjustments to the SDC methodologies and fee schedule, and prepare additional information to support community member understanding of proposed changes.

February Social Media and Media Report

For the month of February, the top community topics and themes observed in media and social media by Communications Department staff included:

- Winter Operations: Media coverage on snow removal processes along with questions and comments on social media.
- Transportation Fee: Media coverage of the proposed fee.
- Bend Bikeways: Interest from the media and on social media about the open house and the project.

For more information, including media coverage of the City and social media engagement, see the **Monthly Social Media and Media Monitoring Report**.

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