

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

May 31, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Council Meeting	June 5	5 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual
Joint Council/Tribal Council Meeting	June 10	12 - 2:30 p.m. Joint Meeting	Warm Springs
Public Safety Roundtable	June 10	5:30 - 7 p.m. Open House 7 - 8:30 p.m. Roundtable Discussion	Municipal Court
Council Meeting	June 20*	5 p.m. Work Session / BURA Meeting 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual

**Note this meeting is on a Thursday due to Juneteenth holiday on June 19*

[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 has opened a Road Conditions survey to collect information for the upcoming 2025 session's anticipated discussions on transportation funding.



Oregon Election Update

You can view the May 21, 2024 preliminary election results [here](#) and a short summary on the results from LOC [here](#).

Deschutes Wasteshed 2022 Material Recovery and Waste Generation

The Department of Environmental Quality released the **2022 DEQ Material Recovery and Waste Generation Summary** for the Deschutes wasteshed. The summary includes Deschutes wasteshed's 2022 recovery rate, the amounts of materials disposed and recovered, per capita disposal, recovery and generation rates, and a chart comparing this year's results with previous survey years. The full **2022 Oregon Material Recovery and Waste Generation Rates Report** is also available.

2024 Law Day Conference for High School Students

Several City staff and Councilors participated in the **2024 Law Day Conference for High School Students** at COCC on May 21. Mayor Kebler and Affordable Housing Manager Racheal Baker sat on panel discussions, Councilor Broadman discussed Tribal law & Indigenous rights, and Core Area Project Manager Allison Platt led a session titled "Design Bend Game: How would you spend your money on the city?".


Allison's session included 28 students from Bend High and Realms High who were asked how they would invest \$10M in a specific geographic area of the City. Here is what they decided to invest in and where:

- Group 1: Affordable healthcare (specifically urgent care), affordable housing, and business/development assistance in the center/slightly east area of town.
 - Group 2: Transportation, housing, and business investments in the central area.
 - Group 3: Attracting new businesses and establishing a homeless shelter in the Downtown and westside areas.
 - Group 4: Building the Reed Market overcrossing and nearby affordable housing.
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DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Juneteenth Call for Volunteers

Juneteenth Central Oregon takes place Saturday June 15 and Sunday June 16 in Drake Park, and the Equity Department invites you to volunteer at this community event. Working at the City's booth



involves handing out free giveaways, directing visitors, and having fun getting to know your community. There are also set-up and clean-up shifts available.

To volunteer, please complete this [sign up form](#) as soon as possible. After you complete the form, you'll be sent an invitation to attend a brief orientation meeting to prepare for the event and get your City of Bend t-shirt to wear during your shift.

Bend Transportation Crash Fatality Data

Bend MPO shared [this report](#) on Bend's crash fatalities from 2017-2024 with the League of Oregon Cities in preparation for the transportation funding discussions expected during the 2025 state legislative session. Of note, Bend's bicyclist and pedestrian fatal crashes have remained low while many cities in Oregon and across the U.S. have seen substantial increases, particularly in pedestrian fatalities. For example, pedestrian fatalities in Portland have increased by more than 100% over the past 7 years. Additionally, Bend's fatality totals were flat for about 5 years, but increased in 2022 and 2023.

Bend MPO received a federal grant to update the Bend Transportation Safety Action Plan. Work on that plan update is scheduled to start this fall. Through that plan update, staff will identify projects and programs to help move us toward our goal of zero fatal and serious injury crashes.

May BendBuzz

The May BendBuzz is now available. This month you can learn more about keeping a clean inbox, cybersecurity, community climate action plan and about our Enterprise Application Team. Find out what's going on around town with Juneteenth, saving water and Asian, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. [Read the full newsletter here.](#)

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