

February 26, 2026

Council & Advisory Body Summit



Agenda

- 4:00 - 4:15 p.m. Arrival & mingle
- 4:15 - 4:20 p.m. Welcome from Mayor Melanie Kebler
- 4:20 - 4:30 p.m. City Updates, Eric King, City Manager
 - Invitation to film screening in April, Mellissa Kamanya
- 4:30 – 4:50 p.m. Small group sharing
- 4:50 – 5:30 p.m. Update on the City Growth Plan,
Brian Rankin, Senior Strategist
- 5:30 – 5:45 p.m. Small group discussion (related to Growth Plan)
- 5:45 – 6:00 p.m. Share out

Welcome

Mayor Melanie Kebler



City Updates

Eric King, City Manager



2025 – 2027 Council Goals

- 6 Goals
- 18 Strategies
- 55 Actions



Council Goals 2025-27



New interdisciplinary approach

- Policy team working groups for each Goal area
- Quarterly Council goal status updates from City Manager

Housing

- **Permit 3,942 total housing units**
 - 1,507 Units permitted to date
 - 146 Deed-restricted units
- **Target efforts for homelessness based on community needs**
 - Maintaining 41 Safe Parking sites
 - Maintaining 586 shelter beds
- **Accelerate complete neighborhoods**
 - Process & timeline improvements for Engineering permit review



Safe Parking Pods at Westside Church, Photo by Kaleb Riley

Economic Prosperity

- **Comprehensive Economic Development Plan and Vision**
 - New Economic Development Officer & updated structure
 - Economic Development Strategy, approved Feb. 2026
- **Urban Renewal Investment Strategy to Spur Affordable Housing and Job Creation Development**
 - Second Street Revitalization Project complete
 - 313 new units constructed using Tax Increment Financing
 - \$200,000 in Small Business Assistance awards



Climate Resiliency

- **Advance the Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP) & encourage sustainable development**
 - \$150,000 awarded in grants to nonprofits leading projects and programs
 - Electrification Policy work
 - Urban Forestry Management: tree inventory project summer 2026
- **Build Wildfire Resiliency**
 - 1,000+ residential wildfire assessments
 - Wildfire resiliency: Home hardening & defensible space



Credit: Deschutes County Sheriff's Office

Transportation & Infrastructure

- **Ensure water, wastewater, and stormwater systems are aligned with the needs of a growing City**
 - New Stormwater Master Plan and Public Facility Plan
 - Outback Facility expansion
- **Improve and deliver City transportation projects and plans**
 - Portland/Olney sewer & bike project
 - Bear Creek & Pettigrew/Purcell Roundabout
 - Hawthorne Bridge design



Stormwater outfall near Mirror Pond

Public Safety

- **Maintain high-quality Fire/EMS service levels**
 - Staffing and fee studies
 - Long-term funding work
- **Enhance emergency planning while increasing community preparedness**
 - 5% increase in sign ups for Deschutes Alerts since July 1, 2025
 - Updating Evacuation Plan

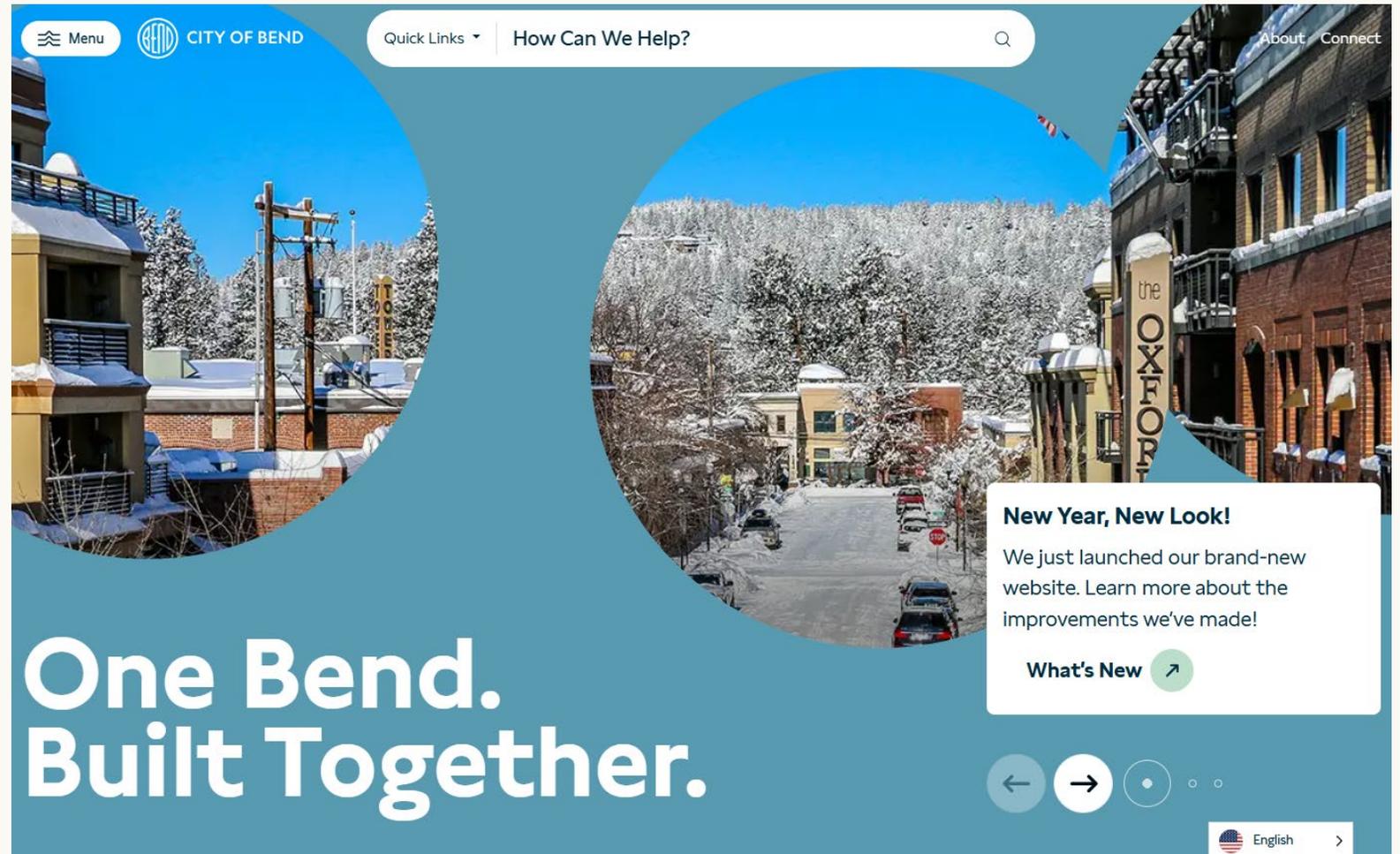


Bend Fire & Rescue Ladder Training

Accessible & Effective Government

New website launched

- Intuitive navigation
- Better search
- Streamlined services
- Increased accessibility



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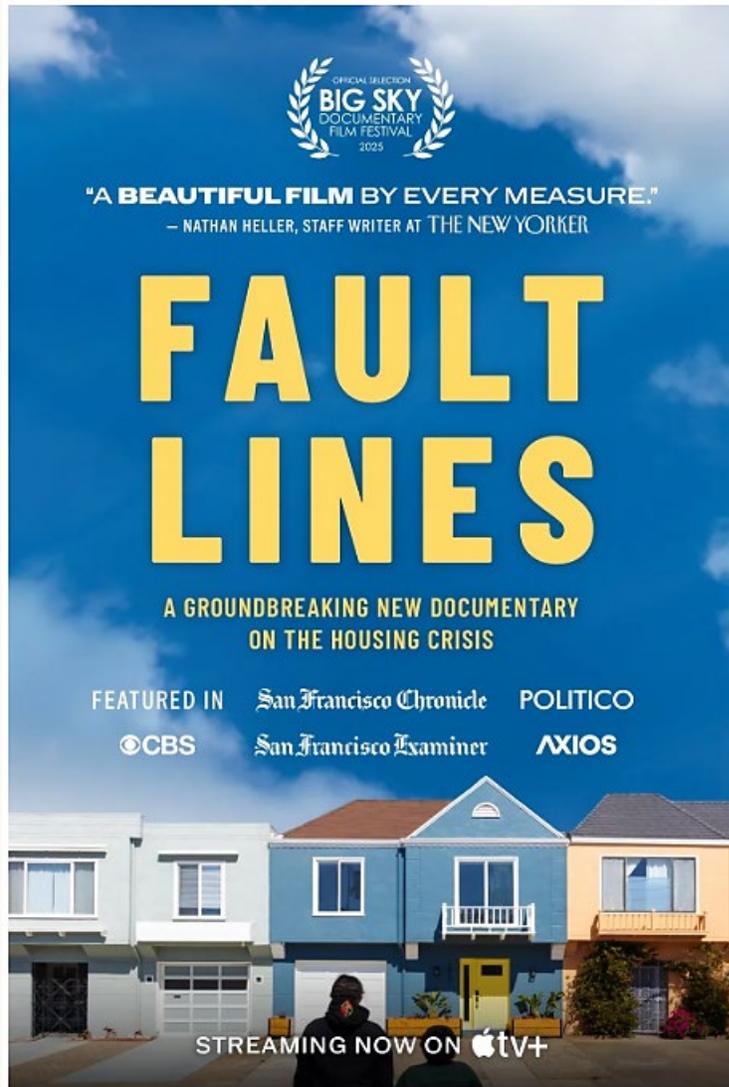
Continue improving communication & collaboration between Council and advisory groups

- Cross committee collaborations – Electrification, Growth Plan, HOME
- Code / role updates in progress
 - Transportation Bond Oversight Committee (TBOC)
 - Economic Development Advisory Board (BEDAB)
 - Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC)



Neighborhood roundtable, June 2024

Special Invitation - Fault Lines Screening



- Tuesday evening April 28, 2026
- Tower Theater
- Free screening! Committee members will have VIP access to reserve tickets before they are available to the public
- Snacks + drinks available for purchase
- Panel conversation for Q&A
- Come early to access resources in the lobby

Small Group Sharing

Table Discussion



Small Group Sharing

- What are some things your advisory body will be working on in the upcoming year?
- What are you excited about?

Update on the City Growth Plan

Brian Rankin, Senior Strategist



Small Group Discussion

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Share Out



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