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MEMORANDUM

To: Bend Planning Commission
From: Damian Syrnyk, AICP, Senior Planner
Date: November 2, 2026
Re: November 9, 2026, work session on project file no. PLTEXT20260401: a proposed 2027 Sanitary Sewer Public Facility Plan and related amendments to the text of Chapter 8, Public Facilities and Services, of the Bend Comprehensive Plan.

City staff from Growth Management, Engineering, and the City Attorney's Office will conduct a work session with the Planning Commission at the Commission's November 9, 2026, meeting to review proposed amendments to the Bend Comprehensive Plan (project file number PLTEXT20260401). The proposed amendments include adoption of a 2027 Sanitary Sewer Public Facility Plan (PFP) and associated amendments to the text of Chapter 8, Public Facilities and Services, of the Bend Comprehensive Plan. Following the November 9, 2026, work session, a public hearing has been scheduled before the Planning Commission on December 14, 2026, to receive public comment on the proposed amendments.

In 2024, the City, through its Engineering Department, entered into two contracts with Carollo Engineers to evaluate the City's wastewater infrastructure needs, develop recommendations, and prepare updated wastewater system planning documents to support the continued delivery of reliable sewer services. One contract focused on updating the 2014 Collection System Master Plan (See Contract #32500109); the second contract focused on updating the 2008 Water Reclamation Facility plan for the City's wastewater treatment plant (See Contract #32500155). Carollo Engineers and City staff used these updated planning documents to develop the proposed 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP, which represents one planning document for both collection of wastewater and treatment/reclamation.

City staff and Carollo Engineers have closely coordinated to ensure the 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP satisfies the requirements for a public facility plan under Statewide Planning Goal 11, Public Facilities and Services, and the implementation of Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 660-011. The 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP represents one planning document for the entire sanitary sewer system – collection and treatment/reclamation of wastewater. The proposal before the Planning Commission at the December 14, 2026, public hearing would repeal the 2018 Collection System PFP and the 2008 Water Reclamation Facility Plan and adopt the 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP as Appendix I of the Comprehensive Plan. Proposed amendments to the text of Chapter 8 of the Comprehensive Plan would amend the background text on the

wastewater collection and treatment (Sewer) System in Chapter 8 by reducing it in length, removing outdated information on projects, and referring the reader to the 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP for more information. The proposed amendments to Chapter 8 also alter several policies related to the Sewer system, which again are composed of both wastewater collection and treatment.

The draft 2027 Sanitary Sewer PFP and proposed amendments to Chapter 8 are available to download and review through CityView using the project file number PLTEXT20260401. City Staff will incorporate public comments into the record by uploading them to CityView in advance of the December 14, 2026, public hearing.

Please contact the following staff regarding any questions:

- Damian Syrnyk, Senior Planner – **dsyrnyk@bendoregon.gov**
- For collection system questions - Lisa M. Cameli, Senior Project Engineer – **lcameli@bendoregon.gov**
- For water reclamation facility questions - Dade Pettinger, Engineering Associate – **dpettinger@bendoregon.gov**

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