

To: Mayor Ken Williams & Oregon City Council
From: Darin J. DeHaan, City Administrator
Re: Bi-monthly Report

Date: May 11, 2021

I am pleased to provide Mayor Williams and the Oregon City Council with the following synopsis of City Business for – April 28th – May 7th, 2021.

City Administrator:

- Met with Donna Mann and discussed a coordinated effort between the City and County as she seeks grants to demo the old jail and provide new green space. I reached out to each of our commission members and provided Donna with some ideas and feedback.
- Commissioner Cozzi and I attended a ILCMA Professional Development Webinar on – Government Green Sustainability. The webinar provided some great guidance for Oregon to begin our own green sustainability initiatives and policies. Recommendations were forwarded to Mayor Williams for review. (Continues)
- Working with Commissioner Krug and Terry Plemmons on parking regulations and some new concerns from downtown businesses. Working on a quick review of the driveway ordinance and some things that have come up for consideration. (Continues)
- I participated in a training on workplace inclusion with Liz Vos. The training was very well done and utilized great break out rooms on zoom to discuss perspectives with a very diversified group of individuals. I was able to meet many people from all over and gained a greater perspective of this.
- Met with CMAAA to continue discussions on preparations for the Museum.
- I attended the ECDC meeting and there was some great discussion on how to inform the public about all the behind-the-scenes work done in Oregon and collaboration of all of the groups that make things happen. We reflected on how far Oregon has come over the past 6 years. I'm excited to keep the momentum going and work to solidify Oregon as a great place to Work Live and Play!
- The Mayor and I continue to work through the foundation work for our retail incentive program. The council will be presented with an overview tonight and we are working to formulate our review panel.
- Met with Comm Cozzi, Liz Hiemstra, and Chief Knoup to discuss details of the Farmer's Market and get final oversight and approval from Chief Knoup. I want to commend the Farmer's Market group for all the great work they have put into this exciting community event. Also, a huge thank you to Chief Knoup and the Oregon Fire District Board of Directors for the collaboration. This is going to be a great even in fantastic space.
- I addressed a few issues and concerns from citizen this week.
- I am working with Comm Schuster on budget projections and strategies.
- I have asked for an update on the BNSF railroad land lease but have not gotten a response I will check again next week to help facilitate the progress.

Coliseum:

- Autumn on Parade space at the Coliseum is finished.
- Three of four doors have been installed.
- I have a meeting with the architect this week to finalize the bidding process for the ramp.
- I am working to shift the lawn care and maintenance to the Street Department to make sure the Coliseum and Drive-up Facility are well maintained and aesthetically appealing.

Iron Mike Project:

05/06/2021

Iron Mike Update from Mike Bowers - "Today we poured the main concrete at the Courthouse. The next step will be to pour the brick stamp behind the curb, probably the first part of next week. A very sincere thank you to Brent Johnson along Jason Benesh from Steve Benesh and sons for loaning us Phil Nabor and Eli Mains To get it done. Today we poured the main concrete at the Courthouse. The next step will be to pour the brick stamp behind the curb, probably the first part of next week. A very sincere thank you to Brent Johnson along Jason Benesh from Steve Benesh and sons for loaning us Phil Nabor and Eli Mains To get it done."

