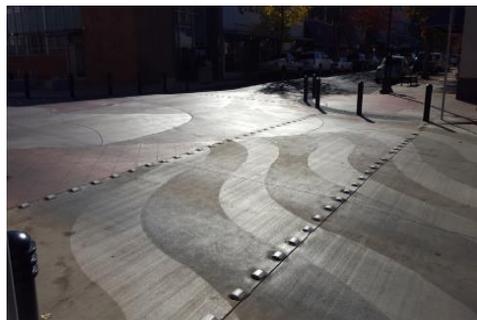


Friday November 6, 2015

Good Friday afternoon everyone! It has been another very busy construction week in and around downtown Roseburg. The Oak/Washington project is nearing completion as far as the intersection work goes. Street lighting is in and operational and most of the new paving was completed this week. There is a little work left on Washington near Rose Street, so we are getting close. The streets will all be open for the Veteran's Day parade on November 11, so I hope you all have an opportunity to make it downtown for a least part of that event. There will be some work that will be finished up after the parade date, but most of it is unrelated to the construction contract (see attached Washington/Oak project update).



The Highway 138 project continues to move southward on Stephens Street from the Diamond Lake intersection. The contractor is currently pouring sidewalks along the east side of Stephens near the Public Safety Center. The widening of the roadway in the area is a key component for the City as it will eventually allow for left turn movements at Douglas Avenue that will permit both northbound and southbound travelers to either enter our downtown or move towards the visitors' center on Spruce. While both of these projects have made travel a little inconvenient in this area, it is an important long-term project for our community and the traveling public.

Human Resources is continuing to work with a number of departments to recruit new replacements for positions in Fire, Police, Finance and Public Works. We are generally replacing positions that employees have recently retired from, but we have had a couple of folks who recently accepted promotional opportunities outside the City. As always we wish them good fortune in their new endeavors, especially those moving into their formative retirement years!

I informed you all in October that I was working with a group of local citizens representing a number of agencies and organizations that have formed to help facilitate

the healing and recovery process for our community in the aftermath of the events of October 1st. The group, called the Community Healing and Response Team (CHART) has established multiple work groups ranging from a group focusing on physical and mental health and wellness for those impacted, to a fund oversight group and a community image group. There is also a workgroup that many of us will eventually join that will be looking at long-term impacts and strategies for community well-being and next steps. Our team or the work groups will likely be meeting once a week for at least the next year. Councilor Zielinski is also on the CHART team as a representative from Douglas County Law enforcement. We can both update Council periodically on what's going on, but I think it is important that our community knows that many people are working together and with UCC to help the college and the community move forward.

I, along with Councilors Zielinski and McDonald had an opportunity to attend the Douglas County Chambers of Commerce Summit 9 this week as well. On Thursday over forty representatives from around Douglas County met at Paul O'Brien Winery to hear reports from each of our neighboring communities about their activities and also to hear from some State of Oregon representatives about new small business funding opportunities that will be available later this month. I had an opportunity to welcome folks to the City and thank for them coming to town. It was an interesting activity and I hope to attend the twice annual summits in the future.

As I mentioned above, the Veteran's Day parade is coming up soon. Our community puts on one of the largest and possibly the "best" Veteran's Day parade in Oregon. I know that many of you attend and help support our veterans on their special day. We are looking forward to this opportunity to thank those who have served and celebrate with them and our community.



Have a great weekend everyone!

WASHINGTON/OAK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT UPDATE

November 3, 2015

All reports indicate that the Neewollah Parade was a great success. Congratulations to everyone involved with putting on this awesome community event! Next up – the Veterans’ Day Parade on Wednesday, November 11th. This is a big week for the project. Paving should occur mid-week and the Washington Street intersections should re- open on Friday. All streets should be back to “normal” next week, with items such as benches, trees, tree grates, striping and other amenities remaining.

Work Schedule:
scheduled to do the

Over the next two weeks, the contractor is
following:

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| Nov 2 – 3
intersections. | Install bollards and street signs at Washington |
| Nov 2 – 9 | Form and pour benches at Washington intersections. <i>This work may continue after the parade.</i> |
| Nov 3 – 4 | Excavate and pour new sidewalk ramp on NE corner of Washington & Rose. |
| Nov 2 – 5 | Prep and pave Washington intersections at Jackson, Main and Kane. |
| Nov 5 | Re-open Kane Street at Washington. <i>Median work may occur soon after and will require lane closures, but not complete closure.</i> |
| Nov 6
and Rose Street. | Re-open Washington Avenue between Kane
Re-install Post Office drop boxes on Washington. |
| Nov 5 – 6 | Relocate bus |
| shelter on Washington. Nov 10 | Clean |
| up and prep for parade. | |

Nov 12 - 20

Install remaining benches, trees, tree grates, striping and other amenities. Kiosks are in fabrication and will be installed upon completion.

Please note that the schedule above is weather dependent and subject to change but is the best information we have at this time.

Work Hours:

5 am to 6 pm Monday through Friday

Traffic Impacts:
Washington Avenue

Kane Street will be closed near the

intersection beginning Oct. 29th continuously through Nov. 5th. Traffic travelling to the Post Office will need to come from the south (Oak, Cass, or Lane) or park and walk.

Washington Avenue is closed between Kane Street and Rose Street. Westbound traffic will need to use Douglas, Cass or Lane. Washington is scheduled to re-open November 6th.