Despite a stagnant economy, there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel for our nation, our state and here at home. I am just as enthusiastic (and admittedly just as nervous) as when I delivered my first State of the City speech. In that first speech I labeled Roseburg as one of the best small towns in Oregon. We still deserve that label because so many of you have worked hard to accomplish so much while faced with a shrinking budget. Last year we received roughly 30 grants totaling more than 4 million dollars, allowing us to complete many of last year’s goals while working on new projects for 2012 and beyond.

City administration staff worked closely with City Manager Eric Swanson to provide services for our community while supporting the tasks outlined in the City Council’s Strategic Plan. City Recorder Sheila Cox and her staff processed over 230 business registrations, 17 OLCC licenses, many special OLCC permits, approximately 50 formal (and many more informal) requests for information while handling special permits, ordinances and resolutions.

John VanWinkle, who assumed the position of Human Resources Director/Risk Manager, processed 10 seasonal employees while recruiting, screening and hiring 19 regular employees; promoting or transferring 7 current employees and transitioning 10 others from City employment. Additionally, his office settled a multi-year contract with the Roseburg Police Employees Association which resulted in premium cost savings because of significant health insurance adjustments. The Office also assisted with a successful 4th of July celebration with over 10,000 in attendance, and used $10,000 in grant money to improve security for City Hall through a card lock door system. Cheryl Guyett, Finance Director, announced that for the 18th consecutive year, the City received the Government Finance Officers’ Association Award for “Excellence in Financial Reporting”. City Finance also completed an upgrade to the Municipal Court case management system.

The Information Technology Division worked hard to ensure continued efficiency in handling an increasing amount of data. iPads were provided and programmed for the Mayor and City Council, new
computers were installed for maintenance shops, parks, golf and water treatment, and new mobile data computers were incorporated into police cars eliminating hours of duplicated data entry by the Police Records and Municipal Court Staff. Citywide staff worked together to design and setup a new City website.

The Community Development Department, under Brian Davis, continued to work on the Waterfront Plan. Invasive vegetation was removed and new trees were planted along the east bank of the South Umpqua River north of Deer Creek. ODOT and the Cow Creek Tribe entered into streetscape agreements for landscaping, sidewalks and bike lanes along Washington and Spruce Streets as part of the Tribe’s new business incubator site. The Bicycle-Pedestrian Plan included paving the undercrossing on Rowe Street, providing crosswalks at the south end of Pine Street and securing grant money to improve the Riverfront Trail from Oak to Douglas Avenues as well as providing a path between Templin and Micelli Parks. Community Development also helped with the reorganization of The Partnership and in developing its first-ever by-

laws. Additionally, the first phase of plans for the switchyard were completed as part of the redevelopment of the downtown area. And finally, a contract was completed with the Downtown Roseburg Association which included hiring a manager.

Chief Mike Lane and the Fire Department recruited, tested and hired two new firefighters who started work on August 1st. And in September, the Department was awarded almost $650,000 in grant money from the Department of Homeland Security. The money was used to hire four additional firefighters ensuring that the Department is now compliant with regards to desired staffing for structure fires. After a month long academy, these new firefighters began shift-work in early January 2012. A new 2011 Pierce fire engine was also added to the Department.

The department responded to approximately 4250 emergencies in 2011, of which 3,200 were medical. The Fire Prevention Division, with assistance from online personnel, worked diligently to complete approximately 580 business inspections as well reviewing and inspecting almost 230 new business registrations. Staff continues to review response times to make sure that citizens are receiving the highest level of service and that deployment standards are being met. Through the efforts of the Fire Department, in collaboration with Public Works and Community Development, the City successfully maintained a class three protection rating, a rating that is achieved by less than 4% of cities nationwide. Finally, in October, Fire Staff Assistant Amy Anderson-Rice was honored by the Oregon Fire Service Office Administrators with the President’s Award in recognition of her dedication and professionalism.

Under the leadership of Chief Jim Burge, the Police Department was finally able to implement a police K9 program which was totally funded through private donations of nearly $50,000 from all over Douglas County. The K9 teams of Officer Todd Crouse and his partner Ido (pronounced Ee-Tow) and Officer Ryan Dingman with his partner Iago
(pronounced Ee-ah-go) were certified for patrol duty on November 4, 2011. Only three days later, Officer Crouse and Ido were able to successfully track a theft suspect in the Olalla area. Officer Dingman and Iago made their first successful track in Winston one day before they were to officially start service together. Oregon State Police had requested assistance in locating a parolee who was wanted on a felony warrant but had eluded them several times. Officer Dingman and Iago tracked the felon for approximately 700 yards, through backyards and over obstacles, before he was taken into custody.

Brian O’Dell, named the 2011 Police Officer of the Year, was selected by both his supervisors and peers because of his dedication to the profession, respect for the citizens he serves as well as for his co-workers, and his off-duty participation in events that represent the Department in a positive light. Roseburg detectives, as part of the Major Crimes Team, were activated five times during the year, including four times in just three months. In August, they investigated a homicide in Myrtle Creek; in September a high profile missing person case in Riddle; and in October a murder outside of Myrtle Creek and an officer-involved shooting. They also handled the murder of a child in the Lookingglass area last January. The Department also dealt with approximately 60 cases of child abuse, including 41 cases of sexual abuse or molestation. An elevated level of partnership and cooperation between educational, medical and social service communities has resulted in more cases being reported and investigated.

Our community has also seen an increase in opiate addiction leading to increased property crimes, prescription fraud and pharmaceutical theft and robbery. Officer Brent Harvey continues to maintain a presence in our schools by serving as our School Resource Officer. Six active members of the Volunteers in Police Service contributed over 3,100 hours to the community. They handled 167 abandoned vehicle complaints, issued 461 warnings for handicap parking violations and performed 92 vacation home checks. These volunteers continue to be a vital asset to the Department and the community. The Roseburg Area Youth Service Program or RAYS has been in place since 2007 and is a partnership between the Police Department, Douglas County Juvenile Department and the RAYS Youth Court Program. Utilizing the power of the peer court model, the program targets first time offenders for substance abuse violations and misdemeanor crimes. In 2011, the program handled 138 new cases and held more youth court sessions than any other youth court program in Oregon. In the eight cases closed last year in which restitution was ordered, all eight youth paid full restitution.

While the Department was involved in some high profile investigations, there was a decrease in all areas of criminal activity making Roseburg one of the safest places in Oregon to raise a family.
Public Works, under the direction of Nikki Messenger, had one of its busiest and most productive years. They received over 5,500 phone calls (an increase of almost 9%) and responded to 2022 work orders for our maintenance crews (a 40% increase). Improvements were seen in many of our city parks, and recreational opportunities increased because of the success in obtaining grant money. Examples include $180,000 for Stewart Park Playground Renovation, and $70,507 for the Riverside Park Waterfront Trail Renovation. Grant money was also received to assist in renovating Parrott Creek Park in SE Roseburg, work that is being spearheaded by a volunteer group known as “Friends of Parrott Creek Park” who are working in conjunction with Greater Douglas County United Way. The City’s first ever geocache series was an unqualified success. Providing a fun activity for all ages, geocaching is a modern day treasure hunt involving the use of GPS to aid in navigation. The kickoff event was held last January and attended by 175 people, about three quarters of whom traveled to Roseburg just to attend the event. Staff has already begun organizing the second Geocache which will kick off in February. Other successful programs include: free Movies in the Park, a project involving the City and US Cellular; Museum in the Park, a collaboration between the City and the Douglas County Museum; and Sticks for Kids, a free program to introduce young people to golf and made possible using golf clubs provided by a grant from the Golf Course Builders of America. Boot Camp, a drop-in exercise program, continues to be very popular.

Major improvements to the airport continue with the help of more grant money including $3,240,512 from ConnectOregon II and III for Infrastructure Improvements and Runway Extensions as well as another $2,210,000 for runup apron, taxiway and taxilane improvements. The Environmental Analysis (EA), a major step in the taxiway relocation project, was completed with a finding of No Significant Impact. Grant money from the Oregon Department of Energy funded two other projects that were completed in 2011. Many of the irrigation pumps in Stewart Park were replaced with more energy-efficient pumps, and more modern traffic signals were installed on Garden Valley Boulevard which can adapt to changing traffic conditions. A third project, begun at the end of 2011, will reduce energy consumption in the historic Umpqua Valley Arts Center building by renovating windows and insulation. And finally, new dugouts are being installed at Gaddis Park. The old dugouts, constructed from cinder blocks, proved popular as a haven for illicit activity.

I have spent a lot of time spotlighting projects that were completed in 2011. But challenges remain and we have a long list of goals and ideas for improving Roseburg in 2012. A major piece to that remains improvements at the airport. Currently, because of our shorter runway, large planes are forced to take off without full fuel tanks and have to fly to Eugene or Medford to load up on fuel. By lengthening the runway to 5000 feet, larger planes will be able to take off with full
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fuel tanks. And our taxiway, which is currently too close to the runway, needs to be relocated in order to meet federal safety standards.

We also need to work on eliminating traffic congestion. One way to do that is to provide additional turning lanes at the intersection of Stewart Parkway/Edenbower. We will also work on a final design for modifying the extreme S curves between the Ford Family Foundation site and the YMCA while taking into account any environmental impact. The Highway 138 realignment project continues as we seek a low cost, least impact solution to improving traffic flow. A committee will work on simplifying our current system for establishing SDCs (systems development charges) for startup businesses so that it’s easier for new businesses to calculate those fees. We will continue to make improvements to the Master Plans for the downtown and waterfront areas and assist the Cow Creek Tribe in their incubator project including landscaping, sidewalks, and streetlighting. We will also look at redeveloping the old downtown railroad switching yard.

Work will continue on developing our Sustainability Plan in order to find ways to conserve energy while preserving and protecting our environment. One such possibility is a solar project for the Public Safety Center. We will review potential Urban Growth Boundary expansion and annexation possibilities in North Roseburg. We will implement the eCitation and eCrash system for the police department which will help to eliminate hours of duplicated data entry by Police Records and Municipal Court Staff. This will also improve officer safety and lessen inconvenience to motorists. We also want to fully implement the K9 dog program while continuing to educate the public on its progress. Many of these projects are dependent on grant money, and we will continue to seek those funds. Two current grants we are working on would provide one additional police officer for Community Oriented Policing Services while another would pay for improvements to the Fir Grove area parking lot.

In closing, I’d like to once again thank the City Council, City employees and everyday citizens who continue to work every day to create a safe city with great neighborhoods, a healthy economy, and an effective government—all of which go into making Roseburg one of the best small towns in Oregon.

Respectfully,

Larry Rich
Mayor
City Focuses on Energy Efficiency

Three years ago, Roseburg City Hall underwent an energy audit through RHT Energy Solutions. The conclusion: “The City of Roseburg has done everything right! With a strong energy efficiency ethic and skilled, knowledgeable employees, City Hall is the poster child for a successful energy conservation program.” Because of the work that had been done to improve efficiencies with the heating, cooling and lighting systems, the professionals with RHT Energy Solutions found no recommendations for improvement.

But our work did not stop there. Since that time, we have continued in our quest to ensure that we are as environmentally conscious and energy efficient as possible. Steps have included:

- Co-sponsored Solar Now! University Conference
- Public Safety Center
  - Construction of bio-swale to Deer Creek
  - Day-lighting
  - Increased insulation values
  - Construction values equivalent to savings of 1,030 tons of CO2, 3,100 trees planted or 106,000 gallons of gasoline
- Public Works
  - Park irrigation pumps replaced with more energy efficient pumps
  - Traffic signal controller conversion
  - Conversion to LED lighting where appropriate/applicable
- Development and adoption of a Sustainability Plan with the following stated purpose: "The City of Roseburg is committed to upholding economic, social, and environmental policies that will provide a balanced and positive quality of life within the organization for now and in the future."
- Facilities
  - Arts Center window renovation
  - Art Center attic insulation
  - Park Maintenance Facility lighting retrofit
  - Water Treatment Plant lighting retrofit
  - Garden Valley Fire Station lighting retrofit
  - Harvard Fire Station lighting retrofit
- On January 9, 2012 Monte Mendenhall, Regional Representative with Pacific Power, presented the City Council with certification of the City’s membership in the Blue Sky Program and a funding award of up to $104,902 to advance a 40.17 kW solar renewable energy project at the Public Safety Center. The Public Safety Center project was one of eight renewable energy projects receiving the Blue Sky award through Pacific Power company-wide. In addition to the environmental and cost-saving benefits of these projects, this will also provide an educational opportunity for the community.

It is important to realize that energy efficiency is not just making the switch to solar power or electric cars. It is making the most efficient use of the energy sources that we have. The City of Roseburg will continue to focus our efforts to that end. We encourage our fellow community members to do the same. Everyone - citizens, businesses, non-profits - seeking assistance in energy conservation for existing facilities or anticipated new construction is welcome to contact the following resources:

Energy Trust of Oregon
421 SW Oak Street Suite 300
Portland OR 97204
Phone: 866-368-7878
Email: info@energytrust.org
http://energytrust.org/

RHT Energy Solutions
315 Boardman
Medford, OR 97501
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http://www.rhtenergy.com/

Respectfully,

Eric Swanson
City Manager
On October 20, 2011, the City of Roseburg participated in the “Great Oregon Shakeout,” which was part of a nationwide campaign to raise earthquake safety awareness. At 10:20 a.m. an announcement was broadcast throughout City Hall, the Public Safety Center and the City Maintenance Shops, advising employees that an earthquake was occurring and they needed to “duck, cover and hold on” under their desk or a sturdy table. Immediately following the exercise, employees exited their building and gathered at pre-designated locations in order to simulate a real earthquake or other emergency. Members of the public who were inside City buildings at the time were integrated into the drill and exited the building as well.

The earthquake drill was a huge success and will become an annual event for City staff. The drill is part of the City of Roseburg’s ongoing effort to educate both the City’s employees and citizens on the benefits of preparing for disasters and other emergencies. By training public employees on what to do in the event of an emergency, the City of Roseburg is ensuring those same employees will be available to assist citizens during and after a large-scale disaster such as an earthquake.

For more information on the Great Oregon Shakeout or disaster/emergency planning in general, contact the Roseburg Fire Department at 541-492-6770 or fireprevention@cityofroseburg.org.
“ORDINANCE”: A written directive or act of a governing body. Ordinances have the full effect of law within the local government’s boundaries, provided they do not conflict with a state statute or constitutional provision. An ordinance has two readings at Council prior to being voted on by the Council. An ordinance becomes effective 30 days after the second reading, unless an emergency is declared which enables the Ordinance to become effective immediately or on a specific date.


Ordinance No. 3378: “An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Jerry’s Drive in the City of Roseburg,” adopted August 8, 2011.


The City of Roseburg received a ConnectOregon III grant through the Oregon Department of Transportation to extend the runway at the Roseburg Regional Airport. The ConnectOregon III program is dedicated to improving the state’s multimodal connections by funding non-highway projects. One of the program’s intentions is to construct transportation related projects that provide an economic development benefit. The grant will fund eighty percent of the construction of a 400-foot runway extension plus a 100 foot blast pad on the north end of the existing runway. About half of the twenty percent match has been provided by the Douglas County Industrial Development Board. The remaining match is being met by utilizing Airport funds. The intent of the project is to improve the economic viability of the Douglas County area and to enhance the efficiency and safety of airport operations to support existing and future airport users.

The original project included the runway extension and corresponding taxiway extension. Design modifications suggested by the Federal Aviation Administration and wetland permitting requirements have changed the look of the project. The first phase of the project will include the runway extension, blast pad and removal of the rock knob located adjacent to the north end of the runway. The removal of the knob is required to meet current FAA safety standards within an area known as the Runway Object Free Area. The removal of the rock knob was not anticipated as part of the original project. However, it is being partially funded via a grant through the FAA that was issued in September. Total project cost for the first phase is estimated at just over $2 million dollars.

The project has been awarded to Knife River Corporation. However, Wetland permitting has delayed the start of construction. Once all of the required permits have been received, a Notice to Proceed will be issued to the contractor. The project is scheduled to be completed no later than August 2012.

The City has applied for a ConnectOregon IV grant to assist in funding the second phase of this project. If funded, the next phase will include the construction of the taxiway extension. This will include a retaining wall along Aviation Drive that is necessary to facilitate the taxiway alignment. The second phase of the project is estimated to cost $1 million dollars. Grant awards are expected to be made in fall of 2012. The taxiway extension project has been designed and is ready to bid if a grant is awarded.
RESOLUTION: An order of a governing body; requires less legal formality than an Ordinance. Statutes or City Charter specify which actions must be by Ordinance and which may be by Resolution. For cities, revenue-raising measures such as taxes, special assessments and service charges are always imposed by Ordinance; fee amendments, however, are made by Resolution. Prior to adoption, a Resolution only needs to be read before the City Council once (by title only, if no member of the Council objects).


Thanks to the efforts of representatives from every department under the leadership of the I.T. Manager, the City launched a new website just prior to the Labor Day Weekend. The new site is more user-friendly and packed with information. Significant improvements from the previous website include:

- Home page “scroll” featuring the latest City information and news releases;
- Home page weekly updates for meetings and events;
- Easier document and form access;
- Ability for Staff to implement all updates without the need to expend funds on professional consulting services;
- Full agenda information for the City Council and all advisory commissions;
- More photos highlighting Roseburg’s past and present;
- New page featuring City properties for lease or sale;
- Updated City Council video page to allow pause, fast forward and remind capability.

Staff continues to add material to the website. Any suggestions you may have to improve information delivery are welcome. Please share your thoughts by e-mailing info@cityofroseburg.org.
The City of Roseburg has many exciting projects for the 2012 construction season. To date, there are several projects in various stages of design with construction planned in the near future. The following is a list of a few of the larger construction projects with a short description of each.

**Stewart Parkway/Edenbower Intersection Improvements**

This project will modify the intersection of Stewart Parkway and Edenbower Boulevard. The addition of a right turn lane from southbound Edenbower onto westbound Stewart Parkway will add capacity to this intersection. The addition of the turn lane will allow the traffic signal to be reconfigured such that the right turn lane from southbound Edenbower and the left turn from eastbound Stewart Parkway to northbound Edenbower can occur at the same time. These are the two heaviest traffic movements at this intersection. Allowing the movements to occur simultaneously will greatly increase the capacity of this intersection and should lessen delays experienced by drivers.

A future project will add an additional left turn from Stewart Parkway to Edenbower. The improvements made as part of the 2012 project will be incorporated into this future project.

**Edenbower/Aviation Intersection Improvements**

This project has two major components. The first is the addition of a right turn lane from southbound Aviation Drive onto Edenbower. The second is a reconfiguration of the north leg of the intersection to improve sight distance at the intersection. The vertical curve on the north leg of the intersection will be flattened in order to increase sight distance entering the intersection. This improvement will facilitate changes to the timing of the traffic signal that will allow the northbound and southbound movements to occur simultaneously. This will add capacity to the intersection and reduce delays to the travelling public.

**Garden Valley Reconstruction – Goetz to I-5**

This project will involve reconstructing the road surface of Garden Valley Boulevard between Goetz Street and Interstate Five. The project will involve grinding the existing asphalt in the travel lanes and repaving. The project will be similar to the grind/overlay project that was constructed in 2010 on Garden Valley Boulevard between the west City Limits and Goetz Street.

**Water Transmission Main Replacement Phase 1**

An engineering consultant has been selected and design will soon begin to replace the existing 20-inch transmission main between the Water Treatment Plant in Winchester and Hooker Road. The 20-inch main is one of two large diameter transmission mains that deliver water from the...
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treatment plant to the City’s reservoir complex. The existing line was installed in the 1930s and was identified in the Water Master Plan as a high priority replacement project. The intention is to design the entire section of pipe replacement and bid the construction in two phases. The first phase will include the north end of the piping to somewhere near Kenneth Ford Drive.

Calkins Area Storm Drainage Improvements – Phase 3

This storm drainage project will replace existing undersized piping on Wanell, Luth and Beaumont Streets. The project will also involve improvements through the Hucrest School playfields, in the location where the existing piping is located. Pipe sizes will vary between 12 inch and 48 inch. The project is currently in design and scheduled for bidding in early 2012.

Traffic Tickets Go High Tech

The City of Roseburg and the Roseburg Police Department recently received a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation to implement an electronic crash (eCrash) reporting system and an electronic citation (eCitation) program.

Currently, traffic citations are written by hand by the officer issuing the citation to a violator. The officer turns in the citation at the end of the officer's shift. A Roseburg Police Department Records Specialist then enters the data from the citation into a Records Management System (RMS). The citation is then forwarded to Municipal Court where a Court Clerk re-enters the same data into the Municipal Court database.

Records Specialists and Municipal Court Clerks can be challenged to decipher the handwriting of officers when trying to enter data that must be accurate and precise. Officers must write citations while contending with weather, traffic and a violator(s) who, often, times, pose a risk to an officer’s safety.

An eCrash and eCitation System will allow officers to simply scan or swipe a driver’s license to receive electronic information about the driver. Information contained on the driver’s license will then populate onto the eCitation. Officers will find it easier to maintain their gaze and awareness on vehicle traffic and the violator rather than the paper citation, thereby improving officer safety. Additionally, an eCitation can be issued much quicker than a paper ticket can be written; meaning, the officer and the violator can get back to their business much sooner.

At the end of an officer’s shift they will download the citation information directly into a database shared by the Roseburg Police Department and Municipal Court and eliminate the redundancy and duplication of data entry efforts. This will be a welcomed reduction in workload for the two remaining Records Specialists who saw their workload increase by one-third due to the elimination of a Records Specialist position in the 2011/12 budget.
The Roseburg Police Department is proud to announce the formation of a K-9 Unit. Officer Todd Crouse and Officer Ryan Dingman were selected to be the handlers for the dogs. They and their K-9 partners recently completed training and the K-9 teams are now on patrol. Ido (Ee-tow) and Iago (Ee-ah-go), both German Shepherds, are trained to locate persons and property. These dogs are not drug detection dogs but the Roseburg Police Department does have access to drug detection dogs provided by the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office and the Oregon State Police.

The dogs have had early successes with both making tracks and captures in their first weeks on patrol. Ido tracked and located a theft suspect in the Olalla area and Iago tracked and located a wanted person in Winston. The dogs and handlers are available to assist other law enforcement agencies throughout Douglas County.

The K-9 program has been completely funded by donations, grants and gifts from local businesses, organizations and individuals. Chief Jim Burge said "We are thrilled with the response from the community." A committed group of volunteers have successfully raised more than fifty thousand dollars and that money will pay for the entire program for the first full year. Their fundraising efforts included a pancake feed, a 5K run and a “meet and greet” with the dogs. More information about the K-9 program is available at http://www.cityofroseburg.org/departments/police-department/k9-program/
Between 2008 and 2010 the City of Roseburg Public Works Staff presented the Parrott Creek Park renovation project to each of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce ‘Project Leadership’ classes. Unfortunately, alternate projects were chosen by the class members. However, many members from each of the classes felt the park project was important and one of the former class members recently organized a volunteer group to help see the Parrott Creek Park renovation completed.

The volunteers have formed the non-profit ‘Friends of Parrott Creek Park’ group. This group has entered into an agreement with the Greater Douglas United Way, which will oversee the financial administration, including providing donors the documentation for their tax-exempt donations.

Parrott Creek Park is a small neighborhood park constructed 47 years ago. The two pieces of play equipment, a swingset and an old metal slide, have likely been in place since the park was built. Both of the metal play items are deteriorating and are nearing the end of their safe and useful life. The other play component in the park is a small asphalt basketball area that has deteriorated resulting in a very bumpy, cracked and uneven play surface. These park amenities are in need of replacement and repair.

The renovation project will remove the existing swing-set and slide and replace them with a new, safe, accessible play structure. This will include the creation of a ‘fall zone’ area filled with fall attenuation material. A new paved sidewalk will lead into the park to the play area and to a new accessible picnic table. Additional components of the project include the installation of an irrigation system and a park bench. The project is estimated to cost $35,000.

Tax deductible donations towards the project may be mailed to: Friends of Parrott Creek Park, c/o Greater Douglas United Way, 702 SE Jackson Street, Roseburg, OR 97470. Donations of ‘in-kind’ services are also appreciated.

City Staff has applied for grant funding to assist with the Parrott Creek Park renovation project.

For more information contact: btaylor@cityofroseburg.org
Phone 541-492-6730
Riverside Park Waterfront Trail

The Roseburg Parks and Recreation Division was recently awarded grant funding from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department through the Recreational Trails Program for the 'Riverside Park Waterfront Trail' project.

The project, expected to be completed this year, will include the demolition and removal of the existing 850 foot length of narrow, aging and deteriorated concrete trail and replacing it with a new 10' wide multi-use concrete path. The new pathway will meander through the park following the same route as the existing walkway, from the Roseburg Visitor's Center south to Flint Street. Additional landscaping, irrigation and storm water treatment are included in the project.

The Riverside Park Waterfront Trail project was based on recommendations outlined in the Roseburg Waterfront Master Plan and the 2008 Roseburg Parks Master Plan. The current condition of the existing pathway through Riverside Park illustrates the need for improvements.

Estimated project cost is $120,000. Grant funding will provide $70,000, and the City match will be $50,000 from the Urban Renewal Fund and in-kind services. The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a Federal-aid assistance program to help states provide and maintain recreational trails for both motorized and non-motorized trail use. RTP funds represent a portion of the federal gasoline tax attributed to recreation on non-gasoline tax supported roads. The federal government prescribes many of the regulations governing this program.

The Roseburg Waterfront Master Plan specifically notes the importance of realizing the goals of the plan by accomplishing one project at a time. The Riverside Park Waterfront Trail will be an important step towards meeting the Waterfront Plan goals.

Umpqua Valley Art Center Energy Upgrades

The Arts Center is a city owned facility operated through an agreement with the Umpqua Valley Arts Association, a non-profit organization. The City received a grant in early 2010 through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) that was funded through the Oregon Department of Energy. The grant provides funding to restore original single pane windows, install new insulation in the attic to current codes, seal all wall penetrations including mechanical and around all windows and doors and other various improvements that provide energy savings. The work was scheduled to begin the last week of December 2011 and is slated to be complete by early April 2012. Total project cost is approximately $250,000.
On Saturday, February 4th come join the fun as Roseburg Parks & Recreation holds their next geocache series event! This event will kick-off the second ‘Discover Roseburg/Land of Umpqua’ geocache challenge which involves locating 5 actual caches and 15 virtual caches, and correctly answering a question related to each site. After locating the sites and answering each question, participants will return their completed ‘passport’ and be awarded a limited edition (250 available) ‘Discover Roseburg/Land of Umpqua’ geocoin.

There is a new geocoin being minted for this year’s event. This is a free event, open to the public, and beginner geocachers are welcome!

The geocache series does not have to be completed in one day, but can be done at your own pace, and will continue until all geocoins have been awarded. Some of the first ‘Discover Roseburg’ geocoins are still available for people who want to complete the original ‘Discover Roseburg’ geocache challenge.

The February 4th kick-off event will take place in the Roseburg Sleep-Inn meeting room (2855 NW Edenbower Blvd) from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Door prizes/raffle prizes will be awarded at 3:00 pm, and anyone who brings in a raffle donation will get an extra raffle ticket. There will be a children's cache on-site. The Umpqua Valley Geocacher's Association will be hosting a travel bug table.

Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunting game using GPS devices. The basic idea is to locate hidden containers, called geocaches, located outdoors and then share your experiences online. Geocaching is enjoyed by people of all ages with a strong sense of community and support for the environment. To help interested community members learn more about geocaching, the Parks & Recreation Division will host a Beginners Geocaching Class on Saturday, January 28, from 9 am till noon at the Umpqua Valley Art Association building in Fir Grove Park. The class is free and open to all ages. Anyone wanting to learn more about this fun outdoor activity is invited to attend! This is a great opportunity to learn about geocaching prior to the event scheduled for the following Saturday, February 4, 2012.

For more information contact vligon@cityofroseburg.org or call 541-492-6730.
The Community Development Department has recently assessed the accomplished objectives outlined by the Roseburg Downtown Master Plan and Urban Renewal Plan. The City has made great progress by implementing functional and aesthetic improvements within the downtown area that contribute to the appearance, livability and commercial atmosphere. These improvements will endure for years and help foster downtown revitalization by drawing citizens and visitors into the historic downtown which encourages entrepreneurship and civic pride.

While the achievements to date are noteworthy, the effort to improve downtown Roseburg is continuous. The City of Roseburg as a whole has an important stake in downtown vitality; the historic downtown is the iconic foundation of the City and its prosperity ripples outward. While every project in the Downtown and Urban Renewal Plans adds enduring value to the area, the decision to implement any given objective needs careful review. Many factors are considered by City Staff and the City Council when choosing projects to undertake, including public opinion. In an effort to facilitate public participation, the Community Development Department has developed an online survey that can be accessed on the City’s website. The survey allows all citizens the opportunity to voice their opinions about the priority of projects yet to be completed. Please visit the “Development Information” section of the CDD’s homepage for the survey, or type the following address into your web browser: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YZR6QX8.
Available Properties

The City of Roseburg has various properties available to purchase or lease. Properties include:

- 1112 and 1152 NE Post Street. 0.78 acre (33,977 square feet) parcel is zoned for multiple use and is ready to build.

- 200 block on Jackson Street across from the former police station and abutting Deer Creek.

- General Avenue—near the Lowe’s Home Improvement store. The City of Roseburg is seeking proposals from qualified developers to lease the site to provide revenue to the airport and provide family-wage jobs for the community. The City’s asking price for an annual lease is in the range of $34,200 to $50,000.

- Rose/Lane—the former Main Fire Station located at 774 SE Rose Street in downtown adjacent to Willis Park.

If you are interested in the properties listed contact Hawks & Co. Realtors for more information and pricing.

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A critical safety item for the Fire Department is to prevent an accident during egress and ingress of a fire engine to the Harvard Fire Station. Therefore, in FY 2010/2011 a traffic signal was scheduled to be installed on Harvard Avenue.

The purpose of the light is to stop traffic during these critical times. Although the light would improve safety at the fire station it would not eliminate the need to back the fire truck into the apparatus bay. The bays are narrow and backing up a fire truck in a public area is not best practice. Additionally, since the fire signal would only function intermittently, it is not a failsafe method to stop traffic.

Considering the above, other options for improving station safety were discussed and a better solution was developed. Fire Station No 2 was originally constructed as a drive through station. There was an overhead door in the rear of the station that allowed a fire truck to pull into the bay from the back and exit through the front. The firefighting apparatus originally housed at the station were smaller than today’s equipment. With the larger equipment, the maneuvering area behind the station was inadequate to use the rear bay door. Access to the rear bay door was limited due to property restrictions and material stored in the back half of the bay. The City had previously purchased the lot south of the station for future expansion. If modifications were made to the rear entrance area and interior improvements were made, the fire truck could then drive through the station as originally intended. This solution was deemed feasible and was selected over the installation of a signal on Harvard Avenue.

To allow fire apparatus to drive through the fire station, improvements were required both inside and outside of the station. The interior modifications included the following and were completed in June 2011:

- Relocation of washer, dryer, shower, exercise equipment and miscellaneous other equipment from the back half of the existing west truck storage bay to the east truck bay.
- Electrical, plumbing, heating and ventilation modifications were completed.

A wall was constructed between the two bays. The wall will improve air quality and further protect fire staff.
The exterior modifications included the following and were completed in November 2011:

- Earthwork and paving associated with new pull through area.
- Parking improvements
- Sidewalk and driveways
- Fencing and landscaping
- Handicap parking

The existing house on the lot to the south of the station was sold and relocated.

All work has been completed and Fire Department staff can now safely enter the station from the rear and exit onto Harvard without having to stop traffic or backup the fire department.

In September 2010, the Fire Department submitted an application to the Department of Homeland Security for a Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant. The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants (SAFER) was created to provide funding directly to fire departments in order to help them increase the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities. The goal of SAFER is to enhance the local Fire Departments' ability to comply with staffing, response and operational standards established by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA.)

In September 2011, the Fire Department received notification from the Department of Homeland Security that the City had been awarded the SAFER grant. This grant allowed the City to hire four additional firefighters. With the hiring of these positions, the Fire Department is now NFPA 1710 compliant with regards to staffing for response to structure fires. The grant amount of $648,324 will fund the four employees for two years. The City is obligated to fully fund those personnel for a third year.

This past fall, the Fire Department recruited, tested and hired the new firefighters that were afforded through the SAFER grant. These firefighters began employment with the City on December 1st. The recruited firefighters completed the month-long training academy during December and were began shift work in early January.
Calendar of City Meetings

City Commissions conduct regular public meetings according to the following schedule:

Airport
3rd Thursday
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room

City Council
2nd & 4th Monday
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Economic Development
2nd Tuesday
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room

Historic Resource Review
3rd Wednesday
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room

Parks & Recreation
1st Wednesday
8:00 a.m.
Conference Room

Planning
1st Monday
7:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Public Works
2nd Thursday
3:30 p.m.
Conference Room

Visitors & Convention
3rd Tuesday
4:00 p.m.
Conference Room

of February, May, August and November

Depending upon the number of issues needing attention by the Commissions, special meetings may be scheduled or regular meetings may be cancelled. Upon final preparation, full meeting agendas are forwarded to all local news media and the News Review for inclusion in the public meeting calendar, and are available at City Hall and on the City of Roseburg website www.cityofroseburg.org. Prior to attending a meeting, you may wish to call City Hall to ensure the meeting is going to be held.

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Citizen’s Guide to City Council Meetings

Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers at 900 SE Douglas Avenue. Agendas for upcoming Council meetings are available on our website and in the City Manager’s Office the Thursday afternoon prior to the meeting. Current agendas are also available at the meeting. In rare instances, the Council may deal with agenda items out of order.

Citizens attending Council meetings may speak on any item on the agenda, unless the item is the subject of an executive session or a public hearing where comments have been taken and the hearing has closed. Citizens may speak when recognized by the chair and will be required to give their name and address for the official record. A minimum of 12 copies should be provided if you are submitting handouts to Council.

Time is set aside for Public Participation toward the beginning of each meeting. At this time, anyone wishing to address the City Council concerning items of interest not included in the agenda may do so for six minutes. The person addressing the Council shall, when recognized, state their name and address for the record, including whether or not they are a resident of the City. All remarks shall be directed to the entire City Council. The Council reserves the right to delay any action, if required, until such time when they are fully informed on the matter.

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To view full agenda packets online in an Adobe PDF format, go to www.cityofroseburg.org and click on ‘City Council Agendas’ on the left sidebar menu. Packets are available Thursday prior to the Council meeting.
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## Welcome New City Councilor

After months of pursuing approval from the U.S. Secretary of the Army for City Councilor-Elect Nick Marshall to take his position on the City Council, the position was ultimately declared “vacant.” In late summer, the City Council interviewed three candidates to fulfill the position, Mike Lybarger, Melissa Smith and Josh Tibbetts. Melissa Smith was chosen to represent Ward I and was sworn into office on September 26th. In addition to her City Council duties, Melissa serves as Co-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission. She previously served on the City’s Visitors and Convention Commission. Prior to becoming a full-time mom to two girls, Melissa served as a Territory Representative for the American Red Cross. As a volunteer, Melissa has been involved in the Rotary Club, Chamber of Commerce Project Leadership, Boys and Girls Club, Build Our Kids and scholarship advisor for the University of Oregon.