



City Manager's Weekend Update

2/2/2018

Parks Master Plan – The City Manager, Engineer, and Community Development Director kicked off coordination of the update to the Parks Master Plan so we can apply for grants on April 1. It will be a lot of work, but we can do it in house, and save tens of thousands of dollars in consultant fees. There will be opportunities for the public to provide feedback.

Splash Pad – Donations of cash and in-kind labor continue to come in for the Splash Pad. The community is rallying to build this facility without City general fund money. A banner with donors will be going up on the fence on SW 4th Avenue.

OpenGov – The City kicked off the transparency project with OpenGov. The City will be opening up its finances to anyone interested over our website.

Council Chambers – We moved Tori's desk over next to me. This has been a long planned correction. She really should be right there. It's very unusual the way it was set up. We will probably make some makeshift places for staff in the back. They installed the camera so we can go live, but they have not been able to get it to work properly. They are saying they will have it done by Thursday so we can go live.

Aviation Program – The City continued work with Treasure Valley Community College to work together with the Ontario Municipal Airport and their new Aviation program.

Fire and Rescue

Firefighters trained using lifesaving power tools and building construction awareness this week.

Some of Ontario Fire and Rescue staff attended and were recognized for their efforts at the Snake River Valley Fire Chiefs Banquet.

Crews addressed a small fire on the outside of the Subaru Auto Ranch that, with a quick knock down, resulted in minimal damage.

Airport

Tuesday morning at the Treasure Valley Community College Career Fair the Airport Manager interacted with high school students from area schools interested in aviation.

The airport security fence project continues to remain on track and is now in the end of the planning stages. The City was successful once again in receiving the State COAR grant, which

picks up another 4% contribution. That leaves the city's responsibility for the project at 1%. The runway numbers will be changed in the spring as weather allows.

Community & Economic Development

Staff is reviewing 8 applications for issuing building permits. The city issued 11 permits this past week. Staff is processing 7 land use applications.

Staff worked with multiple commercial projects this past week, looking to add businesses or expand.

Public Works

Field Service

Sewer cleaning continues throughout the City.

Christmas decorations were removed from the downtown area and new banners were installed.

Water line services are being installed in a new subdivision; 16 meter sets have been completed out a total of 32.

Trash and debris on North Oregon and other primary travel routes was picked up.

Water

New computer monitors were installed and integrated at the water plant. The integration is complete and new training related to this new system has begun for all operations staff.

All required lead and copper samples were collected and sent off for analysis. We are required to collect a minimum of 60 samples twice per year.

Parks and Cemetery

Tree pruning continues in cemeteries and Parks.

Engineering

The City Engineer continues work on the SRCI lower lift station study, the NPDES permit report to council, Water Treatment Plant solids disposal, the Parks Master Plan, the reuse report, and repairs to the baffle wall at the water plant.