



## Boeckman Road Closure, Road Improvements to Begin in Late January



With pre-construction activity on schedule and the City Council's adoption of a guaranteed price amendment with contractor Tapani | Sundt completed on Dec. 4, the City is set to begin a critical road improvement project that will substantially impact local traffic for the next year.

Beginning in late January, and continuing until the spring of 2025, Boeckman Road is being closed to all traffic between Canyon Creek Road and Sherman Drive to facilitate construction of a new bridge over Boeckman Creek and eliminate the "Boeckman Dip" to make cross-town travel safer for all modes of transportation.

"I'm glad to get construction of the Boeckman Bridge underway. This project is a strategic investment in necessary infrastructure to improve travel safety and make Wilsonville more connected," Mayor Julie Fitzgerald said. "This project represents a commitment to safe streets, walkways, pedestrian areas, and environmentally conscious community development."

Traffic detours will be in place to aide motorists, pedestrians and cyclists. Travelers should allow extra time, exercise caution, and follow detour routes.

Engineers determined that a complete road closure is the most efficient way to construct the new bridge,



## Three-Time Wilsonville HS Soccer Champs Kickin' It at City Hall

On the heels of their third consecutive Oregon State Athletic Association (OSAA) 5A State Championship, players and coaches from the Wilsonville High School girls soccer team stopped by City Hall for formal recognition of their accomplishments. Mayor Julie Fitzgerald proclaimed Dec. 4-8 as

"Wilsonville Wildcat Week" and noted the team's 3.65 cumulative grade point average.

The Northwest Oregon Conference champions finished with a record of 16-2, culminating with a 2-0 win over North Eugene/Triangle Lake in the state final at Sherwood High School on Nov. 11.

a major component of the Boeckman Road Corridor Improvement Program. The program combines several essential long-planned City projects, including:

- Three-span bridge over Boeckman Creek
- Removal of the Boeckman "dip"
- Roundabout at SW Canyon and Boeckman Road
- Bike and pedestrian lanes to make the road safer and easier to ride, walk, and run
- Expanded sewer capacity to serve Frog Pond area
- Boeckman Creek Trail connection to facilitate expansion of regional trail system

The City broke ground in August, and has completed utility relocations, removal of a City-owned house, improvements at Meridian Creek, and the installation of a temporary traffic signal at the intersection of Stafford and 65th to improve the flow of detour traffic.

Once the complete road closure begins, traffic is being detoured via Stafford Road to and Canyon Creek Drive to the City's other two cross-town streets, Wilsonville Road and Elligsen Road.

The estimated cost of the suite of projects, \$36.8 million, reflects new costs due to unanticipated work mandated by soil conditions as well as severe inflation that is impacting national, regional, and local construction projects.

"The city's Engineering and Finance teams are value engineering to deliver the project as efficiently and cost-effectively as possible for the community's benefit," said Andrew Barrett, the City's capital projects manager.

### Sign Up to Receive Project Updates

To stay up to date on the project, including changing traffic patterns, a confirmed road closure date, and progress throughout the project:

- Visit [ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman](https://ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman) and sign up for the project e-newsletter OR
- Text BOECKMAN to 866-935-0125 to get traffic updates and detour information delivered to your device. Standard data and messaging rates apply.

For more information, visit [ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman](https://ci.wilsonville.or.us/Boeckman)

### Mayor's Message

## You Shared Your Vision for Town Center; In May, We'll Take the Next Step Toward Implementation

I enjoy conversations about opportunities to enhance the heart of Wilsonville. Whenever someone mentions the desire to see new restaurants, retailers, and other amenities here, it provides a chance to discuss the City's grand vision already in place to revitalize downtown.



Back before the "time warp" of the pandemic years, you may recall the City's unprecedented public outreach campaign to inform a new vision for the area in and around the Town Center Loop. Inspired by ideas and aspirations gathered during direct engagement with thousands of residents and other community stakeholders, City staff developed a plan that prioritized your wants and needs.

Now it's time to kick-start this dynamic plan — the 2019 Wilsonville Town Center Plan — the road map for Wilsonville's vibrant future downtown district. The plan envisions a walk- and bike-friendly main street surrounded by housing, cafés, shopping, parks, and plentiful outdoor gathering places.

Bringing this vision to life requires funding public infrastructure improvements necessary to spur private capital investment and development. To get the ball moving, the City Council will be asking for guidance from residents on whether a new Urban Renewal area should be established as a mechanism to secure new funding. Registered voters may cast their vote in the upcoming May election.

Urban Renewal (also known as tax increment

financing) has been a successful catalyst for essential improvements that have shaped our high quality of life in Wilsonville. These include the Water Treatment Plant, Wilsonville High School, our fantastic Memorial Park and upgrades to several major roads, including Wilsonville Road and the I-5 Wilsonville Road interchange. In fact, Villebois would not exist if the city had not unlocked that part of the city through urban renewal-funded investments in infrastructure.

Wilsonville voters have supported the use of urban renewal in four prior advisory votes, most recently in 2015 to establish the Coffee Creek Industrial Area, where an urban renewal-funded project to upgrade Garden Acres Road has spurred construction of several new industrial sites that are now bringing new jobs and new revenue to Wilsonville.

When an urban renewal area is established in Wilsonville, the City and local agencies with taxing authority (Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Clackamas County, and others) are asked to forego annual increases on the property tax revenue streams that they would normally receive from within the area boundary while urban renewal is in effect.

Tax revenue growth that occurs within the urban renewal area after the area has been designated, are those funds that would be used to pay for the infrastructure and projects needed to achieve the community goals in the Town Center Plan. As we have seen in Wilsonville with past urban renewal successes, public investment attracts private capital, and the resulting new private development increases property tax revenues and quality of life into the future, long after the urban



Improved walkability and community gathering places are hallmarks of the Town Center Plan adopted in 2019 after an unprecedented public outreach campaign.

renewal area is closed.

Through the use of Urban Renewal, we can provide future generations with modern amenities without placing additional burden on taxpayers. Our community-led vision builds upon our proud history of thoughtful planning, advancing a much-needed evolution of our Town Center that prioritizes harmonious design, safe connectivity for cyclists and pedestrians, and responsible environmental stewardship.

Visit [WilsonvilleTownCenter.com](https://WilsonvilleTownCenter.com) to review the Town Center Plan and to learn more about the vision before casting a vote on May 21.

Julie Fitzgerald, Mayor

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# On Feb. 1, New Waste Collection Rates In Effect, New Recycling Services Introduced

In February, a rate increase goes into effect for garbage and recycling services provided by Republic Services, marking the first rate increase in five years for Wilsonville residents and businesses.

A growing customer base has helped keep collection rates stable for several years; rates were even decreased in 2022. Because the growth of new solid-waste customer accounts generated new revenue greater than the increase in operational expenses, Wilsonville was perhaps the only city in Oregon to avoid a solid waste rate increase over a five-year period.

Multiple inflationary factors and slower customer growth is resulting in rate increases effective Feb., 1, 2024. Key inflationary expenses include an increase in costs of disposal, recycling, labor and health insurance.

Rates increases are in the range of 5-12%, depending upon the service:

- Residential collection: Average increase = 9.2%
- Commercial containers: Average increase = 7.5%
- Industrial drop box/roll-off compactor: Average increase = 5.0%.



For example, 35-gallon residential garbage cart weekly service (that also includes 35-gallon mixed recycling cart, 35-gallon organics/yard-debris cart and glass/batteries recycling bin) is increasing by \$2.60 to \$30.55 per month. Customers are billed every two months.

The annual Leaf Collection Day and twice-yearly Bulky Waste Day, co-sponsored by the City and Republic Services, are scheduled to continue.

### New Recycling Programs

Metro-area counties and cities are implementing new recycling services, including battery collection in curbside glass bins, as part of standard service. Also an optional Recycle+ recycling program available starting Feb. 1 for materials not included in standard recycling service, such as hard-to-recycle items like plastic clamshells, compact fluorescent light bulbs and old linens.

Additionally, the Metro-mandated business food-waste or commercial food-scrap composting program continues to be rolled out to a wider range of businesses that generate compostable food-scrap “in the back of the house,” meaning in the kitchen food-preparation area of the business. Clackamas County Sustainability Division is working with local business-

es covered by the 2020 Metro ordinance for composting food scraps.

Concurrently, and unrelated to rate modifications, the Wilsonville City Council recently adopted a revised solid-waste franchise ordinance and corresponding administrative rules, effective Jan. 1, that codify various changes in the rate-review process and residential and commercial garbage and recycling services.

For more information on solid waste rates, services, and recycling, or to initiate a customer service request, visit [ci.wilsonville.or.us/recycling](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/recycling).

To learn about implementation of region-wide recycling programs, visit [clackamas.us/recycling](http://clackamas.us/recycling) or [OregonMetro.gov/FindaRecycler](http://OregonMetro.gov/FindaRecycler)

### Waste Collection Concerns?

The City of Wilsonville and Republic Services are committed to making sure local waste/recycling customers receive great service. If your bin gets damaged, your home service gets skipped, or you otherwise have a collection concern that needs quick attention, let us know at [ci.wilsonville.or.us/collection](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/collection)

## Community Displays Generosity During Annual Toy Drive Collection

As usual, the Wilsonville community displayed its heart with enthusiastic support of the City’s annual Holiday Toy Drive (pictured) and Stockings for Seniors programs.

More than 600 new, unwrapped toys were collected at the Wilsonville Community Center and delivered by City staff to Clackamas County non-profit Toy & Joy Compassion in Action for distribution to local families.

Additionally, community members donated 140 stockings — stuffed with treats, trinkets, and treasures — that were delivered to seniors who attend lunch at the Community Center or participate in the City’s Home Delivered Meal program.

Thank you, Wilsonville!



8200 SW Wilsonville Road  
503-682-2744



## Take the Winter Reading Challenge

This winter, patrons of all ages are incentivized to read books and discover new library services by participating in our Winter Reading Challenge.

Everyone who complete the Bingo game board gets entered into a prize drawing! The fun begins on Jan. 2, when Bingo game boards become available at the library or online, at [WilsonvilleLibrary.org](http://WilsonvilleLibrary.org).

Entries may be turned in anytime until Feb. 29.

Call the Library at 503-682-2744, or visit the Circulation Desk with questions.

**Program runs Jan. 2 through Feb. 29.**



## Library ‘Tiny Art Show’ is Back! Supplies Available on Feb. 1

Once again this year, the Library is inviting guests of all ages to showcase their artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show!

Starting Feb. 1, mini art kits are available (while supplies last) for artists of all ages to create their miniscule masterpiece.

All canvases returned to the Library by Feb. 25 are eligible to be included in the March Tiny Art Show and competition. (All pieces entered can be returned afterward, in early April).

**Starting Feb. 1, while supplies last**

## Upcoming Library Closures

The Library is closed on the following dates:

- Monday, Jan. 1
- Monday, Jan. 15
- Monday, Feb. 19

To renew items, select “My Account” on the Library website or call the automated phone service at 503-659-8634.

## Upcoming Classes and Events



### Beginning ESL Classes

Learn English in an informal class setting for free. Anyone wanting to improve their English may attend. Drop in! Starts Jan. 22.

Monday mornings, 11 am-12:30 pm

[WilsonvilleLibrary.org/ESL](http://WilsonvilleLibrary.org/ESL)

### Space Talks

Discover the history and science behind our space exploration with talks presented by docents from Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum.

First Saturday, monthly, 11 am-12:30 pm

[WilsonvilleLibrary.org/space](http://WilsonvilleLibrary.org/space)

### Book Notes Concerts

Enjoy free performances by local musicians.

Second Saturday, monthly, 2-3 pm

[WilsonvilleLibrary.org/concerts](http://WilsonvilleLibrary.org/concerts)

### Youth programs Return Jan. 8

Our Youth Services staff offers fun programs for all ages, from newborns to high schoolers. New programs begin Jan. 8

Visit our website for more events:

[WilsonvilleLibrary.org](http://WilsonvilleLibrary.org)





### Caring Through Crisis: Emergency Readiness for Caregivers

Many people provide care for family members or others with special healthcare or mobility concerns that make them especially vulnerable during an emergency or natural disaster.

Caregivers should handle emergency planning not just for themselves, but for those they care for, so communities can stay safer and more resilient in the face of an emergency. This month, Wilsonville Ready provides some tips for caregivers to consider:



#### A Team Approach Is Optimal

Especially during an emergency, when families can get separated, it's in everyone's best interest to have a support team to help care for a loved one in need of assistance. This team can include family members, neighbors, friends, neighborhood groups, faith-based groups, health care providers, service providers, and social service organizations.

#### Plan Ahead to Stay Safe

When preparing for an emergency as a caregiver, write down your loved one's considerations, including mobility limitations, routines/schedules, current health conditions, healthcare provider contacts and insurance information. Share this information with your support team as appropriate to ensure your loved one can receive the necessary support in an emergency.

Develop a family plan that considers any special as-

sistance that might be needed in different emergency situations. To consider in this planning:

- How you will communicate with each other before, during, and after an emergency?
- How do a loved one's (or your own) medical, physical, or cognitive needs factor into any response to an emergency?
- How can medical equipment be operated if electricity goes out?
- How will they get the medicine or medical treatment they need in an emergency?
- What transportation options are available? How, and to where would your loved one evacuate?

Discuss the plan with your support team to ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities. Include the person you're caring for in the planning when possible, so they know and can follow the plan.

#### Tailor Supplies for Each Person's Needs

Most likely, emergency supplies needed by those in your care are different than your own needs. When gathering supplies for a loved one, consider special dietary needs, medications, and assistive devices like canes, wheelchairs, hearing aids, dentures, CPAP machines, plus any chargers or extra batteries.

For more emergency preparedness tips, tools, and training to make it easier for Wilsonville individuals and families to remain prepared in and after an emergency, visit [wilsonvilleready.com](http://wilsonvilleready.com).

### Schedule Set for May Meetings to Approve 2024-25 City Budget

The City of Wilsonville's Budget Committee has scheduled upcoming meetings to review current financial operations and to consider and approve a Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 budget to be forwarded to the City Council for adoption.

**Thursday, May 9, 6-10 pm, City Hall (Council Chambers):** The Budget Committee convenes for an initial review of the City's proposed FY 2024-25 budget. The Committee scrutinizes aspects of the budget, hears public testimony and completes initial review and deliberation.

**Wednesday, May 15, 6-10 pm, City Hall (Council Chambers):** Review and deliberation on the proposed FY 2024-25 budget continues; the City's Urban Renewal Agency budget is also considered. The public is welcome to address the Committee regarding either budget. The Budget Committee may approve and recommend the budget for City Council adoption at the end of this meeting, or convene a third meeting if further deliberation is needed.

**2024-25 Budget Meetings**  
May 9, May 15, May 16, 6 pm  
Wilsonville City Hall  
29979 SW Town Center Loop E.

**Thursday, May 16, 6-10 pm, City Hall (Council Chambers):** If necessary, the Budget Committee completes the review and approval of the FY 2024-25 budget during this final meeting, held only in the event the committee needs additional time after the May 15 meeting.

Once approved by the Budget Committee, the City's annual budget is forwarded to the City Council for deliberation and potential adoption at a public hearing on Monday, June 3, 7 pm at City Hall.

The Budget Committee consists of Wilsonville's five City Councilors and five appointed citizens at large (Tyler Beach, Christopher Moore, Alicia Moulton, Synthea Russell and Tabi Traughber).

For more information about the City's budget and fiscal planning, see [ci.wilsonville.or.us/Budget](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/Budget)



503-682-7790 | [RideSMART.com](http://RideSMART.com)  
28879 SW Boberg Road



### January/February Holiday Service Hours

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
**Día de Martin Luther King Jr.**  
Monday, Jan. 15 / Lunes 15 de enero

**Presidents Day**  
**Día del Presidente**  
Monday, Feb. 19 / Lunes 19 de febrero

Regular Bus Service / Servicio regular  
SMART offices closed / Oficinas cerradas

### Walk or Roll to School on Feb. 7

Walk+Roll to School Day is a program to encourage kids and parents to commute actively to and from school all year round, even during the winter months.

Students can participate by walking, biking, carpooling, riding the school bus, or taking SMART transit.

Schools are encouraged to participation on the scheduled day or any other day in February. SMART can provide resources to help schools plan a Walk+Roll event.

Contact your school or visit [RideSMART.com/WWR](http://RideSMART.com/WWR) for more information. We often need volunteers and parent champions!



### Spring Learn to Ride Bike Clinics

Registration opens Jan 16!



It's never too early (or too late!) to learn to ride a bicycle. It's easy, it's fun, it's a skill that lasts a lifetime, and it's good for the environment.

SMART's free Learn-to-Ride Bike Clinics are for kids, teens, and adults who have never ridden a bike or who are returning to cycling after an extended period.

Learn-to-Ride clinics provide an effective, low-stress way to learn balance, steering, pedaling, and controlled stopping/braking which produces independence and confidence. Participants learn to ride in a non-traffic environment and receive safety education and support to encourage biking to school and around Wilsonville.

Registration begins on Jan. 16 for spring clinics to be held March 25-29 (elementary school), April 8 (middle school) and April 24 (high school). Learn more and/or register at [RideSMART.com/bikeclinics](http://RideSMART.com/bikeclinics)





### Council Appoints 24 Members to City Boards & Commissions

At the Council's Dec. 18 meeting, Mayor Fitzgerald recommended individuals for appointment (or reappointment) to City Boards and Commissions. Each was confirmed by City Council vote:

- **Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission:** Nadine Elbitar (six-month term);
- **Budget Committee:** Tabi Traughber, Tyler Beach (three-year term), Christopher Moore (one-year term);
- **Development Review Board:** Megan Chuinard, John Andrews, Kamran Mesbah (two-year terms);
- **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee:** David Siha, Tre Hester, Fay Gyapong-Porter, Carolina Wilde (three-year terms); Justin Brown, George Luo, Aasha Patel (one-year terms);
- **Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board:** John Bohlen, Adrienne Scritsmier, Karen Kreitzer (three-year terms);
- **Parks & Rec. Advisory Board:** Bill Bagnall, Paul Diller (four-year terms);
- **Planning Commission:** Jennifer Willard, Matt Constantine, Sam Scull, Yana Semenova (four-year terms);
- **Tourism Promotion Committee:** Lynn Sanders (two-year term).

Applications for future positions may be submitted year-round. Visit [ci.wilsonville.or.us/bc\\_apply](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/bc_apply) to learn more and/or apply.

### Restoration of 95th Avenue Ongoing Through January

The Willamette Water Supply Program's (WWSP) installation of a new segment of water pipeline under 95th Avenue, between Hillman Court and Ridder Road, is complete.

In collaboration with the City, street restoration is underway to install new curbs, sidewalks, driveways, and to apply temporary concrete paving by the end of the month unless severe winter weather (heavy rain, snow, ice, and low temperatures) causes delays. Once temporary pavement is in place, the road will re-open to two-way traffic.

This spring, when weather conditions improve, permanent concrete paving will be installed.

#### Project Moves South Near Transit Center

Soon, work is set to begin further south on 95th Avenue, between Hillman Court and Boeckman Road, to relocate a City water main and install additional transmission pipeline. During this upcoming work, traffic control measures will be in place and the northbound lane of 95th Avenue will be closed between Boeckman Road and Hillman Court.

Crews are also planning the installation of a segment of pipeline beneath Boeckman Road and the TriMet Westside Express Service (WES) rail line in early 2024. Crews will tunnel beneath the roadway and rail line to reduce impacts to vehicle traffic.



When the trenchless crossing is complete, the new segment will be connected to an already-installed pipeline segment at Boeckman Road and 95th Avenue.

By 2026, a 30-mile WWSP water transmission pipeline will transport drinking water from the Willamette River to serve residents in Hillsboro, Beaverton, and Tualatin Valley Water District service areas. Ratepayers in those communities are funding the project, which is providing Wilsonville with road improvements and other amenities.

For more information on the Willamette Water Supply Program, or to sign up for monthly construction updates via e-mail, visit [ourreliablewater.org](http://ourreliablewater.org).

### City in Need of Corporate Support for Annual Juneteenth Event

The City of Wilsonville has scheduled the fourth annual Juneteenth Celebration, to be held on the evening of Wednesday, June 19, at Town Center Park.

Planned and executed by the City's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee and City staff, this great event relies on community support. The City expresses gratitude to the following Wilsonville businesses for their generous sponsorship of our 2023 event: Swire Coca-Cola (platinum sponsor), Oregon Institute of Technology (silver sponsor)



and Hilton Garden Inn (silver sponsor).

In order to offer free music, food and educational materials at our 2024 Juneteenth Celebration, the City is again seeking the community's support. To learn more about sponsoring this event, contact Zoe Mombert at [mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us](mailto:mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us).

Since 2021, the City of Wilsonville has formally celebrated emancipation of black Americans with this free event to bring the community together to celebrate our shared humanity and acknowledge history that continues to influence society.



[WilsonvilleParksandRec.com](http://WilsonvilleParksandRec.com)

Parks & Rec Administration  
29600 SW Park Pl.  
503-783-7529

Community Center  
7965 SW Wilsonville Rd.  
503-682-3727

### Winter/Spring Class Registration Now Open!

A wide variety of new classes, programs and special events are now open for registration! Classes this season include yoga, barre, oil painting, watercolor, Soccer Shots, Skyhawks sports camps, Sit & Be Fit, Body Sculpt, tai chi, Healthy Bones & Balance, and more! Events include February's Daddy Daughter Dance and the annual Community Egg Hunt! Register now: Visit [WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/Register](http://WilsonvilleParksandRec.com/Register)



### Free Tax Assistance Available

Free AARP Income Tax assistance is being offered at the Wilsonville Community Center in 2024. Income tax preparation and electronic filing for both 2023 Federal and State Returns is provided by trained and certified IRS-AARP Tax Aide Volunteers.

Appointments are being accepted beginning on Monday, Jan. 8; call 503-682-3727 to schedule.

Appointments available 9 am-3:30 pm on Tuesdays, from Feb. 6 until Apr. 9.

### New "Life 101" Lecture Series Scheduled

The Community Center is proud to present an informative Life 101 lecture series. Lectures are free; participants should call 503-682-3727 to pre-register. Lectures begin at 10:30 am at the Wilsonville Community Center.

**Monday, Jan. 22:** The Alzheimer's Association shares information on understanding and responding to dementia related behavior. Behavior is a powerful form of communication and a primary way for people with dementia to communicate their needs and feelings as their ability to use language is lost. Learn to decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers, and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease.

**Monday, Jan. 29:** Physical therapist and vestibular specialist Sydney Neumann, PT, DPT, shares the most common causes of dizziness, what you can do to decrease your symptoms, and how physical therapy can help manage and eliminate the most common causes. If you have you ever experienced dizziness moving your head or woken up to a spinning room, this may be a great workshop for you. Dizziness becomes a common problem as we age, and can lead to falls and decreased participation in activities.

**Monday, Feb. 5:** Attorney Michael Rose of Rose Elder Law presents a workshop centered around estate planning basics such as wills, trusts, probate, powers of attorney, advance directives, and Medicaid Planning.

### Upcoming Classes and Events

#### Gentle Yoga

Thursdays, Jan. 11- Feb. 29  
8:30-9:30 am  
Community Center  
\$80 or (\$10 drop in)  
Course #: 10859

#### Beginning Tai Chi

Tues/Thurs, Jan. 16-Feb 29  
2-2:45 pm  
Community Center  
\$70 or (\$10 drop in)  
Course #: 10862

#### Abstract Watercolor Painting

Sundays, Feb. 4-25, 10-11 am  
Parks & Rec Admin Building  
Cost: \$99 (ages 15+)  
Course #: 10894

#### Bob Ross Style Oil Painting- Quiet Mt. River

Sat., Feb. 10, 10 am-2 pm  
Parks and Rec. Admin  
Cost: \$50 (ages 12+)  
Course #: 10848

#### Daddy Daughter Disco Dance

Friday, Feb. 23, 7-9 pm  
Wilsonville Community Center  
Cost: \$20 (all ages)  
Course #: 10897

Visit our website for more events:

[WilsonvilleParksandRec.com](http://WilsonvilleParksandRec.com)

**POLICE CHIEF'S CORNER**

**Signing Up for Emergency Alerts Helps Us Keep the Community Safer When a Crisis Hits**

Every day communities face local emergencies — chemical spills, fires, gas leaks, police activity, and other events — that require the quick dissemination of information to keep people out of harm's way.

Emergency alerts, commonly known as “reverse 911,” can play a crucial role in spreading critical information during unforeseen events. While employed infrequently, the technology can provide a rapid and efficient means for emergency responders to communicate with the public. In turn, alerts can also end up providing our officers with useful information.

For example, a recent incident in our city involved an individual who fled a traffic stop, subsequently crashed and escaped on foot; we had reason to be-



Police Chief Rob Wurpes

lieve this person might be armed. As a precautionary measure, we activated our emergency alert system, urging nearby residents to remain indoors and to secure their homes while law enforcement conducted a thorough search of the area.

Some observant residents, prompted by the alert, detected suspicious activity on their doorbell cameras and promptly contacted 911, facilitating a swift exchange of pertinent video footage with the police.

It is worth taking a minute to register your phone numbers at [clackamas.us/dm/publicalerts](http://clackamas.us/dm/publicalerts) or [publicalerts.org](http://publicalerts.org) to ensure you receive pertinent alerts, which typically arrive in the form of pre-recorded calls directed to home phones or mobile devices within the area of an ongoing incident. The system sources its information from telephone company listings and public records to compile a comprehensive list of contact numbers; residents may opt-in to receive messages on their mobile devices.

When you receive an alert, follow the safety instructions provided, which may include directives to stay indoors and secure doors. Additionally, when you see something you believe is relevant or have camera footage, please share by calling 911.

Registering to receive emergency alerts is an easy step you can take to make your household more prepared. Families are encouraged to discuss emergency alert procedures, ensuring that all household members can receive alerts, and are prepared to respond calmly.

Emergency alerts serve as invaluable tools for enhancing public safety, benefiting law enforcement agencies and residents alike. By prompting swift and coordinated action, we can help ensure the community's well-being during critical situations.

Happy New Year!

Chief Robert Wurpes

**Deadline to Apply for Community Enhancement Funding is Jan. 12**

The deadline to apply for funding through the Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Program is Jan. 12

As much as \$80,000 may be available to re-invest in community improvement projects nominated and led by non-profits and/or City committees.

**Metro Community Enhancement Grant Application Deadline Fri, Jan. 12, 5 pm**

For consideration, a project must meet at least one of the community improvement goals listed on the City's website. Visit

The Community Enhancement program has funded several significant projects, including the Nature Play Area at Memorial Park, the Art and Culture Survey

and Strategic Plan, Beauty and the Bridge Interpretive Signs, the Community Reader Board, and Wilsonville Public Library signage.

To learn more about nominating a project for funding, contact Zoe Mombert, Assistant to the City Manager, 503-570-1503, [mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us](mailto:mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us).



**Briefs**

**City Seeks Qualified Artist(s) for Memorial Park Skate Park Mural**

The City's Parks & Recreation Department and the Arts, Culture, and Heritage Commission (ACHC) are seeking a talented artist or artist team, with expertise in mural design and implementation services, for exterior murals at the Memorial Park Skate Park.

This project is funded by the Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Program.

Applications are due Feb. 2. View project details at [ci.wilsonville.or.us/residents/page/public-art](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/residents/page/public-art)

For more information, contact Erika Valentine, Arts & Culture Program Coordinator, at [Evalentine@ci.wilsonville.or.us](mailto:Evalentine@ci.wilsonville.or.us) or 503.570.1629.

**Notable Actions: City Boards and Commissions**

City Council	Action	What it Means
Dec. 4	The Council executed a guaranteed price amendment with Tapani   Sundt that allocates the final \$36.8 million needed to complete construction of a suite of five projects that comprise the Boeckman Road Corridor Improvement Program.	This action paves the way for these inter-connected, high-priority Capital Improvement Projects to proceed; they include construction of the “Boeckman Dip Bridge,” bike/pedestrian facilities, the extension of a sanitary sewer line to serve Frog Pond neighborhoods, and intersection improvements at Canyon Creek Rd.
Dec. 4	The Council authorized the sole source selection of two long-time partners – Friends of Trees (FOT) and the Backyard Habitat Certification Program (BHCP) – to continue partnerships that support responsible stewardship of the City's natural resources.	FOT provides site preparation activities, community planting and mulching events, neighborhood outreach, and maintenance to improve native habitats and urban forest. BHCP provides assistance and incentives to residents with small lots (an acre or smaller) who seek to restore native wildlife habitat in their backyards.
Dec. 4	The Council approved acquisition of easements required to construct and maintain new portions of water pipe at Wilsonville Summit Apartments, Canyon Creek Apartments and Sundial Apartments.	The action is being taken to achieve target fire flow standards for hydrants serving these apartment communities.
Dec. 4	The Council approved the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) developed by a SMART safety committee.	This action is required to meet the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) guidelines to receive federal funding.
Dec. 4	The Council approved a contract with Absco Solutions to fund the installation of an upgraded Motorola security card access and camera system at the Wilsonville Library.	This system, installed at the City's new Public Works Complex, is to eventually be used at all City facilities to enhance safety and security.
Dec. 4	The Council authorized a \$105,000 contract with CompuNet for the purchase of computer hardware.	The hardware is required by the City's Information Services department to adequately provide safe day-to-day operation of virtual operations.
Dec. 4	The Council extended the employee agreement of Municipal Court Judge Fred Weinhouse.	Weinhouse will continue to serve as the City's Municipal Court judge for two years.



**WCSI to Host March Bingo Night**

Wilsonville Community Seniors, Inc. (WCSI) is hosting a Bingo Night fundraiser on Saturday, March 9, 6:30-9 pm at the Wilsonville Community Center (7965 SW Wilsonville Rd.)

**WCSI Bingo Night**  
Sat, Mar. 9, 6:30-9 pm  
Wilsonville Community Center  
7965 SW Wilsonville Rd.

Doors open at 6 pm. Play Bingo (12 games) for a chance to win gifts cards or prizes. The cost is \$25; anyone over the age of 18 may play. Proceeds support WCSI's activities for local seniors.

Soft drinks, snacks, daubers and raffle tickets are also available for purchase. Seating is limited; tickets may be purchased throughout February at the Community Center (M/W/F between 8:30-noon).

For more information visit [wcsi.info](http://wcsi.info) or e-mail Donna at [wilsonvillecsi@gmail.com](mailto:wilsonvillecsi@gmail.com)

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### New Wilsonville HS Auditorium Debuts With Sold-Out Shows

The new 600-seat auditorium at Wilsonville High School presented its first show; a five-evening run of “Elf: The Musical” played to several sold out crowds, Dec. 1-9.

Funded by the West Linn-Wilsonville School District’s 2019 capital bond, the 29,000-square foot

theater includes an orchestra pit, dressing rooms, and instructional space.

William Shakespeare’s *The Tempest* is the next student show to be staged, Feb. 29-Mar. 9. When tickets become available, they can be purchased online at [teachtix.com/wilsonville](http://teachtix.com/wilsonville)

### Rescheduled DEI Talk Shares a Story of Escaping Oppression

The City’s Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Speaker Series, returns with the first of four new events on Thursday, Feb. 1, at 6 pm at the Wilsonville

**DEI Speaker Series**  
Thu, Feb. 1, 6 pm  
Clack. Community College  
29353 SW Town Center Loop E.

campus of Clackamas Community College (29353 SW Town Center Loop E). This resched-

uled event had been originally scheduled for Dec. 6.

In her scheduled talk, “*Fleeing Displacement and Escaping El Salvador’s Civil War for Life in America*,” Elizabeth Brashear shares details of her harrowing journey to the U.S. border during El Salvador’s violent Civil War, and her acclimation to life in America. Her daughter Karla, a local immigration attorney, will provide context on the recent influx of new migrants,

most of whom are fleeing persecution in their home countries and desperately seeking asylum in the United States.

The event is free, and includes light refreshments. Future events are to be held March 6, April 4, and May 30.

The DEI Speaker Series was established by the City’s Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee for open discussion on topics critical to understanding the lived experience of historically marginalized community members.

For more information, contact Zoe Mombert, 503-570-1503, [mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us](mailto:mombert@ci.wilsonville.or.us).



Elizabeth Brashear

### City Hall Art Gallery Features Works of Artist W.S. Cranmore

Milwaukie-based artist W.S. Cranmore’s artworks are known for distinctive geometric patterns, bold lines and borders, and nontraditional composition.

At the intersection of expressionism, geometric abstraction, and pop art, Cranmore’s approach is to let the image come to him and to evolve through a completely abstract process, led by emotions and feelings evoked by music.

W.S. Cranmore is proud to count Elvis Costello, a musical hero of his, among the collectors of his works.

Cranmore’s artwork is being displayed at City Hall

until Feb. 13; the gallery includes many items for sale. An artist reception is being held on Jan. 17 at 6:30 pm.

You can find more of Cranmore’s art on Instagram [@w.s.cranmore](https://www.instagram.com/w.s.cranmore).



### The City’s DEI Committee Recognizes the following January Events:

- Jan. 1: Emancipation Proclamation Day
- Jan. 4: World Braille Day
- Jan. 15: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

*Cultural Calendar*

## City Calendar

For the most up-to-date information, visit [ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar)

### JANUARY

- 1 Mon • New Year’s Day  
City offices, Library, SMART closed
- 2 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court  
5 pm, City Hall
- 4 Thu • City Council Meeting, City Hall  
5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 8 Mon • DRB Panel A  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 14 Tue • Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee Mtg.  
6 pm, City Hall
- 10 Wed • Planning Commission  
6 pm, City Hall  
• Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board Mtg.  
6 pm, Parks and Rec. Admin. Bldg.
- 11 Thu • Civics Academy  
6 pm, City Hall
- 15 Mon • Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
City offices, Library, SMART closed
- 16 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court  
5 pm, City Hall
- 17 Wed • City Hall Gallery Artist Reception  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 18 Thu • City Council Meeting, City Hall  
5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 22 Mon • DRB Panel B  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 24 Wed • Library Board Meeting  
6:30 pm, Wilsonville Library  
• Civics Academy 2.0  
6 pm, City Hall

### FEBRUARY

- 1 Thu • DEI Speakers Series Event  
6 pm, Clackamas Community College
- 5 Mon • City Council Meeting, City Hall  
CANCELED
- 6 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court  
2 pm, City Hall
- 8 Thu • Civics Academy  
6 pm, City Hall
- 12 Mon • DRB Panel A  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 13 Tue • Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee Mtg.  
5:30 pm, City Hall
- 14 Wed • Planning Commission Meeting  
6 pm, City Hall
- 19 Mon • Presidents Day  
City Offices Closed
- 20 Tue • Municipal/Traffic Court  
2 pm, City Hall
- 21 Wed • Kitakata Sister City Advisory Board Mtg.  
6 pm, Parks and Rec. Admin. Bldg.
- 22 Thu • City Council Meeting, City Hall  
5 pm-Work Session, 7 pm-Meeting
- 23 Fri • Daddy Daughter Disco Dance  
7-9 pm, Community Center
- 26 Mon • DRB Panel B  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 27 Tue • Wilsonville-Metro Community  
Enhancement Meeting  
6:30 pm, City Hall
- 28 Wed • Arts, Culture & Heritage Commission Mtg.  
5 pm, City Hall  
• Library Board Meeting  
6:30 pm, Wilsonville Library

All dates and times are tentative; check the City’s online calendar for schedule changes at [ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/calendar)

## Wilsonville City Council

The City Council usually convenes on the first and third Monday of the month at City Hall, with work session generally starting at 5 pm and meeting at 7 pm. Meetings are broadcast live on Xfinity Ch. 30 and Ziplly Ch. 32 and are replayed periodically. Meetings are also available to stream live or on demand at [ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV](http://ci.wilsonville.or.us/WilsonvilleTV). Public comment is welcome at City Council meetings.



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