



Spring 2010

## MANZANITA REPORTER

### DRAFT SHORT TERM RENTAL RULES MOVE FORWARD

A public hearing is scheduled on April 7 at 7:00pm in the City Council Chambers to formally receive public comment on draft Ordinances proposed by the City Council which will improve and more clearly define regulations on short term rentals. Some of the changes in the main proposed Ordinance include clarifying who may apply for a short term rental license, providing for periodic safety inspections of rental units after the license is issued, and detailing the responsibilities of the local contact person. A proposed Resolution raises the annual license fee to \$500 (from \$150), but provides for rebate of up to \$350 of this fee based on the amount of transient lodging tax remitted to the City. The proposed legislation does not affect the cap on the number of short term rentals within the lowest density residential zones of the City.

These proposals are the result of two years of discussion and reflect many of the suggestions that the Council has received in public meetings, by letter and by email. Copies of the proposals are available on the City website for review, and the Council welcomes your comments.

The Council began this process in January, 2009 by holding several meetings with various groups to get a number of perspectives on what is right and what is wrong with the current regulations. Initial drafts of the regulations were circulated for public comment in December, and the Council received numerous written comments and held two public meetings to invite public discussion. After review by legal counsel, modifications were made to the proposals and the suggested changes. The Council expects to adopt a final version of these regulations in May.

### IS THERE A DOCTOR OR NURSE IN THE HOUSE?

Be part of a life saving team whether you live here full or part time! In a major emergency, doctors, nurses and other medical professionals will be needed. The Nehalem Bay Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is looking for volunteers to help! Established in June of 2009, the MRC has become an integral part of our emergency preparedness strategy. With your expertise, the MRC could make a difference helping people during the emergency. Supported by The Rinehart Clinic, the mission of the Nehalem Bay MRC is to organize medical volunteers to aid in emergency response within the communities of Wheeler, Nehalem and Manzanita. In order to successfully plan and prepare, MRC needs anyone who is an actively licensed medical professional to join the effort. ***Remember an emergency can happen any time, and if you are here, your help could be critical!***

If you or anyone you know is interested in being part of the medical response during a major emergency please call Kristen Roach, (503) 368-5182 ext 157 or [kristen@nehalem.tel.net](mailto:kristen@nehalem.tel.net).

### NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2010 Manzanita Citizen of the Year. A committee of former Citizens of the Year will meet in May to consider nominations and select the individual or couple to be honored this year. To qualify for this honor, one must be a resident of Manzanita or live within the Manzanita Urban Growth Boundary. The Citizen of the Year may be an individual or couple who performs any volunteer community service that benefits our citizens. Quality of service is more valuable in the selection process than length of time served. Nominations must be in writing and be submitted by May 1<sup>st</sup> to the Manzanita Citizen of the Year Committee c/o City Hall, P.O. Box 129, Manzanita, OR 97130

**BEACH STREET TO BE IMPROVED**

Plans are moving forward to complete the improvement of Beach Street between Edmund Lane and Beeswax Lane. The City had put this project on hold to be sure that the downturn in the economy last year had not affected the funds anticipated to complete the project. The funds are available, and the project is moving ahead. The project will include replacement of the water line, construction of a storm gutter and pavement of the street. These improvements are scheduled to be completed by July. Funds are expected to be budgeted for expanding the project to improve more of Beach Street after July.

**IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE COUNTED**

The 2010 US Census is underway, and everyone is encouraged to fill out and mail in the form and be counted at their primary residence. The US Constitution states that the census is conducted every ten years. Representation in Congress and the State Legislature is adjusted based on the head counts made during the Census. The City and County receive state shared revenues based on the number of people in their jurisdictions. Eligibility for federal funding is sometimes based on the size of the community as determined by the census.

By now most Manzanita residents will have had census forms placed on their door. As the census forms must be delivered to a street address, most Manzanita residents will get their census forms this way. You can make sure that your community gets its fair share of resources and representation just by completing the 10 question census and sending it in. It's easy, confidential, and very important!

**CITY WEBSITE:**  
[CI.MANZANITA.OR.US](http://CI.MANZANITA.OR.US)

**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Garry R. Bullard, Mayor  
Leila Salmon, City Council President  
Councilors:  
Linda Kozlowski, Ray Scales, and Mike Scott

**HOLIDAYS**

May 31, 2010 Memorial Day  
July 5, 2010 Independence Day observed  
(Parade on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm)  
(City offices will be closed.)

The City of Manzanita is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK?** The Manzanita City Council and staff are interested in your comments on City programs and issues. Please send us a note or use this form as you wish: City of Manzanita, PO Box 129, Manzanita, OR 97130-0129; fax to 1-503-368-4145; or email to: [cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us](mailto:cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us).

TO: MANZANITA CITY COUNCIL: Here is what I think about \_\_\_\_\_

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