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ONLINE BILL PAYMENT NOW AVAILABLE

Online payment of City fees and charges is now available on the City's website www.ci.manzanita.or.us. The new service will allow payment of bills by credit card for a 3.0% convenience charge and by electronic funds transfer for free. Payment of such things as building permit fees, business license fees, transient lodging tax payments and water service charges are among the fees and charges that may now be paid electronically on-line. Please go to the City's website and follow the links to the on-line payment system. Use of this system is entirely voluntary.

In addition, water customers will now be able to set up an on-line account and will be able to receive their bills by email if they choose.

If you have questions about this new system, you may email Kristin Grasseth in the Administration Office at kgrasseth@ci.manzanita.or.us or phone 503-368-5343 during regular business hours.

CARMEL AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS COMING SOON

Work will start in November on reconstruction of Carmel Avenue and Beach Street between Laneda Avenue and Sunset Lane. The bicycle/pedestrian lane will be widened on the east side of the road and the street will be repaved. A new waterline will be installed to replace the existing substandard asbestos concrete pipe. A new storm drainage line will be installed along with concrete gutters and catch basins.

Bids will be opened on this estimated \$1.2 million project in early October. The project is scheduled to be completed by June of 2017. Through traffic will be detoured at times, but property owners will be able to access their properties most of the time.

For more information, see the link to the Carmel Avenue Reconstruction Notice to Residents on the home page of the City website.

SHORT TERM RENTAL RULES TO BE REVISED

The City Council will be considering an Ordinance in November to clarify and tighten up regulations on short term rentals. The City intends to implement a much stronger enforcement program on illegal rentals and has developed some tools to make enforcement more effective. A public workshop was held on September 23 to obtain public comments. All of the proposed changes may be seen on the City website, and additional public comments are welcome.

PICKLEBALL ON THE TENNIS COURT?

The City has received a request from a local group of people to allow alternative striping on the tennis court in City Park to permit the court to be used for pickleball play as well as tennis. Pickleball is similar to tennis, but uses a smaller court, wooden paddles and a wiffle-type ball. The City is interested in public comment on this request. Please send your comments by October 21, 2016 to: Jerry Taylor, City Manager, City of Manzanita, PO

Box 129, Manzanita, OR 97130 or jtaylor@ci.manzanita.or.us .

VISITORS CENTER IMPROVEMENTS NEARLY COMPLETE

Work is nearly completed on some improvements to the City’s Visitors Center funded by a \$20,800 grant from the Tillamook County transient lodging tax grant program. A new shed to house the City’s beach accessible wheelchairs is nearly done, and a patio in the back yard has been completed. A drinking fountain (including a special fountain at canine level) has been installed and is now available. An improved bicycle parking area will soon be completed on the corner of the property. The project is expected to be fully completed by the end of October.

The Visitors Center at the corner of Laneda Avenue and First Street attracted over 11,000 visitors last year.

MORE TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE US 101 PROJECT

Work is nearly complete on the fish passage tunnel under US Highway 101 near the City Water Treatment Plant. However, the construction season is likely to end before the highway improvements are complete. ODOT officials are now estimating that the highway improvements, including improved turning lanes, sidewalks and storm water retention features will not be completed until 2017.

CITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS SET

Manzanita voters will consider four candidates running for two City Council positions this November. Scott Galvin, Annie R. Naranjo-Rivera, Mick Taylor, and Hans Tonjes are running for the two City Councilor positions, each with a four year term. Mike Scott is running unopposed for a two year term as Mayor.

In addition, Manzanita voters will consider a city ballot measure prohibiting marijuana businesses in the city limits.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

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

HOLIDAYS

November 11, 2016
Veterans’ Day observed
November 24-25, 2016
Thanksgiving Day and day after
December 26, 2016
Christmas holiday
January 2, 2017
New Year’s holiday

(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 e-mail to cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us.

TO: MANZANITA CITY COUNCIL Here is what I think about _____

Name

Address