City of Wilsonville
2015-16
Annual Report
A Message From the City Manager

I am pleased to provide community members the City of Wilsonville 2015-16 Annual Report, which highlights the City’s efforts during the past 12 months, as well as serving as a look-ahead to see what to expect during the upcoming year.

The City’s accomplishments listed in this report are made possible by strong leadership from City Council and the City’s other boards and commissions, excellent stewardship from staff and active and engaged residents and businesses.

Community Survey Shows High Level of Satisfaction with City Services

Last fall the City received the results of the most recent community survey conducted by the National Research Center that gauges community satisfaction with City services. The results are once again exceptional, with the vast majority of community members indicating a very high level of satisfaction with most areas of city services.

Of the 84 items for which comparisons were available from the prior survey conducted in 2012, 61 items were rated similarly in 2012 and 2014; four items showed a decrease in ratings and 19 showed an improvement in ratings. The survey also captures open-ended comments from community members where the most commonly cited themes include growth and development, housing issues and jobs and economic development. This direct feedback helps the City focus on addressing these areas of concern to the community. A full copy of the survey is available at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/CommunitySurvey.

Academy’s First Year Prepares Participants for Leadership

During the first six months of 2015 the City launched a new Leadership Academy to prepare 30 community members for leadership roles on the City’s boards and commissions and local nonprofits. The program provided participants with opportunities to learn about the City’s programs and operations, and to engage in skill-building training sessions. This fall the City begins recruiting for the 2016 Leadership Academy, which is open to all Wilsonville residents and starts in January 2016. For more information, contact Angela Handran, Community Outreach Specialist, at 503-570-1503; handran@ci.wilsonville.or.us or visit www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/Academy.

City Continues to Fund Emergency Assistance Support

Throughout last year and going forward this year, the City is continuing to provide emergency-assistance funding through a grant of $48,000 to Wilsonville Community Sharing (WCS), the community’s primary emergency assistance agency. The funding helps WCS offer temporary emergency food, utility, rental, and medical assistance to low-income community members in Wilsonville. For more information visit www.WilsonvilleCommunitySharing.org.

Tourism and Community Enhancement Committees Forming

This fall the City is convening two new volunteer committees. The Tourism Promotion Committee is focused on marketing Wilsonville as a tourist destination. The Wilsonville-Metro Community Enhancement Committee is dedicated to implementing projects and programs in Wilsonville that seek to improve the community in a variety of ways.

City Celebrates Volunteers

In April the City hosted a volunteer appreciation event honoring over 200 volunteers who donated their time and energy to making Wilsonville a great place to live and work. The evening event included dinner as well as entertainment provided by Wilsonville Community Theatre.

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For More Information: Contact the City Manager’s Office at 503-570-1502; PublicAffairs@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

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City Council Adopts 2015-17 Goals

Every two years the City Council sets goals to improve Wilsonville. Following are the City Council’s 2015-17 goals and key performance areas.

**Parks and Recreation**

- Advance Recreation and Aquatic Center to a community advisory vote
- Open the Willamette River for community access to commercial and recreational opportunities and improve river views from Memorial Park

**Transportation**

- Interconnect our parks, paths and neighborhoods
- Advocate for an I-5 southbound Charbonneau lane
- Launch French Prairie bike-ped-emergency bridge task force and concept design
- Plan an “Old Town Escape” to provide connection between westside commercial areas and neighborhoods.
- Improve Wayfinding signage for tourists and community members

**Planning**

- Pursue Town Center Redevelopment Master Plan
- Articulate what the City does to support vulnerable residents and assess efforts to determine additional measure

City Council Invites Community Member Feedback and Sharing

Public comment is invited and welcomed at City Council meetings. City Council meetings are generally held on the first and third Monday of the month at City Hall, with worksession normally starting at 5 pm and the meeting, where public comment is welcomed, at 7 pm. The agenda and material for each meeting are available on the city's website. The meetings are also broadcast live and replayed on the City's website and also on cable television channels Comcast #30 and Frontier #32.

Councilors Starr and Lehan Sworn In

At the Jan. 5, City Council meeting, Municipal Court Judge Michael Gleeson (left) administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Councilors Scott Starr (center) and Charlotte Lehan (right), who began four-year terms of office that run through Dec. 31, 2019.

Councilor Starr is beginning his second four-year term on the Council and Councilor Lehan has returned to City Council after previously serving 17 years as a City Councilor and Mayor from 1991 to 2008.
The City of Wilsonville has an ethical and fiduciary responsibility to properly account for funds, manage municipal finances and plan adequately to provide programs and services of value to the community.

2015-16 Budget Approved By Council

The City of Wilsonville continues on a solid financial path by observing the City Council’s guiding principles for fiscal accountability.

The Fiscal Year 2015-16 all-funds budget of $137.7 million was adopted by Council in June 2015, and includes an operating budget of $34.0 million and a capital improvement budget (CIP) of $15.0 million.

Additional financial information can be found in the Adopted Budget FY 2015-16, as well as the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which are both available on the City's website at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/Budget.

City Financial Reporting Recognized

In April the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City for the comprehensive annual financial report for the 18th consecutive year. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, representing a significant accomplishment by government management.

City Achieves Top Bond Rating

Standard & Poor’s Ratings Services, one of the “Big Three” credit-rating agencies, recently reaffirmed the City’s top-rated “AA+” grade for “Full Faith and Credit Obligations.” In assessing the City’s credit worthiness, the rating indicates the City is a high-quality investment and low risk.

Community Members Review Budget

The Budget Committee consists of the five City Council members and five residents who serve three-year-long terms and are appointed by the Council. The committee, which meets at least annually during the spring to review the City Manager’s proposed budget, may amend proposed expenses and refer an ‘approved budget’ to the City Council for public hearings and adoption.

Resident members of the Budget Committee, left to right: Alan Steiger (Chair), Tony Holt, Wendy Veliz, Lonnie Gieber and Andrew Karr.

City of Wilsonville Fiscal Year 2015-16
Operating Budget of $34.0 Million

Parks & Recreation
- Parks & Rec
- Senior Programs
- Parks Maintenance

Community Development
- Engineering
- Building Inspections
- Planning
- Natural Resources
- Urban Renewal

Public Safety
- Law Enforcement
- Municipal Court

Administration
- Policy & Administration
- Finance
- Info Systems
- Geographic Information System (GIS)
- Human Resources
- Legal

Public Works
- Facilities Maintenance
- Roads
- Street Lights
- Water Treatment
- Wastewater Treatment
- Pretreatment (industrial)
- Stormwater

Transportation
- SMART Transit
- Fleet

Library

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Employers Add Jobs, Boost Economy

Wilsonville’s combination of excellent I-5 location, top-quality infrastructure and access to a skilled workforce continues to attract and retain employers that offer high-wage jobs. Recent highlights of businesses investing and growing locally include:

- **DW Fritz**, an automation systems engineering firm, has more than doubled the company’s payroll since relocating to Wilsonville two years ago and is expanding into an adjacent new building.
- **Microsoft**, which acquired a local company, doubled the workforce over the past two years to manufacture the new, large ‘Surface Hub’ touch-screen monitor.
- **TE Connectivity**, a medical-device manufacturer, worked with the City, state and others to retain 400 jobs in town and to add 50 new positions.

Urban Renewal Promotes Economic and Community Development

The City’s Economic Development division leads local efforts to recruit and retain employers, helps businesses expand and seeks to promote an environment that enhances the economic viability and livability of Wilsonville. The division also manages the Wilsonville Urban Renewal Agency, which funds capital improvements within urban renewal areas to stimulate private-sector investment and development, attract high-paying jobs and enhance community livability. The agency’s board of directors is composed of the five elected City Council members, with the City Manager acting as the agency’s executive director.

Urban Renewal Areas Grow Large Tax Base to Fund Long-Term Services

Investments by the City of Wilsonville’s Urban Renewal Agency are yielding large increases in the total assessed value (AV) in the City’s Urban Renewal Areas (URA) enabling development to pay its own way rather than rely on other the community resources to underwrite infrastructure costs. The large AV increases provide a long-term tax base to fund schools, fire and City and County services long after the URAs are closed.

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Current and Future Urban Renewal Investments Benefit Community

The City’s Urban Renewal agency invests in Wilsonville to stimulate economic and community development in the designated urban renewal areas. Examples of upcoming urban renewal investments contributing to total project costs include:

- **Old Town Escape** (design and construction), $7.3 million
- **Canyon Creek Road extension**, $3.9 million
- **Tooze Road Improvements**, $2.5 million
- **Barber Street Bridge and extension**, $1.9 million
- **Town Center Master Planning** (redevelopment), $289,300

Urban Renewal Enhancements to Stimulate Industrial Investments

In the upcoming year the City’s Urban Renewal Agency may amend two existing Urban Renewal Areas (URA) and explore the formation of a new URA in Wilsonville’s Coffee Creek Industrial Area near Day and Grahams Ferry Roads.

The West Side URA is projected to close in 2026 and the Year 2000 URA is projected to close in 2020 if not sooner. Once closed the growth in assessed value in the URAs returns to the tax rolls. The agency currently underlevies the Year 2000 URA to provide revenue to other taxing districts.

Proposed amendments to the existing URAs include increasing the level of borrowing capacity and removing some property and projects from West Side URA. In the Year 2000 URA the agency is considering making boundary changes to the area that will allow adding the Old Town Escape project to the area.

To explore forming a new URA in the Coffee Creek Industrial Area, the agency plans to complete a feasibility study in August for a potential advisory vote in November.

For more information, contact Kristin Retherford, Economic Development Manager, at 503-570-1539; retherford@ci.wilsonville.or.us.
Building and New Development

Building and Development Activity Remains Strong

Wilsonville continues to be one of Oregon’s strongest cities in terms of growing a firm tax-base to support key public services. Steady population growth coupled with high development standards facilitate the construction of attractive new residential, industrial and commercial developments.

Single-Family Home-Building Continues at a Robust Rate

In the past year, July 2014 – June 2015, the City issued a record number of 343 single-family building permits valued at $78.4 million — even greater than the prior record 12 months of 183 homes worth $44.1 million. The vast majority of home-building activity is occurring in the Villebois ‘urban village’ neighborhood that is about half built-out. Plans have been announced for Villebois Tonquin Meadows 1, a 132-lot subdivision, and others are in the works. Several other new residential projects of note in Wilsonville include:

- **Canyon Creek Road South**: “In-Fill” for Renaissance Homes.
- **Renaissance Boat Club**: a 33-lot single-family subdivision along the Willamette River just west of Memorial Park is underway.
- **Fox Center Townhomes**: Work continues on the 15-unit project at Willamette Way East and Wilsonville Road.
- **Villebois Grande Pointe**: Prepatory work is underway for Phase 1, a 56-lot subdivision located off of Grahams Ferry Road on the site of the former Living Enrichment Center.
- **Wilsonville Greens**: A 12-unit complex on Wilsonville Road near Brown Road, is under review.

Luxury Apartment Opens for 55+ Active Adults

This spring a new a 112-unit, four-story apartment—Portera at the Grove—in May with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Commercial and Industrial Development Activity Continues

After several years of building new facilities and extensive remodeling of existing buildings, the market took a bit of breather over the past 12 months. A new Human Bean drive-through coffee shop near Holiday Inn was constructed, and a new 34,500-square-foot industrial flex building, the last in the I-5 Corporate Park surrounding Oregon Tech, is being completed. In total, $10.4 million of new commercial/industrial construction and tenant improvements occurred over the past year. Other notable remodeling projects include:

- **World of Speed**: A 75,000-square-foot remodel of the former Town & Country Chrysler-Dodge dealership into the new World of Speed race-car museum and exposition located off of SW 95th Avenue was completed this spring.
- **Remodeling of the former Izzy’s/Kraven’s at Wilsonville Road and Town Center Loop East for Chipotle and Noodles & Company restaurants.**

Development Review Board Overview

The Development Review Boards (DRB), Panel A and Panel B, are responsible for rendering decisions regarding land divisions, planned development, site level review of specific development proposals, design review applications, street vacations, zoning variances, conditional use permits, and quasi-judicial amendments to the Comprehensive Plan or zoning map designations.

Members of DRB Panel A, left to right: Mary Fierros Bower, Lenka Keith, Kristin Akervall, Ron Heberlein and James Frinell.

Members of DRB Panel B, left to right: Dianne Knight, Aaron Woods, Cheryl Dorman, Richard Martens and Shawn O’Neil.
Wilsonville Public Library

Library Offers an Array of Services

The Wilsonville Public Library serves as the community’s information resource center by offering the public free access to a collection of over 100,000 items in many formats, supplemented by local and far-reaching electronic resources. The library boasts a friendly, knowledgeable staff that is committed to service, lifelong learning and serving the community as a source of knowledge and entertainment. Free library cards are available to all Clackamas County residents. Community members can keep up-to-date on Library news and events by signing up online at www.WilsonvilleLibrary.org.

2014-2015 Annual Library Statistics:

• Total checkouts: 482,004
• Reference questions answered: 13,319
• Volunteer hours donated to the Library: 12,725
• Children’s program attendance: 30,593
• Adult program attendance: 2,572

Library Takes on Strategic Plan and Prepares to Hire Outreach Librarian

Last year the Library Board adopted the Library Strategic Plan and this year the focus is on implementation. The plan guides library services over the next five years and contains the following six goals:

• Igniting a passion for reading in preschool children
• Enhancing access to information through technology
• Advancing the library as a community focal point
• Fostering the joy of reading in all ages
• Cultivating relationships with local groups
• Supporting a Library team that is rooted in service

One key requirement for success of the plan is to hire by fall an Outreach Librarian. As top priorities the new position is planning to concentrate on community outreach, early childhood literacy, community partnerships, and promoting the library as a community focal point.

Hilly Alexander Leaves a Legacy of Service on Library Board

After serving eight consecutive years, long-time Library Board member Hilly Alexander has completed the maximum allowed of two four-year terms. In addition to serving on the Board, Alexander is also a regular volunteer at the Library dedicating thousands of hours to the Library over the last 14 years and also is a member of the Library Foundation. In recognition of her exceptional service, the City recognized Alexander in 2014 with the City’s Heart of Gold Volunteer Service Award.

Library Remodel Offers Patrons Improvements

The Library plans to tap funds that were set aside when the Library District of Clackamas County was created in 2009 to make improvements to the Library building. The original Library expansion was completed 12 years ago, and the building could use a bit of sprucing up.

Local Children Receive 17,000 Free Books in Just Over Three Years

The Wilsonville Imagination Library, a Kiwanis Club program supported by the Library, recently celebrated a noteworthy milestone: the program delivered the 17,000th free book to a child in the Wilsonville area. Affiliated with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, the program provides children under the age of five with free high-quality, age-appropriate books each month in the mail. For more information about the program visit www.WilsonvilleImaginationLibrary.weebly.com.

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Community Highlights

Recreation and Aquatic Center Determined to be Sustainable

In December, City Council accepted the Recreation and Aquatic Center feasibility study that concludes the center in Wilsonville could be operationally sustainable. Next steps for the project include: identifying a date to take the question to the voters, working on site selection, developing a management model for the operations of the center and launching an informational campaign on the project to inform community members about the proposed project. The most likely date for the vote on the recreation and aquatics center is November 2016.

Challenge More than Doubles Local Green Power Users

Early this year the City Council accepted a “Green Power Challenge” — an initiative with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to increase the number of residential and business customers purchasing electricity from non-fossil fuel, sustainable, renewable energy sources.

Over the course of the two-month-long challenge, participation in “Green Power” programs by local residents and businesses more than doubled, adding a total of 507 new customers. Wilsonville’s current participation rate in the program of 15% of customers is both higher than the national average and PGE’s regional service-area average.

Industrial Energy Improvement Initiative

Currently, city staff along with Veolia and CH2M employees are participating in the Industrial Energy Improvement Initiative program through Energy Trust of Oregon. This is a 14-month project to implement a continuous improvement process for energy management at both the water and sewer treatment plants. Activities associated with this program include: conducting an assessment of current energy management practices; establishing an energy policy; implementing cost effective energy efficiency activities and projects; and establishing a tracking system of energy use data. Meeting milestones that realize energy savings for the energy management actions qualifies the City to receive cash incentives.

Memorial Park Master Plan Identifies New Recreational Enhancements

In June City Council adopted The Memorial Park Master Plan Update for capital improvement projects to Memorial Park that includes recommendations by the Planning Commission. The plan is a long-term preferred conceptual design for the park identifying future enhancements to existing facilities, and the addition of new recreational amenities. Among the proposed improvements, the plan calls for the addition of Willamette River overlooks, a nine-hole disk-golf course, year-round-useable artificial turf on two of the sport fields, a bike-skills course, and other enhancements to existing shelters and features throughout the park. Prior to implementing any of the proposed improvements funding needs to be approved.

New Structures at Murase Plaza Playground Provide Safe Way to Play

The Murase Plaza Playground was renovated during the spring of 2015. The old playground posed some maintenance and safety challenges and had reached the end of the equipments’ life span. The playground now features two new play structures and a 24-foot-long embankment slide. A large percentage of the new play features are totally inclusive for use by persons with disabilities. The playground area also includes a new sun shade structure donated by the Timm family.
Roads and Pathways

New Bridge and Roads Connect Community Providing Travelers More Options

The City of Wilsonville’s Engineering Division is busy implementing and overseeing a wide variety of transportation projects to better connect the community and provide increased transportation options for travelers of all types. Following are some of the projects that the staff is currently working on or were completed over the past year:

- **Barber Street Bridge and Road Extension:** Construction of the 410-foot-long bridge and 815-foot-long roadway extension over the Coffee Lake Creek wetlands is ahead of schedule and is on track to open this fall.

- **Canyon Creek Road:** Last fall the new roadway extension between Boeckman Road and Town Center Loop opened.

- **Grahams Ferry Road:** Reconstruction work between Barber Street and Tooze Road added a sidewalk, landscaping, bike lanes, and street lighting on the east side of the road along the Villebois neighborhood.

- **Town Center Loop East:** Last fall the eastern portion of the roadway was restriped adding buffered bike lanes in each direction.

- **Villebois Drive:** Last fall the portion of the road between Costa Circle East and Boeckman Road was opened and by next spring the remaining portion of the roadway through the center of the community is to be completed.

- **Wilsonville Road Landscaping Medians:** Construction of the landscaping medians on Wilsonville Road is on schedule and is expected to be complete by the end of the summer.

- **Annual Street Maintenance:** This summer and fall the City is sealing cracks in roadways in various parts of town and performing other roadway repairs.

- **Canyon Creek Pedestrian Enhancement:** Design of the four crosswalk safety improvements between Elligsen Road and Boeckman Road is to be completed in August with construction to be complete this fall.

Plan in Place to Improve Mobility

In June the City Council approved *The Wilsonville Americans with Disability Act Title II Transition Plan*. The adopted plan provides a long-term strategy for the removal of physical barriers that limit individuals with disabilities access to local government programs, activities or services including parks and other public facilities. A full copy of the adopted plan is available on the City’s website at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/ADA.

Signal Upgrades Improve Traffic Flow

The traffic signals at both the SW Parkway/Town Center Loop and the Wilsonville Road/Willamette Way East intersections now include flashing yellow turn signals allowing vehicles at the busy intersections to make left turns when safe to do so. Additional locations are planned for next year.

Concept Design of Bike/Ped/Emergency Access Bridge Begins

During the upcoming year the City is convening a new task force to provide input and oversight on the proposed French Prairie bridge project that connects Wilsonville to the French Prairie portion of the northern Willamette Valley. In the upcoming year site selection evaluations, preliminary design and extensive public outreach are to occur on the project.
Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Has Something for Everyone of All Ages

The City’s Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide variety of programs and services for all ages of community members. Recreational opportunities include classes, camps, events and other programming covering art, sports, music, nutrition, fitness and more. The Department is responsible for 15 public parks with a balance of active and passive recreational opportunities in just under 200 acres of total park space. The Department provides thousands of meals to homebound community members and other seniors at the Community Center and provides an Information and Referral Specialist to assist at-risk seniors. Partnerships within the community have allowed the department to improve the quality and diversity of community events including the Daddy Daughter Dance, Wilsonville Egg Hunt, WERK Day, Movies in the Park, Harvest Festival, and the Holiday Tree Lighting. The department also offers a wide range of facility rentals which are commonly used for weddings, company picnics and birthday parties.

To learn more about Parks and Rec’s classes, programs and events visit: www.WilsonvilleParksandRec.com

Riverfront Property to Expand Boones Ferry Park and Improve River Access

In May the City of Wilsonville completed the purchase of a three-and-a-half-acre parcel of land located on the Willamette River just east of Boones Ferry Park in the Old Town neighborhood. The City acquired the riverfront property in an effort to provide better public access and views of the Willamette River, which is a City Council goal and important priority for community members. The exact uses and amenities to be located on the property are to be determined next year during a master planning process for Boones Ferry Park.

View of the river from the newly-acquired property.

Family Donates Sun Shade Structure

The Department partnered with the Timm family to build a shade structure at the recently completed Murase Plaza playground. In honor of Beth Timm who died of skin cancer, members of the Timm family raised the funds necessary to build the structure. The opportunity to provide families a chance to enjoy the new playground while also giving them a place to escape the sun was a perfect match between the City and the Timm family.

Parks Board Awards Grants to Support Tourism and Other Projects

This spring the City of Wilsonville’s Parks and Recreation Advisory Board awarded almost $40,000 in grants to promote tourism and support community programs. The Board awarded tourism grants to:

- **Fun in the Park Festival** .............................................. $9,165
- **Wilsonville Arts & Culture - Festival of Arts** ........ $5,665
- **Wilsonville Kiwanis Club - Kids Fun Run** ............. $5,165
- **Wilsonville Rotary Club - Summer Concerts** ....... $5,000

The organizations that received Opportunity Grants include:

- **Wilsonville Sister City Association** ......................... $4,200
- **Korean War Memorial Foundation of Oregon** ....... $2,800
- **Wilsonville Farmers Market** .................................... $2,800
- **Wilsonville Community Sharing** ......................... $2,300
- **Jr. Scoop** (a Wood Middle School service club) ..... $1,800
- **Colton Holly Memorial Scholarship Fund** ........... $1,100

WCSI Supports Local Seniors

Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc (WCSI) is an independent, nonprofit organization that advises the City of Wilsonville on matters effecting senior programs, services, and facilities. The volunteer group also assists the city in monitoring and evaluating adult 55+ programs, the quality of food and nutrition services provided for older adults, promoting related activities, and planning fundraising events to benefit the adult 55+ community in Wilsonville.

Members of Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc. Left to right, top row: Wes Morris (Chair), John McDonald, Helen Braganza, Barbara Ricker, Jean Tsokos, Dina Holland. Left to right, bottom row: Susie Stevens (City Council Liaison), Debbie Dahlquist, Robert Thompson, Dave Lahr, Donna Atkinson and Paul Keller.

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Natural Resources and Related Projects

Natural Resource Program Overview
The City’s Natural Resources Program is involved in a variety of projects ranging from stream and habitat restoration and stormwater management, to park and natural area enhancements. The program works in collaboration with other City departments and partner organizations.

For more information, contact Kerry Rappold, Natural Resources Program Manager, at 503-570-1570; rappold@ci.wilsonville.or.us or visit www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/NaturalResources.

Friends of Trees Honors Wilsonville with Community Partner Award
In May, Friends of Trees, a nonprofit organization that works with Pacific Northwest cities to plant and care for urban trees, awarded the City of Wilsonville the 2015 Community Partner Award that recognizes long-running collaborative efforts. During the 13-year-long partnership hundreds of individuals, scouts, service club members and corporate groups have volunteered to plant nearly 9,000 native trees, shrubs and plants.

Stormwater Management Prevents Erosion and Property Damage
In April new stormwater utility rates that are part of a 25-year capital improvement plan began in order to fund projects that better manage stormwater runoff, prevent erosion and property damage.

The fee change allows the City to rebuild the Stormwater Utility Fund that was drained by two major, emergency stormwater erosion-repair projects. Restoring the fund allows the City to begin new projects that otherwise would not be financially feasible.

As part of the City’s stormwater management efforts the City is now under contract with a consulting firm to design temporary and permanent repairs to three stormwater outfall projects along the Willamette River. Repairs are to begin this summer with permanent repairs completed by 2018.

Wilsonville Stormwater and Parking Lot Projects Receive Awards
The Oregon Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA) recognized two projects by the City with “2014 Project of the Year Award” honors. The award-winning projects include the Morey’s Landing Stormwater Outfall Mitigation and Retrofit project; and the Memorial Park Improvements project.

City Wetlands Restoration Project Wins Award from State Land Board
In June, members of the State Land Board—composed of the Governor, State Treasurer and Secretary of State—recognized the City’s innovative project to enhance the Coffee Lake wetlands with the 2015 Wetland Award. As a component of extending Boeckman Road over the Coffee Lake wetlands in 2008 to connect with Tooze Road, the City undertook a mitigation project to offset the impacts of the new road and improve the wetlands. The Boeckman Road Wetland Mitigation Project enhanced 17 acres of wetlands to improve water quality, control flooding and provide habitat for a range of aquatic species and other wildlife such as deer and beaver and culverts provide wildlife passages that extend beneath the road.

Governor Kate Brown (left) along with members of the State Land Board, City staff and partners celebrate the award. Left to right: Governor Kate Brown; HDR Environmental Specialist Michael Wallace, Natural Resources Manager Kerry Rappold, Wildlife Ecologist Leslie Bliss-Ketchum, Community Development Director Nancy Kraushaar, State Treasurer Ted Wheeler, Assistant Planner Jennifer Scola and Secretary of State Jeanne Atkins.
Planning

Planning the Future of Wilsonville

The City of Wilsonville’s Planning Division is busy implementing and overseeing a wide variety of long-range planning projects to guide future growth of the community. Following are some of the projects that the City is currently working on or are preparing to begin over the upcoming year.

Frog Pond Area Plan Moves Toward City Council Adoption

After substantial input from community members, consultants and the Planning Commission over the past six months, planners are moving toward providing City Council a final plan to be considered for adoption this fall. Once adopted, the plan establishes the vision for the 500-acre Frog Pond area and defines expectations for the type of community it will be in the future. To learn more and get updates visit www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/FrogPond.

Wilsonville and Tualatin Continue Collaboration on Basalt Creek Plan

The Basalt Creek Concept Plan establishes a vision and jurisdictional boundary for the 847 acres between the cities of Wilsonville and Tualatin. This summer and fall leaders from the two cities continue to discuss alternative land use scenarios and future city boundary options for the area as planners capture the vision in a concept plan. Members of both communities are going to be invited to share ideas and provide input on the proposed land uses and boundary options for the area at an open house this fall. Development of a final draft plan is expected by fall and final consideration of the plan by the two City Councils is expected this winter. For more information visit www.BasaltCreek.com.

Coffee Creek Industrial Area Embraces Unique Development Model

With grant funding from the Oregon Department of Transportation, the City is creating an innovative tool that is to guide industrial development in the regionally significant Coffee Creek Industrial Area. The new “Form Based Code and Pattern Book” are intended to streamline the development review process and provide certainty to applicants while maintaining a high-quality visual environment. To learn more about the project, visit the website at www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/594/Light-Industrial-Form-Based-Code.

Planning Commission Overview

The Planning Commission is an appointed seven-member panel of volunteer community members that is responsible for making recommendations to the City Council on all legislative land-use and planning matters. The group reviews regulations of future growth and development, plans for the promotion of the industrial, commercial and economic needs of the community, and studies measures that promote livability. The meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 6 pm in City Hall and public testimony is always welcomed.

Town Center Master Planning Effort Prepares for Kick-Off

In the next 12 months planners are kicking-off creation of a new Wilsonville Town Center Master Plan. The purpose of the plan is to guide future development in the City’s Town Center area and realize the City’s vision for the area to be a walkable, vibrant, mixed-use district that integrates the urban and natural environments to create an attractive and accessible place for visitors and residents to shop, eat, live, work, learn and play. For more information about this or any of the other projects listed on this page, contact Miranda Bateschell, Long-Range Planning Manager, at 503-570-1581; bateschell@ci.wilsonville.or.us.

Wilsonville Hires New Long-Range Planning Manager

In December the City of Wilsonville announced the hiring of Miranda Bateschell as the City’s new Long-Range Planning Manager.

In this position, Bateschell assumes a key role serving as the City’s primary lead on long-term land use and planning activities including concept planning, legislative amendments to codes and plans, policy creation and implementation.

“Miranda has a very strong and relevant background to lead our long-range planning initiatives. We are excited to have her on our team,” explained Planning Director Chris Neamtzu.

Miranda Bateschell is the new Long-Range Planning Manager.
City Partners with County for Wide Array of Police Services

Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) provides law enforcement services for the City of Wilsonville 24 hours a day, 365 days a year on a contract basis. The City finds that partnering with CCSO is more cost-effective and provides the community a better array of services than would otherwise be possible.

In the coming year CCSO is to provide the community a staff of 19 full-time law enforcement professionals who are assigned exclusively to Wilsonville. The staff includes a Chief of Police, along with three Sergeants, a Detective, a Traffic Enforcement Officer, 11 Patrol Officers, a Community Service Officer and a School Resource Officer. This relationship also provides Wilsonville with other services on an as-needed basis such as special investigations unit, the dive/rescue team, detective division, traffic team, SWAT, hazardous material unit and bomb squad.

City Council Approves Funding to Add Another Sergeant to the Police Force

 Included in the Adopted Budget FY 2015-16 is new funding to add an additional Sergeant to the Wilsonville Police Department. Having an additional Sergeant on the police force ensures that there are more supervisors on duty throughout the week including the graveyard shift.

Due to the City’s contractual relationship with Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) the time and expense to add and train a new sergeant is minimal because CCSO simply reassigns an experienced and trained police officer to immediately begin filling the position. The position is expected to be filled this fall.

Wilsonville’s Crime Rate Second Lowest in Portland-Metro Region

The City of Wilsonville’s crime rate is second lowest in the Portland area, according to data complied by the Oregon State Police. Wilsonville’s crime rate of 43.9, measured by the rate of crime per 100,000 population, compares very favorably to, and is well below, the national average crime rate of 386.9.

New School Resource Officer

This past fall the Wilsonville Police Department welcomed a new School Resource Officer (SRO) Patrick Finn. As an SRO, Finn is a police officer based in our schools throughout the school year. Primarily, Finn works at Wilsonville High School, but he also makes regular visits to our primary and middle schools in town as well.

Officer Finn has an impressive background in law enforcement, serving a total of 26 years in the field. For the past 19 years, he has worked for Clackamas County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) and he worked for the Lake Oswego Police Department for seven years previously.

National Night Out - In August kids had fun visiting and posing for a photo with Sergeant Bradley O’Neil and police dog Nero.

SRO Patrick Finn

Wilsonville Police Department
30000 SW Town Center Loop East
Non-Emergency Number: 503-655-8211
www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/Police

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Public Works Overview of Services

The Public Works Department maintains City facilities, City-owned streets, landscaping, street trees, and the drinking-water, stormwater and sanitary-sewer systems that make Wilsonville a safe and beautiful place to live. Public Works also manages programs for adopt-a-road, graffiti removal, backflow prevention, bulk-water meters, industrial pretreatment and emergency management. For more information about all the services provided by the Public Works Department visit www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/PublicWorks.

Priority Utility Line Repairs Planned for Charbonneau

City Council approved hiring an engineering firm to design 15 high-priority utility projects to repair, rehabilitate or replace deficient sewer and stormwater pipelines in the Charbonneau District of Wilsonville as identified in the Charbonneau Consolidated Improvement Plan approved by Council in August 2014. Design of Phase I is anticipated to be complete by next spring with construction taking place next summer.

Council Adopts Facilities and Collection System Master Plans

In February City Council accepted an updated Wastewater Collection System Master Plan that identifies the City’s long-term plans to maintain and improve the system in order to keep pace with projected growth in the community.

In April City Council reviewed and approved an update to the City’s Facilities Master Plan. This plan identifies how the City plans to maintain and improve key facilities to meet the community’s long-term needs for program and service delivery.

City Supports Regional Water Pipeline

Over the past year City staff continued to partner with Tualatin Valley Water District and the City of Hillsboro on a 30-mile water pipeline project that runs from Wilsonville to Hillsboro. The 66-inch diameter pipeline is proposed to run north from the City’s water treatment plant and is being coordinated with the Kinsman Road extension project. Staff is also working with TVWD/Hillsboro and other regional partners on a Water Treatment Plant Master Plan to ensure the plant is prepared to meet the future water needs of all stakeholders when the pipeline is operational in or around 2026.

Treatment Plant and Contractor Recognized with a National Award

Last August the Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA) recognized CH2M HILL and the City’s Wastewater Treatment Plant with a National Merit Award in the Water/Wastewater category. The national award recognizes the City’s use of the design-build-operate contracting model to cost-effectively construct and operate the major upgrade to the City’s wastewater treatment plant completed last year.

Infrastructure Maintenance and Improvements Projects Planned

The City’s Engineering Division is leading a number of infrastructure improvements in the coming year to help ensure the City’s major utility systems remain sound, operational and ready for new growth.

• Kinsman Road sewer pipe upsizing project
• Improvements to the City’s back-up wells
• Annual water and sewer line repairs and replacements
• Pump station improvements
• LED streetlight conversion project

For more information about any of the projects listed above contact the City’s Engineering Division at 503-682-4960 or visit www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/Engineering.

Drinking Water Surpasses Standards

In July the City released the 2015 Annual Water Quality Report, which documents results of the 2014 water-quality monitoring. The report, which identifies the level of regulated contaminants that may be detected in samples of treated water, shows that, in every category of measurement, the City’s water-quality surpasses all federal and state standards for drinking water.

Delora Kerber, Public Works Director, said that, “Once again the annual water quality report demonstrates that Wilsonville’s water treatment plant is producing high-quality water that easily exceeds the standards set for healthy drinking water. We are fortunate to have a state-of-the-art plant and an abundant source of clean, drinking water in our community.”

Copies of the 2015 Annual Water Quality Report are available at City Hall and the Library, and online at the City’s website, www.ci.wilsonville.or.us/WaterQualityReport.
South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART)

Think Smart Ride SMART

Operated by the City of Wilsonville, South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART) is one of the Portland metro-area’s urban transit systems that provides public transit services in the greater Wilsonville area. SMART operates seven fixed-routes within Wilsonville and provides regular commuter service to Canby, Salem and Portland’s Barbur Transit Center, along with trial service runs to Beaverton and Downtown Portland. SMART maintains over 30 vehicles ranging from 40-foot buses to minivans and a trolley-bus.

SMART services are free within Wilsonville, but intercity services charge a fare. Funding for SMART is provided primarily by local businesses and state and federal grants. To learn more about SMART visit www.RideSMART.com.

New Bus Stop Benches Installed

Earlier this year SMART completed installation of 30 new bus stops seats along the most popular routes in Wilsonville.

In addition to the new bus benches SMART also began testing a couple of different lighting options at bus stops including a new solar-powered bus shelter light and also a bus stop light that signals the driver to stop for a passenger.

SMART Ridership Statistics (July 2014–June 2015)

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In February the sold out **Daddy Daughter Dance** was a lot of fun for everyone who attended.

Members of the **Wilsonville Leadership Academy** gather at City Hall after completing the six-month long leadership training program.