

FRIDAY MEMO

November 10, 2005

(I know, I know—it's Thursday.)

1. City facilities will be closed tomorrow, November 11, 2005, in observance of Veteran's Day.
2. Construction on North Main began last Friday with the installation of the fence, and earth (and asphalt) is being moved this week. All of the financing pieces closed this last Tuesday just after 2:00 P.M. when the documents were recorded. Construction is anticipated to a bit more than a year.
3. The petitioners who have been collecting signatures to place the Clearwater Project on the ballot have gathered sufficient signatures. The County Clerk has validated the signatures. The Clackamas County Service Districts have filed suit that maintains that the question is an improper one for the referral process. The hearing on that issue is being held Thursday, November 10, 2005 at 1:30 P.M. I will e-mail the result of the hearing as soon as I receive it. (The e-mail attached regarding revocation of the District's fee increase was prompted by the lawsuit and is being done in order to present a clearer question.)
4. On Tuesday November 8, City Attorney Gary Firestone briefed the Planning Commission on the recent court decision on Ballot Measure 37 that ruled the measure is unconstitutional. Because that decision has been appealed to the Oregon Supreme Court, the City Attorney has advised that the City continue to process Measure 37 claims until there is final conclusion through the court. It was noted that a number of Measure 37 related bills failed in this year's legislative session and that additional legislative efforts are expected in the future.
5. Also on Tuesday, the Planning Commission endorsed draft language for a code amendment that prohibits resubmission of development and zoning applications if denied and not appealed. Exceptions allow resubmission when substantial changes to the application are made, changes have been made to relevant code provisions, or two years have passed since the original decision. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on November 22, 2005 to make a recommendation for the City Council, which will hear the amendment on December 20, 2005.
6. HR recently obtained quotes for life and long-term disability coverage. As a result of this process the City will be staying with Regence but they have submitted a more competitive quote to us. This will result in a total price reduction of \$4,051. (\$1,817 for life insurance and \$2,234 for long term

disability) the new rates will go into effect December 1 at the start of our plan year and are guaranteed for two years.

7. HR just conducted a 5-day supervisory training (spread out over 5 weeks). 15 supervisors completed the course.
8. Every five years Clackamas County Fire District #1 is inspected by the International Commission on Fire Accreditation for re-certification. The fleet department is in the process of preparing for the inspectors to arrive the week of November 28, 2005. The inspectors will be looking at our repair records, mechanic certifications and general condition of the shop.
9. A new service truck has arrived for the storm department. We are in the process of setting it up for use.
10. We are currently working on the elevator for the new operations building. We have poured concrete for the elevator foundation and plan to start the framing for the structure next week.
11. The street department is primarily working on leaf collection and drainage problems. We still have several shoulder rock jobs to complete this quarter.
12. Storm Water has set up a leaf collection disposal site located at our Johnson Creek facility. The dates and hours for leaf drop are: Nov 5th, Nov 19th, Dec 3rd, and Dec 17th. Hours are from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm. The address is 6101 SE Johnson Creek Blvd. Contact phone is 503-786-7615.
13. The final phase of utility construction to accommodate the new North Main Village Development has started this week. The contractor, Greg Schroeder Enterprises, will be installing 250 feet of waste water line to allow for the connection of the new project site to the City waste water system.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT STATUS LIST

UPDATE: November 8, 2005- in BOLD

PROJECT NAME	LOCATION	CONSTRUCTION COST	TIME FRAME	FUNDING SOURCE	STATUS	STAFF
37 th Storm	37 th (Harvey to King to 40 th)	\$200,000	03/06-06/06	Storm Utility Fees	Design: 11/05- 02/06 Const: 03 – 06 2006	Brenda Schleining 503-786-7602
37 th Storm/Sewer	37 th at Minthorn Loop	\$90,000	08/05-09/05	Sewer/Storm Utility Fees	Bid 8/17- BIDS REJECTED Re-Bid in winter	Jay Ostlund 503-786-7605
42 nd Sidewalk	Johnson Creek to Olsen	\$205,000	09/05-06/06	State Grant	Design: 09/05- 02/06 Const: 04-06, 2006	Brenda Schleining 503-786-7602
Eton Lane Sewer Line	Waverly to Cambridge	\$113,000	07/05-08/05	Sewer Utility Fees	COMPLETED	Jay Ostlund 503-786-7605
Lake Road Waterline Replacement	Lake Road (21 st to Oatfield Road)	\$377,000	97/05-11/05	Water SDC Funds & Water Utility Fees	Construction 85% complete Completion: 12/05	Jay Ostlund 503-786-7605
McLoughlin Blvd	99E (Scott to Kellogg Creek Bridge)	\$2,400,000	08/05-08/06	90% State/Federal 10% City Match	Construction start: 8/11/05; 25% complete Completion: 7/31/06	Paul Shirey 503-786-7601
Meek Street Storm	Meek (railroad ROW to Balfour)	\$240,000	09/05-05/06	Storm Utility Fees & SDC Funds	Design: 05/06 –08/06 Property Acq.: 08-12/ 05 Bid: 02/06	Brenda Schleining 503-786-7602
North Main Public Utilities	21 st to Harrison to end of ROW & Main (Harrison to Scott)	\$140,000	07/05-09/05	Sewer/Water/Storm Utility Fees	COMPLETED	Paul Shirey 503-786-7601
North Main Streetscape	Main: Scott – Jackson Harrison: 21st- Main	\$1.01 million	07/05-08/06	Street/sidewalks Elect. Underground	Bid : 11/14/05 Construct: 12/05- 08/06	Paul Shirey 503-786-7601
THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS ARE PRIVATELY FUNDED						
Panattoni Industrial Way Business Center	Lake Rd/Int'l Way/Harmony Rd	Private plus \$100,000* for new signal	04/05-12/05	Street Funds & Street SDCs	Complete: 12/05	Brenda Schleining 503-786-7602
Safeway	King Road (44 th to 42 nd) Harrison (44 th to 42 nd) King Rd at 43 rd	Private Private \$200,000 (signal)	01/06	50% Street Fund	Complete Complete Install signal: not scheduled	Brenda Schleining 503-786-7602

*City funded



City and Public Interest Meetings The Week of November 14th – 20th

<u>Date</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>		<u>Contact</u>
<u>Monday 14th</u>	Historic Milwaukie NDA	6:30 p.m.	City Hall Conference Room		Ed Zumwalt 503-654-2493
	Hector Campbell NDA	7:00 p.m.	PSB – Community Meeting Room		David Aschenbrenner 503-654-4258
<u>Tuesday 15th</u>	City Council Work Session	5:30 p.m.	City Hall Conference Room		Pat DuVal 503-786-7502
	City Council Regular Session	7:00 p.m.	City Hall Council Chambers		Pat DuVal 503-786-7502
<u>Thursday 17th</u>	Island Station NDA	6:30 p.m.	Milwaukie Grange		Lisa Batey 503-353-1825
<u>Saturday 19th</u>	Leaf Drop Event	7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	JCB – Public Works Facility		Grady Wheeler 503-786-7503
<u>Sunday 20th</u>	Special Harvest Farmer’s Market	9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	Across from City Hall		Grady Wheeler 503-786-7503

Ledding Library News

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String Connection Orchestra To Visit Ledding in December

Are you "all strung out" from holiday stress? Don't be a Scrooge!! Come to the Ledding Library for this delightful program.

Portland's String Connection Orchestra will perform at the Ledding Library on Saturday, December 3rd at 2:00PM. The "Orchestra" is an award-winning group of outstanding musicians of high school age from all over the Portland metropolitan area. To qualify for a position in the Orchestra, a musician must be a high achiever in music as well as in academics. Consisting of violins, violas, and celli, this group has won a host of awards. Under the able direction of Linda Vasey and Colleen Wheeler, the Orchestra has performed in Europe, Canada and at Disneyland. This ten-piece ensemble promises an afternoon of beautiful holiday and classical music. Be sure to bring your Santa Claus outfit and your mistletoe for this delightful program. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Ledding Library.

LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LEDDING LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND: 7:00 - 8:00

We'll discuss Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury.

TALK BACK TO BOOKS: A BOOK GROUP FOR YOUTH 10 & UP

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17 AT 4:00PM. Read Ella Enchanted, by Gail Carson Levine.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS:

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME- TUESDAYS: 1:00PM & 6:30PM / 3-5 YRS

TODDLER STORYTIME - WEDNESDAYS: 6:30PM / 2-3 YRS.

NO STORYTIME ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23.

FOR AGES 6-12

SATURDAY CRAFTS: NOVEMBER 5 & 12 AT 2:00PM

HOMESCHOOLING CRAFTS- WEDNESDAY NOV. 9 & 30 AT 1:30PM

LEDDING LIBRARY BOARD MONTHLY MEETING

Monday, November 28th at 6:30 at the Ledding Library

Young Teen Book Group Recruiting Readers

Every month young teens gather around a table in the children's library, eat snacks and talk about their favorite books. Meeting the third Thursday of every month, the book group chooses one book to read. At the following meeting, members give the book a rating on a scale of one to ten. Their ratings are then recorded in the "Rant and Rave" notebook on top of the young teen bookshelf. This is a good source of book recommendations, as it also includes reviews. If you are 10 years or older and enjoy reading, please join us on November 17 at 4:00pm for the next meeting. On that day, the book group will discuss Ella Enchanted, by Gail Carson Levine. Bring a friend and book suggestions for December.

2005 Toy Drive At Ledding Library

Nancy Wittig of the Ledding Library and staff members from other City departments have teamed together, providing a wonderful service during the holidays. For the sixth year in a row, Ledding Library will be hosting a Toy Drive to collect new toys for less fortunate children in the Milwaukie area. Last year, the community responded magnificently, donating more than 1,000 toys to local elementary schools and the Annie Ross House. If you are interested in donating to this cause, please drop off a new toy at the front desk of Ledding Library (10660 SE 21st Ave.) before Friday December 16th. Gifts should be appropriate for ages 12 and below. Especially popular gifts in previous years have been legos, board games, books, arts and crafts kits and beauty-related items. For more information, please contact Nancy Wittig at 503-786-7582.

Now Be Thankful

Ledding Library has a good collection of materials that can make a good Thanksgiving even better. Listed below are just a small number of these resources.

Thanksgiving by Diana Karter Appelbaum (394.2683 APP). *A thorough and entertaining chronicle of America's oldest and most beloved holiday – from its earliest roots to the present day.*

Thanksgiving Crafts and Cookbook by Nancy Hathaway (J745 HATHAWAY). This children's book highlights the first Thanksgiving; presents instructions for crafts such as Pilgrim and Indian eggs; and includes recipes such as Indian pudding, winter fruit salad and cornbread.

The Thanksgiving Book by Jerome Agel (394.2683 THA). *An illustrated treasury of lore, tales, poems, prayers and the best in holiday feasting.*

Parking Changes Coming

The long awaited North Main Village project is scheduled to begin in early November. The project, which calls for five separate buildings, will be built in the vacant lot to the west of the Ledding Library. When construction begins, the lot will be fenced off and not available for parking. Library patrons will continue to be able to park next to the curb right in front of the Library and in the Library's parking lot. Fourteen two-hour spaces have been made available in the parking lot across the street (west) of Milwaukie City Hall.

Quacks From The Stacks

- The Library will be closed on Thursday, November 11th in honor of Veterans' Day and on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th for Thanksgiving. We will close at 5:30PM on Wednesday, November 23rd.
- The Ledding Library would like to thank two Milwaukie Farmer's Market vendors for their wonderful generosity: Everett and Terry Pearson of Three Brothers Nursery donated pansies which are now beautifying the Library's grounds. Ed Kreics of Sweet Leaf Organic Farm was kind enough to donate gourds and squash that have put our staff and patrons in the fall spirit.

Check Out Our New DVD's

The Ledding Library is getting more DVD's all the time. Library Aide 2 Sheila Reed has gone absolutely wild processing these for our patrons, so please check out as many as you can.

Dear Frankie. To spare the feelings of her fatherless boy, Lizzie secretly writes letters from his "father" recounting seafaring adventures around the world. Torn between exposing the truth and protecting her son, Lizzie hires a handsome stranger to play the role of a father.

A Very Long Engagement. Mathilde is waiting desperately for her fiancé to return from the war. When bad news arrives, she refuses to believe he is dead. Instead, she begins her own investigation into the matter.

The Wedding Date. Kat Ellis is determined to attend her younger sister's wedding with a date. Rather than face the ridicule of her family, she resorts to the yellow pages to find an escort.

Crash. A car accident brings together a group of strangers in Los Angeles. Crash takes a provocative, unflinching look at the complexities of racial tolerance in contemporary America.

Sahara. Three intrepid adventurers, including the legendary Dirk Pitt, set out to claim a massive treasure and foil the efforts of a cadre intent on world destruction.

Carmen Jones. Joe, a military policeman about to make officer, is infatuated with the flirtatious Carmen Jones. Their ill-fated romance comes to a grisly end by the conclusion of the drama, but not before their liaison has wreaked havoc with their lives and all who cross their paths.

Monday-Thursday 12:00-9:00
Friday-Saturday 12:00-5:30
Sunday 12:00-5:00

LEDDING LIBRARY STATISTICS

October, 2005
Month, year

52
Hours Open Per Week

31
Days Open Per Month

	% change from prv. yr		% change from prv. yr		% change from prv. yr
29,209	5%	18,619	8%	47,828	6%
Adult Materials		Juvenile Materials		Grand Total	

Library Revenues	Current month	% change from prv. yr	New Library Users Added	Current month	% change from prv. yr
Fines & Fees:	\$3,999.49	7%	Milw.residents	110	-21%
Copy Machine:	\$173.98	-3%	Unincorp. residents.	40	-11%
Total:	\$4,173.47	7%	Mult Co. residents.	26	-10%

Reference Questions	Current month	% change from prv. yr	Volunteers	Current month	change from prv. yr
Research	1,111		1% Number	53	No chg.
Directional	1,199		6% Hours worked	600	45%

Interlibrary Loan

Loaned:	Current month	% change from prv. yr	Borrowed:	Current month	% change from prv. yr
In state	28	47%	In state	20	11%
Network	7,612	5%	Network	7,075	7%
Out of state	24	-49%	Out of state	13	-7%
Total	7,664	5%	Total	7,108	7%

Items circulated to:	Current month	% change from prv. yr	Adult Programs	Current month
Milwaukie residents	18,629		4% Number	2
Unincorp. res.	18,219		7% # of people attend.	72
Mult. Co. res	7,776		30%	

Circulation of specific collections

	Adult	%ch	Juv	% ch	Adult	% ch	Adult		% ch	
Nonfiction	4,569	3%			Large Print	291	-17%	DVD's.	6,906	47%
Fiction	1,972	3%			Westerns	25	NC	CDROM/Soft.	287	56%
Mystery	676	16%			Short Stories	23	130%	Audio on CD	548	81%
Science Fic.	292	19%			Talk. Books	908	-9%	Spanish Lang.	126	123%
Young Ad.	727	33%			Compact dis	3,205	-9%	Russian Lang.	13	-81%
Paperbacks	1,146	-17%			Biography	112	-11%	Cultural Passes	22	-19%
Magazines	941	25%			Equipment	0	----			
Videos	4,336	-19%			New fiction	1,786	18%			
Vert. File	0	----			New nonfic.	459	-16%			

From: Stevens, Hilda [mailto:HildaSte@co.clackamas.or.us]
Sent: Wednesday, November 09, 2005 4:45 PM
To: Stevens, Hilda
Subject: Media and Interested Parties... Sewer rate increase postponement for Service District No. 1 and Tri-City Service District to be considered on Thursday

From: Ron Oberg, Clackamas County Public & Government Relations,
503-742-5911

Date: 11-9-05

Media and Interested Parties

Sewer rate increase postponement for Service District No. 1 and Tri-City Service District to be considered on Thursday

On Thursday, November 10, Interim Director Jay Bacon of the Clackamas County Water Environment Services Department, acting on behalf of Clackamas County Service District No. 1 (CCSD No. 1) and Tri-City Service District (TCSD) is expected to recommend rescinding the sewer rate increases that went into effect October 1. The recommendation will include a subsequent review of rates in the spring that would coincide with the development of the county budget. The Board of County Commissioners, acting as the governing board of the service districts, is expected to direct this action during its Thursday meeting.

The original rate increases were authorized in September, 2005 and recently went into effect. "Fee proposals are reviewed in the spring as part of the overall county budget and so it makes sense to bring sewer rates through that established public process," said Commission Chair Martha Schrader. "We expected future rates to be considered in the 2006-2007 budget process. This action would bring consideration of a rate increase in line with our overall budget review."

"Residents have requested more time and information to examine the reasons for the rate increase and provide comments to us. Therefore, a delay seems appropriate. However, we do need to make our case that rates have not gone up in 3 years for Tri-City and 5 years for CCSD No. 1. At the same time, costs of meeting clean water standards, as well as operations and maintenance of wastewater treatment and collection are going up," said Commissioner Bill Kennemer.

As a result of the proposed action, the rate increases that went into effect

on October 1 for CCSD No. 1 and TCSD will be postponed until budget deliberations next year. Any ratepayers who have already paid increases will be credited.

"The public hearings that accompany the budgeting process allow all affected citizens to have input on those increases. My original concept years ago, and later approved by the Board, was to have all increases accompanied by that method. There is no urgency to move ahead with the partial year rate increase," said Commissioner Larry Sowa.

Tri-City Service District includes the cities of Gladstone, Oregon City, and West Linn. Clackamas County Service District #1 serves the communities of Clackamas, Happy Valley, Milwaukie, Johnson City, Boring and Hoodland.

For more information, contact Hilda Stevens at 503-353-4561 or hildaste@co.clackamas.or.us <<mailto:jayb@co.clackamas.or.us>> .