



BAKER CITY, OREGON CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING
JULY 14, 2026 - 6:00 PM
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MAYOR:
Randy Daugherty
COUNCILORS
Roger Coles
Loran Joseph
Helen Loennig
Doni Bruland
Gratton Miller
Randy Schiewe
CITY MANAGER
Barry Murphy

Call to Order/Introduction

1. Call to Order	Mayor Daugherty	Procedural
2. Pledge of Allegiance	Mayor Daugherty	Procedural
3. Roll Call	Megan Langan	Procedural
4. Agenda Additions, Deletions, Modifications	Mayor Daugherty	Action Item
5. Public Comment	Mayor Daugherty	Procedural

Old Business

6. Consent Agenda	Mayor Daugherty	Action Item
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New Business

7. Charter Review	Megan Langan	Discussion
8. Insurance Waiver	Andrew Crabtree	Resolution
9. Main Line Connection	Barry Murphy	Action Item
10. Pipe Bid Award	Danielle Schuh	Action Item
11. TLT Marketing Investments Approval	Kara Miller	Action Item
12. League of OR Cities Legislative Priorities	Barry Murphy	Discussion
13. City Manager Contract	Barry Murphy	Action Item

Updates and Future Items

14. Council Committee Updates	Mayor Daugherty	Information
15. City Manager / Director Updates	Mayor Daugherty	Information
16. City Council Comments	Mayor Daugherty	Information
17. Upcoming Agenda Items	Mayor Daugherty	Procedural

Adjourn

18. Adjourn	Mayor Daugherty	Procedural
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Call to Order/Introduction

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| 1. Call to Order | The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Mayor Daugherty in the Baker City Hall Council Chambers. |
| 2. Pledge of Allegiance | Mayor Daugherty led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. |
| 3. Roll Call | Roll call was answered by Mayor Daugherty and Councilors Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.
Also present were City Manager Barry Murphy, Public Works Director Danielle Schuh, Police Chief Ty Duby, Fire Chief Michael Carlson, Human Resource Manager Andrew Crabtree, and City Recorder Megan Langan. |
| 4. Agenda Additions, Deletions, Modifications | No agenda additions, deletions or modifications. |
| 5. Public Comment | No public comment. |

Old Business

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| 6. Consent Agenda | MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Joseph
MOTION: To approve meeting minutes from June 9th and May 12th
SECONDED: Councilor Coles
IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.
OPPOSED: None
Motion Passed. |
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New Business

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| 7. 2026-27 Budget Adoption | City Manager Barry Murphy presented the budget items.
Mayor Daugherty opened up the public hearing for state Revenue Sharing Funds. No public comment. Mayor Daugherty closed the public hearing.

MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Joseph
MOTION: Approve Resolution 3990
SECONDED: Councilor Schiewe
IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.
OPPOSED: None
Motion Passed.

Mayor Daugherty opened up the public hearing for adopting the 2026/2027 budget. No public comment. Mayor Daugherty closed the public hearing. |
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MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Coles

MOTION: Approve Resolution 3989

SECONDED: Councilor Joseph

IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.

OPPOSED: None

Motion Passed.

8. Resolution 3991 - Budget Changes

City Manager Barry Murphy presented Resolution 3991 regarding 2025/2026 budget changes.

MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Miller

MOTION: Approve Resolution 3991

SECONDED: Councilor Joseph

IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.

OPPOSED: None

Motion Passed.

9. PW Mainline Charge Options

City Manager Barry Murphy presented the options for PW Mainline charges based on the study that was done last year by the University of Oregon. City Staff suggestions option 4: Update fees on a temporary basis. This option is the same as Option 3, but it is done on a temporary basis via Resolution. This would allow City staff to test the new concept and adjust accordingly before a major rewrite of the ordinances.

City Council and City Staff had a discussion and will move forward with option 4.

10. Enterprise Zone Administration

City Manager Barry Murphy went over the staff report, stating that the City needs to appoint a Enterprise Zone manager to cover inside the City limits. Barry stated for right now he feels it makes the most sense to have him be the manager.

Barry has a letter drafted to send to Biz Oregon delegating Barry as the Enterprise Zone Manager for Baker City.

MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Miller

MOTION: Appoint City Manager Barry Murphy as the Enterprise Zone Manager

SECONDED: Councilor Schiewe

IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, Miller and Schiewe.

OPPOSED: None

Motion Passed.

11. Finance Monthly Update

City Manager Barry Murphy presented the monthly finance report. Barry was able to answer questions from the City Council.

12. City Manager Contract

Mayor Daugherty stated that Barry has met the goals that the City Council gave him in order to receive a \$20,000 bonus.

MOTION MADE BY: Councilor Joseph

MOTION: Approve the City Manager bonus of \$20,000

SECONDED: Councilor Bruland

IN FAVOR: Mayor Daugherty, Councilor Coles, Joseph, Loennig, Bruland, and Miller.

OPPOSED: Councilor Schiew

Motion Passed.

Mayor Daugherty also stated that him and Councilor Joseph were working with Barry to update the contract and compare it to surrounding cities. Councilor Schiewe stated he would like to be in on those meetings.

Updates and Future Items

13. Council Committee Updates	No councilor committee updates.
14. City Manager / Director Updates	Human Resource Manager provided a hiring update. City Manager Barry Murphy stated that Public Works replaced the bridge on the Leo Adler Path at H St. and wanted to thank the Leo Adler Foundation for helping fund the replacement.
15. City Council Comments	Councilor Miller asked for an update on the Main St. petition. City Recorder Megan Lanagan stated the signature sheets were turned in on the 22nd, and they were being reviewed. Councilor Miller also asked about the clean-up around the work at Court Plaza. Councilor Bruland asked about progress on the hours for the Splash Pad. Public Works Director Danielle Schuh stated they have worked out a rotation and will post it later this week. Mayor Daugherty stated the band stand in the park has leaves in the valleys of the roof. City Staff stated they will take a look at the band stand. He also asked if Barry has heard from OTEC regarding charging stations in the Central Park parking lot. Barry stated he did talk to OTEC and the parking lot will be poured to accommodate a charging station. The Mayor also asked the Fire Chief if they were ready for the hot dry summer. Chief Carlson stated, they are ready when needed.
16. Upcoming Agenda Items	No additional upcoming agenda items.
Adjourn	
17. Adjourn	Mayor Daugherty adjourned the meeting at 6:37pm.

Signed: _____

Mayor

Attest: _____

City Recorder

A link to this City Council meeting can be found www.bakercity.com or upon request to the City Recorder.



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Board/Commission Application

Name of Board/Commission: Baker City Golf Board

Contact Information

Name: Billy Hermann Primary Phone #: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Secondary Phone #:

Email Address: hermannw1721@gmail.com Occupation: Low Voltage Electrician

Preliminary Questions

1. Are you a registered voter in the state of Oregon? Yes
2. Residence within City Limits: Yes
3. If yes, how many years? 36
4. Comments on why you would like to be appointed to this board/commission:
Assist with decisions for the betterment of the golf course

5. Do you engage in business that is anyway related to the duties of this board/commission?

Any Conflicts of interest? No

6. Are there any days or times you cannot attend meetings on a regular basis?

I'll make myself available

7. Is there any information about yourself that you would like to offer the city council to aid them in their appointment process? NO

8. References: Please list name, address, phone number of a personal or professional reference:

Josie Hermann 3425 8th Drive (541) 519-5947
Jordan Ferguson (253) 315-5099

Signature: Billy Herr Date: 6/22/26

Office Use Only:

Received: 6/24/26 By: Nep

Date Appointed/Denied: _____

Term Ends: _____



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Board/Commission Application

Name of Board/Commission: Baker City Golf Board

Contact Information

Name: Mark Ward Primary Phone #: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Secondary Phone #: [REDACTED]

Email Address: mark.ward@chese@gmail.com Occupation: Farmer

Preliminary Questions

1. Are you a registered voter in the state of Oregon? Yes

2. Residence within City Limits: No

3. If yes, how many years?

4. Comments on why you would like to be appointed to this board/commission:

I have served on the Golf Board for several years and would like to continue to help the Golf Course be a better place for golfers, families, and our youth to enjoy.

5. Do you engage in business that is anyway related to the duties of this board/commission?

NO

Any Conflicts of interest?

NO

6. Are there any days or times you cannot attend meetings on a regular basis?

I am available at almost any time. I do travel out of town on business occasionally.

7. Is there any information about yourself that you would like to offer the city council to aid them in their appointment process?

Being on the Golf Board for several years, I feel that our group has a list of achievements that everyone involved with the golf course should be proud of. Examples of what has been accomplished; Cart paths, numerous trees planted, irrigation updates and multiple donations from our very successful Baker Benefit Bash Golf Tournament.

8. References: Please list name, address, phone number of a personal or professional reference:

Fred Warner, Jr. 2810 Main St. Baker City 541-519-6704
Scott Martin 2790 Main St Baker City 541-523-4471

Signature: Maul Ward Date: 6/26/2026

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Term Ends: _____



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Board/Commission Application

Name of Board/Commission: Park and Rec Board

Contact Information

Name: Kim Mosier Primary Phone #: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED] Secondary Phone #: _____

Email Address: _____ Occupation: lawyer

Preliminary Questions

1. Are you a registered voter in the state of Oregon? Yes

2. Residence within City Limits: Yes

3. If yes, how many years? 19 consecutive; 22 total

4. Comments on why you would like to be appointed to this board/commission:

I believe the City's outdoor spaces are important to the quality of life here in Baker City. It is a way for everyone, regardless of income, to come together, improve physical health, and maintain mental health.

5. Do you engage in business that is anyway related to the duties of this board/commission?

Any Conflicts of interest?

I'm an attorney, representing municipal and nonprofit clients. I've never had a conflict serving on this board.

6. Are there any days or times you cannot attend meetings on a regular basis?

Weekdays, during business hours are difficult but not impossible. Late afternoon and evening meetings are fine.

7. Is there any information about yourself that you would like to offer the city council to aid them in their appointment process?

I care deeply about our shared outdoor spaces. I'm glad to see that they are being cared for and improved. I want to continue to be a part of that.

8. References: Please list name, address, phone number of a personal or professional reference:

Randy Daughtery

rdaughterty@bakercity.gov

(Out of respect for Mr. Daughtery's privacy, I'm opting to not put his personal phone number on a public document).

Signature: /s/ Kimberley Mosier Date: 07/07/2026

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Date Appointed/Denied: _____

Term Ends: _____



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Barry Murphy

Date: July 14, 2026

Subject: Charter Review

Per our Charter, annually, at a July council meeting each year in a regular council meeting, council shall review the oath of office, the City Charter, the Oregon Constitution, and the US Constitution.

Council-Manager CHARTER

BAKER CITY

**BAKER COUNTY
STATE OF OREGON**



VOTED BY THE PEOPLE

MAY 16, 1952

Proclaimed by Mayor and Effective Date

MAY 21, 1952

Revised by vote: May 21, 2002

Proclaimed by Mayor Effective: November 4, 2002

Amendments in: May, 2006; May 2020; November 2022

*Proposal was referred to the people by the Council at the election May 16, 1952, and approved by a majority of 833 (1975 Yes and 1142 No). Baker City had a Commission form of government when on May 19, 1950, the people voted approval of the original Council-Manager Charter. The Council-Manager Charter of May 16, 1952, herein, replaced the original Council-Manager Charter, and completely repealed all prior Charter Provisions, which the 1950 document did not do.

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AN ACT

to enact a new charter for Baker City, in Baker County, State of Oregon, and to repeal all charters and charter provisions of the City enacted prior to the time that this charter is enacted.

Be it enacted by the people of Baker City, in Baker County, State of Oregon:

CHAPTER I

NAME, BOUNDARIES, POWERS, AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Name and Boundaries.

Baker City, in Baker County, State of Oregon, shall upon taking effect of this charter, continue to be a municipal corporation, under the name and style of Baker City, with its corporate territory and the boundaries thereof as they now exist or as such territory and the boundaries thereof may hereafter be established.

Section 2. Powers of the City.

(a) Subject only to the limitations provided in this charter, the City shall have all rights, powers, privileges, and immunities, now or hereafter granted, either expressly or impliedly to municipalities by the constitution, statutes, and common law of the State of Oregon, as fully as though each of such rights, powers, privileges and immunities was specifically stated in this charter. The charter shall be liberally construed to the end that the City shall have all necessary powers for the conduct of its municipal affairs, as contemplated by the municipal home rule provisions of the constitution and laws of the State of Oregon.

(b) Baker City shall have an official seal which may be impressed upon the official documents of the City. Said seal may be changed from time to time upon order of the council.

CHAPTER II

FORM OF GOVERNMENT

Section 3. Council and Mayor.

Except as otherwise provided in this charter, all powers of the City shall be vested in a council of seven members nominated and elected from the City at large. The council shall have the power to pass all necessary ordinances, resolutions or orders to carry out the powers of the City.

At each biennial general election occurring after the effective date of the adoption of this charter four councilors shall be elected. Of the four councilors so elected the one receiving the lowest number of votes shall hold office for two years, and the other three shall hold office for four years and until their successors shall be elected and qualified. Tie votes shall be determined by lot.

The term of a councilor in office when this charter is adopted is the term of office to which the councilor has been elected before adoption of the charter.

At the first regular meeting of the council in January of the year following each biennial general election and after the taking of office of councilors elected at such election, the council

shall choose from its members a person who shall be mayor. The mayor's term of office shall be two years. The mayor or any councilor ceasing to possess the qualifications specified in Section 7 shall immediately forfeit his office. The mayor and members of the Council shall receive ten dollars (\$10) for each regular or special meeting attended, and not more than one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per year to any individual, and their necessary expenses of incurred in the service of the City may be paid when so ordered by the affirmative vote of four members of the Council. Necessary expenses of the mayor and members of the council incurred in the service of the City may be paid when so ordered by the affirmative vote of four members of the council.

Section 4. Manager and Municipal Judge.

The council shall appoint and keep in office a city manager, a municipal judge and such boards or commissions as authorized by ordinance, all of whom shall hold office subject to the discretion of the council and may be removed by the council with or without cause.

Section 5. Other City Officers and Employees.

In the event the city recorder is not required to perform the duties of city treasurer, the city manager shall appoint a city treasurer. The city manager shall appoint a city attorney, a city recorder, a chief of police, a fire chief and such other officers and employees of the City as the council deems necessary and may remove any of them at any time with or without cause; provided, however, that officers and employees that have been placed under civil service may be removed only as provided in the civil service regulations approved by the Civil Service Commission. The council may by resolution require any officer, except the municipal judge, to perform the duties of two or more offices.

Section 6. Compensation.

The council shall fix the compensation of all City officers and employees. No officer or employee shall be allowed any fee, perquisite, emolument or stipend in addition to or except as embraced in the compensation fixed for such position by the council and such compensation may include retirement and insurance benefits and all fees received by any officer, or employee, in connection with the officer's or employee's official duties shall be paid into the city treasury.

Section 7. Qualifications.

- (a) No person shall be eligible for an elective office of the City unless at the time the person is a qualified elector within the meaning of the State Constitution and has resided in the City during the twelve months immediately preceding the election, and
- (b) no person may serve as a councilor for more than two (2) consecutive terms, or any portion thereof, and
- (c) no councilor may serve as mayor for more than two (2) consecutive terms, or any portion thereof.

Section 8. Disability of Councilors.

No councilor shall be eligible during the term for which the councilor was appointed or elected or within six months thereafter to hold any other office or employment with the City, except as a member of any board, commission or committee thereof, of which the councilor is constituted

such a member by general law, ordinance or by this charter.

Section 9. Financial Interest.

No officer, appointee or employee shall receive any compensation, money or thing of value for or by reason of any dealings with or services for the City by the officer, appointee, or employee or others, except the lawful compensation of such officer, appointee or employee. The violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor and shall also work the forfeiture of such office or employment on order of the council or court of competent jurisdiction.

CHAPTER III

ELECTIONS

Section 10. Commencement of Terms of Office.

The term of office of each person elected to office at any regular City election shall commence at the first council meeting in January following the election.

Section 11. Oath of Office.

Each officer before entering upon the duties of office shall take an oath that the officer will support the constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Oregon, and that the officer will faithfully perform the duties of office. Annually at a July council meeting each year in a regular council meeting, council shall review the oath of office, the City Charter, the Oregon Constitution, and the US Constitution. (Amended by Measure 1-111, November 08, 2022)

Section 12. Nonpartisan Nomination and Election of Councilors.

City elections must conform to state law except as this Charter or Ordinance provide otherwise. All elections for city offices must be nonpartisan. (Amended May, 2006)

Section 13. Elections and Regulations Thereof.

Repealed. (Amended May, 2006)

CHAPTER IV

VACANCIES

Section 14. Vacancies in Office Generally.

In the case of councilors or officers or employees appointed by the council, an office shall be deemed vacant upon the incumbent's:

- a. death;
- b. insanity;
- c. conviction of felony;
- d. resignation;
- e. removal from the City;

- f. absence from the City for a period of 60 days without the consent of the council;
- g. ceasing to possess the qualifications necessary for office.

An office shall also be deemed vacant upon the failure of the person elected or appointed to an office to qualify therefore on or before the day the term of office shall commence.

Section 15. Manner in Which Vacancies Shall be Filled.

A vacancy in the council shall be filled by appointment by a majority of the council. The appointee's term of office runs from the time of the appointee's qualifying for the office after the appointment and until expiration of the term of the predecessor who has left the office vacant. Provided, however, that if the vacancy is filled more than ninety days before the next general election, the appointee's term of office runs only until the first council meeting in the year immediately following the election, and at the election a candidate shall be elected to the council for a two-year term.

CHAPTER V

THE COUNCIL

Section 16. Meetings.

The council shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month at a time and at a place in the City which it designates and shall adopt written rules for the government of its members and proceedings. The mayor, may, or at the request of three members of the council shall, by giving notice thereof to all members of the council and to the public as required by law, call a special meeting of the council.

Section 17. Quorum.

Four members of the council shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a lesser number may meet and adjourn from time to time to compel the attendance of absent members in the manner provided by the ordinance. The council shall keep a journal of its proceedings and shall cause the ayes and nays to be taken and entered in the journal upon any questions before it excepting a motion to adjourn. The proceedings of the council shall be public as required by law.

Section 18. Mayor's Duties at Council Meetings.

The mayor shall chair the council and shall preside over its deliberations. The mayor shall have authority to preserve order, enforce the rules of the council, and determine the order of business, subject to the rules of council. The mayor may vote as a councilor.

Section 19. Acting Mayor.

At the first regular meeting of the council in January of the year following each biennial general election and after the taking of office of councilors elected at such election, the council shall

choose one of its members to act as mayor whenever the mayor is unable to perform the functions of the office of mayor on account of absence, illness or other cause.

Section 20. Vote Required.

The concurrence of a majority of a quorum shall be required to determine any matter before the council.

CHAPTER VI

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CITY OFFICERS

Section 21. Mayor.

The mayor shall appoint the various committees provided for under the rules of the council or otherwise and shall fill all vacancies in committees of the council from that body. The mayor shall sign all ordinances and written resolutions and orders approved by the council. The mayor shall have no veto power, and shall sign all ordinances passed by the council within three days after their passage. The mayor shall sign all instruments and writings authorized by this charter and by the laws of the state or the council.

Section 22. Manager.

(a) **Qualification.** The manager shall be the administrative head of the City government. The manager shall be chosen by the council without regard to political consideration and on the basis of executive and administrative qualifications with special reference to actual experience in, or knowledge of, accepted practice in respect to the duties of the office of manager as hereinafter set forth. The manager need not be a resident of the state at the time of appointment but during the manager's tenure of office, the manager shall reside within the City.

Before entering upon the duties of office the manager shall file with the city recorder an official bond for the faithful performance of the duties, payable to the City in such sum as may be fixed by the council, the premium of which shall be paid by the City.

(b) **Term.** The manager shall be appointed for an indefinite term and may be removed at the pleasure of a majority of the council. Upon any vacancy occurring in the office of city manager, the council shall within six months thereafter appoint a successor. This provision shall not affect the appointment of a manager pro tem as herein provided.

(c) **Powers and Duties.** The manager shall:

(1) See that all ordinances are enforced.

(2) Except as otherwise provided by this charter, and except as provided by state law or City ordinance with reference to employment under civil service, appoint all heads of departments and other City officers and employees, and remove them at pleasure, and have general supervision and control over them. All such appointments shall be made upon the basis of merit and fitness alone.

(3) See that the provisions of all franchises, leases, contracts, permits and privileges granted

by the City are fully observed and report to the council any violation thereof.

(4) Attend all meetings of the council unless excused therefrom by three councilors or by the mayor.

(5) Act as purchasing agent for all departments of the City.

All purchases shall be made by requisition signed by the manager.

(6) Examine or cause to be examined, without notice, the official conduct of any officer, assistant, deputy, clerk or employee in any of the departments of the City government, except of the council and of the municipal judge.

(7) Keep the council advised as to the needs of the City.

(8) Prepare and submit to the budget committee the annual budget estimate and such reports as may be required by that body.

(9) Submit to the council an annual report of all departments of the City and such other reports as the council may require.

(10) Prepare or cause to be prepared plans and specifications for work coming under the manager's supervision which the council orders, and provide such plans and specifications in sufficient number and in ample time to give full opportunity for all contractors who desire to bid thereon to do so.

(11) Have control, subject to such ordinance as may from time to time be adopted, of all public utilities owned or operated by the City.

(12) Have general supervision over all City property and its use by the public or City employees.

(13) Accept no outside employment without the prior approval of the council.

(14) Perform such other duties as may be required by this charter or as the council may require of the manager.

(15) From time to time, in order to facilitate the prompt, economical, and efficient dispatch of any City business, organize the work of the departments under the manager's control, assign assistants, deputies, and employees from any office or department of the City government to perform work or service in connection with any other office or department thereof, or to work in more than one of said offices or departments; provided that no such change shall affect the powers or duties of any elective officer of the City or of the municipal judge.

(d) **Seats at Council Meetings.** The manager and such other officers of the City as may be designated by vote of the council shall be entitled to seats with the council, but shall have no vote therein. The manager shall have the right to take part in the discussion of all matters coming before the council.

(e) **Manager Pro Tem.** In case of absence of the manager from the City, or temporary disability to act as manager, or a temporary vacancy in the office of city manager, the council shall appoint a manager pro tem who shall possess the powers and discharge the duties of the manager during such absence, vacancy or disability only; provided, however, that a manager pro tem shall have no authority to appoint or remove any City officer or employee except with the approval of five members of the council.

(f) **Interference in Administration and Elections.** The manager shall be free from coercion or undue influence by any member of the council. If the council finds that any of its members has attempted to coerce or exert undue influence upon the manager in the making of an

appointment or removal or the purchase of supplies, or has attempted to exact any promises relative to any appointment from any candidate for manager, or has made any suggestion to any such candidate relative to any specific appointment to any City office or employment, it shall have the power to publicly reprimand or remove from office such member and declare a forfeiture of any unearned salary, provided, such action shall be the sole and exclusive punishment, and this section shall not be construed as the basis for any civil or criminal liability of any member of the council and provided further that nothing herein contained shall be construed as prohibiting the council, while in open session, from discussing with or suggesting to the manager, fully and freely, anything pertaining to City affairs, and for the best interest of the City, and in good faith discussing at any time in the normal course of community and City affairs, either with constituents or the manager, matters pertaining to the City. Neither the manager nor any person in the employ of the City shall take any part in securing, or shall contribute any money towards, the nomination or election of any candidate for a municipal office.

(g) **Ineligible Persons.** No person related to the manager by consanguinity or affinity within the third degree shall hold any appointive office or employment with the City.

Section 23. Municipal Judge and Court.

There is hereby established within Baker City a municipal court in which the judicial authority of Baker City shall be vested. The officer thereof shall be the municipal judge who shall be the judicial officer of Baker City, who shall be assisted by the city attorney whenever necessary. Said municipal court shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all charges of misdemeanors as declared by this charter and by the ordinances passed hereunder and all causes arising under any of the ordinances of the City or a violation thereof and any action, civil or criminal, over which a police judge may at any time have jurisdiction by virtue of the general laws of the State of Oregon. The municipal judge shall have authority to issue process for the arrest of any person accused of any offense against the ordinances and the charter of Baker City, to commit any such person to jail or admit the accused to bail pending trial, to issue subpoenas, to issue any process necessary to carry into effect the judgments of the court, and to punish witnesses and others for contempt of court. When not governed by ordinances or this charter, all proceedings in the municipal court for the violation of a City ordinance shall be governed by the applicable general laws of the State of Oregon governing justices of the peace and justice courts. Any person convicted in said court shall have the right of appeal to the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Baker County in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Oregon. Notwithstanding this section, the council may transfer some or all of the functions of the municipal court to an appropriate state or county court. (Amended by Measure 1-114 November 08, 2022)

CHAPTER VII

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

Section 24. Manner of Exercising Initiative and Referendum:

The council may by ordinance provide for the manner and method of exercising the initiative and referendum powers reserved to the people of Baker City by the constitution of the State of Oregon, provided that the chief petitioners and circulators of either initiative or referendum petitions shall be registered electors of Baker City, Oregon.

CHAPTER VIII

ORDINANCES

Section 25. Enacting Clause.

The enacting clause of all ordinances hereafter passed shall be “BE IT ORDAINED BY BAKER CITY”.

Section 26. Introduction, Reading and Passage.

Every ordinance shall be fully and distinctly read on three different days in open council meeting and the question of the final passage of the ordinance may be put to the council on the day and at the meeting at which the third reading of the ordinance occurs; provided, however, that any ordinance may be introduced and read the first time at any meeting, and may upon unanimous vote of all the members of the council present be read a second time at the same meeting, and the council may then adjourn such meeting to be continued on a subsequent and separate day, at which time such ordinance may be read a third time and be placed upon its final passage or such ordinance may be read for the third time and be placed upon its final passage at a following regular or special meeting. No ordinance may be placed upon its final passage earlier than on the third day after the day at which the first reading thereof occurred. The second and third readings of every ordinance, or either, may be done by title only upon the unanimous vote of all the members of the council present provided the text of the ordinance is offered to the members of the council and for the use during the meeting of the press and public attending. Upon the final vote the ayes and nays of the members shall be taken and recorded in the journal. If the ordinance passes, the city recorder shall so endorse it by setting forth thereon the date of its passage, and the name and title of the city recorder, and the mayor shall within three (3) days of the passage of the ordinance sign the ordinance with the date and his name and title of office.

Section 27. When Ordinances Take Effect.

Each ordinance passed by the council shall take effect on the thirtieth day after its passage; provided, that when the council deems it necessary for the immediate preservation of the peace, health or safety of the community, an ordinance may provide a different time when it shall take

effect, or that it shall take effect immediately upon the date of its passage.

CHAPTER IX

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

Section 28. Improvements.

If the council shall provide for payment of street, sewer, sidewalk, curb, lighting, or other public improvement by special assessment, the remonstrance of two-thirds of the front footage of property owners concerned shall operate to defeat such assessments and the same may not again be considered by the council for a period of six months.

Section 29. Special Assessment.

The method and procedure for determining the amount of the assessments, the spread and apportionment of the amount of the assessments, and the boundary and location of the property, lots, district, or area to be assessed; for the making and approval of the plans and specifications; for the notices to property owners and other interested parties; for the hearings; for the composition, organization and procedure of boards of revision or appraisal; for the levy of the assessments; for the creation of a lien; and for any and all other determinations, steps, measures, resolutions, ordinances and actions in relation to the assessments shall be governed by either (a) the provisions of the special assessment statutes of the state, or (b) the provisions of a general ordinance setting forth such method and procedure, which general ordinance may be enacted by the council and shall be subject to amendment or repeal.

CHAPTER X

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 30. Existing Ordinances Continued.

All ordinances, resolutions, by-laws, orders, rules or regulations whether enacted by the authority of the City or by any other authority in force in Baker City at the time this charter takes effect and not inconsistent with the provisions of this charter, shall continue in full force and effect until the council otherwise by ordinance provides notwithstanding any change of organization affected by this charter.

Section 31. Continuing Bonds, Etc.

All official bonds, recognizances, obligations, contracts and all other instruments entered into or executed by or to the City before this charter takes effect, and all taxes, assessments, debts, obligations, fines, penalties and forfeitures due or owing to the City, and all writs, prosecutions, actions and causes of actions, except as herein otherwise provided, shall continue and remain unaffected by this charter.

Section 32. Time of Effect of Charter.

This charter shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of the proclamation by the mayor of the City that this charter has been approved by a majority of those voters voting on the proposition of the adoption of this charter at the special election on November 08, 2022.

Section 33. Title of Law.

Should this bill be enacted the title of the bill shall stand as the title of the law. the title of the law. the title of the law.be enacted the title of the bill shall stand as the title of the law.

Section 34. Repeal of Previously Enacted Provisions.

All charters and charter provisions of Baker City enacted prior to the time that this charter takes effect are hereby repealed.

Section 35. Separability Clause.

If any section or part of section of this charter shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this charter nor the context in which such section or part of section so held invalid may appear, except to the extent that the entire section or part of section may be inseparably connected in meaning and effect with the section or part of section to which such holding shall directly apply.

Section 36. Reserved for Future Use.

(Amended by Measure 1-112 November 08, 2022)

Section 37. Leases and Sales.

The Council shall have no power to sell, abandon, grant, or otherwise dispose of any real property of the city the fair market value of which exceeds the sum of \$5,000.00 without referring same to a vote of the people at a special or general election. Surplus equipment may be disposed of by a majority vote of the City Council with all proceeds going to the appropriate City fund to be used for future equipment replacement. The foregoing prohibition regarding disposition of real property shall not apply in the case of real property zoned Industrial and disposed of as part of a city recognized industrial park (Amended May, 1974. Amended Nov., 1986. Amended May, 2020).



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Date: July 14, 2026

Subject: Insurance Waiver



Proposal: Increase to the Health Insurance Waiver Stipend

Overview

- **Purpose:** To request City Council approval to increase the stipend for employees who waive City-provided health insurance.
- **Current arrangement:** \$100 per month for an employee who waives health insurance.
- **Proposed arrangement:** Increase from \$100 to \$400 per month for the waiver of health insurance and add a \$400 per month stipend paid in lieu of an HSA account, for a total of \$800 per month for employees who waive health insurance. To receive the full \$800, employees must provide proof of alternative coverage.

Policy details

- **Eligibility and limits:**
 - If two City employees are on the payroll and one employee has elected coverage that also covers the spouse, the City will maintain a \$100 per month stipend for that scenario.
 - To receive the full \$800 monthly stipend, the employee must provide verifiable evidence of alternative (non-City) health coverage.
- **Funding and cost:**
 - The \$800 per month stipend yields an annual cost of \$9,600 for stipends, plus associated taxes and benefit costs, resulting in an approximate total City cost of about \$11,600 per year.
 - The total annual cost may fluctuate due to applicable taxes and benefit costs, but is generally expected to fall within \$11,500 to \$11,700.
 - The employee groups with spouses will be the enrolled employees who will chose to partake in this waiver and this will result in the City realizing savings of between \$11,862 and \$20,092 for each waiver.
- **Expected impact:**
 - The proposal anticipates cost savings when more than one employee waives coverage, particularly where waivers are spread across eligible employees.
 - The intent is to encourage employees to compare City coverage with spouse-provided coverage, considering both coverage quality and total cost.
 - Employees not covering spouses are not likely to waive insurance coverage as City-provided insurance may be their primary coverage, limiting waiver ability.



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- We have 46 covered employees we believe this policy amendment will impact when determining whether to insure with the City or a separate provider in the 2027 benefit year.
- The savings for the City would be between \$11,862 and \$20,092 for each waiver depending on the employees' current elected coverage. Please review attached chart for specific coverage savings and group electing information.

Rationale

- The goal of this stipend is to incentivize employees to review coverage options between City-provided insurance and coverage offered through spouses or alternative providers.
- An \$800 total combined monthly stipend (waiver of insurance plus a stipend in lieu of an HSA) represents a competitive incentive in the Baker City market.
- By guiding employees toward cost-effective coverage options, the City expects to manage and reduce overall benefit costs while maintaining support for employee health coverage decisions.



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2027 Plan Year Premiums (City Paid Portion 90%)									
	Employee	Employee + Child	Employee + Children	Employee + Spouse	Employee + Family	Waiver of Coverage	Total Benefit Eligible Employees		
Regence HDHP	\$ 728.11	\$ 1,362.54	\$ 1,855.98	\$ 1,557.34	\$ 2,140.70				
Regence Alt-Care	\$ 3.83	\$ 7.20	\$ 9.77	\$ 8.25	\$ 11.29				
United Health Care	\$ 731.95	\$ 1,369.74	\$ 1,865.76	\$ 1,565.59	\$ 2,151.99				
VSP	\$ 824.83	\$ 1,535.12	\$ 2,041.72	\$ 1,754.15	\$ 2,354.48				
Delta Dental	\$ 10.25	\$ 12.49	\$ 22.30	\$ 14.31	\$ 25.77				
CIS Ortho - Delta Dental	\$ 49.37	\$ 75.21	\$ 130.92	\$ 85.96	\$ 151.00				
	\$ 2.53	\$ 5.21	\$ 25.11	\$ 6.00	\$ 28.94				
HSA	\$ 51.90	\$ 80.42	\$ 156.02	\$ 91.97	\$ 179.94				
New Monthly Coverage Cost City Paid Portion 90% Per Enrollment	\$ 1,700.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00				
New Annual Coverage Cost City Paid Portion 90% Per Enrollment	\$ 794.10	\$ 1,462.65	\$ 2,044.08	\$ 1,671.87	\$ 2,357.69				
Annual Cost Savings of Waived Insurance Coverage	\$ 11,229.25	\$ 20,951.81	\$ 27,928.95	\$ 23,462.41	\$ 31,692.33				
	\$ (370.75)	\$ 9,351.81	\$ 16,328.95	\$ 11,862.41	\$ 20,092.33				
Plan Types	Employee	Employee + Child	Employee + Children	Employee + Spouse	Employee + Family	Waiver of Coverage	Total Benefit Eligible Employees		
Plan Enrollments	12	3	4	12	34	3		68	
Annual Insurance Increase	\$ 12,793.85	\$ 5,968.97	\$ 10,889.37	\$ 27,289.98	\$ 106,759.67			\$ 163,701.84	
Total Annual Benefit Cost	\$ 134,751.00	\$ 62,855.43	\$ 111,715.78	\$ 281,548.96	\$ 1,077,539.09	\$ 3,600.00		\$ 1,672,010.26	
Total Annual Increase on City Paid Benefits	\$ 163,701.84							\$ 1,508,308.42	
Total Annual Cost of City Paid Insurance Benefits	\$ 1,672,010.26							\$ 1,508,308.42	11%



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RESOLUTION NO. 3993

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BAKER CITY AMENDING THE WAIVER OF INSURANCE STIPENDS

WHEREAS, the City of Baker City has previously established a Waiver of Insurance stipend to offset employees who elect to waive the City-provided health insurance in favor of an alternative coverage option; and

WHEREAS, rule changes governing the stipend have established the allowance of an increase in the stipend amount from \$100 to \$400; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the need to provide a stipend of \$400 to employees who waive City-provided insurance in favor of another insurance option, plus a \$400 monthly stipend in lieu of an HSA (Health Savings Account); and

WHEREAS, if an employee is insured by a spouse who also works for the City of Baker City, the maximum stipend shall remain \$100 per month; and

WHEREAS, an employee's stipend shall be prorated based on their percentage of employment, such that an employee working full time will receive 100% of the applicable benefit; and

WHEREAS, the City handbook and related personnel policies will be updated by this resolution to reflect the adopted stipend amounts and the administration of the Waiver of Insurance stipend program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Baker City that effective July 1, 2026, the City will amend policy and provide staff with the above listed stipends in the amount entitled to an employee.

PASSED by the City Council of the Baker City, Oregon and the signed by the Mayor of Baker City, Oregon, this 14th day of July 2026 and effective July 1, 2026.

RANDY DAUGHERTY, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
MEGAN LANGAN, CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM _____
JEREMY GREEN, CITY ATTORNEY



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Date: July 14, 2026**Subject:** Main Line Connection

Action Statement

City Council can approve Resolution 3992 providing updates to mainline connection fees.

Background

The Council heard the results of the development fee study that IPRE (from University of Oregon) prepared for Baker City a year ago. City staff have looked at several options on how to incorporate the results of that analysis and make improvements. Staff offered an analysis in the previous Council meeting to assess the Council's desire to adjust fees. The following analysis and recommendation are based on the direction the Council requested in the June 28th meeting.

Analysis

It is clear that our mainline connection fees would be greatly improved by providing more transparency and less complexity. The current system is based on the amount of frontage on a particular lot regardless of whether the water or sewer line already exist along that property. This method worked fine when material and labor costs were much lower in the past, but it has discouraged the development of many parcels due to the costs required today.

There are several options to address the issues identified in the past study. The following four options are the major ones considered from City staff along with a recommendation.

1. Do Nothing. This would keep the status quo. The drawback to this option is it would continue to make certain properties exorbitantly expensive for development, and it would also continue resident frustrations with the complexity of the process.
2. Enact System Development Charges (SDCs). The Council expressed its desire earlier to avoid SDCs for now.
3. Update Water and Sewer ordinances. This option would adjust how Public Works charges for mainline connections by changing the ordinances to make the charges less complex and more transparent.
4. Update fees on a temporary basis. This option is the same as Option 3, but it is done on a temporary basis via Resolution. This would allow City staff to test the new concept and adjust accordingly before a major rewrite of the ordinances.

City staff recommends Option 4 as it would be the quickest change and would allow the City to study and update any changes before making anything permanent.

On June 28th, the City Council requested staff to proceed with Option 4.

Staff analyzed current average costs over the period of December 2024 to present which are broken down below:

- The average water mainline connection fees were \$6,922.30 and the average water mainline installation fees were \$3,035 for a **total of \$9,957.30**. Since this average includes two large frontage properties, it is important to note that two residential properties had total water mainline and installation fees of **\$5,074**. However, most total residential costs were **\$6,500 or greater**.
- The average wastewater mainline connection fees were \$7,156 and the average wastewater mainline installation fees were \$2,013 for a **total of \$9,169**. Again this average includes some large frontage properties. Two residential properties had total wastewater mainline and installation fees of **\$4,191**. However, most total residential wastewater costs were **\$5,400 or greater**.

Based on the average numbers listed above, and in order to make the fee updates an incentive for developers, City staff recommends the following updates to the fee schedule including the notes to follow the recommended fees:

Water Mainline Charge:

- \$5,000 for a residential project (includes mainline charge, service installation and water meter drop fee). Note: we are still researching how to align this new fee structure with how we currently charge duplexes and triplexes.
- \$5,000 per small commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with a small number of employees [1-10] and/or a business with rates of water consumption similar to residential units)
- \$7,000 per medium commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with 11-25 employees and/or a business that has higher water usage than residential unit or small commercial facility).
- \$9,500 per large commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with more than 25 employees and/or a business with large rates of water usage).

Wastewater Mainline Charge:

- \$4,500 for a residential project (includes mainline charge and service installation). Same note above about duplexes and triplexes applies.
- \$4,500 per small commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with a small number of employees [1-10] and/or a business with rates of wastewater consumption similar to residential units)
- \$6,500 per medium commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with 11-25 employees and/or a business that has higher wastewater usage than a residential unit or small commercial facility).
- \$9,000 per large commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with more than 25

employees and/or a business with large rates of wastewater usage).

These modifications are intended for developments where water and/or wastewater mainlines are already in place at or near the proposed development. For true mainline extensions, the City will provide quotes in line with existing ordinances.

Based on the University of Oregon fee study findings, the City Council also authorizes City staff to offer a discount (up to 25%) for installing multiple mainline connections as part of a subdivision or multi-unit development. Multi-unit developments will be considered as 3 or more units developed at one time. Lastly, City Council authorizes City staff to research and present alternative funding options for public improvements and mainline connection fees for subdivisions or multi-unit developments if developers express a desire for funding options. Options will be presented to the Council for approval in all cases.

City staff will assess the effectiveness of these fee updates for two years before City Council decides whether to alter the respective ordinances governing mainline connections.

Potential Motions

I, Councilor _____, move to approve Resolution 3992.



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RESOLUTION NO. 3992

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BAKER CITY, OREGON CHANGING FEE SCHEDULE FOR MAINLINE CONNECTIONS.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Baker City on April 28, 2026, approved Resolution 3988, A Resolution Setting Fees for City Services, Permits, or Application, and

WHEREAS, said fee schedule established water and wastewater mainline connection fees based off of lineal feet of frontage, and

WHEREAS, the City desires to test a new fee arrangement without immediately updating the respective ordinances, and

WHEREAS, the City believes it to be advantageous to increase transparency and simplicity of mainline connection fees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Baker City, Oregon that the following modifications are made to the 2026-27 fee schedule.

Water Mainline Charge:

- \$5,000 per residential project (includes mainline charge, service installation and water meter drop fee).
- \$5,000 per small commercial/industrial facility (defined as a business with a small number of employees [1-10] and/or a business with rates of water consumption similar to residential units)
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Wastewater Mainline Charge:

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Lastly, City Council authorizes City staff to research and present alternative funding options when mainline extensions and

public improvements are necessary for subdivisions or multi-unit developments. If developers express a desire for funding options, then staff will present options to the Council for approval.

City staff will assess the effectiveness of these fee updates for two years before City Council decides whether to alter the respective ordinances governing mainline connections.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Baker City, Oregon this 14th day of July 2026.

SIGNED by the Mayor of the City of Baker City, Oregon this 14th day of July 2026.

SIGNED _____
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
City Recorder



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Date: July 14, 2026

Subject: Pipe Bid Award

Action Statement

The Campbell Street pipe upgrade to 8" DI pipe, the Carter Street pipe upgrade to 12" DI, and the Grace Street replacement of aged and deteriorating main lines and manholes, require the purchase of pipe and fittings. Bids were solicited online and 2 bids were received by the deadline of July 8, 2026. The bid submittals and tabulation is attached for reference.

The low bid was from Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of \$232,291.46.

All projects were approved in the current Capital Plan and budgeted for in the 2026-2027 Adopted Budget.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval to award bid 2026-02 to Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of \$232,291.46.

Potential Motions

"I, Councilor _____, move to approve the award of bid 2026-02 to Ferguson Waterworks in the amount of \$232,291.46."

June 24, 2026

INVITATION TO BID FOR PUBLIC WORKS MATERIALS

CITY OF BAKER CITY



BID NO.: 2026-02

BID CLOSING DATE AND TIME: July 8, 2026
2:00 P.M. PDT

DESCRIPTION: PVC and Ductile Iron Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, Hydrants, & Appurtenances

BUYER: Danielle Schuh

PHONE: 541-524-2031

FAX: 541-524-2029

E-MAIL: PWAdirector@bakercity.gov

PREBID CONFERENCE: NO

DATE:

TIME:

LOCATION:

THIS IS A FORMAL PROCUREMENT. FAXED BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

SEALED BIDS will be received until 2:00 p.m. PDT on July 8th, 2026, by the CITY OF BAKER CITY (COBC) at:

P.O. BOX 650/1655 FIRST STREET
BAKER CITY, OR 97814-0650

Bid Packets will be available beginning June 24th, 2026, in the Current Solicitations section located under the Services tab @ www.bakercity.com.

SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT: There will be only one point of contact for this Invitation to Bid. The contact point is COBC, and the contact person is the Buyer listed above. Any questions or issues that may arise regarding the specifications, the bidding process, and/or the award process shall be directed to the Buyer listed above. COBC's official response to any questions or requests will be through direct letters or the addendum process.

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**Bidder is responsible for completing and returning any page(s) in any attachment(s) that require a response.*

INFORMATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be accepted for PVC and ductile iron pipe, ductile iron fittings, hydrants and other appurtenances, which the City intends to purchase. Bids will be accepted at the office of the Director of Public Works, City Hall, 1655 First Street, P.O. Box 650, Baker City, Oregon, 97814, until 2:00 p.m. local time, July 8, 2026, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. Faxed bids will only be accepted when delivered in a sealed envelope via a third party.

The quantities are stated with as much accuracy as possible. However, they are approximate only and may vary when the order is placed. The City reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of material or reject any or all bids if deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

To establish a basis of quality, certain processes, types of machinery and equipment, or kinds of materials may be specified either by description or process, by designating a manufacturer by name and referring to specific brands or products, or by specifying a kind of material. It is not the intent of the specifications to exclude other processes, equipment or materials of equal value, utility or merit.

Whenever a process, manufacturer's name, brand, item, patented process or patented material is designated or described, it shall be implied that the words "or approved equal" follow such name, designation or description. The determination of acceptable substitutes shall be the sole province of the City and substitutes shall not be ordered or furnished unless approved in writing by the City.

The bidder shall give the manufacturer's name and model or brand of the item to be supplied upon successful award of the contract.

The material requested for bidding purposes consists of PVC and ductile iron pipe, ductile iron fittings, hydrants and other appurtenances, as shown on the attached bid schedule.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive irregularities, to postpone the award of the bid for a period of time not to exceed thirty (30) days, or to accept the bid, which in the City's opinion, is in the best interest of the City of Baker City.

Proposals shall be submitted on the form provided. Please return one copy of the completed Proposal and Bid Schedule in a sealed envelope which will act as your bid. Note on the envelope:

"BID 2026-02: PVC and Ductile Iron Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, Hydrants, & Appurtenances, July 8, 2026".

MATERIAL DELIVERY SCHEDULE

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C.1	12" Ductile Iron Pipe	1,620	LF	AMERICAN (ACIPCO)	\$53.55	\$86,751.00
D.1	16" Ductile Iron Pipe	18	LF	AMERICAN (ACIPCO)	\$87.26	\$1,570.68
E.1	12" Class 350 90° MJ x MJ Ductile Iron Bend	1	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$488.16	\$488.16
F.1	12" Class 350 45° MJ x MJ Ductile Iron Bend	2	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$404.20	\$808.40
G.1	12" Class 350 22-1/2° MJ x MJ Ductile Iron Bend	3	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$352.77	\$1,058.31
H.1	12" MJ Ductile Iron Tee	1	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$677.57	\$677.57
I.1	12" x 8" MJ Ductile Iron Tee	3	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$529.17	\$1,587.51
J.1	16" x 6" MJ x FLG Ductile Iron Tee	1	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$1,105.19	\$1,105.19
K.1	12" x 8" MJ Ductile Iron Cross	1	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$641.12	\$641.12
L.1	16" x 12" MJ Ductile Iron Reducer	1	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$523.96	\$523.96
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U.1	20" x 12" Tapping Sleeve	1	EA	FORD, ROMAC, SMITH BLAIR	\$1,681.52	\$1,681.52
V.1	12" Ductile Iron MJ Adaptor	11	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$268.86	\$2,957.46
W.1	8" Ductile Iron MJ Adaptor	5	EA	SIGMA, STAR, TYLER UNION	\$175.86	\$879.30
X.1	6" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	14	EA	SIGMA, FORD, ROMAC	\$47.36	\$663.04
Y.1	8" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	11	EA	SIGMA, FORD, ROMAC	\$61.31	\$674.41
Z.1	12" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	39	EA	SIGMA, FORD, ROMAC	\$110.99	\$4,328.61
AA.1	16" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	3	EA	SIGMA, FORD, ROMAC	\$199.17	\$597.51
AB.1	1" Copper Service Line	120	LF	NUNGWON (IMPORT), CERRO	\$13.61	\$1,633.20
AC.1	1" Corporation Stops	15	EA	FORD, MUELLER, AT McDONALD	\$87.63	\$1,314.45
AD.1	1" Service Line Coupling	15	EA	FORD, MUELLER, AT McDONALD	\$32.55	\$488.25
AE.1	Fire Hydrant	1	EA	CLOW, MUELLER	\$3,409.95	\$3,409.95
AF.1	Cast Iron Valve Box (5' total length)	16	EA	SIGMA, OLYMPIC FOUNDRY, D&L	\$178.05	\$2,848.80
Campbell Street Water						
A.2	4" Ductile Iron Pipe	10	LF	AMERICAN (ACIPCO)	\$39.11	\$391.10
B.2	6" Ductile Iron Pipe	30	LF	AMERICAN (ACIPCO)	\$26.73	\$801.90

C.2	8" Ductile Iron Pipe	500	LF	AMERICAN (ACIPCO)	\$34.94	\$17,470.00
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\$ 232,291.46

PROPOSAL GRAND TOTAL

Ferguson Waterworks, LLC

Submitted By: (Company)

(Signed)

June 24, 2026

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BUYER: Danielle Schuh

PHONE: 541-524-2031

FAX: 541-524-2029

E-MAIL: PWAdirector@bakercity.gov

PREBID CONFERENCE: NO

DATE:

TIME:

LOCATION:

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P.O. BOX 650/1655 FIRST STREET
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Fax No.

Email
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G.1	12" Class 350 22-1/2° MJ x MJ Ductile Iron Bend	3	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	342.32	1,026.96
H.1	12" MJ Ductile Iron Tee	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	657.48	657.48
I.1	12" x 8" MJ Ductile Iron Tee	3	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	513.48	1,540.44
J.1	16" x 6" MJ x FLG Ductile Iron Tee	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	1,072.43	1,072.43
K.1	12" x 8" MJ Ductile Iron Cross	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	622.11	622.11
L.1	16" x 12" MJ Ductile Iron Reducer	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	508.43	508.43
M.1	8" x 6" MJ Ductile Iron Reducer	4	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	130.74	522.96
N.1	6" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	4	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	140.22	560.88
O.1	8" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	224.22	224.22
P.1	12" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	6	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	361.27	2,167.62
Q.1	16" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	690.32	690.32
R.1	8" MJ Ductile Iron Gate Valve	5	EA	Clow, Mueller	1,644.10	8,220.50

Bid 2026-02 PVC and Ductile Iron Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, Hydrants & Appurtenances

S.1	12" MJ Ductile Iron Gate Valve	10	EA	Clow, Mueller	3,244.03	32,440.30
T.1	6" MJ x FLG Ductile Iron Gate Valve	1	EA	Clow, Mueller	1,032.10	1,032.10
U.1	20" x 12" Tapping Sleeve	1	EA	Ford, Romac, Mueller	4,203.47	4,203.47
V.1	12" Ductile Iron MJ Adaptor	11	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	269.91	2,969.01
W.1	8" Ductile Iron MJ Adaptor	5	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	182.69	913.45
X.1	6" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	14	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	44.83	627.62
Y.1	8" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	11	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	65.88	724.68
Z.1	12" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	39	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	131.29	5,120.31
AA.1	16" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	3	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	290.48	871.44
AB.1	1" Copper Service Line	120	LF	Brecco	12.39	1,486.80
AC.1	1" Corporation Stops	15	EA	Ford, Mueller	86.39	1,295.85
AD.1	1" Service Line Coupling	15	EA	Ford, Mueller	28.36	425.40
AE.1	Fire Hydrant	1	EA	Clow, Mueller	3,463.25	3,463.25
AF.1	Cast Iron Valve Box (5' total length)	16	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	99.43	1,590.88
Campbell Street Water						
A.2	4" Ductile Iron Pipe	10	LF	US Pipe	40.76	733.68
B.2	6" Ductile Iron Pipe	30	LF	US Pipe	31.33	1,127.88
C.2	8" Ductile Iron Pipe	500	LF	US Pipe	44.19	22,271.76
D.2	8" Class 350 45° MJ x MJ Ductile Iron Bend	20	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	182.53	3,650.60
E.2	8" x 6" MJ Ductile Iron Reducer	5	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	130.74	653.70
F.2	8" x 4" MJ Ductile Iron Reducer	2	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	122.53	245.06
G.2	4" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	2	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	84.00	168.00

Bid 2026-02 PVC and Ductile Iron Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, Hydrants & Appurtenances

H.2	6" Ductile Iron Solid Sleeve Coupling	5	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	140.22	701.10
I.2	8" MJ x FLG Ductile Iron Gate Valve	10	EA	Clow, Mueller	1,613.08	16,130.80
J.2	8" x 8" Tapping Sleeve	1	EA	Ford, Romac, Mueller	900.47	900.47
K.2	4" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	6	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	37.06	222.36
L.2	6" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	20	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	44.83	896.60
M.2	8" (Megalug 1100 or Equal) Single Joint Restraint	54	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	65.88	3,557.52
N.2	8" x 6" Hydrant Tee and Auxiliary Gate Valve	1	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	1,339.05	1,339.05
O.2	Fire Hydrant	1	EA	Clow, Mueller	3,463.25	3,463.25
P.2	Cast Iron Valve Box (5' total length)	12	EA	Star, SIP, Sigma, Tyler	99.43	1,193.16
Grace Street Sewer						
A.3	8" PVC Sewer Pipe	1,200	LF	JM, Diamond, Westlake	7.29	8,777.16
B.3	8" x 4" PVC Wye	1	EA	GPK, Plastic Trends	93.29	93.29
C.3	4" PVC 45° Bend	1	EA	GPK, Plastic Trends	17.88	17.88
D.3	1" Copper Service Line	40	LF	Brecco	12.39	743.40
E.3	1" Corporation Stops	1	EA	Ford, Mueller	86.39	86.39
Campbell Street Storm						
A.4	12" PVC Storm Pipe	390	LF	JM, Diamond, Westlake	16.33	6,401.36
B.4	8" PVC Storm Pipe	20	LF	JM, Diamond, Westlake	7.29	204.12
C.4	12" x 8" PVC Wye	2	EA	GPK, Plastic Trends	629.36	1,258.72
D.4	8" PVC 45° Bend	2	EA	GPK, Plastic Trends	101.59	203.18
E.4	8" Dresser Coupling (Fernco)	2	EA	Indiana Seal, Fernco	17.65	35.30

Estimated delivery date: August 1, 2026

Bid 2026-02 PVC and Ductile Iron Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, Hydrants & Appurtenances

PROPOSAL GRAND TOTAL \$ 273,815.25

(Signed) Daniel VanderVeen

Submitted By: (Company) Core & Main LLC



CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY



Core & Main LP
1830 Craig Park Court
St Louis, MO 63146

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY Branch Managers/District Managers

Name of Company: Core & Main LP, a Florida limited partnership
Reference: Customer Sales Contracts, RFPs, Bids, and Related Matters
Date: March 31, 2025

THE UNDERSIGNED DOES HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the CEO of Core & Main LP ("Core & Main"), a Florida limited partnership, and am authorized to sign on behalf of Core & Main. As CEO, I am authorized to make and deliver this certificate. I do hereby designate each of the branch and district managers of Core & Main as my designees, and authorize each of them to execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, any and all bids and offers for furnishing materials and/or services, including related non-disclosure agreements, requests for qualifications, requests for proposals, customer sales contracts, supply agreements, distributor agreements, purchase orders and similar agreements, provided that the total bid or contract price is not in excess of \$600,000 (the "Documents"), and to take or cause to be taken any and all actions in connection therewith as such individual or individuals may consider necessary or desirable, with such necessity or desirability being conclusively evidenced by the actions so taken. Further I hereby ratify and approve all previous actions taken with respect to the execution and delivery of such Documents in the name of and on behalf of the company.

The authorization hereunder is effective as of the date hereof, and shall continue until the earlier of the undersigned's revocation of such authorization in writing, or the last date of the applicable employee's employment with the company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this instrument with an effective date of March 31, 2025.


Mark Witkowski, CEO

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CITY OF BAKER CITY, OREGON
P.O. BOX 650
BAKER CITY, OREGON 97814

BID TABULATION
City of Baker City, Oregon
PVC Pipe, Ductile Iron Fittings, & Appurtenances

BID OPENING
July 8, 2026
2:00 p.m. Local Time

BIDDER	BID	First-Tier Form? (Y or N)			
FERGUSON	\$232,291 ⁴⁶ / ₁₀₀	N/A			
COKE & MAIN	\$273,815 ²⁵ / ₁₀₀	N/A			
Engineer's Estimate	\$				

NOTE: Bid information is preliminary and is under review.



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CITY MANAGER

Barry Murphy

Date: July 14, 2026

Subject: TLT Marketing Investments Approval

The City TLT Board moved to approve a moderate marketing investment in magazines for this year. The amount includes investments in Visit Eastern Oregon Magazine (Full Page Ad \$4,150), Bend Magazine (3 issues with 1/2-page ads for \$4,350 for the Sept/Oct, Nov/Dec, and May/June magazines), the AAA Via Travel Guide beginning in Sept/Oct issue (\$7,000) and the Travel Oregon Guide (\$7,100 1/2 page in September 2026) for a total expenditure of \$22,600.



JUNE UPDATE

JUNE VISIT - SAM & BRYAN

CONTENT GATHERING

Photo and video for social

ON-SITE EVENTS COVERAGE

Oregon Trail Days
Barley Brown's 28th
Sumpter RR 50th
Culture Keeper at NHOTIC
Eagle Valley Days
Ryan LittleEagle at Churchill

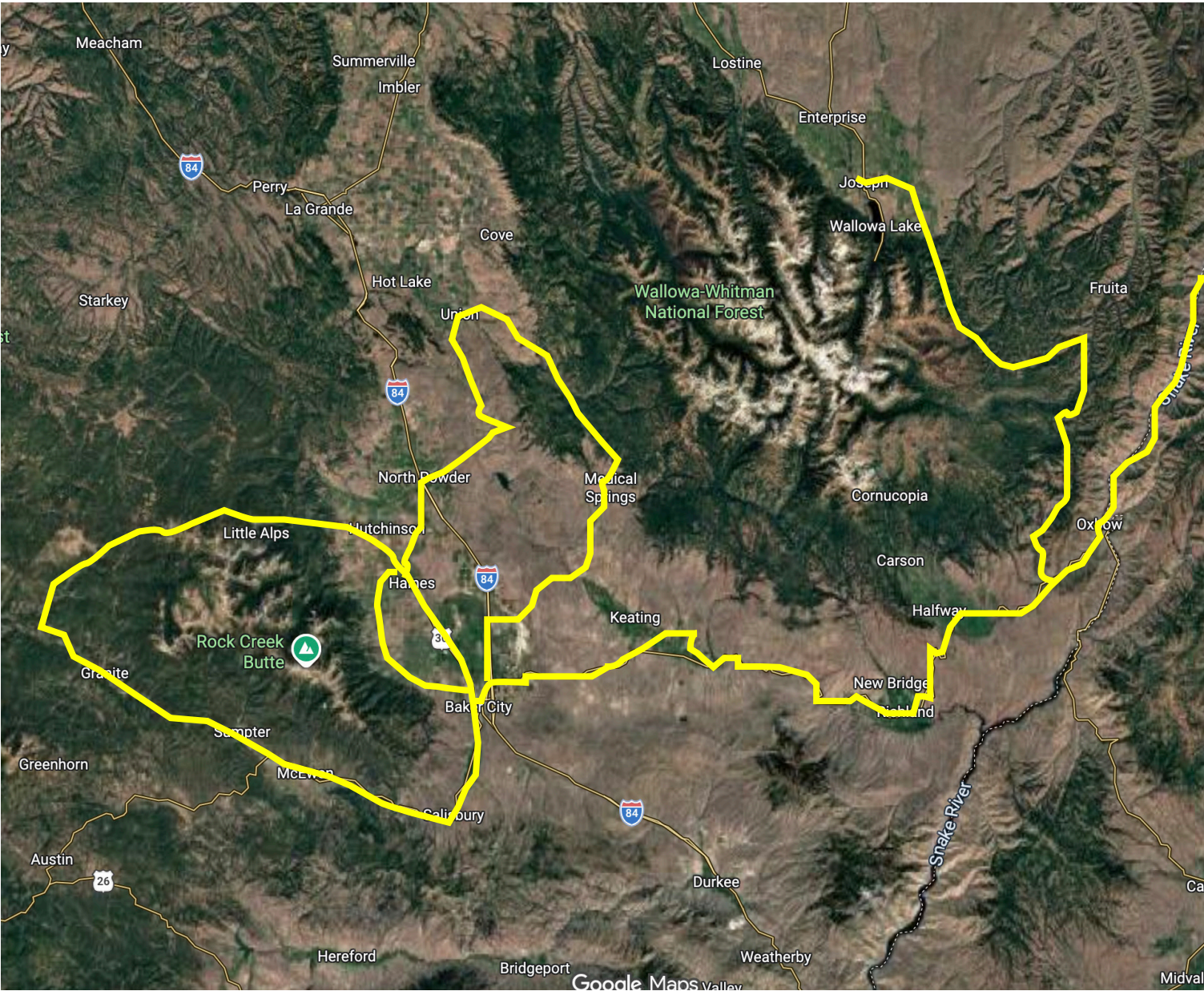


PHOTO ASSETS

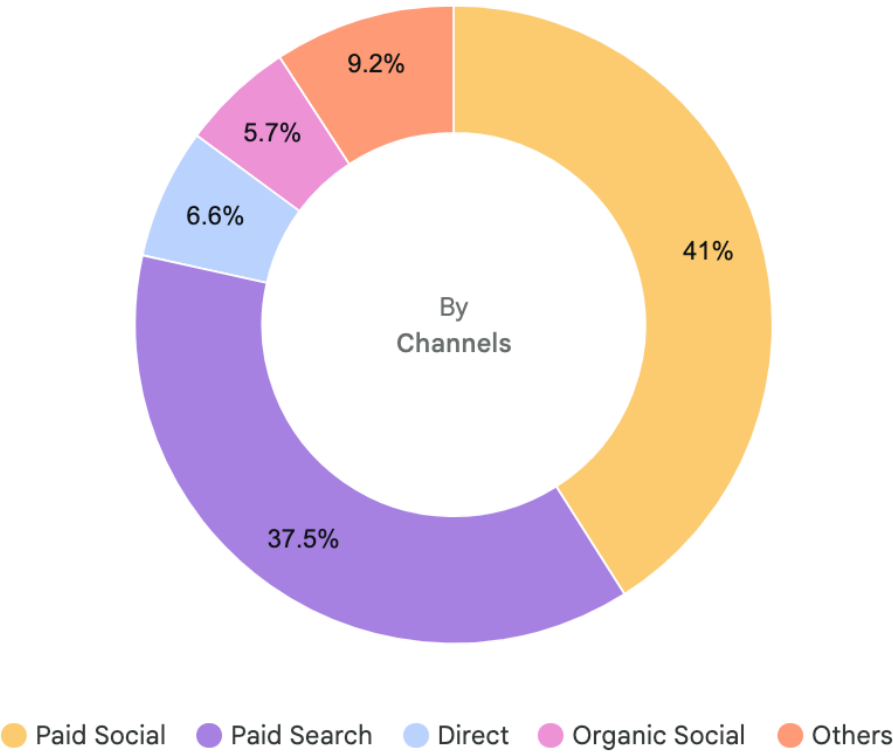
Sam has delivered a second batch of photos covering the Cycling Classic and is finalizing more imagery from around the region.





WEBSITE VISITS

OVERALL VISITORS	May 1,300	→	June 3,100
TOP CITIES	1. Baker City 2. Seattle 3. Portland 4. La Grande 5. San Jose 6. Boise		1. Boise 2. Seattle 3. Baker City 4. Nampa 5. Meridian 6. Portland
TOP PAGES	1. Home 2. Dining 3. Bulls & Broncs 4. Events 5. Shopping 6. Activities		1. Home 2. Bulls & Broncs 3. Events 4. Dining 5. Shopping 6. Activities



WEBSITE CONTENT



**BAKER'S BOOZE,
BREWS &
BEVERAGES**



**WILDFIRE
ETIQUETTE**



**JULY EVENT
ROUNDUP**



WEB & SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

FACEBOOK FOLLOWERS: 107 (+218%)

3 boosted posts

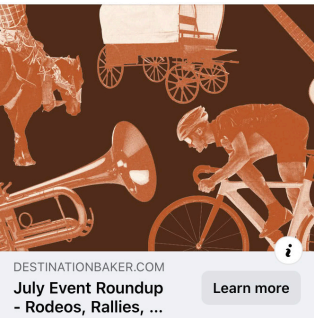
Views: 6,398
Engagements: 264
Link clicks: 206



Views: 6,597
Engagements: 481
External link taps: 126



Views: 3,485
Engagements: 112
External link taps: 86



INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS: 256 (+160%)

15 new posts

2 boosted posts

Views: 8,383
Link clicks: 399



Views: 8,383
Link clicks: 399



Views: 1,417
Profile visits: 29
Follows: 22
*in progress

GENERAL DISPLAY AD IMPRESSIONS

Impressions: 4,044
Clicks: 402 (10% CTR)



FACEBOOK AD
BOISE AREA AUDIENCE
active and running

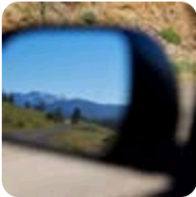
Ad views: 14,625
Post engagements: 934
Landing page views: 747

GOOGLE DISPLAY ADS
Impressions: 47,023
Clicks: 2,066 (4.4% CTR)

GOOGLE PAID SEARCH
Impressions: 6,558
Clicks: 357 (5.4% CTR)

Just 2 hours from Boise! In Baker, there's space enough to exhale. Time enough to slow down. And surprises enough to reenergize and delight. Whatever your escape looks like, Baker has got you covered.

[Learn more](#)



TRAVEL OREGON NEWSLETTER

June Culinary - “Baker Booze Trail”
76 page views on website

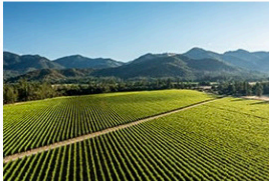
ADVERTISEMENTS



Explore events and outdoor adventures across the **Willamette Valley**.



Hood River Distillers
Tasting Room: Bottles, Flights & Mini Cocktails.



Applegate Wine Trail: A 275,000 acre wine appellation with 15 wineries.



Destination Baker:
Discover award-winning local beer, wine, & spirits.



EARNED MEDIA IN 2027

AAA VIA

2027
Sep/Oct Issue

Weekender:
Baker City

Coordinate writer
trip during Taste of
Baker weekend this
October





PRINT ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Visit Eastern Oregon Guide

Bend Magazine

AAA Via Magazine

Travel Oregon Visitor Guide



WE HAVE GOOD INVESTMENT OPTIONS
The challenge is wisely splitting the financial cost across publications

VISIT EASTERN OREGON 1 per year	BEND MAGAZINE 6 per year	AAA VIA 6 per year Mailed to households	TRAVEL OREGON GUIDE 1 per year
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All have options for various ad sizes (full, half, quarter page...)



HUB STARTING RECOMMENDATION

VISIT EASTERN
OREGON

Full page ad

\$4,150

BEND
MAGAZINE

1/2 page ad

3 issues

one in Fall/Winter
one in Spring
one in Summer

per ad:
\$1,450

AAA VIA

1/4 or 1/2 ad
3 issues

one in Fall/Winter
one in Spring
one in Summer

per ad:
1/4 - \$2,195
1/2 - \$3,595

or Travel Guide
6 issues - \$7,000

TRAVEL
OREGON GUIDE

1/3, 1/2, 2/3
or full-page

1/3 - \$4,795
1/2 - \$7,100
2/3 - \$10,180
full - \$12,030

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MAGAZINE

1/2 page ad

3 issues

one in Fall/Winter

one in Spring

one in Summer

\$4,350



HUB STARTING RECOMMENDATION

AAA VIA

1/4 or 1/2 ad

3 issues

one in Fall/Winter

one in Spring

one in Summer

1/4 - \$6,585

1/2 - \$10,785



HUB STARTING RECOMMENDATION

AAA VIA

Travel Guide

6 issues

TG - \$7,000



HUB STARTING RECOMMENDATION

TRAVEL
OREGON GUIDE

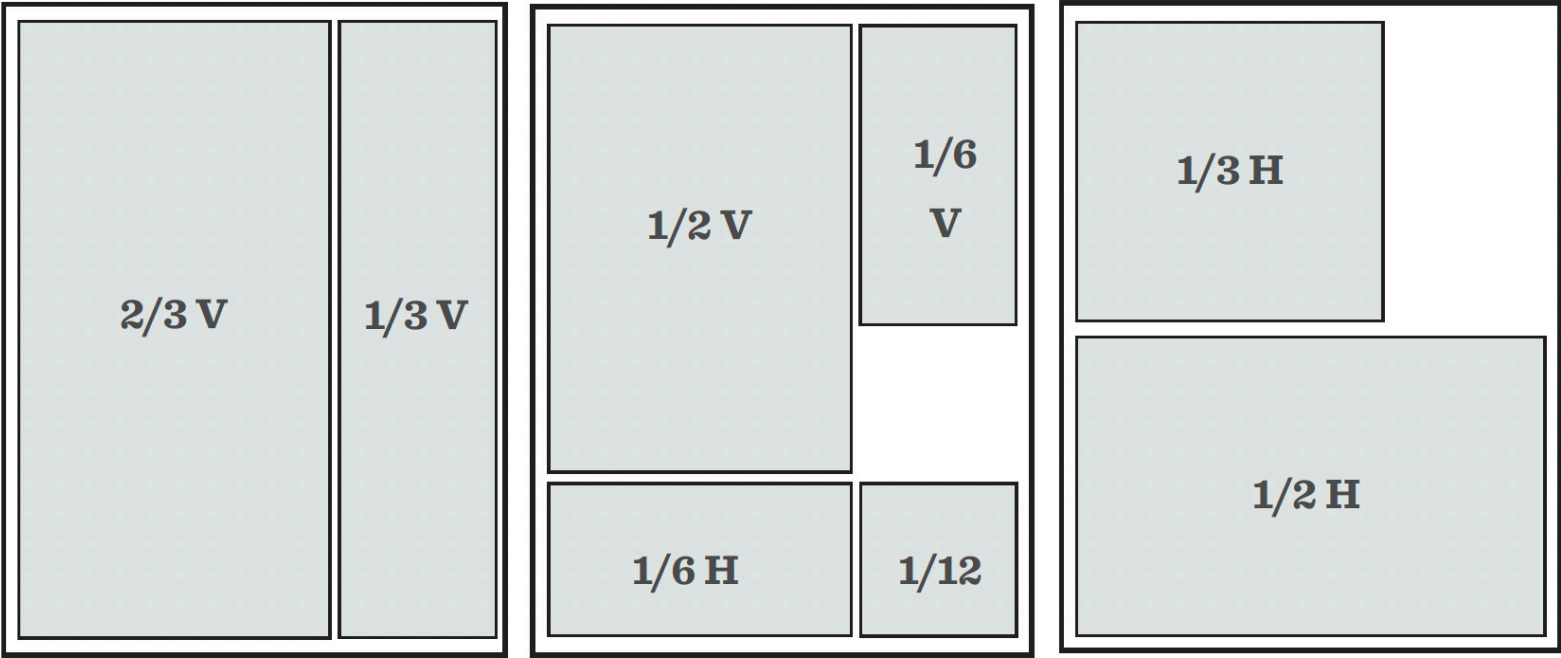
1/3, 1/2, 2/3
or full-page

1/3 - \$4,795

1/2 - \$7,100

2/3 - \$10,180

full - \$12,030





IN THE WORKS

LOOKING AT OPTIONS: CONSERVATIVE

	FULL PAGE	2/3	1/2	1/3	1/4	Travel Guide*
Visit Eastern Oregon	\$4,150					
Bend Magazine (3 issues)			\$4,350			
AAA Via (3 issues)*			\$10,785		\$6,585	\$7,000
Travel Oregon Guide	\$12,030	\$10,180	\$7,100	\$4,795		
TOTAL						\$19,880

	FULL PAGE	2/3	1/2	1/3	1/4	Travel Guide*
Visit Eastern Oregon	\$4,150					
Bend Magazine (3 issues)			\$4,350			
AAA Via (3 issues)*			\$10,785		\$6,585	\$7,000
Travel Oregon Guide	\$12,030	\$10,180	\$7,100	\$4,795		
TOTAL						\$20,295



IN THE WORKS

LOOKING AT OPTIONS: MODERATE

	FULL PAGE	2/3	1/2	1/3	1/4	Travel Guide*
Visit Eastern Oregon	\$4,150					
Bend Magazine (3 issues)			\$4,350			
AAA Via (3 issues)*			\$10,785		\$6,585	\$7,000
Travel Oregon Guide	\$12,030	\$10,180	\$7,100	\$4,795		
TOTAL						\$26,685

	FULL PAGE	2/3	1/2	1/3	1/4	Travel Guide*
Visit Eastern Oregon	\$4,150					
Bend Magazine (3 issues)			\$4,350			
AAA Via (3 issues)*			\$10,785		\$6,585	\$7,000
Travel Oregon Guide	\$12,030	\$10,180	\$7,100	\$4,795		
TOTAL						\$25,265



LOOKING AT OPTIONS: ALL IN

	FULL PAGE	2/3	1/2	1/3	1/4	Travel Guide*
Visit Eastern Oregon	\$4,150					
Bend Magazine (3 issues)			\$4,350			
AAA Via (3 issues)*			\$10,785		\$6,585	\$7,000
Travel Oregon Guide	\$12,030	\$10,180	\$7,100	\$4,795		
TOTAL						\$31,315



THANK YOU



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Date: July 14, 2026

Subject: League of OR Cities Legislative Priorities

Action Statement

Council can discuss LOC legislative priorities.

Background

The following notes from LOC accompanied the voting request sent out recently:

The ballot for the 2027-28 LOC legislative priorities is now open. The online ballot – [accessible at this link](#) – is open **until 5 PM on Friday, September 25th**. Every city will receive one vote and should review the [2026 Member Voting Guide](#) to learn more prior to voting. Your city's participation and input will assist the LOC Board in creating a focused legislative agenda that reflects issues of greatest importance to cities.

After months of meetings and discussion, the seven LOC policy committees have brought forward their priorities for the next two years. Now, we ask each member cities to select their city's top five priorities. This important step will inform how LOC lobbyists prioritize our efforts in the upcoming legislative sessions (both 2027 and 2028). Each city is being asked to review the recommendations of the policy committees and provide input to the LOC Board of Directors as it prepares to adopt the LOC's 2027-28 legislative agenda this fall. After your city council has had the opportunity to [review the proposals](#) and discuss them with your staff, please complete the online ballot indicating the top five issues that your city council would like to see on that agenda.

Analysis

Staff recommends reviewing the priorities and having an initial discussion before voting as a Council on which items to submit to LOC.

The Member Voting Guide and proposed legislative items are included in one attachment.

Potential Motions

N/A



League of Oregon Cities

2026 Member Voter Guide
2027-28 LOC Legislative Priorities

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2026 Member Voter Guide

Background: The LOC [policy committees](#) are the foundation of the League's policy development process. Each even-numbered year, the LOC appoints city officials to serve on these committees. They receive informational briefings, analyze policy and technical issues, and ultimately recommend positions and strategies for the upcoming two-year legislative cycle. We want to acknowledge officials that dedicated their time and expertise to develop the priorities – *[thank you](#)* for supporting the LOC in crafting a strong agenda to support our legislative work.

This year, seven committees identified 27 legislative policy priorities to advance to the full membership and LOC Board of Directors. It's important to understand that the issues that do not rise to the top based on member ranking are not diminished with respect to their value to the policy committee or the LOC's advocacy. These issues will still be key components of the LOC's legislative portfolio for the next two years.

Ballot/Voting Process: Each city is asked to review the recommendations from the each of the policy committees and provide input to the LOC Board of Directors, which will formally adopt the LOC's 2027-28 legislative agenda. While each city may have a different process when evaluating the issues, it's important for cities to engage with their mayor and entire council to ensure the issues are evaluated and become a shared set of priorities. During its October meeting, the LOC Board will formally adopt a set of priorities based on the ranking process through the survey and their evaluation.

Each city is permitted **one** ballot submission. **Once your city has reviewed the proposed legislative priorities, please complete the electronic ballot to indicate the top five (5) issues that your city would like the LOC to focus on during the 2027-28 legislative cycle.** The lead administrative staff member (city manager, city recorder, etc.) will be provided with a link to the electronic ballot. If your city did not receive a ballot link or needs an alternative way to vote, please reach out to Meghyn Fahndrich at mfahndrich@orcities.org and Nicole Stingh at nstingh@orcities.org.

Important Deadline: The deadline for submitting your city's vote is **5 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2026.**

Broadband, Cybersecurity, Artificial Intelligence (AI), and Telecommunications Committee

LOC Contact: Greg Miller, gmliller@orcities.org

PROMOTE THE EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE TELECOM INFRASTRUCTURE

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC recognizes and has prioritized broadband access, and telecom infrastructure more broadly, as an “essential service” and will advocate for affordable, safe, reliable, high-speed infrastructure development and access in every city. This includes but is not limited to: supporting expansion of service options for municipalities; increasing rural cellular infrastructure; and maintaining open access to networks that provide choice to community members.

Background: Advancements in telecommunications technology have ushered in unprecedented investments in infrastructure development aimed at providing broadband access and other communication modalities to all. Deploying infrastructure in Oregon must be done equitably across the state’s diverse landscape and focus on addressing current coverage gaps as well as statewide infrastructure that serves all.

MAINTAIN LOCAL CONTROL OF A SAFE, MODERN RIGHT OF WAY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will oppose any legislation seeking to preempt local control of municipal rights-of-way (ROW). The LOC will also support legislation aimed at codifying home rule management of the local ROW and the revenue derived from use of the ROW, while encouraging ROW users to timely upgrade and replace their infrastructure lost to natural disaster.

Background: Home rule authority and local ROW management allow local governments to safely manage ROW issues that arise after work is complete, and when the ROW work-related permit may no longer be in effect. It ensures that utilities installing facilities in the ROW have financial protections like insurance in place, which help protect the public using the ROW and other entities whose infrastructure may be damaged during utility work. It ensures that local taxpayers will not have to pay costs associated with utilities’ use of the ROW. It also ensures accountability through a variety of enforcement mechanisms.

SUPPORT EQUITABLE ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support policies such as the Oregon Lifeline Program to ensure digital inclusion. The LOC will also continue to monitor implementation of the

U.S. Department of Justice’s website accessibility rule implementation and support municipal resource opportunities for accessibility. Finally, the LOC will support funding for programs that increase digital skills, equity, and adoption.

Background: All individuals regardless of physical, financial, or any other barrier have a right to access advancements in telecom technology.

SUPPORT RESPONSIBLE MUNICIPAL USE OF TECHNOLOGY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support legislation that acknowledges forward-thinking regulations, taking into account the rapid evolution of telecom systems. The LOC may also support agency policy options that include municipal telecom resilience and concepts such as municipal AI assessments, and an “AI Sandbox” to further understanding of AI risks and other technological advancements in a controlled environment. In this work, the LOC will work to prevent unfunded mandates.

Background: Advancements in technology, including but not limited to AI, have demonstrated operational efficiencies, yet those come with risks if not implemented correctly and used safely. The LOC is cautiously optimistic about the use of AI and other tools that increase service and operational efficiency, but recognizes that some regulation may be necessary to define appropriate municipal uses and foster an atmosphere of responsibility and data safety.

SUPPORT MUNICIPAL CYBERSECURITY PROFICIENCY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC opposes unfunded mandates and will advocate for technical support and funding to give all cities access to innovative technology, enhanced state programs, cybersecurity notification resources and assistance protecting critical infrastructure and data during cyber-attacks.

Background: Cybercriminals target municipalities as vulnerable systems holding valuable personal data and financial records. Historical underfunding of cybersecurity, antiquated system architecture, and lack of cybersecurity training contribute to the increasing trend in municipal cyberattacks. Cyberattacks can impact services with dire consequences for residents. Hackers typically look for the easiest entry path, and local governments often lack the resources to respond.

General Government Committee

LOC Contact: Charlie Conrad, cconrad@orcities.org

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT REFORM

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for the comprehensive modernization of the Oregon Administrative Procedures Act (APA) to restore regulatory transparency, strict alignment with legislative intent, and meaningful public accountability across all state agencies. This advocacy should include:

- Standardizing the rulemaking process across all state agencies to eliminate regulatory fragmentation;
- Strengthening public and expert participation in all rulemaking and workgroup processes;
- Establishing independent oversight and auditing of fiscal impact statements;
- Limiting and restricting the use of emergency rulemaking to actual crises; and
- Reforming judicial deference standards to ensure state agencies remain answerable to elected leaders and voters.

Background: Established in 1971, the Oregon APA is the legal framework that dictates how state agencies create regulations. However, the system has not seen a major update in decades, resulting in an unpredictable regulatory environment. Because there is no single standard for all agencies, different departments often pass conflicting rules that make compliance incredibly difficult for organizations on the ground. Furthermore, many key agencies report to independent boards rather than the governor, which creates an accountability vacuum. Recent state court decisions have compounded the issue by granting agencies broad leeway, ruling that their regulations do not strictly have to align with the original legislative intent.

This regulatory breakdown directly impacts local governments. When uncoordinated state agencies issue overlapping or conflicting rules, cities are left trapped in the middle—forced to navigate a maze of contradictory mandates that drain municipal staff time and stretch city budgets. Furthermore, because recent court rulings have stripped away traditional checks on administrative reach, cities have lost the ability to challenge flawed, 'one-size-fits-all' state regulations that ignore local realities. This loss of local control and financial stability necessitates reform. Protecting municipal home rule, ensuring local voices are actually heard during the rulemaking process, and restoring a sense of predictability and fairness to how state policies are implemented on the ground is necessary.

PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW CLARITY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for a comprehensive statutory reset of the Oregon Public Meetings Law to restore operational functionality and practicality for local governments while protecting public transparency. This priority includes the following provisions:

- Establishing an Intentionality Requirement: Limit serial meeting violations strictly to actions taken "knowingly and intentionally" to protect volunteer elected officials from penalties for good-faith, inadvertent errors.
- Streamlining Complaint Enforcement: Authorize the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGECE) to immediately dismiss incomplete, trivial, or bad-faith complaints.
- Holding the Right Entity Accountable: Shift personal liability for purely administrative errors—such as delayed meeting notices—away from individual elected officials and onto the public body as an institution.
- Expanding the "Cure" Process: Provide flexible, accessible avenues for local governments to address and correct procedural complaints, including decision rescission or public acknowledgement with a corrective action plan.
- Right-Sizing Training Requirements: Reform mandatory compliance training to occur once per elected term rather than annually, while allowing incoming officials to complete the requirement prior to being sworn in.

Background: Oregon's Public Meetings Law prohibits local elected officials from deliberating in private, a rule that includes a ban on "serial meetings," where separate, smaller discussions are held over time that may add up to a quorum. Recent Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGECE) rules and training on this topic have created widespread confusion, leaving public officials deeply uncertain about how they can communicate with each other, their residents, or the media. A diverse work group of local leaders and legislators spent months negotiating a bipartisan fix during the 2026 legislative session, but Governor Kotek ultimately vetoed the bill, calling for stakeholders to return to the drawing board for the 2027 session. Today, the interpretation of this law remains highly contentious, and ongoing discrepancies create massive structural ambiguities and political tensions, making it incredibly difficult for local leaders to effectively govern.

To make the public meetings law workable, several practical fixes are urgently needed to save taxpayer resources and provide clarity to local officials. The current system: forces volunteer leaders to face personal liability for minor staff mistakes like late meeting notices; offers no clear way for cities to self-correct simple procedural errors; and requires repetitive annual training. To keep local governments functioning, the state

must shield individual officials from administrative liability, allow the OGEC's staff to quickly dismiss trivial or bad-faith complaints, create a clear path for cities to self-correct honest mistakes, and right-size compliance training to once per elected term.

Housing, Land Use, and Community Development Committee

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FUNDING AND COORDINATION FOR SHELTER AND HOMELESS RESPONSE

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC opposes cuts to the state shelter system funding and supports continued state investments in a comprehensive homeless response system to fund eviction prevention, shelter, and rehousing. These investments should include:

- Strengthening our coordinated regional homeless response;
- Funding a range of shelter types in cities across the state, including alternative shelter models, safe parking programs; and
- Funding eviction prevention, rapid rehousing, outreach, case management, staffing and administrative support, and other related services.

Background: The LOC recognizes that to end homelessness, a cross-sector coordinated approach to delivering services, housing, and programs is needed. Cities are not social service providers and largely do not have the additional revenue sources to fund new services outside their core services, amid ongoing budget cuts. Despite historic legislative investments in recent years, communities continue to struggle to support and rehouse Oregonians experiencing homelessness. In 2025, the Legislature passed HB 3644, which created the Statewide Shelter Program, a comprehensive funding program for state supported local shelters based in regional coordination. In addition to the statutory framework, the Legislature passed a funding package of \$204 million to support sheltering efforts in the 2025-2027 biennium, with \$102 million as the new baseline level of funding for all biennium through 2034. In a tight budget environment, the Legislature's ability and interest in continuing these investments is unclear.

As Oregon continues to face increasing rates of unsheltered homelessness, the LOC is committed to strengthening a regionally based, state-supported homeless response system to ensure all Oregonians can equitably access stable housing and maintain secure, thriving communities. Regional coordination is key to the system's success, and the state, cities, and counties must be part of the solution together.

FULL FUNDING AND STREAMLINING FOR HOUSING PRODUCTION

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will seek opportunities to address structural barriers to

production of different housing options at the regional and state level. This includes:

- Streamlining state agency programs, directives, funding metrics, and grant timelines that impact development;
- Accurate tracking of units produced on the ground, rather than units unlocked;
- Aligning state programs with local capital improvement and budget timelines; and
- Increasing connections between affordable housing resources at Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) with the land use directives in the Oregon Housing Needs Analysis (OHNA) and Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC) programs at the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD).

Additionally, the LOC will advocate maintaining and increasing state investments to support the development and preservation of a range of needed housing types and affordability, including:

- Publicly supported affordable housing and related services;
- Affordable homeownership;
- Permanent supportive housing;
- Affordable modular and manufactured housing;
- Middle housing types; and
- Moderate-income workforce housing development.

Background: Recent legislation and executive orders have made significant changes to the state's land use planning process, including new housing production directives for cities and counties. And yet, housing production levels remain below our state's current needs. The state should prioritize implementation, funding, and coordination of existing programs in the 2027-2028 legislative sessions before considering any new policies, including direct funding for housing production to address the underlying economic challenges that prevent production.

LAND AVAILABILITY AND LAND USE STREAMLINING

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC supports updates and streamlining statutes to better support good land use planning and land availability for all needs. This includes:

- Refining land use statutes to provide more clarity and legal certainty for cities;
- Clarifying wetland statutes and inventories to allow efficient and orderly urbanization of land within urban growth boundaries (UGBs);
- Streamlining UGB expansion and swap processes for residential, commercial, and

industrial land;

- Improving urban reserves process and land prioritization; and
- Funding for technical assistance for code audits and updates to comply with new state statutes.

Background: Oregon's land use system has undergone substantial change over the past decade, without revisions to the underlying structure. Years of layering legislation with different requirements and new interpretations of existing law have increased regulatory complexity that cities must navigate to be compliant within Oregon's land use system. Complying with state land use laws has become expensive, time-consuming and confusing, and prevents cities from having sufficient land for all needs (housing, industrial, and commercial). This has created challenges for ensuring that communities have sufficient supplies of land for all types of development, impacting other the housing and economic development priorities of the state.

Energy and Environment Committee

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INVEST IN COMMUNITY ENERGY RESILIENCE/DISASTER PLANNING

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will engage in efforts to provide planning resources, technical assistance and funding to cities preparing to withstand, maintain and recover their energy needs in the event of a disaster. This includes resources for energy efficiency and/or local energy generation like biomass, solar, hydro, biogas, and generators. It also includes virtual power plants, microgrids, energy storage, and other solutions that help cities and their communities increase energy resilience.

Background: Frequency and severity of natural disasters and growing regional energy shortages have demonstrated the potential to cripple Oregon communities during an emergency. Intentional disaster planning and community energy resource development can be costly, but will contribute to Oregon cities' resilience and ongoing viability during floods, seismic events, drought, wildfires, and energy brown/blackouts.

SUPPORT EXPEDITED LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will continue to support traditional large renewable energy development and transmission projects while mitigating impacts on local control. To support Oregon clean/renewable energy targets and increased capacity, the LOC also supports local initiatives to develop alternative/renewable energy sources that fit the needs of each city.

Background: Recent studies of projected Pacific Northwest energy load growth in the next five years show a projected shortfall of 3GW (3,000,000kw) by 2030. That shortfall compounds by 2035. Viability of Oregon cities depends upon increased reliable energy generation.

SUPPORT INCREASED ENERGY TRANSMISSION CAPACITY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will explore and support initiatives that increase renewable energy transmission while mitigating impacts on local control.

Background: Large scale renewable energy is largely produced east of the Cascade divide. Maximizing current transmission and developing new capacity to make renewable energy available to all regions is an important factor in achieving equitable community energy resilience while meeting Oregon decarbonization and climate goals.

MAINTAIN AFFORDABLE ENERGY WHILE SUPPORTING GRID HARDENING AND MODERNIZATION

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support initiatives that balance necessary grid modernization against manageable rate increases for cities and residents.

Background: Growing and modernizing Oregon's aging electric grid is necessary. However, upgrades and increased capacity are challenging. Utilities are not insulated from recent inflation and face unprecedented increases in equipment and infrastructure costs. Customers are also seeing increased rates due to rising utility infrastructure costs and spending on wildfire mitigation.

RESOURCE PROGRAMS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY PLANNING AND PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support legislation that further supports Community Renewable Energy Programs, Green Bank Concepts, Home Energy Rebates, Solar and Storage Rebates, Electrification Incentives.

Background: Oregon's 241 incorporated cities are at the forefront of delivering on Oregon's climate and energy goals: building decarbonization, energy efficiency and renewable energy generation. These mandates, while important, fall largely upon local governments that are perpetually constrained financially. Continued legislative allocations to support climate/energy programs and local governments will be paramount to continue taking the incremental steps necessary to achieve the state's 2030 greenhouse gas reduction targets and 2040 emissions elimination goals.

SUPPORT ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITY

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support state budgets that increase targeted agency capacity needed to adequately and efficiently provide technical assistance, permitting and resources to municipalities related to state and federal energy and climate goals. This includes fully funded and staffed local programs dedicated to implementation of state climate and decarbonization initiatives, especially those related to guidance derived from federal agencies.

Background: Looming large in the Pacific Northwest are concerns about federal energy policies and utility capabilities to meet Oregon’s clean energy targets. Additional capacity at the state level will support communities that are navigating changing guidance and requirements.

Finance, Taxation, and Economic Development Committee

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TARGETED PREVAILING WAGE CHANGES

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for targeted changes to prevailing wage requirements that: recognize urgent needs for Oregon communities; consider the impact of inflation; and maintain the original intent of Oregon’s prevailing wage law. This includes supporting reoccurring legislation to exempt publicly financed facilities aimed at addressing the housing crisis (affordable housing, shelters, day centers) and the lack of childcare, as well as efforts to address mounting infrastructure needs impacting housing and economic development. The LOC will support additional clarity around split determination issues that are impacting growth, ensuring cities can proactively prepare for growth without impacting future, private developments.

Background: Prevailing wage rates are minimum hourly rates a contractor must pay its employees under public works contracts; and while there are federal and state prevailing wage rates, the recommendation above impacts state prevailing wage laws. The wage rates vary by occupation and region, with the rates being set by the Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries (BOLI). Oregon law requires prevailing wages to be paid on a project if it hits one of two specific triggers: the public agency trigger or the public funding trigger:

1. Public Agency Trigger - If a project meets the definition of a “public works” under ORS 2798C.800(6)(a) and the total cost of the project is \$50,000 or more. Examples of qualifying projects include roads, buildings, and improvements – whether it’s new construction, renovation, painting, demolition, or the removal of hazardous waste. The \$50,000 threshold was set in 2005. If adjusted for inflation, the threshold would be roughly \$86,000.
2. Public Funding Trigger - A project might be private, but it uses \$750,000 or more of

taxpayer money. The same types of projects qualify for the public funding trigger. Note: there are very specific exceptions of public money being used that do not trigger prevailing wages (see ORS 279C.810(1)(a) and OAR 839-025-0004(11)(b)). The \$750,000 threshold was set in 2007. If adjusted for inflation, the threshold would be roughly \$1.2 million.

Additionally, Oregon law states that in the case of public-private partnerships, BOLI shall divide the project to separate the private and public aspects of the project. The public aspects of the project will be subject to prevailing wage, while the private aspects will not. [This recently impacted developments in the Willamette Valley](#). Developable lots with publicly funded infrastructure should not mean that private projects automatically prevail.

ALCOHOL REVENUE MODERNIZATION

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for alcohol tax revenue modernization that generates increased shared revenues for cities. This includes support for recommendations from the HB 3610 Task Force on Alcohol Pricing to increase beer and wine taxes while preserving the existing 34% revenue-sharing distribution to cities. This may also include legislation removing the preemption on local alcohol taxes.

Background: Cities have significant public safety costs related to alcohol consumption and must receive revenue commensurate to the cost of providing services related to alcohol. In considering an increase, the LOC will balance the economic and consumer pressures impacting breweries across the state.

Oregon is a control state and the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC, formerly known as the Oregon Liquor Control Commission) acts as the sole importer and distributor of liquor. Cities and other local governments are preempted from imposing alcohol taxes. In exchange, cities receive approximately 34% share of net state alcohol revenues. The OLCC has also imposed a 50-cent surcharge per bottle of liquor since the 2009-2011 biennium, which is directed towards the state's general fund. Oregon's beer tax has not increased since 1978 and is \$2.60 per barrel, which equates to about 8.4 cents per gallon, or less than 5 cents on a six-pack. Oregon's wine tax is 67 cents per gallon and 77 cents per gallon on dessert wines. Oregon has one of the lowest beer taxes in the country ([source](#)) and the wine tax is closer to national average ([source](#)).

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM RESOURCES

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support legislation enhancing the effectiveness of the state's emergency communications system through an increase in the 9-1-1 tax. Inflationary factors have lessened the impact of the [emergency communications tax](#). State estimates indicate that this revenue covered 40% of dispatch center costs, but that

figure is inaccurate, with some communities receiving as little as 20-25%.

Background: Oregon's 9-1-1 tax was increased to \$1.00 per line or prepaid transaction effective January 1, 2020, and further increased to \$1.25 effective January 1, 2021. Before this change from 2019's HB 2449, the rate had been 75 cents since 1995. The new tax increase on 9-1-1 expires January 1, 2030. Most cities will not receive this state shared revenue directly, as the city share is directed to the public safety answering point (PSAP) provider connected to the statewide network, and most of these are managed by counties or a regional entity, rather than a city. The PSAPs are only partially funded through the state's Emergency Communications Tax, with the balance of operating costs coming primarily from property taxes. Local governments receive approximately 60% of 9-1-1 taxes, but the taxes generally covered less than 25% of the costs of total PSAP operations before the recent rate increases. Ratios of individual PSAP costs to taxes received vary. The local government share of the state tax is distributed 1% to each county, with the remainder distributed per capita.

STRENGTHENING ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will support efforts to modernize and strengthen Oregon's existing economic development programs while advocating to maintain local flexibility and autonomy over local revenues. The LOC's advocacy includes strengthening and increasing funding for current state programs like Enterprise Zones (EZ), Long Term Rural Enterprise Zone (LTREZ), the Strategic Investment Program (SIP), the Industrial Site Loan Fund, Brownfield programs, and infrastructure programs, as well as new efforts to support a healthy economy.

The LOC will also support efforts to strengthen Oregon's workforce development initiatives that help to meet critical workforce shortages experienced by public and private employers throughout the state. The LOC will advocate for policies and investments that strengthen local talent pipelines, expand access to workforce education and training, and help communities recruit and retain the skilled workforce needed to support and grow a healthy economy.

Background: Communities across the state have leveraged local economic development incentive programs (Enterprise Zones (EZ), Long Term Rural Enterprise Zone (LTREZ), Strategic Investment Program (SIP), etc.) to support strong local economies, community investment, and long-term economic growth. These programs are intentionally designed to provide local governments with flexibility to attract and retain industries that align with local economic priorities, infrastructure capacity, and workforce needs. The EZ and LTREZ programs provide local governments the option to offer a temporary full exemption from property taxes for qualified new business investment, while the SIP program allows local governments to offer a 15-year partial exemption on the value of new property exceeding a specified investment threshold.

These incentive programs are critical tools for maintaining Oregon's national competitiveness and generating substantial long-term benefits through job creation, enhanced economic activity, infrastructure investment, and increased tax revenues. Local governments absorb the primary impact of temporary property tax exemptions and provide the infrastructure and public services necessary to support development, while the state realizes significant revenue gains through increased income tax collections and broader economic activity generated by these investments. As the state increasingly benefits from local economic development efforts, it should also be a stronger financial partner in supporting and sustaining these programs. Preserving local discretion, predictability, and flexibility within economic development programs remains essential to ensuring communities can effectively compete for and support major economic development opportunities.

Public and private employers across the state are having trouble filling critical workforce needs. As an example, Oregon respondents to the [2025 Associated General Contractors of America Workforce Survey](#) indicate that 56% expect to hire new employees and 54% have increased headcount in the last year. However, 52% of respondents report trouble hiring due to a lack of qualified and credentialed candidates. This challenge rings true for cities. Cities have reported trouble filling wastewater treatment positions due to lack of qualified candidates, while community colleges are neglecting to start programs because of the high cost of running them.

Transportation Committee

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2027 TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC supports a robust transportation package that supports Oregon's multi-jurisdictional, multi-modal, and safety-oriented transportation system. Recognizing that Oregonians don't always know who owns what route they rely on, any revenue should support our shared transportation system. The LOC believes this is most effective through a statewide revenue source rather than more administratively burdensome and inequitable local revenue methods that are unable to ensure that all users pay their fair share (including through user fees).

Cities and locally owned transportation systems rely on a strong state partner to meet our shared goals of a system that moves people from "point a to point b" safely and effectively. In addition, the conditions of state and county routes impact cities by both directing additional traffic on city streets and affecting how residents get to where they need to go safely. This requires system expansion to be secondary to restoring funds in grant programs and transit services, protecting existing programs, and an overall focus on operation and maintenance.

Background: After a failed package in 2025, efforts are underway on a 2027 package to address the known need for state, county, and city infrastructure. The State Highway Fund (SHF) is the primary revenue source for the state's transportation infrastructure, and comes from various sources, including gas and diesel tax, weight mile tax, vehicle registration fees, vehicle title fees, and driver's license fees. These funds are distributed using a 50-30-20 formula, with 50% going to the state, 30% to counties, and 20% to cities. Continued investment in transportation infrastructure is critical for public safety objectives such as the Safe Routes to Schools and the Great Streets programs. In addition to those grant programs, local communities rely on the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund and Oregon Community Paths resources. These programs are essential in cities to support efficient, convenient, safe, cost-effective transportation systems that are open to all members of our communities.

CAUTIOUS ADOPTION OF AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for necessary tools to support communities as autonomous vehicles (AVs) come to Oregon, particularly for private for-hire AVs. Cities are proactively and cautiously preparing for new technology, like autonomous vehicles, and it's crucial to get the regulations right to ensure proper coordination, alignment between all stakeholders, and flexibility as the technology is evolving rapidly.

AVs will impact city goals and requirements, ultimately impacting their transportation system plans. Cities must not be preempted in their ability to permit (as it relates to private for-hire AVs) and regulate the use of this new technology on city infrastructure. Cities should have the ability to:

- Ensure AVs follow the rules of the road and can receive traffic violations like human drivers, and that law enforcement officials are trained on ways to disengage an AV;
- Require geofenced areas to have operational standards based on the local needs or goals (like limiting 0 passenger trips), to accommodate special events, or to address infrastructure challenges that prevent safe deployment of technology;
- Allow revenue generation to offset costs for training law enforcement and first responders; and
- Limit the number of AVs that are allowed to operate in a city, potentially scaling up as predetermined performance benchmarks are reached.

At the same time, the LOC supports federal authority to determine if and when an AV is street ready. In addition, the state should determine cyber safety standards, insurance requirements, vehicle registration, and other activities.

Background: With new technologies comes new and unforeseen challenges and opportunities. AVs offer the ability to improve traffic safety by limiting human error, as

industry data shows. AVs could also promote other economic activity and create access to our transportation system. At the same time, there are key risks to mitigate as we learn lessons from cities across the nation that have operated with AVs. One lesson – a slow rollout will help companies identify and address issues as they arise. From navigating weather to power outages, San Francisco transportation officials have learned a lot and shared that with the LOC's Transportation Policy Committee. Despite AVs being in operation for years, the California Department of Motor Vehicles recently created rules around traffic citations for AVs nearly two years after their state legislature passed authorizing legislation. Oregon would benefit from waiting until the technology has advanced, being a fast follower rather than an early adapter. In addition, Oregon should balance support for industry and competition with public trust and public good.

In addition, for more than 40 years, the state of Oregon has recognized that for-hire services like taxis and other vehicles for-hire are a necessary part of the transportation system and has left regulation to local authorities (see ORS 221.485, ORS 221.495). Private for-hire AVs should have higher standards for city regulation versus privately owned vehicles.

CITY SUPPORTED STREET SIGN TRADITIONS

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate to allow cities to support community activities and fundraisers through signs on light poles. Many cities hang signs on street light poles to recognize holidays, and in some cases these signs are sold as a fundraiser to support chambers, downtown organizations, or other community causes (examples include Mother's Day flowers and Christmas ornaments). State statute prevents this if the sign is visible from a state highway. The LOC will work to create flexibility for cities to support these fundraisers even if they are visible from a state highway.

Background: State statute prevents "advertising signs" within view of state highways, even if they are not on state right-of-way. The state considers advertising to be any exchange of compensation, regardless of its intended purpose. While this is a long-standing statute that is not actively consistently enforced, it has recently prevented one community from supporting a fundraiser for their downtown association. The LOC Transportation Policy Committee is flexible on the solutions and has directed staff to work with the Oregon Department of Transportation on bill language to address this in the least administratively burdensome manner, which will likely include a waiver for fundraising efforts that are endorsed by a city.

Water and Wastewater Committee

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INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for increased and sustained investments in drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and water reuse infrastructure needed to support housing production, economic development, public health, and environmental protection. This includes: expanding flexible, low-cost financing tools that reduce ratepayer burden; supporting infrastructure capacity needed for housing and economic development; investing in aquifer storage and recovery projects; protecting system development charge authority; and sustaining infrastructure financing programs, including the Special Public Works Fund, which help communities address critical infrastructure needs. The LOC will advocate for policies that recognize the increasing costs associated with regulatory compliance, environmental protection, and workforce needs.

Background: Water infrastructure (drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and reuse) is essential to supporting housing production, economic development, public health, and environmental protection in communities across Oregon. Cities own and operate drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and water reuse systems that require ongoing investment to maintain reliability, comply with state and federal regulations, and serve existing and future residents.

The 2024 LOC Infrastructure Survey identified approximately \$6.4 billion in water infrastructure needs statewide. Cities continue to face increasing costs associated with aging infrastructure, regulatory compliance, environmental requirements, workforce challenges, and inflationary factors.

Without adequate infrastructure capacity, communities may struggle to accommodate needed housing development and economic growth. State investments should support direct infrastructure projects and proven financing programs that help communities plan, construct, and upgrade critical facilities. State programs like the Special Public Works Fund play an important role in helping communities address critical infrastructure needs.

WATER REUSE

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for policies and investments that support the development and expansion of water reuse projects throughout Oregon. This includes: funding for planning, design, and construction; clear and predictable regulatory pathways; and technical assistance for local governments. The LOC will support

maintaining local flexibility to implement community-specific reuse solutions that protect public health and environmental quality.

Background: The Legislature has recognized the value of water reuse through [House Bill 2169 \(2025\)](#). Despite growing interest in water reuse, many communities face financial, technical, and regulatory barriers that limit the development of water reuse. Cities need funding, technical assistance, and regulatory certainty to evaluate and implement reuse projects that meet local needs. As Oregon continues to invest in water infrastructure and community resilience, water reuse should be recognized as an important tool that complements existing water management strategies and helps communities achieve long-term sustainability goals.

RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for improved affordability for drinking water and wastewater customers while maintaining the financial stability necessary to operate, maintain, and improve local utility systems. This includes state-supported water and wastewater ratepayer assistance programs, and policies that consider affordability impacts on residents.

Background: Cities face the challenge of balancing affordability for residents with the investments necessary to maintain safe and reliable utility systems. State-supported ratepayer assistance programs and increased participating in infrastructure funding can help reduce financial burdens on households while preserving the financial sustainability of local utilities and ensuring continued access to essential water services. In 2025, the Legislature introduced [House Bill 3527](#), which requested \$11 million to continue funding the program, but the bill did not advance out of the budget committee.

WATER WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

RECOMMENDATION: The LOC will advocate for investments in workforce development programs that support the recruitment, training, certification, and retention of drinking water and wastewater professionals. This includes: support for operator-in-training and apprenticeship programs; certification and reciprocity improvements; regional training opportunities; and funding that helps communities develop and maintain a qualified water workforce.

Background: Oregon cities depend on certified operators and other utility professionals to provide safe drinking water, protect water quality, maintain regulatory compliance, and operate increasingly complex infrastructure systems. Water utilities across the state face growing challenges of recruiting, training, and retaining qualified personnel.

Investments in workforce development, training infrastructure, and career pathways will

help ensure communities have the skilled workforce necessary to operate and maintain critical water infrastructure systems. The Legislature recently recognized the importance of this workforce with [House Bill 4007 \(2026\)](#), which established a “Water Professionals Appreciation Week” annually in October.



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