



PENDLETON

Working every day to be the premier city in Eastern Oregon

January 2019

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

City Council Priorities for 2019-2020



During 2018, your Council spent a lot of time discussing how the City might solve the problem of infrastructure maintenance. Specifically, we discussed how we could devote sufficient resources for street repair and paving projects. We also decided to reaffirm the four goals we established in January of 2017. As a review, our City goals for the next two years are:

1. Sustainable funding for our infrastructure (streets, sewers, water lines, and city facilities)
2. Expand the economy
3. Develop more housing, and
4. Provide additional properties for commercial and industrial use.

Of these four goals, the Council made street repairs its top priority. Because we have insufficient funding for street maintenance for decades, the problem has grown to the point that it will take years to solve. A recently completed study of our street conditions leads us to believe we need to spend \$1.2 million each year just to keep our streets from getting worse. If we want to improve the conditions of our streets, we think we should be spending about \$1.6 million annually. These are big numbers for a city the size of Pendleton. In the current fiscal year, we budgeted about \$900,000 for street paving projects, which was a huge increase over the roughly \$350,000 each year that was traditionally spent on streets. Where did that added street maintenance money come from? It came from a utility fee that was approved in 2016 and from marijuana tax revenues.

Now our task for the coming fiscal year is to try to find a way to find another \$300,000 to move us from our current budget of \$900,000 to \$1.2 million in annual funding for streets. After we do that, we need to start thinking in terms of how to get sustainable funding up to \$1.6 million annually so we can actually begin to improve the condition of our streets. This problem is made more difficult by PERS. We think the City's PERS payments will increase by about \$200,000 in each of the next two years.

Our first effort will be to look where we might find more money in our existing budget. You may have heard that we have hired an efficiency expert to look at how we do business, hoping to find areas where we can provide services with less money. We are also asking our department heads to look at a 5% cut to their budgets and tell us how that might affect services. We might be able to get some new revenues from the UAS test range, but to be honest, improving the airport infrastructure and paying off the airport debt will probably be a higher priority. We don't expect much of an increase in marijuana tax revenues, but we really won't know until later in the fiscal year.

Increased property tax revenues from new construction projects and the expiration of the urban renewal zone in 2023 will be considered as sources of new street maintenance funding. At some point, we may have to consider some kind of new user fees as a source of funding. This won't happen until we have a chance to ask our citizens what they think. You can anticipate opportunities to provide your ideas about this issue during 2019, as we intend to get out and talk to civic organizations, our existing citizen committees, and during town hall meetings.

John Turner, Mayor

COUNCIL MEETINGS

January 22

PDC Meeting 6pm

City Council 7pm

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February 5

PDC Meeting 6pm

City Council 7pm

All meetings in the Council Chambers

FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

<http://www.pendleton.or.us/>

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CITY OF PENDLETON

Administration	541-966-0201
Airport	541-276-7754
Attorney	541-966-0206
Convention Center	541-276-6569
Community Dev.	541-966-0203
Facilities	541-966-0201
Finance	541-966-0207
Fire	541-276-1442
Library	541-966-0380
Municipal Court	541-966-0209
Parks/Rec/Cemetery	541-276-8100
Police	541-276-4411
Public Works	541-276-3078

500 SW Dorion Ave. Pendleton, OR



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Join City Staff at Hamley's Café on Monday, February 4

City Manager, Robb Corbett invites community members who have concerns, questions or simply want to engage in conversation regarding happenings in our community to join him on the first Monday of each month.

COFFEE with the CITY
8-10 am

PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER

January

26th & 27th

Antiques and Gun Show

February

1st

Happy Canyon Helpers

2nd

Daddy Daughter Dance

9th

Rocky Mt. Elk Youth Day

12th

City - Safety

15th & 16th

District 2A Basketball

Visit us online:

www.pendletonconventioncenter.com



AIRPORT

A leader in the national effort to develop an integrated manned and unmanned airspace, the Pendleton UAS Range (PUR) is a partner test site within the UAF led Pan-Pacific UAS Test Range Complex.

Located in beautiful eastern Oregon, the PUR offers both conventional and unconventional takeoff and landing capability from the Eastern Oregon Regional Airport (KPDT).

The airport enjoys over 300 VFR days per year and can accommodate up to a Boeing 757. KPDT offers a unique testing environment that features a broad blend of dissimilar aircraft types, which includes commercial passenger, cargo and charter flights as well as military Chinook helicopters and Shadow UAS.

In addition to two conventional runways (6,300 ft.; 5,581 ft.), the airport provides a dedicated 2,800-foot UAS airstrip and a full-service UAS operating area with power, water, and dark fiber connections.

Beyond the airport, the range extends over 14,000 square miles: North to the Columbia River; east over the Blue Mountains and Umatilla National Forest; south into the Elkhorn Mountains; and West outlining the borders of Restricted Area 5701.

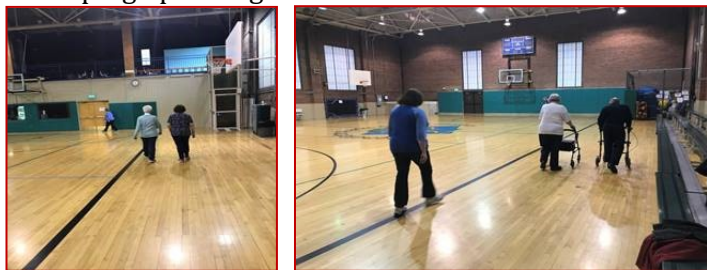


VOLUNTEERS

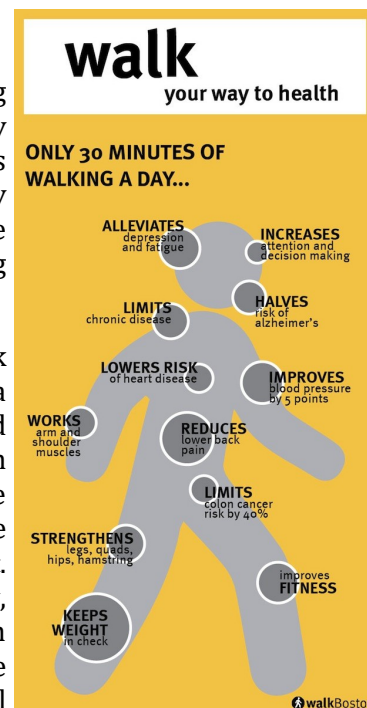
Walking for Wellness

When the weather turns colder many look for ways to continue being active without being outdoors. Walking for Wellness, a City of Pendleton Recreation program run by volunteers, has helped fill that need for over 15 years. Every weekday during the months of October through April a city volunteer arrives at the Pendleton Recreation Center early in the morning to open up the gymnasium for community members to walk. Beyond the physical benefits, it has become a place for community members to connect while keeping active during the winter months.

Beginning as a City Recreation program for seniors, it originally operated twice a week with participants paying a small fee. Its popularity grew, and expansion to a free five day a week offering during the winter months came about because of the efforts of dedicated City volunteers. Each day volunteers open the gym to community members who join in walking laps around the gymnasium to background music, some in pairs chatting, some are walking their own pace, and others are lapping quickly at a brisk stride. Many are longtime participants who have become friends and look forward to the social aspect of it. Although open to all ages, the general age is 40+, with an average of 11 participants daily, but winter mornings have seen up to 40 walkers at any given time. One couple have been regulars since moving to Pendleton in 2012, and at 87 and 92 years young walk with the aid of rolling walkers. They say the Walking for Wellness program has been instrumental in keeping up their good health and attitudes.



Walking for Wellness is open to all community members, October – April, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Gymnasium at the Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Avenue.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Winter VOLUNTEER YOUTH BASKETBALL COACHES: Youth basketball program needs coaches for Boys 1st/2nd grades and Girls 3rd-6th starting in January. Previous experience is helpful but not a requirement – there will be a coaching clinic. (Recreation)

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE: The annual event for Father and Daughter couples on Saturday, February 2nd needs volunteers to help staff with event set-up and decoration the day of, and hosts for the event in the evening. (Recreation)

Ongoing: DOCUMENT SCANNER: Digital file archiving (Library, City Hall Administration)

ADOPT-A-PARK/PARKWAY: Head outdoors and help keep Pendleton Parks and the River Parkway beautiful for our community by volunteering to help with monthly upkeep. (Parks)

NEW VOLUNTEER

Alyson Kennedy

Interested in volunteering but not sure where? We can help find a good match for you. Call 541-966-0244 and speak to our Volunteer Coordinator Tiffany Hegarty. City of Pendleton volunteer applications are available at the library, City Hall administrative offices, or can be downloaded [HERE](#).





The Daddy Daughter Dance is a tradition that brings together fathers and their daughters in K-8th grades.

This year the event takes place, Saturday February 2nd from 6:00pm to 9:00pm at the Pendleton Convention Center.

Every year, there is a theme that attendees love to dress up for. Along with a DJ spinning great tunes, we have prize drawings, a gift at the door, beverages, the famous chocolate fountain, light hors-d'oeuvres, and lots of fun and smiles.

Thanks to our wonderful and generous sponsors and dedicated volunteers, we are able to host this annual tradition and bring the community together.

THIS YEAR'S EVENT HAS ONCE AGAIN SOLD OUT!



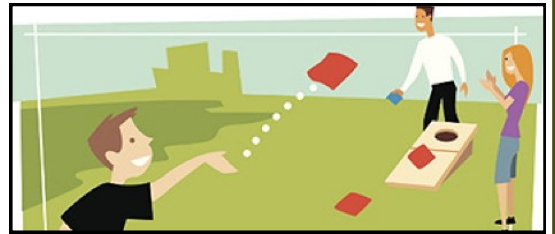
NEW! DOUBLES CORNHOLE LEAGUE

Cornhole is a game in which players take turns throwing bags of corn at a raised platform with a hole in the far end. A bag in the hole scores 3 points, while one on the platform scores 1 point. Play continues until a team reaches (or exceeds) the score of 21. This league will consist of a team of 2 with one possible alternate. Matches will consist of best of 3 games. Teams play 2 matches per night.

Meets in the Helen McCune Gym at the Pendleton Rec Center

Meets Thursdays January 24—April 11

Cost: \$40 per team AGES: 16+



WALKING FOR WELLNESS

Good music, new friends, and a classic gymnasium out of the weather. A safe and comfy way to get your exercise no matter the time of year. Start your day off right and get walking! The gym will be open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise posted. The Walking for Wellness program will continue through the winter and spring!

Meets in the Helen McCune Gym at the Pendleton Rec Center

Meets weekday morning from 8:30-9:30 a.m. excluding holidays

COST: Free AGES: All Ages



ADULT COED VOLLEYBALL

This league is a ref your own league for people out to have fun and exercise. Teams are required to come up with a name and submit a roster. We offer two types: rec and power. If you're looking for a low pressure style of play, then rec is your league. If you're looking for something more competitive, then power is your league.

Meets in the Helen McCune Gym at the Pendleton Rec Center

January 21-April 8 from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Cost: \$80 per team AGES:16+



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Pendleton Public Library

502 SW Dorion Avenue Pendleton, Oregon 97801

HOURS: Monday-Thursday 10am to 8pm

Friday & Saturday 10am to 5pm

DEVELOPING GOOD BEDTIME ROUTINES

Does this sound familiar? A child who melts down in the supermarket. One who won't go to bed without a battle. The kid who's always disobedient, or the one who bites, hits or fights. If your child fits any of these descriptions, **Triple P Discussion Groups** can help. Triple P Discussion Groups give practical advice for tackling specific problem behavior.

What happens at a Discussion Group?

In a relaxed session, your provider will give you tips to help you deal with your child's problem behavior. You will make a plan to deal with the problems when they occur. You will also be given a take-home workbook with tips!

Each group will last about 1-1.5 hours! Lunch provided! Incentives for attendees. You may do as many Discussion Groups as you like. One, two, three or four- it's up to you! This is a **FREE** event for parents and caregivers of children 0-12 years old, No Registration Required.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22 FROM 11:00AM TO 12:30PM IN THE NATIONAL PARKS AREA, IN THE LIBRARY



CRAFTERNOONS

Tuesday, January 22 at 4:15 –5:00

IN THE NATIONAL PARKS AREA, IN THE LIBRARY

Registration is required 541-966-0380

BEGINNER'S COMPUTERS

Wednesday, January 23 at 3:00pm to 4:00pm

Library Meeting Room, 502 SW Dorion Ave

Classes tailored to the needs of the students.

Registration is required 541-966-0380



THURSDAY STORY TIME

Thursday, January 24 at 10:15am– 11:00am

All are welcome to attend.

**stories and crafts are tailored toward children ages 6 and under.*

Magic: the Gathering

Saturday, January 26 at 11:00am –5:00pm, in the Community Room. Ages 8 to Adult

Come participate in this free non-competitive tournament. There will be drawings for prizes!





PENDLETON PROUD

Congratulations to the Pendleton Police Department on being recognized by the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce and members of our community for their exceptional service to our City.

A well deserved honor for which we at the City of Pendleton wish to extend a congratulations to each member of the Pendleton Police Department for their dedication to keeping our City safe and protected each and every day.

We would also like to congratulate others in our community who make Pendleton what it is!

Man of the Year: George Murdock.

Woman of the Year: Pat McClintock

Business of the Year: Hodgen Distributing

Employee of the Year: Greg Duchek of Duchek Construction

Boss of the Year: Harry Geller of St. Anthony Hospital

Customer Service of the Year: Pendleton Police Department

Tourism Excellence Award: Pendleton Whisky Music Fest

President's Award: Chuck Wood

