

October 2022

What to Look For In the 2023 Legislative Session

In January, the Oregon Legislature will convene and I thought it would be useful to discuss issues and laws the City of Pendleton will be watching closely. About six years ago, we formed an informal legislative steering committee that includes the County, the City, the College, the ESD, the Pendleton School District, and a few key citizens. This group advocates for issues that are important to the City and tries to obtain grants, usually for capital projects. In 2021, this group was largely responsible for getting a \$13 million appropriation for the FARM II project and another \$1.7 million



appropriation for the renovation of the County jail. It goes without saying that these appropriations would not have been possible without the strong support and hard work of Senator Hansell and Representative Levy.

In 2023, our top two priorities are:

-\$5 million to build a major arterial road which opens about 250 acres of raw land to develop housing in eastern Pendleton, and

-\$5.5 million to complete the Pendleton Children's Center on Frazer in Pendleton.

In addition, we are strongly supporting appropriations for the Pioneer Relief Nursery, so they can provide more childcare options for our working families and a large new regional sports complex that is sponsored by the Round-Up City Development Corporation (RCDC) and local athletic organizations.

Pendleton also supports a bill that would allow cities to collect more than 3% in sales tax for recreational cannabis. Measure 110 took much of the state cannabis tax revenues away from the cities and put it into state drug rehabilitation programs. We would like to make up for this lost revenue by charging more than the current 3% in local sales taxes.

The League of Oregon Cities, with input from Pendleton, has developed a list of its top eight priorities for 2023:

- 1. Funding for critical infrastructure for needed housing. I expect to see strong support for this in the Legislature.
- 2. Local funding to address homelessness.
- 3. Address Measure 110 shortcomings. I discussed this in last month's newsletter. Measure 110 had the unintended consequence of increasing drug addiction and mental illness, particularly in that population that lives on the street.
- 4. Economic Development Incentives. We are primarily talking about strengthening local development incentives such as Enterprise Zones and the Strategic Investment Program.
- 5. Wildfire Resiliency Planning.
- 6. Transportation Safety Enhancements.
- 7. Funding for State Land Use Initiatives. This would fully fund any local implementation of state land use requirements.
- 8. Lodging Tax Flexibility. Oregon's cities seek more flexibility in how they are allowed to use transient lodging tax revenues.

Congratulations to City Councilor McKennon McDonald who was recently elected to the LOC Board of Directors! Pendleton will be represented in the Capitol on "Oregon Cities Day" on January 25th. Watch for updates as the Legislative Session Develops.

John Turner Mayor

COUNCIL MEETINGS

October 18

City Council 7 pm PDC Meeting 6 pm

November 1

City Council 7 pm

November 15

City Council 7 pm PDC Meeting 6 pm

All meetings in the Council Chambers

FOR A FULL LIST OF MEETINGS VISIT

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

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

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John Turner	Mayor	541-922-8605
Jake Cambier	At Large	541-969-2252
Steve Campbell	At Large	541-379-0130
Kevin Martin	Ward I	541-969-6744
Carole Innes	Ward I	541-276-0644
McKennon McDonald	Ward 2	541-969-3345
Sally Brandsen	Ward 2	503-351-6624
Dale Primmer	Ward 3	541-240-1117
Linda Neuman	Ward 3	541-969-1188

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









The Oregon Department of Transportation will be doing pre-construction drilling the next two weekends. Drivers should expect some lane closures and parking disruptions on the corner of SW Court Avenue and SW First

> Street and the corner of SW Dorion Avenue and SW First Street.



The drilling activities will determine ground conditions and placement of new traffic signal posts at those intersections. Watch for lane closures and temporary parking closures in those intersections Oct. 14-16 and Oct. 21-23. Pedestrians will have access through or around work zones.

This is not a City project. More information on this ODOT project can be found at Oregon Department of Transportation: Project-Details: Proiects: State of Oregon



Congratulations Congratulations to the Pendleton Police Department for being awarded \$250,000 from the Office of Community Oriented

Policing Services (COPS Office). This award was received in recognition and appreciation to the commitment of the Pendleton Police Department.

The mission of COPS is advancing community policing nationwide, by prioritizing support of state, local, tribal and territorial law enforcement agencies, as they carry out their vital public safety mission.

THE PENDLETON DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (PDC) RECENTLY AN-NOUNCED FOUR WINNERS IN THE PATH TO SUCCESS BUSINESS PLAN **COMPETITION.**

Each of the winners will receive a forgivable \$20,000 loan and support to open a new business in downtown Pendleton.

- Terri Leetch, Buttercup Barley's Florist: A flower shop selling both fresh and silk arrangements along with a variety of gifts, home décor and other custom made items. Buttercup Barley's Florist would also offer a mobile bar service for special occasions.
- Emilv and Joshua McGraw, The Studio: An art studio and gallery that will focus on the areas of art and design. The studio will offer daily art classes, weekly open studio days and monthly paint and sip nights for adults 21+.
- Ryan Smith, Pendleton Outfitters: A retail store selling clothing, books, local products, gear and tools for outdoor activities and lifestyle, such as hiking, camping and fishing. Pendleton Outfitters will also include a phased approach to establishing a service business providing guided and educational outdoor experiences for people of all ages and fitness levels.
- Robb Zimmel, Cerebella Winery: A downtown business with a focus on bottled wine sales via a tasting room, wine club memberships and regional distribution. Cerebella Winery will include a restaurant, classroom, retail space and scheduled events.

The Path to Success competition is part of the Jump Start program of the PDC, helping bring new businesses to Pendleton. The winners each receive a \$20,000 forgivable loan along with support intended to make their business successful and contribute to a vibrant downtown economy. Over the next two years, a quarter of the loan will be forgiven every six months, as long as they follow the contract requirements. Winners are required to meet quarterly with a committee and keep regular business hours.

PUT ON YOUR FALL BEANIE, PUFFY VEST AND KNEE HIGH BOOTS. IT'S TIME TO CRAFT WITH OTHER FALL FANATICS!



Wednesday, October 19th at 5:30 in the Library!

This event will be hosted by Ms. Jennifer! No Registration required—Adults and mature children welcome (we won't kick your kids out, however these crafts are high level Pinterest worthy creations).



Join us for a young adult literature presentation by award winning author, Julie Berry Monday, October 24th at 5:00 pm

Berry will lead an engrossing and personal journey through the themes and parallels in her internationally acclaimed young adult novels, All the Truth That's In Me and The Passion of Dolssa

Registration is required. This event was sponsored by Pendleton Friends of the Library, through the generosity of former Sunridge Middle School teacher Gayle Blek



JOIN US IN THE LIBRARY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH AT 11:00AM



PENDLETON POLICE DEPARTMENT

622 Airport Road, Pendleton OR 541-276-4411 ppd.pendleton.or.us

Why is the Pendleton Police Department a great place to work?

- Dynamic people
- Team-oriented environment
- Close-knit community
- Excellent benefits
- Competitive salaries
- Opportunity for advancement





Pendleton Police Department PATROL OFFICER

- Salary \$4552-\$6228 plus competitive benefits
- Specialty incentives
- Representation by the Pendleton City Police Association
- LDF/PORAC coverage
- Ongoing Training opportunities
- Tasers, uniforms & Equipment provided
- Tightknit department with strong community support
- \$200 annual equipment allowance
- Court & Call back paid overtime
- Scenic community with historical roots

The City of Pendleton is taking applications for two Police Officer positions with the Pendleton Police Department.

Applications available at <u>HERE</u> or at the Personnel Dept., City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue, or the Police Department, 622 Airport Rd., Pendleton, OR 97801. Completed applications should be delivered to Personnel at 500 SW Dorion. The City of Pendleton is an equal opportunity employer.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES





TWO ENGINEERING TECHNICIANS Applications are being accepted for two Engineering Technicians in the City of Pendleton's Community Development Department. Position performs technical and surveying work relating to public improvement projects such as streets, water, stormwater and sanitary sewer systems. May assist or serve as the project manager on engineering projects; help to oversee construction projects/contracts for the installation and construction of public utilities and street improvements; prepare cost estimates and bid documents;

resolve field engineering problems, and ensure regulatory compliance. Requires Bachelor's Degree in civil engineering, civil engineering technology, construction technology or a related field; and two years of progressively responsible experience in the construction or engineering field. Requires experience with AutoCAD, and ESRI is desired. Must have a valid driver's license and be able to pass a criminal background check. The salary range is \$4,062 - \$5,696 a month DOE plus excellent benefits. Applications are available HERE or 500 SW Dorion Avenue. Completed applications must be returned to https://www.human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us The position is open until filled. The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity Employer.



AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION LEAD The City of Pendleton is seeking to fill a part-time After School Recreation Lead position for the Parks & Recreation Department. Position is responsible for the provision of a safe, nurturing, well-supervised day programs, events and other special programs. Duties will include supervising and engaging youth in daily activities; coordinating with parents, collaborators and volunteers; assigning the work of Recreation Aides, and keeping appropriate records. Requires 2 years of training, education, or experience in childcare or education. Good interpersonal skills, ability to communicate effectively, work independently, use a computer and drive are also required. Approximately 20 hours per week, primarily afternoon & early evening. \$15.50-\$17.95

per hour DOE, no benefits. Applications are available at <u>HERE</u> or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801.

Return applications with cover letter highlighting qualifications to Human Resources at the same address or human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. Open until filled. The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity employer.



AFTER SCHOOL RECREATION AIDE The City of Pendleton is seeking to fill part-time After School Recreation Aide positions. The position is responsible for helping to provide the community with safe and friendly access to the Pendleton Recreation programs. Duties will include: opening facilities, setting up for activities and clean up afterward, assisting with afterschool program, camps, birthday parties, movies and music in the park, facility cleaning, helping to ensure building security, and lots of positive interaction with youth. Experience in childcare preferred, but not required. Dependability, effective interpersonal and communication skills are required. Must pass a criminal background check. Up to 20 hours per week, including weekends. \$12.00 to \$13.50 per hour DOE,

no benefits. Applications are available at here or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801. Return applications with a cover letter highlighting qualifications to Human Resources at human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us or the address above. The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity employer.



PART-TIME LABORERS The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for temporary, part-time laborers to work on an on-call basis at the Pendleton Convention Center. The position is responsible for helping with set up of tables, chairs, and other room arrangements, plus cleaning public restrooms, waste disposal and minor maintenance duties as needed. Experience in commercial custodial work or maintenance is preferred. Position requires walking, bending, stooping, and lifting. Must be able to work well with the public, assist with customer service needs during events, and be available for opening and closing building (odd hours/all days of the week). Requires valid Oregon

vehicle operator's license and ability to pass a criminal background check. Salary is \$12.50-\$14.06 per hour, depending on experience, no benefits. Applications are available at HERE or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801. Return applications with cover letter highlighting qualifications to Human Resources at the same address or human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. Open until filled. The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity employer.

AIRPORT MANAGER

About the Position

The City is looking for an innovative and business-oriented aviation professional to direct and administer the overall operation of the regional airport and the surrounding commercial, residential, and industrial properties. This position will work closely with UAS Range Manager and Economic Development Director to continue to increase airport revenues and aviation activity. Candidate must be very comfortable with both manned and unmanned aviation, and willing to work diligently towards the safe integration of the NAS. Experience with FAA's AIP process; regulatory requirements; airport leasing; and commercial air service much preferred. Graduation from a college or university with a bachelor's degree in Business or Public Administration, Real Estate, Airport Administration or a closely related field required, and progressively responsible experience in administration as a manager, assistant manager, facilities

manager, or operations supervisor with a minimum of three years' experience in a position involving airport management, commercial real estate activities and/or property management; or a satisfactory equivalent combination of education and experience. Rare opportunity to work with an incredible team of professionals and help us continue our rapid climb.

Salary range: \$78,288 – \$98,640 DOE. Excellent benefits package includes: medical; dental; vision; retirement; life insurance, and more.

To Apply

Applications are available at www.pendleton.or.us/employment or at City Hall, 500 SW Dorion, Pendleton OR 97801. For additional information, please contact the Airport at 541-276-7754. The City of Pendleton is an Equal Opportunity employer.

Pendleton Fire Dept. Resident Intern Program



Requirements

Designed for students pursuing a career in the Fire Service or EMS

At least 18 years old w/High School Diploma or GED Equivalent

Valid driver's license and insurable driving record

Maintain GPA 2.0 for tuition reimbursement

Application, Interview, Background, Medical and Drug Screen check

Oregon State Certified EMT-B in first 6 months and DPSST Driver/Operator, FFI and Haz-Mat Awareness/Ops within the first year.

Benefits and Wages

Safety Equipment and uniforms provided

Receive experience and hands on training in Firefighting and EMS

Work schedule 48 on 96 off and assigned to a duty shift

Off duty housing, utilities and Wi-Fi paid

College tuition reimbursement for half of approved tuition

Obtain Fire and EMS certifications at no cost

After obtaining Fire and EMS certifications additional Reserve paid opportunities exist

Application and job opening can be found on

https://pendleton.or.us/hr/page/employment

Contact Division Chief Albert Alcalde Email: al.alcalde@ci.pendleton.or.us

The City of Pendleton is accepting applications for the position of Resident Intern. High school diploma or GED equivalent. Must become enrolled as a full-time college student in fire science or medical-related field of study. Must be 18 years of age, have a valid Oregon driver's license, and be able to pass a background investigation. Live expense-free at the fire station on shift and off duty in provided Fire Department housing. The salary range is \$12.50 - \$27.50 per hour (depending on qualifications,) plus tuition assistance, and housing. Applications are available from Human Resources, City Hall, 500 SW Dorion Avenue, or HERE. Completed applications should be delivered to the Administration Office at City Hall, or via email human.resources@ci.pendleton.or.us. The City of Pendleton is an equal opportunity employer.

