



A Bi-Monthly Newsletter from the City of Stayton

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City Seeks Voter Approval for Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax

At the May 16, 2017 election, there will be a measure for establishing a \$0.03 motor vehicle fuel tax within the city of Stayton.

In Stayton, 9 miles of streets need reconstruction and 12 miles of streets need pavement overlays. The total cost of improving and maintaining the City's streets is estimated at \$23.5 million. A tax on motor vehicle fuels in the City of Stayton would generate funds dedicated to repair and upgrade City-maintained streets. Presently, Stayton's Street Fund is comprised of revenues from transportation maintenance fees shared state gas revenues and the Surface Transportation Program. The \$0.03 per gallon motor vehicle fuel tax is estimated to raise approximately \$165,000 per year and will contribute to the revenue necessary to being to properly maintain and improve City-maintained streets.



The City will be holding multiple Town Hall meetings to share the presentation and answer questions from community members. These meetings will be held at the Stayton Public Library in the E.G. Sigmund Meeting Room on these dates:

- Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 19th at 1:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 22nd at 10:00 a.m.

If you visit www.staytonoregon.gov/page/gov_election_FuelTax, you can view the presentation given to City Council at their February 6, 2017 meeting. In addition a downloadable version of the PowerPoint presentation, the City's Street Rating Guide, and a copy of the City's Street Ratings spreadsheet are available.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact City Hall at (503) 769-3425.



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Council Seeks Community Members for Charter Review

On February 6, the City Council voted to form a Charter Review Committee. The Committee will review and make formal recommendations for revisions to the City of Stayton Charter. We are looking for civic-minded community members who are willing to commit to participating in the Charter review process.



If you are interested in participating in learning more about participating on this committee, please contact City Hall at (503) 769-3425 or email Deputy City Recorder Alissa Angelo at aangelo@ci.stayton.or.us to obtain an application.

Have You Joined Our Community Alert System?

Have you signed up for the community alert system through METCOM 9-1-1 yet? If not, you're missing out on a sure way to stay informed during critical moments in your neighborhood. Don't get caught up in the rumor mill of social media for important alerts. METCOM 9-1-1 shares accurate information provided by first responders on the scene of an incident.

This system works by alerting residents within a given geographical area of an incident. The alert will provide you with specific instructions and you will receive notification if there are updates or when an incident has ended.

Signing up for this service is simple and free. Go to METCOM's webpage at www.metcom911.com. Click on the METCOM 9-1-1 Alert System icon and you're on the way to staying informed. This process takes less than five minutes. If you have computer struggles, don't stress! You can call the Stayton Police Department directly at (503) 769-3423, and we will help you get registered. Also, please note if your primary phone is a landline through a local phone company, you're already signed up for alerts.

It's also now possible to text 911 from your cell phone. Of course, the preferred method is to call and speak to a 911 dispatcher. However, if that is not an option, you can now text the 911 center. To learn more about this feature, visit the METCOM website above, and watch the "Text 911" public service announcement.



Book Bobs Book Club Seeking New Members

Calling all flourishing readers! The Book Bobs book club is looking for readers who are beginning to read chapter books. We are looking for readers who might be in need of encouragement as they delve into reading chapter books. This is a fun group that meets the first Monday of each month at the Library from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. During our monthly meeting, we discuss the book, usually complete an art project and there are always snacks. Any reader is welcome to join! Contact the Library at (503) 769-3313 for more information.



City Meeting Calendar

City Council

7:00 p.m. at the Community Center
March 6 / March 20 / April 3 / April 17

Planning Commission

7:00 p.m. at the Community Center
March 27 / April 24

Parks & Recreation Board

6:30 p.m. at the Stayton Public Library
March 7 / April 4

Library Board

6:00 p.m. at the Stayton Public Library
March 15 / April 19

Commissioner's Breakfast

7:30 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Café
March 14 / April 11

Community Leaders Meeting

7:30 a.m. at the Covered Bridge Café
March 10 / April 14

Library Calendar

Motion Monday

Mondays at 10:15 a.m.

Story Time

Tuesdays at 10:15 a.m.

Thumpin' Thursday

Thursdays at 10:15 a.m.

Random Readers Book Club

Last Monday of the month at 3:30 p.m.

Adult Coloring

First Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Teen Movie—Doctor Strange Friday, March 3 at 3:30 p.m.

Tweens and Teens join us for "Doctor Strange" (PG-13) in the E.G. Siegmund Meeting Room. This is a free event and snacks will be served. If you have questions, call (503) 769-3313.

Hats Off to Dr. Seuss!

Thursday, March 2 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday with us! Wear your craziest hats and come enjoy some guest readers and a Dr. Seuss treat. Prizes for "Best Hats!"

Rock the Blocks

Thursday, March 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Ready to rock the blocks? Come get creative and build with our Legos. Kids of all ages are welcome, we have Legos waiting for your creative ideas. Humans under 6 will need to be accompanied by an adult human. Likewise, adult humans will need to be accompanied by a child. This group meets monthly in the E.G. Siegmund Room of the Library. If you have questions, call (503) 769-3313.

Santiam Senior Center Activities

For more upcoming activities visit

www.SantiamSeniorCenter.com