

April 16, 2021

CITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



Council Corner

As COVID-19 continues to hold us captive within Zoom video boxes, please know that we, the Council, continue to maintain focus, commitment and transparency when making policy decisions or seeking solutions to citizen concerns. Citizens have asked why don't we "brain storm" on our own time before meetings so, you dear community, don't have to witness our various opinions.

However, we cannot have group discussions or make decisions outside of a public meeting—plus a Public Notice must go out to let everyone know what topics will be covered. If you have a concern, contact us about it—and feel free to suggest a solution. More ideas are helpful.

In the month of April we will be saying good bye to our City Manager, Ron Chandler, and thanking him for the patience and guidance he provided over the past six years: leading the city through good times, bad times and in-between times. We are fortunate to have a talented and skilled staff, and are left on a solid financial ground because of his diligence and foresight.

The Council will be deciding upon the appointment of an interim city manager—and how to proceed with a process that will bring forth nation-wide applicants. The public will have involvement and input when selecting the final city manager candidates. The Council has learned to work well together, and always for the good of the Community. We will continue to work as a team, as citizens elect a new mayor and help choose a city manager. I know that no new manager can ever have Mr. Chandler's great ties! Silverton is in for a treat. Best of luck in your new position, Ron, and THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK HERE.

Spring Soccer Season is here!

Spring Soccer Season is here! Youth in grades K-8 will play a seven-week season beginning Monday, April 5th. Teams will practice twice a week at Oceanlake Elementary School or Taft Park on 51st Street, and play games on Saturdays starting Saturday, April 17th at Taft High School Voris Field. Game schedules can be found at www.quickscores.com/lincolncity.

For Middle School Track & Field Conditioning, athletes in grades 6-8 will enjoy an opportunity to run sprints, distances, or hurdles, and try out several field events including high jump, long jump, shot put, discus, and javelin. Each week, participants will have opportunities to compete and record new personal bests!

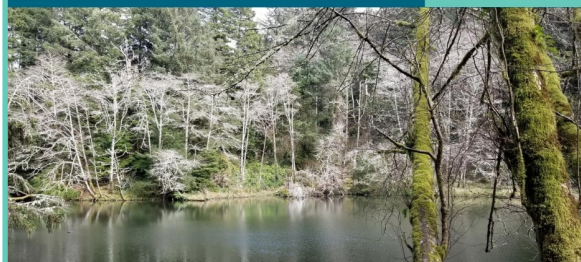
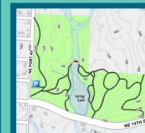
Practices will be Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 3:45 – 5:15 starting Monday April 12th at Taft High School Voris Field. Information about all of our Youth Sports Programs can be found at www.lincolncity.org/parksandrec



Spring is here! Spend some time outdoors exploring the City's Open Space trails. Visit www.lincolncity.org for more Open Spaces.

Spring Lake Open Space

Located off NE 14th St. and Port Ave.



Protection for Renters Reminder

Governor Kate Brown and the Oregon Legislature have made it illegal for landlords to evict their tenants if they can't pay their rent due to financial hardship if they meet certain criteria. This policy is in place until June 30, 2021.

Renters must complete, sign, and return a form to their landlord to prevent eviction. More information is available on the [Lincoln City](#) and [Lincoln County](#) COVID-19 webpages.

City Hall Remains Closed due to COVID-19

Lincoln City - The City Hall will remain closed based upon the continuing surge of COVID-19 cases in Lincoln County and the recent move to High Risk, which took effect on April 9, 2021. Governor Brown still has an emergency declaration because of COVID until May 2, 2021, which may be extended.

The City continues to review all factors in which to ensure the safety of the citizens and the employees of Lincoln City.

If you have questions please call the City administration or appropriate City Department Director to assist you. Please refer to this link for phone number of City Departments.

www.lincolncity.org/contact

COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility

Governor Kate Brown announced all Oregonians over age 16 eligible for COVID-19 Vaccine starting April 19, 2021.

President Biden announced all Americans eligible May 1, 2021, assuming vaccines supplies hold. Please continue to visit the [Lincoln City](#) or [Lincoln County](#) COVID-19 webpages for the latest information. To get started to vaccinate visit <https://getvaccinated.oregon.gov/#/>.

Upcoming Plastic Foam Food Container Ban

On April 13th, 2020, Lincoln City's City Council adopted ordinance 2020-09 declaring foam polystyrene (Styrofoam) plastic food and other containers a public nuisance. The use of these containers has been prohibited. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, however, the effective date of the ordinance was delayed by a year. This was done to give restaurants time to shift to environmentally friendly containers. We are approaching the end of the one-year postponement.

The ban on foam polystyrene containers went into effect on **April 13th, 2021**. In order to give businesses additional time to use up existing foam container stock, enforcement of the plastic foam food container ban will be delayed by an additional 90 days.

After **July 13th, 2021**, the ban on foam polystyrene food containers will be enforced. Violations will be Class C misdemeanors that include fines.

Styrofoam is a major source of ocean pollution. It breaks down into microplastic pieces that literally take thousands of years to fully decompose.

Special Election for Lincoln City Mayor set for Tuesday, May 18, 2021

In addition to mailing in your ballot, you may drop it off in the ballot box located in lower parking lot underneath City Hall.

Lincoln City beaches are ideal for kite flying

April is National Kite Month. Although there won't be a large event in Lincoln City with humongous kites and entertaining performances this year, it's a perfect time to go fly a kite. Because of our vast beaches, Lincoln City is a perfect place to get out there and give it a try. You'll likely find luck because of the beach's natural and unobstructed wind patterns. Not to mention, it's a perfect pastime to spend with family, with sand in your toes, ocean views, and smiles all around.

Show Explore Lincoln City how you are celebrating National Kite Month by uploading your pictures to <https://upload.crowdriff.com/LincolnCityKiteFestivals> and they may even show up on their website!



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Email mphillips@lincolncity.org and tell us you want to be added to the email list to receive monthly updates and announcements from the City.

To view meeting agendas and minutes visit: www.lincolncity.org.

Rental Property Fraud Alert

The Lincoln City Police Department has received multiple reports from citizens seeking rental property through individual parties over social media platforms which have turned out to be online frauds.



In this particular fraud, individuals are told to submit an application through email to a person who then advises the applicant is accepted. The contacts, who often have poor English language abilities when spoken to over the phone, request payment through Peer-To-Peer payment applications (Venmo/PayPal/etc.) and advise they will send the applicant the keys to the residence.

The applicant will then eventually learn that they have been scammed with little hope of recouping their losses or identifying the suspect.

Renters are encouraged to utilize reputable property agencies and never to send money sight-unseen for property. If you feel you have been a victim of such a scam, please report the incident to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center, located at <https://www.ic3.gov/>

Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday, April 20

Planning Commission — Regular Meeting

Wednesday, April 21

Parks & Recreation Board — Regular Meeting

Monday, April 26

City Council—Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 27

Explore Lincoln City Committee — Regular Meeting

Monday, May 3

Budget Committee — URA — Regular Meeting

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Budget Committee — City — Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 4

Planning Commission — Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 5

Library Board — Regular Meeting

Monday, May 10

City Council — Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 18

Planning Commission—Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 19

Parks & Recreation Board — Regular Meeting

Monday, May 24

City Council — Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 1

Planning Commission — Regular Meeting

Wednesday, June 9

City Council — City Council and Lincoln County Commissioners

Monday, June 14

City Council — Regular Meeting

Tuesday, June 15

Planning Commission — Regular Meeting

Wednesday, June 16

Parks & Recreation Board — Regular Meeting

Monday, June 28

City Council — Regular Meeting

Tuesday, July 6

Planning Commission — Regular Meeting

Monday, July 12

City Council — Regular Meeting

