



CITY OF JACKSONVILLE



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JACKSONVILLE NEWSLETTER

October 2020

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Donna Bowen

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City Administrator

Jeff Alvis

City Hall

Monday-Friday

8:30 am-4:00 pm

Public Works

Monday-Friday

8:30 am-4:00 pm

After Hours Dispatch

(emergencies only)

541-776-7206

Police

Office 541-899-7100

Dispatch 541-776-7206

Fire

Office 541-899-7246

Dispatch 541-776-7206

Planning

541-899-6873

Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday, Friday

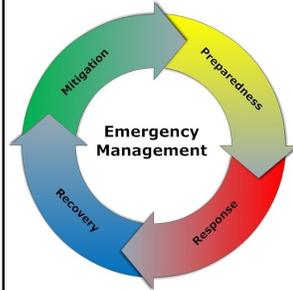
8:30 am-2:00 pm

Inspection Request

541-484-9043 or

800-358-8034

With the recent devastating fires in Ashland, Talent and Phoenix, many have asked: "Does Jacksonville have emergency plans?" We certainly do. While too long to publish here, the City has a complete Emergency Operations Plan. That plan addresses a range of emergencies including severe weather, floods, earthquakes, hazardous material spills or releases and, of course, fires.



The City's police, fire and public works departments, assisted by County Sheriff and Red Cross are integral to addressing any emergency. Further assistance would be available through mutual aid agreements with neighboring fire and police departments and by the Oregon Department of Forestry, Bureau of Land Management and Federal Emergency Management Agency.

For evacuation, the Plan requires that the actual need to evacuate be identified based on the nature and scope of the emergency. Then, all the necessary forces are engaged to help assure orderly and safe evacuation measures, including door-to-door and multi-media notifications.

Finally, our emergency procedures are continuously reviewed and revised based on changing local conditions and experience. While we hope to never use it, our Emergency Operations Plan provides our City with the confidence to confront emergencies.

The Emergency Operations Plan can be found on the City website www.jacksonvilleor.us. Click on Documents (above Latest News) and it is in the City Documents folder. It can also be found by typing "Emergency Operations Plan" in the search field.

Thank You Jacksonville Community

Recent wildfires, combined with the Covid-19 crisis, have challenged our department in ways nobody could have foreseen.



On September 8 all available resources of Jacksonville Fire were rallied to respond to the Almeda fire. Jacksonville crews, along with other regional departments deployed to the streets of Ashland, Talent and Phoenix to fight fire for several days. Immediately upon returning, a portion of our department was again dispatched to assist with the Obenchain fire.

We are working hard to assist other communities while still maintaining adequate emergency resources for Jacksonville.

We have fully realized the threat fire poses to our homes and communities. We've seen the destruction and devastation it can bring. Cooperation of state, federal and local resources has kept the potential for an even greater tragedy at bay. The incidents reiterate the absolute necessity for all communities to prepare, maintain, coordinate, and properly fund robust and complimentary emergency response resources.

The Jacksonville Fire Department would like to express our appreciation to all those who have helped during these difficult times. Your meals, care packages, donations, help and support prop us up. Your words of gratitude and encouragement keep us going. Your support is vital.

We're dedicated to our Jacksonville and all our communities. Thank you for helping us,

Sincerely,

Fire Chief Wayne Painter

Update on the S. 4th St Waterline Replacement Project

What started out as a simple waterline project has now become a sewer lateral replacement and street overlay project as well. The waterline portion of the project on S. 4th St was essentially completed in early August. The condition of the asphalt and the damage that the trucks and equipment caused during the project have moved up the overlay that was scheduled for 2021. Once the decision was made to overlay the street, Rogue Valley Sewer Services (RVSS) contacted us and let us know they needed to replace 20+ sewer laterals on that section of S. 4th St.

RVSS was able to get the sewer portion of the project approved and expedited and hired our contractor Central Pipeline. The pipe was delivered on Tuesday Sept 8th and was scheduled to start replacing the sewer laterals on Wednesday, Sept 9th. Unfortunately, the fires broke out in the valley and Central Pipeline was requested to assist with the South Obenchain fire. Upon their return and as soon as the sewer work is completed, we will be having the section of S. 4th St from Pine St to Maple St and Maple St to S. 3rd St paved.

Once this project is completed, all of the residents on this section of S. 4th St will have a new 8" (was a 4") waterline, a new meter, a new sewer lateral and a freshly paved street. I know this project has taken longer than expected, but we will get there and your patience with this project is much appreciated!

City Council Meetings At-A-Glance

A synopsis of the previous month's City Council agenda items and discussions so you, the citizens of Jacksonville, know what is going on in your local government. **If you would like more detail on any of the discussion items, please review the summaries for each item in the Council packet on the City website.**

Old City Hall is currently closed to the Public for City Council Meetings. Public may attend meetings virtually via phone or computer.

- ***Join the meeting via phone: Dial in to the meeting—(844) 890-7777 Access Code: 247-063-431****
- ***Join the online meeting: <https://join.startmeeting.com/cityofjacksonville>. Meeting ID: cityofjacksonville***

September 1, 2020—City Council

- **Art Presence Lease Renewal.** Council approved the Art Presence Lease Renewal for a three-year term.
- **Fire Department Conflagration Deployment.** Council approved combining our firefighting resources with Applegate Fire District, to man one Applegate fire engine if requested to respond to wildfires in California. This would still leave fully staffed shifts to protect the City in the event of fires locally.
- **Accept Bid for MEP (Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing) Engineering—Fire Hall.** Council approved Marquess & Associates, Inc. bid in the amount of \$38,000 for MEP Engineering for the Fire Hall project.
- **2020 Organizational Chart.** Council approved the 2020 Organizational Chart as is required annually.
- **Resolution No. R2020-014—A Resolution Authorizing the Budget Allocation for the 2020 Historic Preservation Grant Fund Program Cycle for the City of Jacksonville.** Council approved Resolution No. R2020-014, approving the budget allocation of \$50,000 for the 2020 HPF Grant Program Cycle.

September 15, 2020—City Council

- **Employment Agreements.** Council approved the Employment Agreements for the City Administrator / Public Works Director, Assistant City Administrator / Finance Director, Police Chief and Fire Chief.
- **Historical & Architectural Review Commission (HARC) Appointment.** Council appointed Andrew Hellenthal to the HARC.

Audio and Approved Minutes from each of the City Council Meetings is located on the City website.

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Public Meeting Schedule	Date	Time	Place
Citizen Advisory Committee	Tuesday, October 6, 2020	2:30 PM	Old City Hall / Teleconference
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, October 6, 2020	6:00 PM	Old City Hall / Teleconference
Planning Commission Meeting	Wednesday, October 7, 2020	6:00 PM	Old City Hall / Teleconference
Committee for Citizen Involvement Meeting	Tuesday, October 12, 2020	5:15 PM	New City Hall Conference Rm
City Council Meeting	Tuesday, October 20, 2020	6:00 PM	Old City Hall / Teleconference
HARC Meeting	Wednesday, October 21, 2020	6:00 PM	Old City Hall / Teleconference