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JACKSONVILLE NEWSLETTER

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City Administrator

Jeff Alvis

City Hall

Monday-Thursday

8:30 am—4:00 pm

Friday

8:30 am—2:00 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

Fire Department Temporarily Relocated

The Fire Department is temporarily relocated to the Public Works Yard at 400 W. C St. #B, as work is underway on the seismic retrofit and 2nd floor addition of the Fire Station.

New City Hall Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

8:30am—4:00 pm

Friday

8:30am—2:00 pm

Where Does Our Water Come From?

You turn on the tap and water comes out—*voila!* It's so simple that you probably don't think about the journey it has taken to get to your kitchen.

So, where *does* it come from?

The answer actually depends on the time of year. In the summer, we get our water from Lost Creek Reservoir on the Rogue River. In the winter, our water comes from Big Butte Springs. Both of these water sources are shared with other communities in the region, as well as with irrigators, fish, and wildlife.



Conserving Our Shared Water

Because our water is a shared resource, we need to do our part to conserve it to make sure there is always enough to go around. To help with this, the City regularly audits our water system, tests meters, and tracks down and fixes leaks.

But we need your help, too—especially during the dry months when irrigation causes a spike in our region's water use. Now is the time to prep your yard and garden to thrive this summer with less water. Here are some ways to prepare for a water-wise irrigation season:

Replace areas of lawn with shrubs, rock gardens, or groundcover with low water needs, especially in hard-to-water areas like narrow strips or steep slopes.

If you have an in-ground irrigation system or plan to install one, look for irrigation equipment that increases watering efficiency, such as weather-based irrigation controllers, soil moisture sensors, and rotating sprinkler heads.

For vegetable or flower gardens, consider setting up a drip irrigation system with a timer. This can be a fun and affordable DIY project! If you plan to water by hand, use a timer and a multi-spray hose nozzle to help you avoid overwatering.

Add mulch to your landscaping to help retain soil moisture.

The more we all pitch in to protect our water supply, the more water we will have to go around!

Website Launch: Jacksonville Development Code Revision

The Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) that is currently reviewing and providing recommendations on the Jacksonville Development Code is continuing to plug away at the project. Under normal circumstances, there's typically town hall events for staff and CAC members to provide progress reports and to hear feedback from the community. However, because of the unique challenges presented this past year and a half, the Planning Department staff explored alternative ways to reach the community. With that, staff developed a dedicated code update website where residents can be informed about the process, learn about specific topics, and provide comments for CAC consideration. On the site, you can review draft and current documents, as well as follow blog posts regarding some of the CAC discussions. We hope this tool will be useful, and a helpful way for you to follow along in the process. We hope to have town hall events soon, but in the meantime, **please check out the website: www.jacksonvillecodeupdate.com**

WELCOME

LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REVISION

*The City of Jacksonville Land
Development Code revision is a City
initiative to clarify and improve
development regulations*

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As always, if you ever have any questions, feel free to contact the Jacksonville Planning Department at 541-899-6873.

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.**

February 1, 2022—City Council

- **Swear in Firefighter—Cole George.** Newly hired employee Cole George was sworn in as a Firefighter.
- **Jacksonville Presbyterian Church Yard Sale.** Council approved Jacksonville Presbyterian Church to have their annual yard sale March 11-12, 2022, which had been postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- **Presentation of FY 2020-21 Audit.** Auditors from KDP Certified Public Accountants, LLP presented the audit for fiscal year 2020-2021. There were no audit or budget violations.
- **Approve Fire Department Hiring List.** A Fire Fighter Assessment was conducted on January 20, 2022 to establish a hiring list for the position of Firefighter. Council approved the Firefighter Hiring List which will be in effect through June 2023.
- **Approval of 2022 Organizational Chart.** Per JMC 2.36.230, the Organizational Chart must be approved by Council annually. There are no changes to the 2022 Organizational Chart; which was approved by Council.
- **Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. O2022-001—An Ordinance Amending Jacksonville Municipal Code Title 1—Revising Chapters 1.01, 1.04 and 1.05, Adding New Chapters 1.02 and 1.03 and Deleting Chapters 1.07, 1.08 and 1.12.** Council approved the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. O2022-001. The ordinance will be in effect on March 1, 2022.

February 15, 2022—Work Session

- **Pickleball Discussion.** For the Work Session, Councilors reviewed all testimony submitted. Council discussed the history of Pheasant Meadows Park and Pickleball. Options were discussed for possible measures that can be taken at Pheasant Meadows; in addition to options of other potential locations for Pickleball courts in Jacksonville. Pheasant Meadows Pickleball action item will be on the March 1, 2022 City Council Agenda.

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

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Public Meeting Schedule	Date	Time	Place
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	March 1st, 2022	2:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
City Council Meeting	March 1st, 2022	6:00 PM	New City Hall –Assembly Room
Cemetery Commission Meeting	March 7th, 2022	4:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
Planning Commission Meeting	March 9th, 2022	6:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
City Council Work Session	March 15th, 2022	12:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	March 15th, 2022	2:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
Transient Lodging Exp. Committee Mtg.	March 22nd, 2022	3:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
HARC Meeting	March 23rd, 2022	5:00 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room
Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting	March 29th, 2022	2:30 PM	New City Hall—Assembly Room