

<i>On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate your level of satisfaction with the following quality of life indicators:</i>	VERY DISSATISFIED		NEUTRAL		VERY SATISFIED
	1	2	3	4	5
Scappoose as a place to live	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Scappoose as a place to work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Scappoose as a place to raise children	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Scappoose as a place to retire	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall quality of life in the city	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
How the city is planning growth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Value you receive for your taxes & fees	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

The City of Scappoose has several volunteer-led committees and community organizations. These committees offer an opportunity to get involved with the City’s decision-making processes, interact with other community organizations, and provide recommendations to the City Council. If you are interested in serving, please contact Susan Reeves, City Recorder, at sreeves@cityofscappoose.org or **503-543-7146 ext. 224** for an application form. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Budget Committee – Parks & Recreation Committee – Planning Commission – Friends of Scappoose Parks

What do you think are the top three issues facing Scappoose?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Would you support a sidewalk repair program under which the City would assist property owners by sharing the cost of repairing their sidewalks? Currently, adjacent property owners are responsible for the full cost of repairs.

DON'T KNOW

NO

YES

Thank you for helping make Scappoose a better place! Join your neighbors on **February 8, 2020** at the Scappoose Middle School cafeteria for the Annual Town Meeting, where you can hear about what’s going on in the City and let your voice be heard! For questions or concerns about this survey or the Annual Town Meeting, please contact Huell White at hwhite@cityofscappoose.org or **503-543-7184**.


Any other comments that you would like to share with the City?



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We had the pleasure of hosting third graders from our local grade school at City Hall. We held a mock City Council meeting as a way to show the students how decisions are made and local government works.



 **Join the
Scappoose Police
Department
Halloween Night
Thursday, October 31st
5:00pm – 8:00pm**

Stop by the Scappoose High School bus turnaround for some hot chocolate and safety tips from the Scappoose Police Department!!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

City Meetings Calendar

- * City Council meetings ~ November 4, 7:00 pm & November 18, at 6:00 pm
- * Planning Commission meeting ~ No meetings in November
- * Economic Development Committee meeting ~ November 21, at Noon
- * Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting & Friends of Scappoose Parks Meeting ~ November 12, 6:00 pm



Meetings are held in the Scappoose City Council Chambers at 33568 East Columbia Avenue

Call Scappoose City Hall at 503-543-7146 for more information and to confirm meetings.

Utility bills are due the 15th of each month ~ pay online at www.xpressbillpay.com or call 1-800-720-6847

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To report a street light out or not working properly

Please contact City Recorder Susan Reeves at City Hall, 503-543-7146, ext. 224
 Thank you!

Watts House Information

The Scappoose Historical Society invites anyone who would like to share their historic memorabilia of early families/businesses to contact Karen at 503-970-3920 for an appointment. The Watts House will open: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm ~ Thank you!

On Saturday September 21st, the Scappoose Police Department, along with several local businesses and the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, hosted the Columbia County Out of the Darkness Walk. The purpose of the walk is to bring awareness to the sensitive subject of suicide and suicide prevention. This year the walk was a huge success with 217 participants and 30 teams and to date we have raised over \$15,000.

The walk is held each year on the third Saturday in September. If you would like to join us next year for this great cause or for more information check out: <http://www.asfp.org>. Thank you!



The City of Scappoose would like to thank the Scappoose Community Club and the City Economic Development Committee for their outstanding leadership in reinstating the 2019 Scappoose Sauerkraut Festival.



City Council Referred Proposed Local Fuel Tax – Measure 5-275 to the ballot on August 5, 2019. Below is a summary of this Measure.

Why is the tax being presented for voter consideration?

- In 2018, the City conducted a community survey, on which more than 80% of respondents indicated that development and maintenance of streets and sidewalks was important to them
- At the 2019 Town Meeting, the City engaged community members as to the current state of streets and sidewalks in Scappoose – 92% of attendees would favor a proposed local fuel tax over a street utility fee or property tax levy
- The City Council referred a \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax to the 2019 November ballot

If passed, what would funds from the fuel tax be used for?

- Under Oregon law, local fuel taxes can only be used for repair and construction of new and existing streets and street improvements, including sidewalks
- A local fuel tax would be used to fund street paving projects and new sidewalk projects from the City's Transportation System Plan
- A 2017 pavement report update found that the City's average Pavement Condition Index would decrease under existing funding
- If the measure does not pass, no additional funds would be provided for street paving or transportation improvements; no tax would be assessed, and fuel prices would remain the same

If passed, who would pay the fuel tax?

- All motorists who purchase fuel in the City of Scappoose, unless exempted from fuel taxes by state or federal law
- 30,000 daily vehicle trips experienced through Scappoose on Highway 30
- According to the Oregon Employment Research Division, Scappoose residents account for about 7,000 of the trips

If passed, what would the cost to residents be?

- The average Scappoose resident that commutes for work in the Portland area drives 40 miles per work day. A proposed \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax would cost an average of \$1.20 per month at 20 miles per gallon
- The proposed \$0.03 per gallon local fuel tax would cost residents an average of \$1.20 per month. Other options considered included a utility fee option of \$10.00 per month per household, or a property tax levy with an anticipated cost of \$13.00 per month.

If passed, how would Scappoose compare with other communities?

- More than 20 cities and counties in Oregon have local fuel taxes, including: Washington and Multnomah Counties, Milwaukie, Cornelius, Troutdale, Tigard, Sandy, and Portland
- For example, every gallon of fuel sold in Portland includes a \$0.03 per gallon county fuel tax and a \$0.10 per gallon local fuel tax that go towards maintaining and improving their roads

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