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*Oregon*

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## **December 2023 City Manager Update**

Dear Scappoose Community,

This past fall has been a very productive time for the City and I am happy to share our progress and accomplishments with you as we prepare to welcome in the new year.

- The Parks Master Plan project is nearing completion, a presentation of the complete draft document will be presented to City Council in a joint session with Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation Committee in December.
- The Urban Renewal Agency, working closing with the Economic Development Committee, approved an updated grant program available to qualifying businesses located within the Urban Renewal Area. Applications and instructions can be found on the City's website.
- The City has initiated a Facilities Master Plan project. The plan will include a detailed analysis of the City's current and future facility needs, recommendations to meet those needs and conceptual designs and cost estimates for the recommended improvements. Tentative completion for this project is scheduled for April 2024.
- The Police Department has two new patrol officers who have been moved to solo status, Officer Johnson and Officer Burglin. Officer McFarland started his Police Academy training November 13<sup>th</sup> and will graduate from the Academy in March. Although not yet fully operational, the department is fully staffed and is working diligently towards 24/7 coverage.
- The City has partnered with the Columbia River PUD on two important projects, development of marketing materials for industrial properties in the South County area and frontage improvements on Columbia Avenue located between NE 2<sup>nd</sup> St. and NE Sawyer St. adjacent to their substation. The improvements include new concrete curbs, ADA ramps and sidewalks, driveways and overall street improvements which will increase accessibility for the community and improve the aesthetics of the area. Anticipated completion is mid December.
- The City's Branding Project is tentatively set to begin in mid December. This project will include a considerable amount of public engagement including open houses, pop up events, community conversations and will be featured at the Annual Town Meeting this coming spring.

These are some of the highlights from this past fall's activity at the City. If you ever have questions about a specific project, please feel free to contact me and, or schedule a time to meet.

Finally, I want to express my gratitude to Council for their leadership and to City Staff for their hard work and diligence in implementing the vision set by Council.

Happy Holidays,

*Alexandra Rains, MPA*  
*City Manager*

## Small Business Spotlight

### **Kandi's Koffee South**

33571 Juniper Way  
Scappoose, OR 97056  
(503) 543 - 2987

### Hours

Monday - Friday: 4:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday: 6:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday: Closed

In need great coffee, a filling breakfast, or delicious pastries? Kandi's Koffee has you covered! Located just outside of town on your way to Portland, Sauvie Island, or Hillsboro, Kandi's is a drive thru coffee shop with a large variety of hot or cold drinks and breakfast sandwiches. Being in business for 15 years, Kandi's is locally owned and operated by members of our community who call Columbia County home.



Donna, the shop's owner since 2010, says she loves working in such a close-knit community where the people are so kind. Kandi's Koffee has a number of regulars and always love seeing new faces. Kandi's has a generous history of supporting local schools and is a regular participant of the Keep it Local for the Holidays initiative.

Kandi's offers a variety of customer deals on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Thursday is triple shot, triple stamps day; Friday is buy a coffee, get one half off; and Saturday is double stamp day. Next time you're on your way out of town, back to town, or just need some good coffee or treats, make a stop at the December Small Business Spotlight: Kandi's Koffee!



# Christmas Bazaar

SCAPPOOSE SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER  
December 2 and December 3  
Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
33342 SW Meadow Drive  
Scappoose, Oregon 97056  
503-543-2047

Refreshments available  
Vendors Needed  
1 day \$25 per table  
2 days \$35 per table



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# Keep it Local FOR THE *Holidays*



## It's Go Time!

From Friday, November 17 - January 7, the Keep it Local for the Holidays campaign is back! Shop local with your Wonderland Card at one of the 90+ participating businesses across the county for

**Your Chance to Win \$1500** and 30+ other local prizes



## And don't miss out on...

### 1 The "Wonderland Trail" on the new "Find it Local Columbia County" mobile app

Have you found Bigfoot yet? Till January 7th, Bigfoot's footprints (along with a code) are hidden in 60+ participating businesses across the county. Follow the prints to find and record at least 12 codes into the *Find it Local Columbia County* mobile app's "Wonderland Trail" in order to receive a **FREE collectible ornament\*** **AND enter a drawing for \$500!** Happy searching and don't forget to bring your Wonderland Card with you!

\*while supplies last. We have only 200 ornaments to give away!

### 2 The "Wonderland Coupon Booklet" for \$15/ea

With over \$1000 in savings to 55+ local businesses, this booklet is a GREAT deal (and an excellent stocking stuffer idea). Purchase one today for \$15 at select locations found on our website. The deals will last till February 29, 2024.



Scan to learn more or visit [Keepitlocalcc.com/holidays](http://Keepitlocalcc.com/holidays)

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.... Inviting all citizens, who live near or far. To come to the **Watts House** by bike foot or car. The Grinch and the Whos have moved to the city. With wrapping and bows and lights to look pretty. So bring in the magic, the joy, and the cheer. A Whoville spirit fest to close out the year

**Grand Opening, Dec 2nd, 6-9pm**  
**December 9th, meet the Grinch**  
**Dec 16th Whoville Hair and Costume Competition**  
**December Tours Weekends 5-8pm Wednesdays 3-7**

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## SI YO FUERA ALCALDE...

CONCURSO PARA ESTUDIANTES 2023-24

La Asociación de Alcaldes de Oregon y tu ciudadte invitan a participar en el concurso "SiYo FueraAlcalde..."

Comparte tus ideas creativas sobre lo que harías como alcalde.

¡Los ganadores locales que participen en el concurso estatal tendrán la oportunidad de ganar un regalo valorado en \$500!



Para más información visite:

[scappoose.gov/citycouncil/page/if-i-were-mayor-contest](https://scappoose.gov/citycouncil/page/if-i-were-mayor-contest)



## IF I WERE MAYOR....

2023-24 STUDENT CONTEST

The Oregon Mayors Association and your city invite you to enter the "If I Were Mayor..." Contest

Share your creative ideas about what you would do as mayor.

Local winners are entered into the state contest for a chance to win a prize worth \$500!



For more information visit:

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### 2023-2024 IF I WERE MAYOR CONTEST INFORMATION (Starting on November 1, 2023)

Mayor Backus invites local students to share their ideas about what they would do if they were Mayor of Scappoose.

What would you do if you were the Mayor?

How would you improve life for the community?

What ideas do you have for the future?

How would you change the world?

#### Here is how the contest works...

The Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) "If I Were Mayor, I Would..." Student Contest, is open to local students enrolled in school or being home-schooled for the 2023-2024 school year.

There are three categories:

**Elementary School (grade 4-5) - Posters Contest** (Photo of poster can be PNG, JPEG, or PDF files)

**Middle School (grade 6-8) - Essay Contest** (Word, PDF, PowerPoint or online essay format)

**High School (grades 9-12) - Digital Media Presentations** (Videos only, MP4 or online video format)

Local winners will receive a Fred Meyer gift card and lunch with Mayor Backus.

Completed submissions must be received at City Hall by 4:00pm on Wednesday, January 31, 2024.

A contest flyer and entry form are available to download on the City's website at [www.scappoose.gov](http://www.scappoose.gov). Application packets are also available at Scappoose City Hall ~ 33568 East Columbia Avenue, Scappoose.

First place statewide winning students in each of the three categories will win \$500. These students will receive their prizes at the awards luncheon held during the OMA Summer Conference in Klamath Falls at the Running Y Ranch, July 18-20, 2024. Winners will be contacted in June for travel arrangements. Second and third place winning students win \$300 and \$100 respectively and will receive their prizes at local city presentations. For more information on City government, and what municipalities do, you can visit [the LOC Local Government Tool Kit](#) to learn more about local government!

All completed submissions will be reviewed at a future City Council meeting. Winners will be notified prior to the meeting.

For more information, please contact City Recorder Susan M. Reeves at 503-543-7146 or [sreeves@scappoose.gov](mailto:sreeves@scappoose.gov).

### City Meetings Calendar

- City Council Work Sessions ~ December 4 & 11 at 6:00pm
- City Council Meetings ~ December 4 & 11 at 7:00pm
- Planning Commission Meetings ~ December 14 & 28 at 7:00pm
- Economic Development Committee ~ December 21 at Noon
- Parks & Recreation Committee meeting ~ December 21 at 6:00pm

Verify meetings, get virtual meeting details, and get more meeting information on our website: <https://www.scappoose.gov> or call City Hall at 503-543-7146