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Scappoose City Council would like to thank City Manager Alexandra Rains and wish her the best!

From Mayor Backus ~

As Mayor I have worked closely with City Manager Rains for the past year. I have really enjoyed working with her and am very grateful for her guidance and help these past months getting me up to speed during my first year as Mayor. I feel more confident in my abilities to lead the city going forward due to Ms. Rains' dedication and hard work. I do believe Alex will do a great job in her new position and we in Scappoose wish her the best.



Scappoose 50-Year Plan Project Update!

What's happened, and what's coming up?

The Scappoose 50-Year Plan is a multi-phase project that will span nearly three years. The 50-Year Plan sets the City's long-term land use patterns based on the vision for how Scappoose will grow in the future.

What has the City completed so far?

The City has:

- Developed a 50-Year Community Vision Statement to guide the project, based on community input.
- Identified land needs for housing, jobs and community uses over the next 20 and 50 years. Results showed that Scappoose lacks enough land within its Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) to accommodate growth over the next 20 years. Additionally, Scappoose plans to designate Urban Reserves – lands that can be brought into the UGB to accommodate growth over the next 50 years.
- Explored ways to use land more efficiency through zoning changes. Even with proposed zoning changes, Scappoose does not have enough land to meet the growth expected over the next 20 years. As a result, the City is considering an Urban Growth Boundary expansion.
- Developed recommendations for Comprehensive Plan and Development Code updates to meet state requirements and reflect community values.

What is the City currently working on?

• Exploring where the City could grow in the future. The City is analyzing different areas beyond the City's existing boundaries to accommodate growth over the next 20 and 50 years.

What are the next steps?

- Finalize areas for potential growth. The City will finalize areas for expansion, guided by technical analysis, input from the project's community-based Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC), and input from the Planning Commission and City Council.
- Develop the 50-Year Plan summarizing analysis and outreach from the planning process. The Plan will include key findings, revised City land use goals and policies, and guidance on next steps for the City.
- Adopt the 50-Year Plan and supporting documents. City Council and Planning Commission will hold work sessions and hearings to consider adopting the 50-Year Plan and its various elements. The City is anticipating adoption to take place in Fall 2024.



Want to learn more? Visit the project website for more information. www.scappoose.gov/vision Have a question? Contact N.J. Johnson, Associate Planner at njohnson@scappoose.gov or 503-543-7184

Columbia County residents between the ages of 16-25 with a new business idea, sign up today!

Calling all Young Entrepreneurs!

Business classes and mentorship start Spring 2024 online & in person \$5,000 grant & \$7,500 low interest loan grand prize Winner will be selected in Fall 2024 Funding will be awarded at the end of the year Businesses aren't limited to physical storefronts, use your imagination!

Want to get involved?

We're seeking sponsors, donors, mentors, & volunteers! Sponsors with a \$1,000 donation get a full table at the final judging event Mentors needed as companies or individuals for participant guidance Program volunteers needed for events & training Donors or interested parties, please email columbiacountyhub@gmail.com https://columbiacountyhub.com for more info



City Meetings Calendar

- Urban Renewal Agency meeting ~ February 20, at 6:00pm
- City Council Meetings ~ February 5 & 20, at 7:00pm
- Planning Commission Meetings ~ February 8 & 22, at 7:00pm
- Economic Development Committee ~ February 15, at Noon
- Parks & Recreation Committee meeting ~ February 15, 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