

FRIDAY MEMO

February 18, 2005

1. On Saturday February 19, the Planning Commission will hold a casual meeting at 10:00 A.M. in the City Hall Conference Room to discuss topics of general interest, have basic training on Commission operations and public hearings, and discuss potential work program ideas for the coming year.
2. On March 22, 2005, the Commission will host Sheila Martin, Director of the Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies, College of Urban & Public Affairs, Portland State University. Ms. Martin will present papers from this year's Metropolitan Briefing Book addressing the region's economy, population, housing, and freight transportation. The City Council and neighborhood leaders are invited to attend. Notice of time and location will be available in the near future.
3. This week's edition of Nation's Cities Weekly includes a report on the federal administration's budget proposal that would merge the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program with 17 others resulting in expected heavy reductions in CDBG funding. While the present CDBG program provides a numerous grant opportunities for community development, Milwaukie has typically benefited from the program for financial assistance with sidewalk projects. More information can be found at the National League of Cities website: www.nlc.org.
4. The City has submitted a pre-application grant request to the Oregon Transportation and Growth Management program for funding assistance to update the City's Transportation System Plan. There have been important changes in area transportation and traffic needs since the Plan's adoption in 1997. Milwaukie has had success with the TGM program over the past several years through grant awards for the McLoughlin Boulevard project, the North Industrial Transportation and Land Use Study, and the adequate transportation facility code project. Final grant selections will be made in the spring.
5. In the near future, staff will start a project to evaluate transportation needs to improve the City's readiness to manage development proposals that may be submitted for the McFarland located site north of Harrison and west of 32nd Avenue and the Murphy site located north of the Market Place. Both sites are designated for redevelopment in city plans.
6. Council consideration of the 28th Avenue Measure 37 claim has been rescheduled to March 15, 2005

7. The Engineering Department initiated a process with the Historic Milwaukie NDA to define traffic calming devices for the neighborhood that will effectively deter cut-through traffic between Highway 99-E and Highway 224. A five-person committee will work with Engineering to determine how best to use \$65,000 in street funds to meet the objective for the neighborhood. Construction of calming devices should begin this summer. As part of the effort, new signs prohibiting through truck traffic on Monroe Street (except local delivery) will be installed in March. The downtown business community will be notified of the prohibition in advance.
8. The proposed Storm Water Master Plan update and associated storm water rate increase will be considered by City Council on March 15, 2005 at 7:00 P.M. Notice has been mailed out in utility bills in January and again in February. A five-year progressive rate increase is scheduled to take effect on July 1, 2005 and continue at a rate of about 3.5% per year through 2010. The increase is needed to fund new regulatory mandates related to surface water quality, including de-commissioning a number of dry wells in close proximity to drinking water wells and inspecting a cleaning dry wells more frequently. Failure to comply with the regulations subjects the City to legal sanctions by state and federal agencies as well as citizens.
9. Engineering is presenting the final draft of the Capital Improvement Program for the next five year period, 2005/06 – 2009/10, to the Citizens Utility Advisory Board (CUAB) on February 16. The CUAB will pass on its recommendations to the City Budget Committee in March
10. On-going work to enhance the structural integrity of the elevated water tank is nearly complete. A sub-coat of silver paint is going on this week, but the tank will receive a new coat of dark green by the end of the month.
11. The McLoughlin boulevard enhancement project is scheduled to go to bid in June with construction to start by August. The acquisition of right of way is nearing completion. Vic's Tavern and the Antique Mall tenants will be relocated. The city will contract for demolition of the Kroll Building and antique mall this spring. There is a plan to save and re-use some of the Kroll Building bricks.
12. We are opening a recruitment for a Civil Engineer this weekend in light of Brion Barnett's recent resignation.
13. Attachments to this Friday Memo include:
 - February 18, 2005 NDA News and grant status by NDA; and
 - Weekly North Main Project Status Report.

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Wachs, Jason

> Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2005 10:20 AM

> To: Swanson, Mike

> Subject: NDA News, 02/18/05

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> The news for this week includes:

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> 1. March Neighborhood Grant Deadline quickly approaching - Friday, March 4th

> 2. New Addresses in Milwaukie

> 3. City Council Work Session for Feb. 19th has been cancelled

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> 1. March Neighborhood Grant Deadline quickly approaching

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> The March Neighborhood Matching Grant Program deadline is Friday, March

> 4th. If you didn't have a chance to discuss ideas during your February

> meeting your next deadline to apply for funding is Friday, June 3rd.

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> Remember that grant proposals are reviewed quarterly during the months of

> September, December, March, and June and applications are due on the first

> Friday of each of those months except for September. Applications are

> received during the entire month of September in order to allow each

> Neighborhood to have a chance to meet and discuss ideas after the summer

> break.

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> I provided a status report for each Neighborhood some time ago, but just

> in case you misplaced it and are curious as to how much funding is

> currently available for your neighborhood here it is again.

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> 2. New Addresses in Milwaukie

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> Tom Larsen, the City's Building Official, has recently assigned the

> following addresses:

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> 1. The vacant lot next to the Heckman House in Island Station (12119 SE

> 21st Ave., 11E35DD01400).

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> 2. Kerry Meadows Subdivision on the North side of King Road at 54th

> Avenue; 12E30DC02400

> Lot 1: 5337 SE KING (EXISTING HOUSE).

> Lot 2: 10343 SE 54th AVENUE

> Lot 3: 10317 SE 54th AVENUE

> Lot 4: 10271 SE 54th AVENUE

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> The City expects to have permit applications for new single family

> residences on Lots 2, 3 & 4 within two weeks.

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> If you have any questions please contact:

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> Tom Larsen

> Building Official
> City of Milwaukie
> (503) 786-7611
> larsent@ci.milwaukie.or.us
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> 3. City Council Work Session has been cancelled - Feb. 19th
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> The City Council work session to discuss Council Goals scheduled for
> Saturday, Feb. 19th is cancelled. The new date will be determined and a
> new notice will be sent at that time.
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> If you have questions concerning the cancellation please call Pat DuVal,
> (503) 786-7502.
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> Jason Wachs, Program Coordinator
> City of Milwaukie Community Services
> 10722 SE Main St.
> Milwaukie, OR 97222
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Milwaukie Neighborhood Matching Grant Program
January 2005 Report
As of 01/25/05

Neighborhood	Carry over from Fiscal Year 03-04	FY 04-05 Budgeted Amount	Total Available for FY 04-05	FY 04-05 Total Expenditures to date	Current Available Balance
Ardenwald/JC	\$4,102.00	\$4,000.00	\$8,102.00	\$1,000.00	\$7,102.00
Hector Campbell	\$6,045.00	\$4,000.00	\$10,045.00	\$450.00	\$9,595.00
Historic Milwaukie	\$4,484.00	\$4,000.00	\$8,484.00	\$2,449.00	\$6,035.00
Island Station	\$10,643.00	\$4,000.00	\$14,643.00	\$620.00	\$14,023.00
Lake Road	\$6,529.00	\$4,000.00	\$10,529.00	\$400.00	\$10,129.00
Lewelling	\$3,460.00	\$4,000.00	\$7,460.00	\$2,500.00	\$4,960.00
Linwood	\$7,078.00	\$4,000.00	\$11,078.00	\$270.00	\$10,808.00
Totals	\$42,341.00	\$28,000.00	\$70,341.00	\$7,689.00	\$62,652.00

Note: Amounts do not reflect individual NDA account balances.

North Main Redevelopment Project

North Main Project-Summary February 17, 2005

Project is making progress with final site design and financing. Key issue: construction documents, public infrastructure improvements and financing. Here is a summary of activities and the schedule for the North Main Redevelopment Project for the next several weeks.

Summary of recent activities

February 1, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB Received 50% completed construction documents. Developed draft MOU to clarify each parties responsibilities for public utilities in right of way.
February 8, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB
February 15, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB
February 15, 2005	City Council Meeting, 7PM. Contract awarded for North Main project development consulting, Phase III.
February 17, 2005	North Main Management Team Meeting. Discussed updated schedule, critical path items, permitting requirements, public utility finances and cost sharing. SOJ, Portland 9:00AM

Upcoming Activities

February 22, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB
March 1, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB
March 1, 2005	30% completion off-site design and engineering plans submitted to City by HHPR
March 3, 2005	North Main Management Team Meeting. 10:30 AM. SOJ Portland
March 8, 2005	City staff development team, 3:30 PM, JCB
March 10, 2005	Open House, City Hall 6 PM. Design and engineering plans for off-site improvements: sidewalk and streetscape, 21st Street extension. Design and Plans of the North Main Village exhibited. Developer team present.
March 15, 2005	City Council workshop 5:30 pm Replacement parking plan for loss of "Safeway" lot.
April, 2005	Design and Landmarks Committee. Final check in meeting. Location and date: TBA