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Mayor's Message



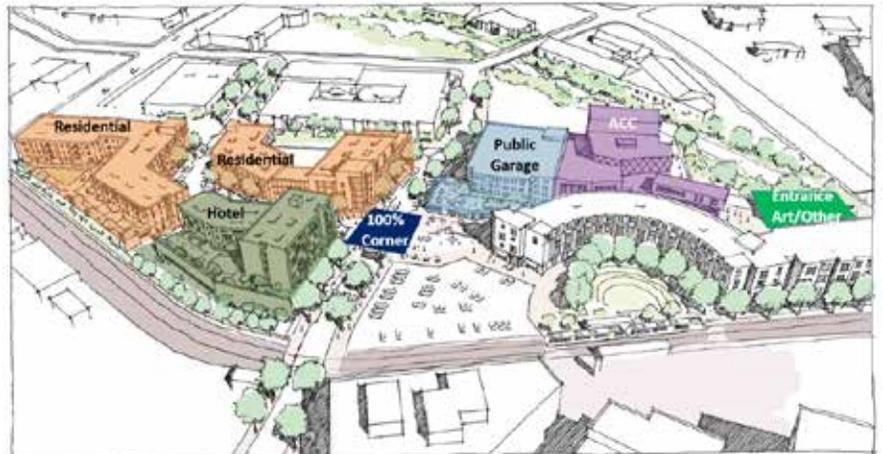
Denny Doyle

Beaverton is one of the most successful cities in Oregon. On January 13, I will once again deliver my annual State of the City address and speak about my optimism, while unveiling the three overarching city priorities for 2016. I encourage you to join me at ACMA to learn our city's plans to grow the local economy, urban renewal activity, affordable housing, and a blueprint for the coming year.

So how do we get there? We will continue to move our economy ahead through strong partnerships. In Beaverton, we're known for being collaborative. We have a reputation for working closely with the county, school district, park district, and our local chamber to improve our community.

Today, Beaverton is on a solid path. Our unemployment rate is 4.4 percent and our labor force is growing by an estimated 1.5 percent. A big part of our economic recovery is Nike's

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An artist's rendering imagines the redeveloped Beaverton Creekside District at The Round and Westgate. (Ankrom Moisan Architects)

City Council Greenlights Ambitious Plans in Beaverton's Creekside District

In early December, the Beaverton City Council made strides in moving a concept forward for the redevelopment of the Westgate site located in the Creekside district near The Round. To advance the project, the council authorized a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with hotel developer O'Reilly Hospitality Management for an urban-style Cambria hotel with 140 to 150 rooms. The hotel is expected to be at least five stories, with a destination restaurant on the ground floor.

"With this new hotel, we'll have great momentum to turn Westgate and our entire Creekside district into something that we can all be proud of," said Mayor Denny Doyle. "This will be a catalyst for even more investment in the heart of our city."

Plans also call for two mixed-use development buildings that feature market-rate residential housing on the upper floors with commercial retail on the ground floor. Adjacent to Westgate at The Round, the development team proposes an arts and culture center envisioned to host a 450-seat performance theater, traveling performances, in-house residency for local companies, a visual art gallery, and more.

"Westgate is such an important location within downtown Beaverton and our Creekside district," said Council President Mark Fagin. "This redevelopment is a community vision priority, and we are inspired to see the development team's vision for this iconic spot. We appreciate the hard work of the mayor and city staff as plans are refined for the area."

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expansion. The last time I was on Murray Boulevard, I counted five cranes towering over Nike's World Headquarters. This expansion brings permanent, family-wage jobs and moves our economy forward.

Clearly, Beaverton's future is bright. People are choosing our community more than ever before. They like our safe city, our outstanding schools, and our beautiful parks.

My commitment to you is that I will continue to invest in our city. We are blessed with strong community leaders and a vibrant chamber. By working together, with all of our public and private partners, we will continue to represent The Best of Oregon.

Denny Dork

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THE CITY'S MISSION

"Preserve and enhance Beaverton as a responsive, dynamic, attractive and safe community."

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Beaverton's Creekside District (continued from page 1)

To support district parking and redevelopment of the area, the Beaverton Urban Renewal Agency (BURA) voted in December to purchase Lot 2 at The Round from BTR and Associates for \$504,000 for a potential future publicly-owned parking garage.

Beaverton and Metro jointly own the vacant 3.9 acre site of the former Westgate Theater. The parcel is located between SW Cedar Hills Boulevard and SW Rose Biggi Avenue and is near the Beaverton Central light rail station, next to The Beaverton Building (city hall), office buildings, and a mixed-use condominium development.

The city's Creekside District Master Plan identified Westgate as a catalytic site, meaning that its development could encourage other construction in the area. Once the project is complete, it will augment the existing Round development and create a lively and attractive urban destination—taking advantage of nearby light rail, and promoting redevelopment on nearby properties.

Free Tax Assistance for Beaverton Residents

In partnership with AARP Tax-Aide and CASH Oregon, the city of Beaverton is providing free tax preparation and filing assistance from Feb. 1 to Apr. 15 at the Beaverton Activities Center, 12500 SW Allen Blvd. This is a free, walk-in service; no appointments needed. The center will be open Tuesday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

What to bring:

- Social security number or individual taxpayer identification number for all persons on the return
- Form W-2 from every employer
- Other forms and receipts, such as 1099s from bank
- Child and dependent care information
- Copies of last year's returns, if available
- Picture identification
- Health insurance documentation, including Form 1095-A if any persons on tax return had coverage through the health insurance marketplace

**Tuesday-Friday, Feb. 1-Apr. 15,
11 a.m.-7 p.m.,
Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Beaverton Activities Center,
12500 SW Allen Blvd**



Beaverton residents can receive free help in preparing and filing their taxes with the help of a trained volunteer. In the 2015 season, the tax assistance program helped 2,077 people in the Beaverton community receive a total of nearly \$2.5 million in tax refunds.

For more information, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/TaxPrep.

Celebrating Another Great Year in Beaverton



Beaverton Night Market

Happy New Year! It’s hard to believe 2016 is already here. It is a joy serving on the city council. I appreciate the opportunity I’ve had to meet so many wonderful people who are so invested in making this community even greater than it is today. And, I appreciate how much I’ve learned. While this work isn’t always easy, it is certainly incredibly rewarding when you get to see the great progress we are making together.

2015 has been a great year for Beaverton. A couple of highlights that will have a long lasting impact on our city include the expansion of our branch library, the addition of the Beaverton Night Market, and the completion of the five-year update to our community vision.

In April, we celebrated the expansion of the Murray Scholls branch library. The additional 5,000 square feet is being utilized as a children’s area. This has allowed the library to expand programs, add more seating and separate the quiet library sections from the more noisy. As a result, the branch has seen rising attendance that has far surpassed our expectations.

In September, the city and the Diversity Advisory Board hosted the first Beaverton Night Market. More than 5,000 people packed into the south plaza at Beaverton Central, right in front of city hall. The celebration included 20 vendors and a number of performances from local music and dance groups. It was a fantastic first-time event. Next year look for more—more space, more vendors, and more than one date.

Finally, in 2015 the Beaverton Community Vision finalized its five-year update. With the vast majority of actions from the first vision completed or underway, it was time to start fresh. The Visioning Advisory Committee spent hundreds of hours talking with the community, signing up partners and preparing this important action plan. The document will help guide the city’s priorities for the next five years.

2016 is going to be another good, busy, and fun year in Beaverton. It is no accident that this newsletter is called *Your City*. It’s named that because we want every resident of Beaverton to feel welcome to participate in your city. We hope you can attend one or more of the many events and activities offered in our libraries, parks and civic spaces. As always, if you have ideas, concerns or questions, please let me know. My door is always open.

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COUNCIL GOALS Preserve and enhance our sense of community. ■ Use city resources efficiently to ensure long-term financial stability. ■ Continue to plan for, improve and maintain the city's infrastructure. ■ Provide responsive, cost-effective service to the community. ■ Assure a safe and healthy community. ■ Manage growth and respond to change consistent with maintaining a livable, full-service city. ■ Maintain Beaverton as a regional leader in cooperative efforts with other agencies and organizations. ■ Provide and support a highly-qualified and motivated city work force.

City Council Meetings

Council Chamber

All meetings are Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m., at The Beaverton Building, 12725 SW Millikan Way (unless otherwise noted)

January 5, 12 & 26

February 2, 9, 16 & 23

City council meetings are open to the public, available for online viewing and televised multiple times on community access television (TVCTV). For the most up-to-date agenda and materials call 503-526-2222 or visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov.

Five Startups Receive OTBC Challenge Grant

The city and startup incubator Oregon Technology Business Center (OTBC) announced in November the five winners of the first Beaverton \$100K Startup Challenge. The challenge was sponsored by the city and the Westside Startup Fund, each of which contributed \$50,000. Each of the five winners will receive a \$20,000 cash-convertible note investment, one year of free office space at OTBC, and coaching and mentoring support.

The five challenge winners are:

- **Cliqa:** Mobile payment platform that allows immigrants to fund domestic and international prepaid accounts and avoid expensive calling cards or transaction fees. www.micliqa.com
- **DroneSeed:** A faster and ten times less expensive way to replant trees, using an innovative combination of drones, paintball technology, and software. www.droneseed.co

- **Guomikids:** Beautiful and functional baby apparel that gives back to the world community. www.guomikids.com
- **Quickbeam:** Pursuing therapeutic treatment for methamphetamine addiction. www.quickbeambio.com
- **Senaptec:** Products that assess, analyze, and improve vision and sensorimotor skills. www.senaptec.com

OTBC received more than 60 applications for the challenge. For-profit, early-stage growth businesses with ambition and potential to scale into national and international markets were encouraged to apply. For more information, visit www.otbc.org.



Murrayhill Marketplace Gets a Makeover: Murrayhill Marketplace on SW Teal Blvd is getting an upgrade. The one-story retail building and three-story professional office building, constructed in 1987 and owned by Regency Centers, will get an updated look, including new siding, lighting, canvas awnings, roofing, and signs. The original clock tower will be removed. The project will also feature improved parking and accessibility, added landscaping, and a new common plaza area for tenant and public use. The project is expected to be completed in September 2016.

Beaverton Businesses Receive Improvement Grants

Eleven Beaverton businesses received grants from the city's storefront improvement, tenant improvement, and design services pilot programs.

Two businesses received improvement grants in fall 2015. Peonies and Possibilities will use its storefront improvement grant for new signage. Broadway Saloon's tenant improvement grant will be used for an interior upgrade. Each business will provide matching funds.

The city also approved an unprecedented nine design grant awards for downtown and Allen Boulevard businesses. Design grants will be used for architectural services to prepare for future improvements. Recipients include: Beaverton Florist, Bel Aire Center, Best Chiropractic Clinic, Boriken Restaurant, Broadway Saloon, GBU Leasing LLC, Ickabod's, Thomas Family Dentistry, and Vanek's Shoe Repair.

For more information about these programs, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Incentives.

Volunteers Enhance Hall Creek and Barrows Meadow with Native Plants

More than 165 volunteers participated in planting days in October and November at the Hall Creek enhancement project. With assistance from Friends of Trees, they planted 3,541 native plants and 3,115 shrubs, wildflowers, rushes, and sedges. The plants will improve water quality and wildlife habitat.

The Hall Creek enhancement project will alleviate flooding, improve storm water runoff quality, improve pedestrian safety, provide a green-space for the community to enjoy, and present an example of how a creek can fit into an urban area.

Another Hall Creek planting is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 9, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 3771 SW 114th Avenue.

The city, along with Friends of Trees and Clean Water Services, will also be planting native trees at the Barrows Meadows wetland site on Saturday, Jan. 23, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 11150 SW Davies Road. This five-year partnership is transforming five acres from an invasive vegetation landscape to a native plant habitat for birds and wildlife. For more information or to sign up for either planting day,



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visit www.friendsoftrees.org or call 503-526-3701.

Hall Creek Fish Salvage

As part of the Hall Creek enhancement project, about 650 feet of the creek will be temporarily bypassed during construction, which would leave fish and other aquatic life without water.

Last summer, a crew from Cardno WRG counted, identified, and moved nearly 18,000 fish and other species out of the project area. The fish were electronically stunned, captured by net, and transported downstream over the course of two days. Total mortality was relatively

low. Workers were surprised to find such high numbers of native species, including western brook lamprey eels, which are native to the area but not commonly found in urban streams. Other native species found included redbreast shiner, sculpins, speckled dace, threespine stickleback, and crayfish.

When construction is finished and water is restored to the project area, native species will return to their newly improved habitat.



A crew moved nearly 18,000 native fish and other species downstream from the Hall Creek enhancement project last summer.



Setting the last beam on the Hocken bridge.

Work Continues on Hocken Avenue

In November, the 15 beams for the Hocken Avenue bridge were lifted into place. Each beam weighs 56,900 pounds (more than two full-size school buses). The contractor also completed the two bridge abutments—supports at both ends—and the four walls adjoining the abutments. The abutments and walls used approximately 550 cubic yards of concrete. In addition to the bridge work, curbs and gutters have been installed, as well as street lighting and sidewalks on the north

side of Beaverton Creek.

The project is on schedule to be completed by the end of June 2016. Work over the next several months will include completing the bridge and underground utilities on the south side. The public is reminded that for safety reasons, pedestrians are prohibited from walking through the work zone.

For more information on this project, contact Jim Brink, project engineer, at 503-789-5664.

Beaverton Council on Aging Promotes Age-Friendly Policies and Practices

The city of Beaverton has a long and well respected history of volunteerism, especially in the many committees that offer ideas and advice to the city council and the mayor. One of these is the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, originally formed in 1997.

The committee was formed to provide a formal space for promoting communication with and understanding of the needs of its aging residents to ensure that the city's policies are sensitive to and accommodating of their needs.

Responding to the changing climate on how aging is perceived and spoken about in a more age-inclusive culture, the committee has changed its name to the Beaverton Council on Aging (BCOA). With its new name, the group will continue to examine the challenges seniors face in the community, as well as new concepts and programs that may arise.

The BCOA is currently studying age-friendly policies, programs and practices in the city and is preparing recommendations to promote age friendliness, as well as communication on aging, age-aware transportation and affordable housing. Initial recommendations will be presented to the city council and Mayor Doyle early in 2016. The BCOA is working as a partner for the Beaverton Community Vision with a focus on helping to create a more dynamic and vibrant Beaverton for all ages. Members of the public are welcome to attend and share their views on aging in Beaverton at the BCOA's regular meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at The Beaverton Building.



The newly-renamed Beaverton Council on Aging.



HRAC 2014 elementary winner Kayla Rodrigues

Students Invited to Enter Human Rights Creative Expressions Contest

The city's Human Rights Advisory Commission (HRAC) is now accepting applications for its annual Creative Expressions Contest. The contest gives Beaverton-area students, grades K to 12, an opportunity to express their ideas about the importance of human and civil rights.

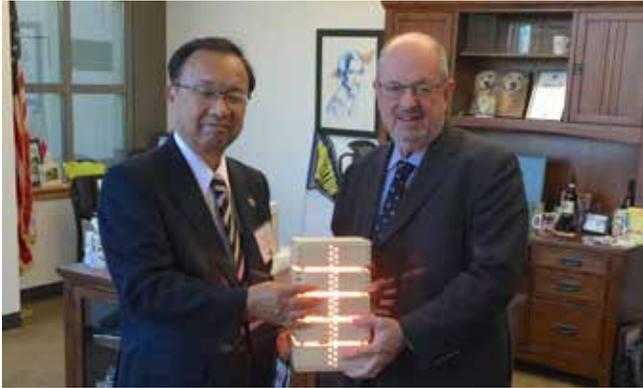
Students are encouraged to be creative. Entries may be any form of artistic medium, including poems, short stories, essays, original songs or music, any type of two- or three-dimensional artwork, film, or dance.

Entries should convey the importance of human rights, respect, and acceptance at home and school, in the community, or in the world. Students may tell a personal story or take inspiration from a civil rights hero or heroine.

Submissions may be delivered or mailed to the city's human resources department at The Beaverton Building, 12725 SW Millikan Way, or submitted online at www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Creative by 5 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 29.

Ogaki City Delegation Visits Beaverton and Gotemba Hosts Beaverton Musicians

In November, representatives from Ogaki City, Japan, Beaverton's first Friendly City partner, visited Beaverton. Ogaki City Mayor Bin Ogawa was among the visitors. During their stay, the representatives toured Vernier Software and Technology, visited the Beaverton Police Department, and were welcomed to Beaverton City Hall by Mayor Denny Doyle.



Ogaki City Mayor Bin Ogawa and Mayor Doyle at Beaverton City Hall during Ogaki City's visit in November.

Also in November, Beaverton's sister city, Gotemba, Japan, hosted a performance by local music group the Minidoka Swing Band. Mayor Yohei Wakabayashi accepted a letter sent by Mayor Doyle thanking him for the warm welcome shown to the band during their stay.



The Minidoka Swing Band at their welcome party in November in Beaverton's sister city, Gotemba, Japan.

Mayor's Youth Advisory Board Activities

In November, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Board (MYAB) held a cleanup of its adopted section of SW Scholls Ferry Road. Members are proud of their commitment to Beaverton's Adopt a Road program to keeping the roads clean and maintaining Beaverton's image as an environmentally friendly city. They will hold another cleanup this spring.

MYAB members are also working on this spring's Beaverton Youth Summit, which offers local students the opportunity to network with professionals from public and private sectors. More information about this year's event will be coming soon.



MYAB members pick up trash and clean their adopted section of SW Scholls Ferry Road in November.

Wood Smoke and Air Quality

Wood smoke—from sources such as fireplaces, wood stoves, and wood stove inserts—affects air quality, especially in the winter months when cold air can trap pollution near the ground. Poor air quality particularly affects children, older adults, and anyone with respiratory conditions like asthma. Washington County has approved new rules to protect the public's health by reducing wood smoke in the unincorporated county. Residents of Beaverton and other cities in Washington County are also being encouraged to help air quality by only burning dry wood that has seasoned at least six months; making small, hot fires; not



burning garbage or household waste; putting fires out overnight; and keeping stoves and fireplaces cleaned and well-maintained.

When to Call 9-1-1

When you are experiencing an emergency, calling 9-1-1 is the fastest way to summon immediate police, fire, or medical help. An emergency is:

- An immediate threat to life
- An immediate threat to property
- A crime in progress

If none of these apply, you should call the non-emergency number, 503-629-0111, for issues such as:

- Harassing phone calls
- Abandoned vehicles
- Noise or music complaints
- A theft that occurred on a previous day
- Vandalism (if not in progress)
- Missing persons who are not in immediate danger
- Requests for extra patrols
- General questions

In Washington County, all 9-1-1 and non-emergency calls are answered by the same highly-trained calltakers and dispatchers at the Washington County Consolidated Communications Agency, but 9-1-1 calls are prioritized over non-emergencies. For more information, visit www.wccca.com.

Cell Phones and 9-1-1



- When you dial 9-1-1 from a cell phone, you are routed to the closest 9-1-1 center based on your physical location. It is not based on your area code or billing address.
- Texting 9-1-1 is not currently an option in this area. You must call 9-1-1 and speak to a calltaker.
- Do not allow children to play with old cell phones. A cell phone without active service can still call 9-1-1.
- Lock your keypad when you are not using your phone so that you don't dial 9-1-1 by mistake.
- Some cell phone types can still dial 9-1-1 when locked, so use caution when storing your phone in your pocket or bag.

Beaverton Police Seek Community Input for Body-Worn Camera Pilot Program

The Beaverton Police Department (BPD) has been awarded a Body-Worn Camera Pilot Implementation Program Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. The grant for \$150,000 will cover the cost of 100 cameras to advance and expand the department's comprehensive body-worn camera program. BPD will serve as a pilot program for other law enforcement agencies, and will share findings and best practices with the Department of Justice as part of the two-year grant. The pilot program includes community engagement; development and refinement of body-worn camera policy and procedures; research, testing, and equipment procurement; deployment of cameras; and program evaluation.

BPD is committed to ensuring continued high-quality services from its officers, increasing transparency and openness with the community, and strengthening trust for the police department. The use of body-worn cameras is intended to help facilitate this commitment.

BPD is seeking input from a broad range of community members and leaders about the adoption and use of body-worn cameras. BPD representatives are meeting with various groups and will be hosting open houses to share information about the pilot

program and to listen to questions and concerns about the program. The public is invited to stop by one of the open houses to give input.

For more information, contact Michelle Harrold at 503-526-2517 or visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Police.

Body-Worn Camera Pilot Program Open Houses
Thursday, Jan. 21 and Thursday, Feb. 18, 5 to 7 p.m.
Beaverton Police Department
4755 SW Griffith Drive



The Beaverton Police Department is committed to providing high-quality services to the community. A new body-worn camera pilot program will help continue this commitment.

Holiday Tree Recycling

Residential customers may place holiday trees and other greenery in their yard debris cart following these preparation guidelines:

- If the tree will fit in the yard debris cart (either whole or cut up), place it into the cart.
- Whole trees can be placed on the curb as an additional yard debris set-out for a \$3.63 fee.
- If shorter than six feet, the tree can be set out whole. If taller than six feet, it should be cut into pieces less than six feet long.
- No matter the length, the tree should be set out with the yard debris cart, so that the hauler can lift it into the truck.
- Only include cut trees, wreaths, plants and swags that are free of tinsel, ornaments, plastic, bows or other material.
- Residents living in apartments or condominiums with shared garbage collection should contact their property manager or board of directors to determine if a holiday tree pickup service or event has been arranged.
- Contact your garbage hauler for more information, or call the city of Beaverton's recycling program at 503-526-2665.



Rain Barrels Save Water

The Portland metro area gets about 37 inches of rainfall annually. Typically 90 percent of that rainfall occurs between October and May, a time of year when extra water is not needed to irrigate lawns or gardens. Capturing and reusing rainwater from roof runoff can reduce demand on the sewer system and reduce residential water usage.

A rain barrel is a simple rainwater collector that captures and stores a portion of the runoff from a roof downspout for non-potable, exterior uses, such as irrigation. Rain barrels come in a wide variety of materials, designs, and colors. Residential rain barrels are commonly 55 gallons or 90 gallons. They are usually installed on the ground next to a building.

Rain barrels can be a great project for the whole family to learn about rain harvesting. There are a few things to consider before determining if a rain barrel is right for your home:

- The water from a rain barrel should never be used for drinking, cooking, or other potable uses.
- The barrel must be structurally sound and should be a good-grade container made to hold liquid. Containers such as trash cans are not designed to withstand the pressure of water.
- All rainwater collection systems must have an overflow to a safe disposal location. The average residential roof generates about 30,000 gallons of rainfall runoff every year, and an average 55-gallon rain barrel can only capture a fraction of that. With one rain barrel or multiple, a safe overflow disposal is essential.
- Because of the seasonal rainfall pattern in this region, with a wet winter and dry summer, rain barrels are not the most efficient water conservation method. Rain barrels have a limited storage capacity, and may not provide enough water for landscaping or lawn maintenance.
- Although rain barrels typically do not have enough pressure to be used with sprinklers, they can be a great way to water a garden or potted plants.



Barcelona Grand Opening

In early December, Community Partners for Affordable Housing held a grand opening for The Barcelona at SW First and Lombard. The building has 47 affordable housing units. Although the project is currently full, names are being accepted for an interest list. Contact Cascade Management at 503-702-7524 for more information.



City Branches Out With Neighborhood Leaf Drop-Offs

For more than 20 years, Beaverton has been part of the Arbor Day Foundations Tree City USA program, which helps preserve and celebrate the importance of an urban tree canopy. But with that tree canopy come leaves—lots of leaves, which can be a nuisance in autumn. This year, the city's public works department came up with a better way to help neighborhoods keep leaves out of the streets and storm drains, reduce trash, and create compost which can be used to improve soil.

The neighborhood leaf drop-off campaign took place in November

and December. Each weekend, staff were at various locations throughout Beaverton to accept bagged leaves and collect donations of food for the Oregon Food Bank. The program was an overwhelming success.

In previous years, the city's main drop site brought in about 60 yards of leaves in a weekend. By bringing the leaf drop-off sites to the neighborhood, they collected an average of 200 yards of leaves each weekend. People also donated more than 2,600 pounds of food.

This program is just one example of how Beaverton is working to be more responsible and responsive to the community's needs.



Nonprofits Invited to Apply for Social Service Funding Grants

The grant application for city of Beaverton Social Service Funding Grants will be available on Monday, Feb. 1 and will be due Friday, Mar. 11 at 4 p.m. Grant recipients are selected through a competitive process, and are open to nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations for operations and activities in Beaverton from July 2016 through June 2017.

The Social Service Funding Committee will make recommendations to the city council, which has prioritized projects that address homelessness/housing, affordable afterschool and educational pro-

gramming, and health needs in the Beaverton community. The committee will hold informational grant sessions at The Beaverton Building, 12725 SW Millikan Way, on Thursday, Feb. 18 from 6 to 7 p.m., and Friday, Feb. 19 from 2 to 3 p.m.

For more information or a copy of the application, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/SocialServices or contact Megan Cohen, staff liaison, at 503-526-2584 or mcohen@BeavertonOregon.gov.

Grant Information Sessions
Thursday, Feb. 18, 6-7 p.m.,
Friday, Feb. 19, 2-3 p.m.
The Beaverton Building, 12725 SW
Millikan Way



Students receive backpacks full of nutritious food through the Impact NW program funded in part by the city's Social Service Funding Grants.

Beaverton Arts Program Accepting Applications for Grants and Scholarships

The Beaverton arts program has two opportunities for local artists to receive grants and scholarships. First, the city is seeking scholarship applications from outstanding high school visual and performing art students. All fine and performing art graduating seniors who attend high school within Beaverton School District boundaries are eligible to apply. Multiple \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded in each of two cat-

egories: outstanding visual art high school senior (including traditional media, design, and moving image), and outstanding performing art high school senior (including music, dance, singing, drama, tech crew, etc.).

The city is also accepting applications for its fourth annual community grant program, which is open to individual artists, arts groups, and schools supporting arts activities that occur within the

Beaverton School District boundaries. The program is funded by the Beaverton Arts and Culture Foundation, the Reser Family Foundation, and the city of Beaverton. Proposed activities must occur between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

For applications and more information on both opportunities, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Arts.

City Seeking Applicants for 2016 BOLD Program

The city of Beaverton, in partnership with the Center for Intercultural Organizing, is currently recruiting participants for this year's Beaverton Organizing and Leadership Development (BOLD) program, to be held from February to April. BOLD seeks to identify, engage and train emerging leaders from immigrant and refugee communities and communities of color interested in city government and advocacy at the local level.

The program includes three full days of hands-on sessions focused on strengthening cross-cultural relationships; building leadership, community organizing, and advocacy skills; and providing an in-depth orientation to city government and opportunities for engagement. Among other activities, the program includes sessions with current city leaders

and elected officials and practice giving public testimony.

The BOLD program is a key strategy of the city's cultural inclusion program to increase participation of underrepresented communities in city government. Graduates of the program currently serve on several of the city's boards, commissions and other volunteer opportunities, as well as being involved in other key community leadership positions.

There is no cost to participate but individuals must apply and live within Beaverton city limits to be eligible. English language proficiency is not necessary; interpretation is provided.

For more information, contact Alexis Ball, equity outreach coordinator, at 503-526-2503 or aball@BeavertonOregon.gov. Applications are due Monday, Feb. 1.



The city's BOLD program gives emerging leaders from immigrant and refugee communities and communities of color the opportunity to learn about local government and advocacy. Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 program cohort.



City Adds Veteran Businesses to New Purchasing Policy

The city's new purchasing policy will now include a fourth certification: Service-Disabled Veteran Business (SDV), thanks to an

update passed by the city council in December. The policy, passed in July 2015 and effective Jan. 1, 2016, already acknowledges existing state certifications for Minority, Women and Emerging Small Businesses (MWESB) and prioritizes these businesses for targeted outreach and contracting.

SDVs are businesses that are majority-owned and controlled by veterans disabled during their term of service. They must be certified by the state. With the passage of recent legislation paving the way for the SDV designation and its incorporation into the state certification process in 2016, the city took the opportunity to include SDVs in its emerging policy.

The city of Beaverton joins area jurisdictions in supporting greater equity in city purchasing with its new MWESB and SDV policy. The policy focuses on improving practices to notify and solicit bids from a diverse pool of businesses, as well as asking large contractors to make a good faith effort to engage certified firms in subcontracting. Complemented by outreach and events to increase awareness of certification, the city hopes to reach a minimum of 10 percent of its total annual procurement dollars spent with certified firms.

For more information, contact Terry Muralt, purchasing agent, at 503-526-2229 or tmuralt@BeavertonOregon.gov.



At a recent meet and certify event, small businesses in Beaverton learned about how to apply for state MWESB and service-disabled veteran certification.

ADULT EVENTS

Events at main Library; register for events at www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register unless otherwise noted.

Song Circle

Mondays, Jan. 4 & Feb. 1 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Please join other singers, musicians and music-lovers of all levels in a supportive and informal environment to share songs and music. We sing pop and folk songs from the 60s and 70s, with a few traditional numbers thrown in. If you have a favorite song you want to sing, please bring 20 photocopies with lyrics and chords to share. Have fun singing with others! Free and open to the public; no registration required. All ages are welcome.

Citizenship Class

Wednesdays, Jan. 13, 20 & 27, Feb. 3, 10, 17 & 24 and March 2 | 6:30-8 p.m.

Prepare for the U.S. Citizenship Exam with teachers from Mission: Citizen! This class runs for eight weeks and attendees are encouraged to be present each week in order to get the most out of the class. Teachers are available to translate the material into many languages. This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

Talking about Dying

Tuesday, Jan. 19 | 6:30 p.m.

Presented by Oregon Humanities. Talking about Dying is a one-time, 90-minute community discussion that provides Oregonians with an opportunity to reflect upon the stories and influences that shape their thinking about death and dying and to hear different perspectives and ideas from fellow community members. Participants will explore essential questions: What do we think about when we think of dying? As people we've known have moved closer to death, what's seemed to work well for them and the people close to them? What's seemed difficult? When we think about our own dying, what do we want most? Participants will come away from this conversation with a strengthened sense of community support and collective engagement around these questions, as well as a resource list with tools and information

to help them consider how to shape a meaningful approach to death and dying. This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

Community Crafting for Adults

Thursday, Jan. 21 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Meets every other month to do a new craft. Previous skills are not required, but creativity and conversation are highly encouraged. Free; registration is required.

Story Slam

Thursday, Jan. 21 | 7-8:30 p.m.

The Beaverton City Library Story Slam is a friendly, open-mic storytelling competition. Storytellers' names will be drawn from a hat, and those chosen will take to the stage to tell their true, personal, 5- to 8-minute story from memory. Come put your name in the hat to tell a story or just enjoy the show. The winner receives a \$10 Powell's gift certificate. This program is free and open to the public. Potential storytellers should arrive 15 minutes early to speak with the event host about their planned story.

Soup and Books

Tuesday, Feb. 2 | 7-8:30 p.m.

Northwest author Maggie Stuckey will share stories about writing and publishing her books. Attendees will enjoy sampling homemade soup while hearing stories of neighborhood soup nights around the country. This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

Who I Am—Celebrating Me: An Artistic Journey through Black History

Thursday, Feb. 4 | 7 p.m.

A community of youth and adult artists explore history through artistic expression. This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

How Much Inequality is Acceptable?

Tuesday, Feb. 16 | 6-7:30 p.m.

This event will look at how much income and wealth inequality is too much, and how big-picture economics affect our individual lives. Presenter Julia Hammond is a writer, educator and curriculum developer. This program is free and open to the public; no registration is required.

Teen Art Show

The library displayed stellar teen artistic talent at the 13th Annual Teen Art Show with more than 220 pieces on display. Bennett Long of Beaverton High School won the High School People's Choice Award for his piece *La Seducitrice Pâle* (pictured below in process and completed), which took him more than a year and a half to paint.



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CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Register for events at
www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register
 unless otherwise noted.

MAIN LIBRARY

Messy Art

Mondays, Jan. 4 & Feb. 1 | 4-5 p.m.

Ages 2-7 with family | Drop-in

Make art while making a mess.

Discovery Grocery Store

Tuesday, Jan. 5-Monday, Jan. 11 | 1-5 p.m.

Ages 3-8 with family | Drop-in

Drop by to discover a grocery store in the library that is just the right size for kids. Limited to 20 kids per 20-minute session.

Read to the Dogs

Thursdays, Jan. 7-Feb. 25 | 5-7 p.m.

Saturdays, Jan. 2-Feb. 27 | 10 a.m.-noon

Ages 4-12 with adult | Registration required

Children who are reading on their own can practice their reading with one of our trained therapy dog teams.

Yoga Storytime

Saturday, Jan. 9 | 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Ages 4-12 with adult | Registration required

Enjoy a special storytime with movement and play. Parents are encouraged to participate.

Mr. Lemoncello's Library Olympics

Monday, Jan. 11 | 4-5 p.m. | Grades 2-8

Come celebrate the newest adventures from Mr. Lemoncello with the Library Olympics. Games, puzzles and activities for all.

Positive Playtime

Fridays, Jan. 22-Feb. 19 (except Feb. 12)

10:15-11 a.m. | Ages 1-5 | Registration required

An interactive playgroup for parents, toddlers and preschoolers.

Paw Patrol Party

Monday, Jan. 25 | 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages 2-8 with family | Drop-in

Yelp for fun as we celebrate Ryder and his pups with crafts and games.

Early Words for Childcare Providers: Hey, Baby! Can We Talk?

Monday, Jan. 25 | 6:30-8:30 p.m.

For childcare providers | Registration required

Communication between babies and caregivers forms the foundation of early language and literacy development. In this two-hour session, participants will learn to respond to babies' cues and understand the basics of creating literacy-rich environments for infants in their classrooms.

LEGO Stop Motion Videos

Tuesday, Jan. 26 | 6-8 p.m.

Grades 3-8 | Drop-off

Create a short LEGO stop motion video using an iPad and the LEGO Movie Maker app.

Tech Toys for Homeschoolers

Monday, Feb. 1 | 1-2 p.m.

Pre-K to grade 12

Homeschoolers, come play with Bee-Bot, Snap Circuits and LEGOs. We'll have high- and low-tech toys and games to expand your tech savvy.

Harry Potter Book Night

Thursday, Feb. 4 | 5-6 p.m.

Grades 2 to 5 with family | Drop-in

Celebrate everything Harry Potter with games, crafts and treats. Costumes are encouraged.

Chinese New Year Party

Monday, Feb. 8 | 4-5 p.m.

Ages 2-10 with family | Drop-in

Come and celebrate the Year of the Monkey with crafts and a storytime.

Puppet Palooza with the TLC

Tuesday, Feb. 16 | 7-8 p.m.

Ages 0-5 with family

Join the Teen Library Council for storytime and play with puppets.

Toddler Fun

Friday, Feb. 26 | 10:15-11 a.m.

Ages 2-4 with adult | Drop-in

Join us for fun activities for toddlers, like a storytime without the books. We'll dance, sing, use rhythm props and the parachute, and have a simple craft.

TEEN EVENTS AT MAIN LIBRARY

Code Academy

Thursdays, Jan. 7 & Feb. 4 | 4-5 p.m.

Grades 6 to 12 | Registration required

Teens, come play with computer coding—we'll start with the basics and see where we go. To register, visit www.BeavertonLibrary.org/Register, call 503-350-4001 or visit the Teen Desk at the main library.

Art Bots

Thursday, Jan. 21 | 5-6 p.m. | Grades 6-12

What kind of art do robots make? Find out by creating your very own art bot at the library.

Valentine's for Lovers & Haters

Tuesday, Feb. 9 | 7-8 p.m. | Grades 6-12

Stop in whether you're in love with the idea of love or you think Cupid's stupid—we'll have pro- and anti-Valentine's Day crafts and candy and snacks, along with a heartbreaking movie.

New SAT Practice Test

Saturday, Feb. 20 | 12-3:15 p.m.

Grades 6 to 12 | Registration required

Take a free practice test for the new SAT, proctored by Kaplan. To register, visit www.kaptest.com/class/SKKJ160018.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT MURRAY SCHOLLS BRANCH

Felt Board Stories

Sunday, Jan. 31 | 2-3 p.m. | Ages 2-8 with family | Registration required

Enjoy a special storytime and make a pizza box felt board to play with at home.

Milk and Cookie Playdate

Thursday, Feb. 11 | 1-2 p.m.

Ages 2 and under with family

A playgroup for parents with children 0-24 months. We will have free play and socialization time, sing songs, and share snacks for the children and coffee for the adults.

Life-Sized Candy Land

Sunday, Feb. 14 | 12-5 p.m.

Ages 3-10 with family | Drop-in

Play this classic game with a twist—it's life-sized.

BEAVERTON CITY LIBRARY – MAIN

12375 SW Fifth Street
 Phone: 503-644-2197
 TTY/TDD: 503-574-4606
www.BeavertonLibrary.org

Mon - Thurs, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
 Fri, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
 Sat, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Sun, 1 to 5 p.m.

MURRAY SCHOLLS BRANCH

11200 SW Murray Scholls Place
 Suite 102
 Phone: 503-644-2197
www.BeavertonLibrary.org/MurrayScholls

Mon - Wed, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
 Thu - Sun, Noon to 6 p.m.

Building Community to Build a Better Beaverton

"Almost always, the creative dedicated minority has made the world better." – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Do you know your next-door neighbors or the family down the street? Do you want to see new businesses and jobs in Beaverton but, at the same time, have concerns about the increased traffic? Do you want to know more about development projects happening in the community, but don't know where to get the information? Are you interested in learning more about your neighbors and doing more for your community?

If you answered "Yes" to any of the questions above, consider joining your Neighborhood Association Committee (NAC). Beaverton's 11 NACs are organized by local residents just like you to improve communication with one another and with our city government. They serve as a forum to ensure that all neighbors are kept in the loop on community issues such as

development, transportation, community events, and many others.

The NACs provide an opportunity for all those who live, own a business, or represent a nonprofit in Beaverton to meet with each other and city representatives on matters affecting neighborhoods, and to promote communication and a sense of community. Improving communication will lead to increased awareness of issues impacting the people who live and work in Beaverton, and it will result in greater involvement in our community.

To learn more about your neighborhood association, please contact Sharon Gavin in the neighborhood program at sgavin@BeavertonOregon.gov or 503-526-2543, or visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/NAC.



Victory is Sweet for Mayor

Mayor Doyle challenged Columbus Mayor Mike Coleman to a friendly competition when the Portland Timbers played the Columbus Crew in the 2015 MLS Cup Final in December. The Timbers' practice facility is in Beaverton, and Doyle's hometown pride was

rewarded when the Timbers won! Mayor Coleman sent a box of Columbus' own Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams all the way to Beaverton. If the Crew had won, Coleman would have received cookies from Beaverton Bakery and horseradish from Beaverton Foods.

Neighborhood Association Committee Meetings

Attend an upcoming meeting to meet your neighbors and find out about what's going on in your neighborhood. All meetings start at 7 p.m.

Central Beaverton

Monday, Feb. 1
Beaverton Community Center
12350 SW Fifth Street

Denney Whifford/Raleigh West*

Thursday, Jan. 28 and Feb. 25
McKay Elementary School
7485 SW Scholls Ferry Rd.
Beaverton, OR 97008

Five Oaks Triple Creek*

Tuesday, Jan. 12 and Feb. 9
Elmonica Elementary School
16950 SW Lisa Street

Greenway

Thursday, Feb. 18
Conestoga Middle School Library
12250 SW Conestoga Drive

Highland

Thursday, Jan. 14 and Feb. 11
Beaverton Activities Center
12500 SW Allen Boulevard

Neighbors Southwest*

Wednesday, Jan. 20 and Feb. 17
Nancy Ryles Elementary School
10250 SW Cormorant Drive

Sexton Mountain*

Meetings are scheduled on an as-needed basis. Visit website: www.BeavertonOregon.gov/SextonMountain
Sexton Mountain Elementary School
15645 SW Sexton Mountain Drive

South Beaverton*

Thursday, Jan. 21 and Feb. 18
Southridge High School
9625 SW 125th Avenue

Vose

Thursday, Jan. 21 and Feb. 18
Beaverton Community Center
12350 SW Fifth Street

West Beaverton

Thursday, Feb. 11
Seventh Day Adventist Church
14645 SW Davis Road

West Slope*

Tuesday, Jan. 19 and Feb. 16
West Sylvan Middle School
8111 SW West Slope Drive

MORE INFORMATION

To find out which neighborhood you live in, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov/Neighborhoods, send an email to NeighborMail@BeavertonOregon.gov or call Sharon Gavin at 503-526-2543.

*NACs that meet at schools may change the location of their meetings during the summer months. Please check the city website for the most up-to-date information about meeting locations.

Community Calendar

January/February 2016

Beaverton Symphony Orchestra Concert

Friday, Jan. 15, 7 p.m. & Sunday, Jan. 17, 3 p.m.

Village Baptist Church, 330 SW Murray Blvd

Winter concert features Ravel's Mother Goose Suite, Schubert's Symphony No. 9, and Vieuxtemps' Concerto No. 2 for Cello and Orchestra, featuring cello soloist Diane Chaplin. Prelude conversation with music director Travis Hutton 30 minutes prior to concert. \$10 adults, \$5 seniors/students, \$20 families. www.BeavertonSymphony.org

Car Seat Clinic

Saturday, Jan. 16, 9 a.m. to noon
Saturday, Feb. 20, 9 a.m. to noon

Park Place Center, 4915 SW Griffith Dr. Certified child safety seat technicians will be available to install or inspect car seats. Free. Last car admitted at 11:30 a.m. or sooner, depending on demand. Beaverton Police Department, 503-526-2264.

Beaverton Wind Ensemble Concert

Saturday, Jan. 16, 2 p.m.

Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW Fifth St. Free and open to the public. www.BeavertonWindEnsemble.org



Music in Small Spaces Presents: Exploring the Flamenco Guitar with Peter Zisa

Saturday, Jan. 23, 2 p.m.

Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW Fifth St. This free, family-friendly concert will feature Peter Zisa, professional flamenco guitarist. Zisa will share the history of flamenco and the story of various styles. Purchase tickets online or at the door. Adults \$16, seniors/students \$11, 12 and under free. For more information, visit www.musicinssmallspaces.org.

Holiday Closures

City Hall, operations, and both library locations will be closed for the following holidays:

Jan. 18 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Feb. 15 – Presidents' Day

Beaverton Wind Ensemble Concert

Wednesday, Jan. 20, 7 p.m.

Beaverton City Library, 12375 SW Fifth St.

Free and open to the public.

www.BeavertonWindEnsemble.org

Free Document Shredding

Saturday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sunset Presbyterian Church

A commercial-sized truck will be onsite to accept papers. Limit three boxes per vehicle. Items no larger than staples or paper clips may be attached to documents. Free, with canned food donations encouraged. Beaverton Police Department, 503-526-2264.

Beaverton Civic Theatre Presents The Philadelphia Story

Friday, Feb. 26 to Saturday, March 12

Fridays & Saturdays, 7:30 p.m.; Sundays, 2 p.m.

Beaverton City Library auditorium, 12375 SW Fifth Street

\$15 adults, \$12 students/seniors/groups, \$5 youth. www.BeavertonCivicTheatre.org

Event and meeting dates and locations are subject to change. Assistive listening devices or sign interpreters will be made available at any public meeting or program sponsored by the City of Beaverton upon request with a minimum of 72 hours advance notice. For the most current information, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or call 503-526-2497 V/TDD.

Boards & Commissions

All meetings held at The Beaverton Building, 12725 SW Millikan, unless otherwise noted.

Arts Commission Board

Monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Meets in Jan. on Jan. 20.

Beaverton Council on Aging

Monthly, 2nd Tuesday, 2:15 p.m.

Bicycle Advisory Committee

Monthly, 2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Beaverton Committee for Community Involvement

Monthly, 4th Monday, 6:30 p.m.

Diversity Advisory Board

Monthly, 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m.

Human Rights Advisory Commission

Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Beaverton City Library

Library Advisory Board

Monthly, 2nd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Beaverton City Library

Planning Commission

Weekly, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Sister Cities Board

Monthly, 4th Monday, 5:30 p.m.

Traffic Commission

Monthly, 1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

Visioning Advisory Committee

Monthly, 1st Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting dates and locations are subject to change. For the most current information, visit www.BeavertonOregon.gov or call 503-526-2497 V/TDD.

State of the City 2016

Wednesday, Jan. 13

5:30 p.m. reception, 6:30 p.m. program

Arts & Communication Magnet Academy, Performing Arts Center, 11375 SW Center Street

Join Mayor Denny Doyle and friends for the 2016 State of the City address. RSVP to 503-526-2559 or events@BeavertonOregon.gov.



Postal Customer

Beaverton Businesses Reduce Food Waste and Do Good in Community

The city's composting program helps local businesses reduce their food waste going to the landfill by providing educational assistance about food donation and composting. Edible foods are donated to hungry people or animals, and inedible foods are collected by a hauler and transformed into energy to power homes and make nutrient-rich compost. Congratulations to the following businesses for their food recovery efforts in 2015:

Composting

Beaverton Sub Station
Benihana of Tokyo
Bethel Congregational United Church
Big O's Woodfired Pizza
Brannon Brewery and Pub
Chang's Mongolian Grill
Eastwood Café at Providence Health & Services Offices
Earl and Brown
Fred Meyer
Haggen
IHOP
Izzy's Italian Marketplace
La Hacienda Real
Market of Choice
McGrath's Fish House
McMenamins
Natural Grocers
New Seasons
NIKE Offices
Nordstrom Rack
Oregon Food Bank
Portland Fruit West
Safeway

The Sports Page
Thai Bloom
Uwajimaya
Village Home Education Resources
Walmart

Food Donation

7 Eleven
Albertsons
Ava Roasteria
Beaverton School District
Beaverton Seventh Day Adventist Community Services
Bethel Congregational United Church
Costco Wholesale
Dream Dinners
Einstein Bros Bagels
First United Methodist Church of Beaverton
Fred Meyer
Grocery Outlet
Haggen
Honey Toast Café

Kaleo Covenant Church
Krispy Kreme Donuts
Market of Choice
Murray Hills Christian Church
Natural Grocers
New Seasons
The Olive Garden
Oregon Food Bank
Reser's Fine Foods
Safeway
Salvation Army Veterans Center
St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
St. Cecilia Parish
Starbucks
Sunshine Pantry
Sweet Tomatoes
Target
Trader Joes
True Life Fellowship
Tualatin Valley Gleaners
Unity of Beaverton
Uwajimaya
Walmart



Big O's Woodfired Pizza in downtown Beaverton is one of the newest participants in the city's business composting program.

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 Instagram – [@CityOfBeaverton](https://instagram.com/CityOfBeaverton)

 YouTube – youtube.com/BeavertonCityHall

Would your business like to be recognized for its efforts to save food or learn how to start? For more information about the city's composting program, contact a compost specialist at 503-526-2460 or visit BeavertonOregon.gov/Compost.