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**Upcoming Meetings**

Held in the Council Chambers at 3720 2nd Street

**City Council**

May 9 ~ 7:00pm

June 13 ~ 7:00pm

**Planning Commission**

May 16 ~ 6:30pm

June 20 ~ 6:30pm

**UTILITY RATE INCREASE UPDATE**

In accordance with the 2012 Water and Wastewater Rate Study, utility rates are scheduled to increase beginning June 15, 2017 (reflecting on the August 2017 bill). The following is an example of the increase based on the minimum standard bi-monthly utility bill, single residential unit, 5/8" meter with water consumption of 6,000 gallons or less:

	OLD	NEW
Water	\$43.68	\$45.42
Sewer	\$58.22	\$60.06
Transportation	\$11.46	\$11.72
GSF	\$20.00	\$20.00
WWR Project	\$22.26	\$22.26
ISWP Project	\$16.20	\$16.16
	<u>\$171.82</u>	<u>\$175.62</u>

Please note: Information regarding the 2012 Water and Wastewater Rate Study, the Water Re-use Project, and the Increase Static Water Pressure Project are available on the City of Hubbard's website at <http://www.cityofhubbard.org/publicworks>. For more information regarding these projects, you can contact Public Works at (503)982-9429.

- City of Hubbard Budget Meeting will be held Monday, May 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers located at 3720 2nd Street.
- City Hall will be **CLOSED** on Monday, May 29, 2017 to observe Memorial Day.

**GO GREEN! GO PAPERLESS!**

*Don't wait for your utility bill to arrive in the mail, sign up for paperless billing and receive it instantly in your email inbox!*

*See the insert for more information. For questions, call City Hall at (503)981-9633*

**GARAGE SALE SIGNS**

The City has recently received complaints and concerns regarding placement of garage sale signs throughout town. Please remember signs are not allowed in the City's right of way or on City property.

**DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITORS**

The City of Hubbard requires all door-to-door solicitors to have a City-issued permit displayed on their person while soliciting in the City limits. Please contact City Hall at (503)981-9633 or the **Police Department** at (503) 981-8738 with questions or concerns.

**ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS!**

Maintaining a home is a challenge. If you are in need of home repairs and are seeking financial assistance, the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments administers a Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program that can help. The program provides financing to low and moderate income residents for necessary repairs to homes. Applicants who own and occupy a single-family home and whose household income is at or below eighty percent of median income for Marion County may qualify for the program. The program provides financing to assist with common repairs and replacement of the following: Install or repair roofing, plumbing and electrical, carpet and linoleum, painting, dry rot and structural repairs, accessibility improvements, insulation or new windows, repair or replace heating systems, and other eligible repairs. Homeowners may qualify for loans of up to \$25,000. These low-interest, deferred payment loans require no monthly payments as long as the property remains your primary residence. Therefore, a homeowner makes no monthly payments, and the loan does not need to be repaid until he or she sells the house. Please inquire about specific terms and conditions. If you would like more information about the program or are interested in applying for the financing through the program, please contact **Garrett Jensen** with MWVCOG at **503.588.1640**.

**NOXIOUS VEGETATION**

Just a reminder, it's that time of year again! The sun is shining which means the grass and weeds are growing! Please remember, the **City's Code** states: **"Between May 1 and September 30<sup>th</sup>, no owner or person in charge of property may allow noxious vegetation to be on the property or in the right-of-way of a public thoroughfare abutting on the property. It shall be the duty of an owner or person in charge of property to cut down or to destroy grass, shrubbery, brush, bushes, weeds or other noxious vegetation as often as needed to prevent them from becoming unsightly, from becoming a fire hazard or, in the case of weeds, or other noxious vegetation, from maturing or from going to seed."**

## MAY-JUNE 2017

### Emergency Preparedness—Tornados

Tornados develop so rapidly that little, if any, advance warning is possible. Every state, including Oregon, has some risk for this hazard. Just in October 2016, two tornados hit the Oregon coast area, and the 2010 tornado in Aumsville is another example of the risk in our area. Tornados can strike in any season, but occur most often in the spring and summer months. They can occur at all hours of the day and night, but are most likely to occur between 3:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Most injuries

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and fatalities from tornados are caused by being struck or cut by falling or wind-borne debris. When a tornado threatens, your goal is to go to the safest place for protection before the tornado hits and

take additional measures for personal cover.

If you are in a structure (e.g. residence, school, shopping center, high-rise building), then:

- Go to a pre-designated area such as a safe room, basement, or the lowest building level. If there's not a basement, go to the center of a small interior room on the lowest level (closet, interior hallway) away from corners, windows, doors, and outside walls. Put as many walls as possible between you and the outside. Get under a sturdy table and use your arms to protect your head and neck.
- In a high-rise building, go to a small interior room or hallway on the lowest floor possible.
- Put on sturdy shoes.
- Do not open windows.

If you are in a manufactured home or office, then:

- Get out immediately and go to a pre-identified location such as the lowest floor of a sturdy, nearby building or a storm shelter. Mobile homes, even if tied down, offer little protection from tornados.

If you are outside with no shelter:

Unfortunately, if you are not in a sturdy building, there is no single research-based recommendation for what last-resort action to take because many factors can affect your decision. Possible actions include:

- Immediately get to a vehicle, buckle your seat belt, and try to drive to the closest shelter.
- Take cover in a stationary vehicle. Put on the seat belt and cover your head with your arms and a blanket, coat or other cushion if possible.
- Lie in an area noticeably lower than the level of the roadway and cover your head with your arms and a blanket, coat or other cushion if possible.

In all situations:

- Do not get under an overpass or bridge. You are safer in a low, flat location.
- Never try to outrun a tornado in urban or congested areas in a car or truck. Instead leave the vehicle immediately for safe shelter.

One final note — If you haven't already, please sign up for emergency alerts through Metcom! This is so important as one of the most critical things that needs to happen in the midst of an emergency situation is communication. The best way we have to get important, updated, and accurate information to you in an event involving our community is through this emergency alert system. It allows us to send the same information and updates to everyone (who is signed up) with little time or effort—both of which are in very short supply in the midst of an emergency. Please call Public Works-503.982.9429 for additional information.

Knowledge and preparation are your best defense and are your responsibility! For more information on EMERGENCY PLANNING, call Public Works at 503.982.9429, or visit our website at [www.cityofhubbard.org](http://www.cityofhubbard.org).



### View our 2016 Drinking Water Quality Report

[http://www.cityofhubbard.org/sites/default/files/file\\_attachments/public\\_works/page/237/2016\\_ccr\\_final](http://www.cityofhubbard.org/sites/default/files/file_attachments/public_works/page/237/2016_ccr_final)

### Council officially awarded the Rivenes Park Restroom Project

on April 11, 2017. We anticipate construction will begin towards the end of May, following the contract process. Port-a-Potties will be provided during construction.

### Your Water Meter

Per City Code—please don't forget to keep plants, debris, vehicles, etc. off your water meter! Easy access to the meters allows Staff to complete our work more efficiently.

### What does Storm Water & Groundwater Protection have in common?

If you answered that both have very similar if not the same types of activities that you can do to protect both surface waterways from polluted storm water and groundwater from pollutants — you'd be correct!

- Excess fertilizers/pesticides applied to lawn and gardens can wash off and pollute streams and/or the excess that the lawn can't use can travel downwards into the groundwater.
- Properly dispose of potentially toxic substances like unused chemicals, pharmaceuticals, paint, motor oil, and other substances.

Your Water— To Know It is to Love It!  
Drinking Water Week is May 7-13