

City Manager's Report

Information and Updates for the Mayor and City Council

December 27, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

MEETING/EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Council Meeting	January 8	7 p.m. Regular Meeting - Not a regular business meeting <i>Swearing in of New City Councilors and selection of Mayor Pro Tem</i>	Council Chambers / Virtual
Council Meeting	January 22	3 p.m. Work Session 7 p.m. Regular Meeting	Council Chambers / Virtual
Council Goal Setting Retreat	February 3-4	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. February 3 11:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. February 4	OSU-Cascades Obsidian 207

[VIEW THE FULL COUNCIL SCHEDULE](#)

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

EMS Recognition

This **letter** was sent from a patient who wanted to show her appreciation to the following individuals who delivered exceptional care at the Pavilion ice rink after a hard fall while skating: Micheal Buehrig, James Merrick, Nolan McGinnis, Madison Eno, Ryan Bigelow, Jared Hopper, and Seth McGuire. Thank you to all of our Bend Fire & Rescue crew for the incredible job they do every day to care for the members of our community.



Annual Holiday Giving Celebration

City staff raised \$8,441.48 for Central Oregon Veterans Outreach (COVO) as part of our annual holiday giving celebration on December 10.

This year, we didn't only donate monetarily. Employees also created 300 care packages for Veterans served by COVO through our Wellness Champions assembly line and donated a heap of items in support of COVO's Operation: Warm, Fed and Dry campaign.

Grant Update

The City of Bend submitted a non-competitive grant application to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) for the FY2024 Oregon Heritage All-Star Community Grant Program to support several community outreach projects related to historic preservation in Bend. The grant will allow the City to put up new downtown banners in May for Preservation Month, send out historic outreach postcards to all historic property owners, and support purchases for the Historic Museum. The City has requested \$3,000 and will learn soon if the proposed project will be funded by the State. Please reach out to Chris Ogren (Cogren@bendoregon.gov) if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

December Bend Buzz

This month, Mayor Kebler reflected with gratitude on all we have accomplished at the City in 2024. She also wrote, "As we look to 2025, I am inspired by the momentum that we have built together. Let's continue this momentum into another year with progress, collaboration, and success."

Ring Central has arrived! Phase 1 went live on December 18 with Phase 2 set for January 7 and Phase 3 set for January 28. Please check out information and training tips [here](#).

Our [DEIA Pre-training survey](#) is live. Please be sure to complete it by January 10.

You can read about all of these topics and much more in the [December issue of the Bend Buzz](#).

VIEW PREVIOUS CITY MANAGER'S REPORTS



Accommodation Information for People with Disabilities

To obtain this information in an alternate format such as Braille, large print, electronic formats, etc., please contact Michelle Driggs at mdriggs@bendoregon.gov or 541-678-6596. Relay Users Dial 7-1-1.

