



Mayor's corner

Each year as part of the city's budget process, the budget committee also finalizes and approves the annual Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). This year's plan totals a little over \$21 million, or about \$460 for each resident. Aside from the usual funding for things like streets, city facilities, sewers, storm drainage, and the water system, this year's budget includes over \$4 million for what I call "green" projects. We've allocated money for new walking and biking trails, tree planting, and a little more than \$2 million to purchase more land for parks and open space. We're also working hard to protect the environment by dedicating money to wetland and creek corridor monitoring, stream bank stabilization, and wetland improvement. This money will also fund projects for the Healthy Streams Program as identified in the Fanno Creek Watershed Plan.

It's a big job, and a substantial amount of money, but our citizens have made it clear how important this work is, to maintain our quality of life in the face of continuing growth and urbanization.



Craig Dirksen, Mayor

Introducing the Citizen Leadership series!

Would you like to get more involved in the community but aren't sure where to start? Are you curious about how local government operates and how decisions are made? Want to volunteer to make a difference? The Citizen Leadership series is designed to provide participants with a broad base of information on local issues and develop leadership skills. All sessions are on Thursday evening except where noted.

Session 1 - Governmental Structure & Function in Oregon (September 22)

Come and learn how your government works!

Session 2 - Budget & Finance (Wednesday, September 28)

Yes, you CAN balance a budget and still have services!

Session 3 - Citizen Involvement (October 6)

Your involvement can make a difference!

Session 4 - Land Use – the Nuts & Bolts! (October 13)

How land use planning affects you!

Session 5 - Transportation (October 20)

Why is traffic congestion so severe in the Tigard area and are there solutions?

Session 6 - Public Safety (October 27)

Your partners in crime prevention, fire safety and emergency response.

Session 7 - Public Works (November 3)

Water, streets, parks, storm water and wastewater.

Session 8 - Major Local Issues (November 10)

What are the major issues affecting Tigard's future?

Session 9 - Group Project

Graduates of the program will select a project to work on that addresses a major local issue.

The series has a limit of 20 participants. If fewer than 20 city residents apply, up to two non-city residents may participate. For more information and to get an application, contact Liz Newton at 503-718-2412 or liz@ci.tigard.or.us.

School zone laws still in effect

Now that school has ended, there have been recent inquiries about the 20 mph speed limit in school zones where it's posted "AT ALL TIMES" such as in front of Fowler. That's exactly what the sign means and enforcement action can be taken.

Officers have discretion over whether to issue a citation or warning depending on the circumstances - but we want drivers to be aware of school speed zones and that some remain in effect all year. If you have any questions, please contact Sergeant Karl Kaufman at 503-718-2567 or 06317@ci.tigard.or.us.



It's Your Tigard - Get Involved!

Be a part of the decision making process and learn more about programs. Agendas are available at www.ci.tigard.or.us under the Events Calendar link. No web access? Contact the person noted under each board or committee.

City Council

Town Hall

6:30 p.m. - 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays

Let your voice be heard – 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. - an opportunity to speak to Council for two minutes on any item not on the agenda.

Cathy Wheatley, City Recorder, at 503-718-2410.

Planning Commission

Town Hall

7 p.m. - 1st and 3rd Mondays

A nine member citizen committee that conducts public hearings on land use issues and development applications. Dick Bewersdorff, Planning Manager, at 503-718-2432.

Park and Recreation Advisory Board

Tigard Water Bldg. Auditorium

7 p.m. - 2nd Monday

A seven member citizen board that advises the Council on park and recreation policies, facilities, programs and budgets. Daniel Plaza, Parks & Facilities Division Manager, at 503-718-2590.

Library Board

Library Conference Room

7 p.m. - 2nd Thursday

A seven member citizen board that advises the Council regarding library policies, budget, facilities and other needs. Connie Martin, Senior Administrative Specialist, at 503-718-2512.

Downtown Task Force

Town Hall

6:30 p.m. - Thursday, August 4

A twenty-two member citizen task force guiding the Tigard Downtown Improvement Plan. Denver Igarta, Planner, at 503-718-2429.

Committee for Citizen Involvement

7 p.m. - 3rd Thursday in September and November

A newly expanded committee that reviews and evaluates public involvement and communication plans primarily for city land use and development programs. Jim Hendryx, Community Development Director, at 503-718-2443.

Planned Development Review Committee

A citizen committee who reviews and recommends changes to the Planned Development sections of the Community Development code. Morgan Tracy, Planner, at 503-718-2428.

Tree Board

Library Conference Room

6:30 p.m. - 2nd Monday

The Tree Board's mission is to develop and administer a comprehensive program for the management, maintenance, removal, replacement and protection of trees on public property. Matt Stine, City Forester, at 503-718-2589.

CPO 4B - C.F. Tigard Elem.

7 p.m. - 1st Thursday

CPO 4M - Metzger Park Hall

7 p.m. - 4th Wednesday

Membership is open to all residents and property owners within the CPO 4B or CPO 4M boundaries. Map and agendas are available at the Washington County Citizens Participation Organization link on the city's web site. Contact Patt Opdyke, at 503-725-2117.

Learn more!

City Council Goal 1

Revitalize Downtown

We're in the final stretch! The Downtown Task Force will be reviewing a draft version of the Downtown Improvement Plan at its August 4 meeting (6:30 p.m., Town Hall). For more information or a copy of the draft plan, visit www.ci.tigard.or/downtown or contact Denver Igarta, Planner, at 503-718-2429. The Task Force will be finalizing the plan in September. Thank you to everyone who has dedicated their time and energy to making this plan a reality!

Clarification

In the June/July issue of Cityscape, the City Council Goal 2 Update (Improve 99W) stated that the **Walnut/Ash/Scoffins Street** Connection Feasibility Study (for FY 05-06) was awaiting recommendations from the Downtown Improvement Plan. Please note that the Plan will not include a recommendation for the Walnut Street extension or an Ash Avenue vehicular crossing of Fanno Creek.

Opportunities

Continue to look here for opportunities that may be of interest to you or call Liz Newton at 503-718-2412 or liz@ci.tigard.or.us.



Tigard's First Annual Family Festival

A week of family-friendly activities and events throughout the community! Please consider making a canned food donation to assist Tigard families in need. Food collection boxes will be placed at each event. Here's the line-up:

Saturday, September 10: Skate Park Fest 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the proposed City Hall parking lot site

A day of **free** music, games, skate competitions. Bring empty pop cans/bottles to support the Skate Park!

Sunday, September 11: Ice Cream Social 6 to 8 p.m. in the Library Community Room

Celebrate the city's birthday with **free** ice cream treats and a short fireworks display! Families of those serving overseas in the military will be recognized. If a member of your family is serving overseas, please contact Liz Newton at 503-718-2412 or liz@ci.tigard.or.us.

Monday, September 12: Family Movie Night 7 p.m. at the Tigard Cinemas.

Bring the whole family (and a can of food) to see a first run family movie. **Free!**

Tuesday, September 13: Story Time! 7 p.m. in the Library Community Room.

Children of all ages will enjoy the storytelling of Alton Chung. Birthday cupcakes will be served. **Free!**

Wednesday, September 14: Music Night 7 p.m. in the Library Community Room

Enjoy a **free** concert featuring the Tualatin Valley Community Band & the Tigard High Jazz Ensemble.

Thursday, September 15: Family History/Activity Night 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. (location to be announced)

At 2 p.m., genealogy specialists will be on hand to help you do a computerized search of your family's history. Beginning at 7 p.m., families can do a craft project together!

Friday, September 16: Game Night 7 p.m. at Tigard High School

Cheer on the Tigers as they play Central Catholic.

Saturday, September 17: 5K Run/Walk 9 a.m. (starting line location to be announced)

Register for this **free** family friendly race. See registration form below.

Family Heritage Day 1 to 5 p.m. in the Library Community Room

Enjoy **free** music, food and dance from other lands that reflect the variety of family heritages.

Save the dates. More information will be available in the September Cityscape and online at www.ci.tigard.or.us.

5K Family Fun Run/Walk Registration Form

Gather your family and join us on September 17 at 9 a.m. for a 5K run/walk through Tigard and parts of the Fanno Creek trail; or join us at the finish line at the LDS church on North Dakota Street for a free pancake breakfast!

Name	Age	Gender
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Family/Participant email address: _____

Mail the above entry to: 5K Run/Walk, City of Tigard, 13125 SW Hall Blvd., Tigard, OR 97223 or email the info (and/or questions) to Mark & Melissa at tigard5k@gmail.com. Race details (including starting line location) available to participants via email and in the September Cityscape.



Shelf Life

News from the Tigard Library

Library events calendar

August 1, 3, 8, 10	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Summer Story Time Adventures – Puett Rm
August 3,10,17,24,31	6-7:30 p.m.	Dogs and Tales (Reg. req'd, beginning readers -grade 5) – Puett Rm
August 3	11 a.m.-Noon	Stepping Back: Lilly Morgen – it's 1860! – Houghton Rm
August 3, 17	2:30-4 p.m.	Computer Class: Internet for Beginners
August 4	2-3 p.m.	Pink Pig Puppet Theatre "The Wide-Mouthed Dragon" – Comm. Rm
August 4	4:30-5:30 p.m.	Teen Leisure Café (grades 6-12) – Puett Rm
August 6, 13, 20, 27	1-3 p.m.	Tigard Chess Group (ages 8 and up) – Puett Rm
August 6	10:30 a.m.-Noon	Computer Class: Computer Basics (new)
August 6	1-3 p.m.	Medieval Fair with the Shire of Dragon's Mist (kids & teens welcome) – Comm. Rm
August 9	7-8 p.m.	Henrick Bothe, Entertainer! – Comm. Rm
August 11, 25	10-11:30 a.m.	Computer Class: Internet for Beginners
August 12	2-4 p.m.	End of Summer Reading Program Party for Teens – Comm. Rm
August 18	7-7:30 p.m.	Hora De Cuentos para la Familia (Spanish Storytime) – Comm. Rm

All library programs are free. Some library programs require registration. To register, please call 503-684-6537

For more information about programs, visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us/library/

Stepping Back

A look at local history – Lilly Morgen, it's 1860!

August 3, 11 a.m. to Noon, Houghton Room

June Reynolds of Sherwood will give a living history presentation based on early pioneer character, Lilly Morgen, and her journey to homestead in Oregon.



Check out a Pass to Adventure

The library offers free Cultural Passes to 11 cultural institutions. The passes, sponsored by the Friends of the Tigard Library, are available for reservation up to two months in advance. All passes are good for at least a family of three – one adult and two children. Passes are available for: A.C. Gilbert Discovery Village, Children's Museum, Chinese Garden, Forestry Discovery Center, Japanese Garden, Oregon Garden, Oregon Historical Society, Oregon Sports Hall of Fame and Museum, Pittock Mansion, Portland Art Museum, and Rice NW Museum of Rocks and Minerals.

For more information and to reserve a pass please call the Tigard library at 503-684-6537. Information on the passes is also available online at www.wilinet.wcccls.lib.or.us/news/.

Dogs & Tales

Beginning readers – grade 5

August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Puett Room

Keep your skills up over the summer by reading to a furry friend. Registration required, please contact the library for details.



Pink Pig Puppet Theatre

"The Wide-Mouthed Dragon"

August 4, 2 to 3 p.m., Community Room

Puppeteer and children's librarian Steven Engelfried shares the tale of a hungry dragon who searches for something good to eat and meets a knight, a princess, and several silly animals along the way.



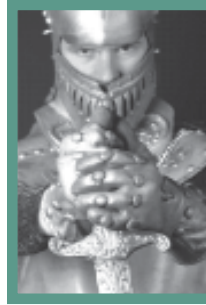


Medieval Fair

with the Shire of Dragon's Mist

August 6, 1 to 3 p.m., Community Room

Take a step back in time as members of the local chapter of the Society for Creative Anachronism share their knowledge of medieval arts and activities with hands-on demonstrations.



Hora de Cuentos para la Familia

18 de agosto, 7 a 7:30 p.m., Community Room

Durante el verano continuaremos con la Hora de Cuentos en español, el 3er jueves de cada mes. Se presentarán cuentos, canciones y rimas para niños de todas las edades y sus familias.

Spanish Storytime - Stories, songs and rhymes in Spanish for families with children of all ages.



Juggler, Performer, Extraordinaire

August 9, 7 to 8 p.m., Community Room

Henrik will amaze and amuse audience members with juggling and unique acrobatic feats involving a ladder, a straight jacket, a unicycle and more!

Computer Classes

Sign up for free Internet for Beginners or Computer Basics classes at the library.



Registration is required and begins one week prior to the date of the class.

Party for Teens

End of Summer Reading Program

August 12, 2 to 4 p.m., Community Room

Come celebrate the end of summer reading with a pizza party. There will be drawings for terrific prizes awarded for a summer full of fun and fabulous reading! The more books you read, the more chances to win!

Volunteers Take Time for Tigard

Jobs Looking for People

Outdoor Opportunities - Help maintain the 9/11 Memorial at Cook Park by removing weeds, spreading mulch and planting native species; Stencil storm drain catch basins to discourage dumping and improve water quality in local streams; Assist staff in caring for the Tigard Senior Center grounds; or Join the Adopt-A-Street, Adopt-A-Stream, or Adopt-A-Path Programs and improve conditions around our community.

For more information about these outdoor opportunities and/or to volunteer, contact Public Works Volunteer Coordinator Carla Staedter at 503-718-2788 or carla@ci.tigard.or.us

Library - Summer is a busy time for readers and for the Tigard Library. Volunteer opportunities are available for individuals and family members at least 12 years old. New volunteer orientations are held twice a month. You may download a library volunteer application, check out current volunteer opportunities or upcoming events on the library's webpage. If you are interested, contact Trish Stormont at 503-718-2512 or trish@ci.tigard.or.us.

Clerical & Computer - City of Tigard departments are seeking volunteers to copy, collate, organize files and carry out similar tasks. Individuals proficient in graphic arts, desktop publishing, and database management are encouraged to apply for volunteer opportunities. Please contact Bob Roth at 503-718-2402 or bob@ci.tigard.or.us.



Looking Forward To Serving Tigard

I appreciate this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Bob Roth and I began employment with the City of Tigard as the Volunteer Program Development Specialist on June 1. I will be working with Tigard staff, local residents, and organizations to expand and enhance volunteer involvement in projects, special events, committees, and ongoing activities.

Before accepting my current position I worked in Marion County as the Salem Keizer Watershed Council Coordinator. In an earlier position I served as the first Johnson Creek Watershed Council Coordinator.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or want to volunteer at 503-718-2402 or bob@ci.tigard.or.us

Bob Roth

Thanks for your help!!
 On June 7, 46 LDS Summerlake Youth Group volunteers contributed 69 hours of labor removing old flowers and carrying out weeding at the Summerlake Park Rhododendron Garden.



Fraud - one of the fastest growing crimes

In the State of Oregon, and in Tigard, fraud is one of the most reported crime. Fraud involves criminals obtaining information about you, your credit cards or banking information and then use it to obtain your money or property illegally. By safeguarding ALL personal information about you and your family you can lower/reduce your risk of becoming a victim of fraud. *Here are some tips to help:*

- Shred any paperwork or mail, even junk mail, which may contain sensitive information about you or family members. Also, remove pre-printed addresses from magazines or other items you receive, don't forget the pre-printed order forms in catalogs and make sure to remove barcodes pre-printed on mail.
- Limit the number of credit cards you carry or keep in your home. Social security cards, credit card account numbers and locations to call in the event of a theft or loss of a credit card should be kept in a secure, but readily available location.
- If possible, place outgoing mail in a secure mail collection location or US Post Office mailbox. Another suggestion is to have newly ordered checks delivered to your work or where you bank for pickup, rather than mailed to your home if you do not have a locking type mailbox.

If you think you may have been a victim of fraud you can obtain information on the prevention of fraud and identity theft or help in the event you are a victim from the Federal Trade Commission at www.consumer.gov/idtheft. You can also contact the Crime Prevention Officer at 503-718-2561 or 27047@ci.tigard.or.us.

City Council Goal 2

Improve 99W

The **McDonald Street/Hwy. 99W** intersection project which will add a dedicated right-turn lane, a dedicated through lane across 99W, and an extended left-turn lane on McDonald Street is expected to be completed by mid-July.

The study to determine the scope of work for improvements to the **Hall Boulevard/Hwy. 99W** intersection has been completed. Washington County staff and the consultant performing the work gave a project status briefing to City Council at the June 21 workshop meeting. The estimate for that project exceeds the MSTIP budget by \$500,000. The county, city and ODOT will look at providing additional funds to enable construction.

Funding for a study to determine alternatives for the **Main Street/Greenburg Road/Hwy. 99W** intersection was approved by City Council. The study will take into account the findings of the Hall Blvd/Hwy. 99W project to ensure that these recommendations support and enhance other improvements.

New intersection signal

Hall Boulevard/Wall Street Intersection Signalization and Driveway Relocations - Construction Update and Lane Closure

Construction of the traffic signal on Hall Blvd at the entrance to the new library is underway and should to be completed by December 2005. Intermittent lane closures will continue to occur during construction. The signal includes an interconnected system connecting the existing signals on Hall Blvd. at McDonald Street and Burnham Street to the new signal. Any questions, contact Vannie Nguyen, Engineering Manager, at 503-718-2460 or vannie@ci.tigard.or.us.

Did you know?

The mission of the Tigard Police Department is to create the highest level of livability possible by working with our citizens to preserve and protect life, liberty and property.

Take a look at a sampling of what it takes to maintain a full service, community policing agency:

- We drive nearly 25 vehicles on a given day. Given the number of officers on patrol and the overlap of two shifts, patrol vehicles are in high demand and use. Police vehicles are driven an average of 25,000 miles per year. Last year Tigard police officers drove over one half million miles combined!
- We processed over 53,000 calls for service in 2004. Calls range anywhere from life emergencies, to assisting motorists, locating a run-away juvenile to responding to calls reporting suspicious circumstances. Numerous arrests were made as a result of observant citizens taking the time to report suspicious activity. Do your part by being the "eyes and ears" for our community.
- During the first six months of 2005, Tigard Police have arrested over 100 drivers who were operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol.
- Last year, we received donations of nearly 1,000 stuffed animals. Those plush toys are used in programs involving children in our community.
- In 2004 we assisted nearly 2,800 motorists. Assistance involves vehicle collisions, mechanical breakdowns and stranded motorists.

We are always working to make our community safer.





Earthquake! Do you have a plan?

By Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

It's the middle of a work day and the walls and fixtures in your office begin violently shaking! You get under the desk and hold on for what seems like minutes. After the shaking stops, you check on your coworkers and begin to worry about your family. You attempt to call, but there's no phone service. You jump in your car expecting to quickly drive home, but hear on the radio that bridges are not safe to cross, side streets are blocked and the highway you need to travel on is closed due to a landslide. Panic sets in as you realize it could be hours, or possibly days, before you will connect with your family. You have no idea how your children will get home from school. You have no way to contact your spouse. You can't reach your elderly mother to find out if she is safe or has electricity, food, or water. It is then that you ask yourself, "Why didn't I make it a priority to plan for a time like this?"

Emergency management officials tell us that, inevitably, our area is going to

suffer a major earthquake - it's only a matter of time. *Are you and your family prepared?* Following a major earthquake, with thousands of people affected, emergency services will be taxed and it will be impossible to respond to everyone's needs at once. Incidents with confirmed multiple injuries and/or with a high life-threatening



potential will be the number one priority of fire, rescue, and safety personnel.

It is imperative that you prepare now to help yourself and your family in the event of an earthquake. Start by developing a Family

Disaster Plan, make sure you and your family know how to shut off utilities and build a 72-hour kit with emergency supplies. Visit www.tvfr.com (Community Safety\Emergency Preparedness) for valuable information or call 503-649-8577 to have this information mailed to you or request a speaker for your next business or community meeting. Help us help you - take time and prepare now.

Do you have a lawn irrigation system?

Although irrigation systems make watering lawns and gardens more energy, cost and time efficient, they can also be a source of contamination to the drinking water supply. Irrigation systems provide a potential connection in which contaminants can be siphoned (backflow) into the drinking water supply.

To protect the water supply, the City of Tigard requires all irrigation systems to be equipped with an approved backflow prevention assembly. Test the device after installation, annually, and if the device is moved or repaired.

Remember everyone uses water, whether it's for drinking, cooking, cleaning or bathing and it is everyone's responsibility to help protect and ensure the safety and quality of the drinking water we use.

For more information on backflow prevention, visit www.ci.tigard.or.us or contact Hung Nguyen at 503-718-2603 or hung@ci.tigard.or.us.

City Council Goal 3



Budget for FY 2005-06

On June 14 the Tigard City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 05-06 Operating Budget of \$32.7 effective July 1. Earlier this spring, the budget committee held four public hearings on the budget where citizens were given the opportunity to provide input.

Many elements of the budget seek to address the three main City Council goals established this past January. The major goals include revitalizing the downtown area, making improvements to the traffic flow on Highway 99W, and addressing growth in the Tigard area.

Council discussed the need to continue work on identifying ways to deal with the city's long term financial outlook. Mayor Craig Dirksen commented on the need to get direction from citizens on what future steps should be taken to control expenditures and identifying new revenue sources.

Mayor Dirksen has proposed the creation of a Financial Strategy Task Force whose membership would include the citizen members of the Budget Committee, the Committee for Citizen Involvement, and a representative from the Downtown Task Force and the Transportation Financial Strategies Task Force. The Financial Strategy Task Force will be asked to make recommendations to the City Council on possible ways to address the City's financial future.





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Employee of the Month

June 2005 - Hap Watkins

Hap is the Inspection Supervisor in the Community Development Department. After work on May 19, Hap noticed a car rushing into the city hall parking lot. The engine was on fire. The driver got out and opened the hood, but left his child in the car. Hap got the child out of the car and closed the hood to reduce oxygen supply to the fire. He then retrieved a fire extinguisher from his city vehicle and managed to extinguish the fire. Thanks to Hap's quick thinking, a more serious fire and possible injuries were avoided. Thanks Hap!



July 2005 - Jill Byars

Jill, Room Reservation Coordinator for the City, is being recognized for her contribution in transitioning to a new citywide reservation system. Jill customized the new system to meet the needs of the city and made the program user-friendly to staff. Jill also took on the task of transferring all the current data to the new system and managed this feat in a single day! After the new program was up and running, Jill ensured a smooth transition for program users by fielding all sorts of questions and working out the final "bugs" from the system. Thanks Jill!

CAP walk schedule

The schedule for CAP walks in August are as follows:

- August 3 - Area 2b
- August 10 - Area 33
- August 17 - Area 9
- August 24 - Area 18, 19, 40

To view the report to citizens for any of those areas, log onto www.ci.tigard.or.us/cap. No web access? Call Liz Newton at 503-718-2412. If you see the walkers in your area, feel free to ask questions or share your observations.

