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PLANNING NEWS

Sherwood West Re-Look Project: Planning for the community's future What is Sherwood West?

The 1,291-acre Sherwood West area is just one of Sherwood's four designated "urban reserves." Urban reserves are areas that the Metro Regional Government agency, in coordination with its partner cities, has designated for potential urbanization over the next 50 years. Every six years, Metro reviews and reports on the region's land supply in an Urban Growth Report, which includes a 20-year forecast of regional population and employment growth. Metro may adjust the regional urban growth boundary ("UGB") to accommodate the amount of growth forecasted for the next 20 years. During this review cycle, cities generally request to have their urban reserve lands brought into the UGB if there are appropriate areas to be brought in.

The next review of regional population and employment growth will occur in 2024. At this time, Sherwood will need to make a decision to request that all or some of the Sherwood West urban reserve area be brought into the UGB to accommodate housing and employment needs. To make a UGB expansion proposal, the City must have an accepted Concept Plan. It is a high-level plan showing long-term land uses, public infrastructure (roads, sewer, water, etc.), parks, open spaces, and schools and provides steps to help guide future decision-making.

Once land is brought into the UGB, a refined comprehensive planning process will take place to zone land. Then property owners can make a request to be annexed into the City boundary. The Sherwood City Council will consider all annexation requests. Once a property's annexation is approved, a property owner can develop a plan that provides for public infrastructure (roads, water, sewer, etc.) and plans for the area's overall design.

From the time a property is brought into the urban growth boundary to its annexation into city limits, and finally, to site planning development, can take many years.

There have been significant changes in Sherwood since the 2015 Sherwood West Preliminary Concept Plan.

- The new Sherwood High School on 73 acres inside the Sherwood West area.
- The Sherwood City Council has prioritized adding employment land and growth as a goal.
- The City's recently updated Comprehensive Plan.
- The State of Oregon adopted House Bill 2001 in 2019, which allows for "middle housing," (duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, townhouses, and cottage clusters) in all zones that permit single-family detached housing.
- Washington County's Urban Reserve Transportation Study (URTS) provides updated transportation impact information to help with future planning in urban reserve areas.

To account for these changes, the City is preparing an updated Concept Plan for the Sherwood West area.

Why are we Planning for Sherwood West?

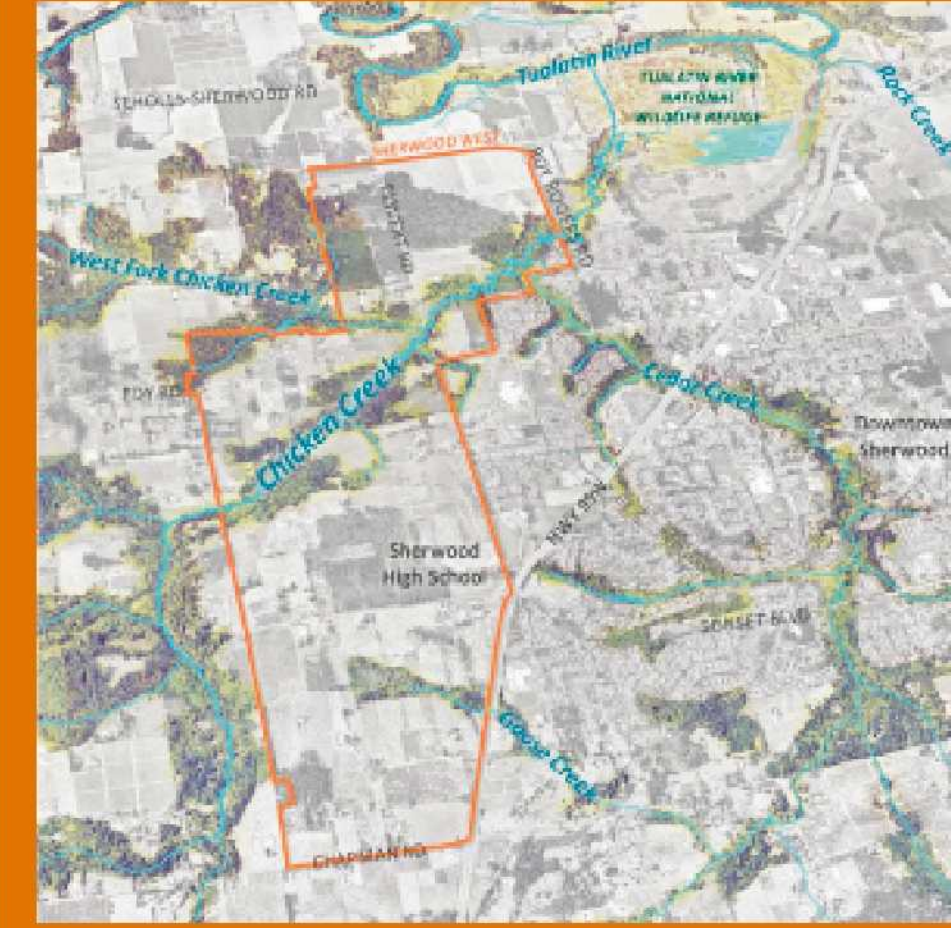
Creating a better balance of land uses and a diversified tax base
The more robust and diverse the economy, the stronger the community becomes. When the employment tax base expands, businesses within the community share in the costs associated with running the community (police, fire, local parks, infrastructure, etc.).

Growth is happening
The City of Sherwood is growing with the rest of the region. People are drawn here for our quality of life, excellent schools, and vibrant neighborhoods. While that's a good thing—it provides economic growth and jobs for all of us—it also puts pressure on the City in terms of housing.

We're running out of places for people to live
Sherwood has a shortage of land available for housing. This could result in three things: 1) rising housing costs may price many people out of the market,

PLANNING NEWS (CONTINUED)

including young families, single people, and older people on fixed incomes; 2) pressure on the City to rezone for residential uses or rezone for higher residential densities; and 3) infill development pressures could result in higher density housing which could change the character of existing neighborhoods. Increasing the land supply for residential development in a thoughtful manner is one way to help relieve price pressure and make sure our community remains vibrant and affordable.



Growing better together

Our challenge as a community remains growing in a way that preserves our small-town character, our surrounding forests and farms, our thriving businesses, and our parks and public spaces. The City of Sherwood is committed to a process that manages growth in a planned and cost-effective way.

How to Get Involved

It is anticipated that this project will be completed by the end of this year, 2022. Outreach to the community is an integral part of this project.

- Opportunities to participate include:
- **Community Open Houses:** An upcoming open house will be held this summer 2022. The City will advertise this event through online platforms; city email distribution lists and fliers will be posted in town and at the Sherwood High School for student participation.
 - **Advisory Committee Meetings:** Advisory committee meetings are open to the public. Meeting dates and agendas are posted on the project webpage: sherwoodoregon.gov/planning/page/sherwood-west-preliminary-concept-plan-re-look
 - **Coffee Klatches** — Planning staff is holding small casual discussions with neighborhood groups. If you and your neighbors would like to host a meeting, please reach out to Erika Palmer, Planning Manager at 503.625.4208 or email, palmere@sherwoodoregon.gov
- Questions about the project can be directed to Erika Palmer, Planning Manager at 503.625.4208. If you would like to receive regular updates on the project via email please send an email palmere@sherwoodoregon.gov

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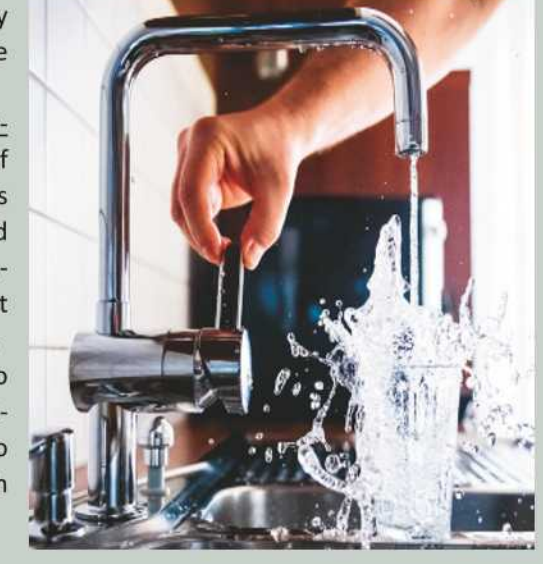
Sherwood Water Quality Report Available

The City of Sherwood is proud to deliver water to over 20,000 people every day. We think it is important for our customers to understand where their water comes from, how safe it is, and what actions we take to ensure its continuing safety. The current annual edition of the Water Quality Report is available online and by mail upon request.

In accordance with federal guidelines, this report provides the information you need to know about the water you drink. Contaminant levels in your drinking water are well below state and federal regulatory limits. Although the City's water supplies are tested for more than 200 regulated and unregulated contaminants, only those that have been detected in 2021 are included in this report.

Visit www.sherwoodoregon.gov/water-qualityreport to read the test results of regulated and unregulated contaminants detected in your water in 2021. Also read about the many activities your Water Department performs to bring the highest quality water to your home and business.

If you would like a paper copy mailed to you please call the Utility Billing Department at 503.925.2315 or send an email to utilitybilling@sherwoodoregon.gov with your name and current mailing address.



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Arbor Day – The City continued its partnership with the Sherwood School District for its Arbor Day Celebration. We welcomed the first graders from Archer Glen Elementary to plant 60 trees and shrubs in a water quality facility one block from their school. AKS Engineering and Forestry provided a short lesson on the importance of trees and what they do for the environment and then demonstrated the proper way to plant them. As City staff was spreading mulch and cleaning up the area after the planting, they encountered proud first graders stopping by on their walk home to show their parents what they had done.



Photo taken by Chris Knight with AKS Engineering and Forestry.

Trashpaloosa – After two years of not being able to hold its Earth Day Celebration, the City welcomed back community members for its annual litter pickup. There were almost 125 youth and adults in attendance who collected approximately 600 pounds of trash. Groups included six Boy & Girl Scout packs/troops, Team Epiq, Oregon Clean, AKS Engineering & Forestry, Ability Training Services, and more. The City partnered with SOLVE for the event and local businesses who sponsored the event included Pride Disposal, AKS Engineering & Forestry, Target, Walmart, and Al's Garden Center.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR						
May/June 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22	23	24 Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.	25	26	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day City Offices and Library Closed	31 Budget Committee 6:00 p.m.	June 1 Budget Committee 6:00 p.m.	2 Budget Committee 6:00 p.m.	3	4
5	6 Parks & Recreation Board 7:00 p.m.	7 City Council 7:00 p.m.	8 Senior Advisory Board 5:00 p.m. Via Teams	9	10	11
12	13	14 Planning Commission 7:00 p.m.	15	16 Police Advisory Board 7:00 p.m.	17	18
19	20	21 City Council 7:00 p.m.	22	23	24	25

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Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center Activities

In-Person Dining is Back at the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center!
Staff, volunteers, and the community alike are happy to be back to having lunch together at the MSSCC. As of May 16, the center is back to serving meals in the dining room. For safety and logistics, we are no longer to accommodate our pick-up meal service but continue to deliver meals to those who are not able to come to the center. We continue to take reservations for in-person and home delivered meals. If you are interested in dining with us, please call 503.625.5644.

Here are some other highlights for the month of June at the MSSCC:

Mind Games – Mondays at 11:00 a.m.
We work out our body but it's also important to regularly work out our brains! We know that our brains change as we age. Each Monday we'll get together to work various parts of our brain in different ways to practice brain plasticity and recall. As we age, we use more of what Harvard Medical refers to as our "default network" – patterns of behavior and thinking. Mind games help us to exercise outside of that default network to build connections and memory.

Washington County Vaccine Clinic – Friday, June 3 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Washington County will be taking walk-ins for Covid-19 vaccines at the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center. They will have all Covid-19 vaccines available – Moderna, Pfizer, & Johnson & Johnson. You'll be able to receive your first, second, or booster dosages. Open to all ages over five years old.

Window Candy Crafting - Wednesday, June 15 at 1:30 p.m. - \$15
Make something new out of something old! Bring your old necklaces and trinkets and turn them into a new work of art. We'll be making beautiful hanging pieces with artist, Thia Barth that will give new life to some of your pieces by mixing them with beads, mirrors, bells, and more.

AARP Smart Driver – Tuesday, June 21 & Wednesday, June 22 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
We're excited to welcome back in-person Smart Driver classes from AARP! Learn research-based safety strategies that can reduce the likelihood of crashing. Understand the links among the driver, vehicle, and road environment, and how this awareness encourages safer behavior. Pre-registration required. Must attend BOTH days for course completion. \$20/ AARP members, \$25/ non-members.

Please call the center at 503.625.5644 or visit sherwoodoregon.gov/marjoriestewartcenter for updates as well as our full calendar and activities catalog.

About the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center: The Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center provides activities to nurture the health and wellbeing of the Sherwood senior community. In addition to serving delicious, fresh-cooked meals Monday through Friday, the center has a multitude of activities including games, classes, writing & painting groups. Follow the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community on Facebook to get updates on activities as well as the weekly menu. The monthly activity schedule and weekly menu are also available at sherwoodoregon.gov/marjoriestewartcenter.

LIBRARY NEWS Summer Reading

Celebrate reading and learning with events throughout the summer and free books for youth and adults. Join us for our Traveling Lantern Theatre Company Kick-Off Event, June 4, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Cannery Square. Mark your calendars for Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. performances at Cannery Square, June 28 through July 19, for Reptile Man, ventriloquist Vikki Gasko Green, a Chinese Lion Dance, and comedian Angel Ocasio. Bilingual Storytime in the Park, our 7th annual camp-like experience with a free lunch provided by Helping Hands and activities for children and families, returns Thursdays in July, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Stella Olsen Park.

Pick out a free book to keep starting June 1 - for ages 0-100+. No registration required.

- Kids and Teens--Choose your reading goal and pick up a prize book when you reach it, July 16-August 31, and enter the grand prize drawing. Enjoy a new Take & Make activity June-August for babies, preschoolers, elementary kids, and teens.

- Adults--Submit book reviews at the library or online at sherwoodoregon.gov/library, June 1-August 31. Each review enters you into weekly drawings for coffee shop gift cards. Grand prizes include book lover's gift baskets and \$25 Powell's Books gift cards.

New Reading Suggestions

Celebrate Asian-American and Pacific Islander authors and cultures with our recommended reading lists for all ages at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/reading

22560 SW Pine Street 503.625.6688

Classes & Workshops for Adults (abbreviated)

Citizenship Classes / Clases de ciudadanía

- Volunteers from Mission:Citizen will offer a free citizenship course that will cover U.S. history, governmental structure, civil rights, and basic civic concepts. Register online. Thursdays through June 9, 6:00 p.m. [In-person]
- Voluntarios de Mission:Citizen ofrecerán un curso gratis de 10 semanas que cubrirá la historia de los Estados Unidos, la estructura del gobierno, derechos civiles y conceptos cívicos básicos. Regístrate en línea. Los jueves hasta el 9 de junio, 6:00 p.m. [En persona]

Writing Workshop Series

Author Marie Buckley leads a warm-up exercise and thematic writing session. No experience necessary. Bring writing tools and expect positive feedback. Sundays, May 22 (Theme is "Milestones"), June 5 ("Idioms") and 26 ("Opposites"), July 10 ("Machines & Tools") from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. No registration. [In-Person]

More Events for Youth and Teens:

NEW! Family Storytime

Interactive reading, rhymes, music and movement for developing early literacy skills and kindergarten readiness. Thursdays, 10:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Space is limited. Registration required. [In-person]

Paperback Pals

It's so much fun to talk about the books you love with pals who enjoy reading! A free copy* of this month's book*, Ranger in Time, by Kate Messner, is available after registration while supplies last. On June 16 at 3:30 p.m. Grades 3-5. [In-person / Zoom]

www.sherwoodoregon.gov/library

Book Buddies

Enjoy talking about Here Come the Harlem Globetrotters by Larry Dobrow this month with kids your age and an activity to follow. A free copy of this month's book is available at registration while supplies last. On June 23 at 3:30 p.m. Grades K-2. [In-Person / Zoom]

Fiction Friends

Friends are easy to make and keep at this book discussion on Zoom. Get your free copy of this month's book*, While I was Away, by Waka T. Brown, after registration, while supplies last. On June 9 at 4:00 p.m. Grades 6-8. [In-person / Zoom]

*Paid for by Friends of Sherwood Public Library.

All events are free and open to the public. See sherwoodoregon.gov/library for more events and services. Sign up for our monthly e-newsletter at sherwoodoregon.gov/library/newsletters. Contact us at askusSPL@sherwoodoregon.gov or 503.625.6688.

Sherwood Public Library, a Washington County Cooperative Library Services member library, is located at 22560 SW Pine St., Sherwood, OR, and always online at sherwoodoregon.gov/library. Contact us at askusSPL@wccs.org or 503.625.6688. Hours: Mon-Thu 10:00 am. to 8:00 pm.; Fri-Sat 10:00 am. to 6:00 pm.; Sun 1:00 to 5:00 pm.

SHERWOOD CENTER FOR THE ARTS

ART SMART SUMMER CAMPS ARE APPROACHING!

Long summer days will be here soon and now is the perfect time to plan summer activities for your kids! Our Art Smart summer camps are perfect for kids who want to create, meet like-minded peers, and expand their imagination. Each week we offer a choice of morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and afternoon sessions from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Your child can attend one session per day, or stay for a full day with a supervised lunch break.

We are offering some of our FAVORITE RETURNING CAMPS such as Mad Science, Northwest Children's Theater, Bucket Drumming, Voices for the Performing Arts workshops, All the Art, Metropolitan Performing Arts' Hogwarts experience, as well as new and exciting summer camp opportunities! Visit our website at SherwoodCenterfortheArts.org for the full ART SMART summer camp schedule.

CAMP COUNSELORS * WANTED

TEENS! Consider volunteering your time with us this summer as a DAY CAMP COUNSELOR! We are looking for creative, outgoing students ages 15+ who want to flex their leadership muscles and make a difference as a volunteer this summer.

Email us at: arts@sherwoodoregon.gov or come talk to a Center for the Arts staff member. ArtSmart Day Camps run June 27 - August 19, commit to 1-8 week(s) of arts-centered fun! For more information and how to apply visit our website or call 503.625.4278.



GALLERY EXHIBIT: STUDENT ART SHOW | FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The tradition continues! Come view this beloved, student gallery exhibit at the Sherwood Center for the Arts. The Sherwood Student Art Show continues to be a tremendous success and a positive experience for students and teachers alike, with student artists from public schools, private schools, and independent studios participating. Come support our students and their artistic efforts and achievements.

This show will be on display May 23 - August 22, 2022. Gallery Hours: Monday - Friday between 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

SUMMER ART WALK | JUNE 23 | 5 - 8 PM | FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Kick-off the season with a Summer Solstice Art Walk celebration! Head to Old Town on Thursday, June 23, for an art-filled stroll from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Enjoy Kona Shaved Ice, participate in a community art project, groove to some live music and support local artisans at the Sherwood Center for the Arts.

More festivities will be scattered throughout six Old Town Sherwood blocks for families and friends to enjoy. Art Walkers are encouraged to begin their stroll at the Sherwood Center for the Arts and make their way around participating businesses. Participants will get to view local art, chat with artists, participate in interactive activities, listen to live music, enjoy food and beverages from Old Town locations and even choose to purchase a piece of art. Pick up a map of the route at any participating business, and collect a stamp at each stop and enter to win a fabulous, locally created prize basket. Visit our website to view all of

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PORTLAND METRO FIRE CAMP

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Applications are being accepted for Portland Metro Fire Camp for young women ages 16 to 22. This camp is an all-encompassing introduction to a rewarding profession. The camp is designed to instill confidence while building leadership and team skills.

Participants will learn what it takes to be a firefighter while completing hands-on training in hose and ladder skills, vehicle extrication, search and rescue, ropes and knots, live-fire operations, aerial ladder climbs, forcible entry, emergency medical skills, and other firefighting tasks.

They will also receive instruction from professional female firefighters from multiple agencies on how to prepare for interviews and gain insight on what it's like to have a career in the fire service as well as the importance of good nutrition and physical fitness.

This free fire camp will be offered twice this summer on two weekends.

The first camp will be held July 8, 9, and 10 at the Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center located at 4800 NE 122nd Ave., Portland Oregon.

The second camp will take place July 15, 16, and 17 at Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue's Training Center, located at 12400 SW Tonquin Road, Sherwood Oregon.

The deadline to apply for both camps is May 30 at midnight. Space is limited. Notifications of those selected to participate will be emailed the week of June 1.

Applications and more information are available online at www.portlandmetrofirecamp.com.



PORTLAND METRO FIRE CAMP Accepting Applications Now!

20495 SW Borchers Drive 503.625.5523
www.sherwoodoregon.gov/policedepartment

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Catalytic converter theft has been an ongoing problem around the country and it's become more rampant over the last few years. Officers have seen an increase in catalytic converter thefts in Sherwood and we'd like to remind community members to remain alert.

A catalytic converter is a device which attaches to a vehicle's exhaust system and is designed to convert environmentally hazardous exhaust to less harmful exhaust. They contain precious metals such as platinum, palladium, and rhodium, which remove the worst of a vehicle's toxic pollutants. Their rising value has made the metals more valuable than actual gold.

The estimated cost for a victim to replace one at a mechanic is in excess of \$1,500+ but can vary depending on your vehicle.

These thefts usually happen at night or in the early morning hours before sunrise. However, we have seen an increase in thefts occurring during broad daylight in areas like busy shopping center parking lots. Thieves will pull alongside a parked vehicle and can quickly slide underneath a vehicle undetected and use a small battery-powered saw to remove the part. On some vehicles like the Prius, they need to use a floor jack to slightly lift the car up enough to slide underneath. It normally takes them less than 60 seconds to complete the theft.

Most common targeted vehicles are a Honda CR-V, Toyota Prius, or Hyundai Tucson. The Toyota Prius is more sought after for thefts because they contain two catalytic converters and are hybrid vehicles. This makes the catalytic converters on them susceptible to less corrosion which increases their resale value.

These thefts are frustrating for victims in terms of cost and inconvenience. It's also frustrating for us because it's often difficult to make arrests in these cases since sus-

pects are usually gone before we arrive. Unless we catch them in the act, it's difficult to find a victim associated with the crime because it's almost impossible to identify which catalytic converter goes with which vehicle. To help combat this crime, here are some tips to consider for protecting your car:

- If possible, park your vehicle in a secure garage.
- Park in well-lit areas with high visibility and near security cameras.
- Install an anti-theft device such as an alarm, steel shield, or cable locking device. These devices surround the catalytic converter which makes it incredibly challenging for thieves to access it. You can purchase these devices online or at a local mechanic shop. A local mechanic shop might be more beneficial because of the installation process; installation requires drilling holes in the vehicle's frame to firmly bolt the cage around the catalytic converter. Doing this requires enough room for you to be completely under the car and utilize tools to bolt the cage.
- If your vehicle has an alarm system, calibrate it so vibration sets the alarm off.
- Engrave your vehicle's VIN number or license plate number onto the catalytic converter. This can help us and other law enforcement agencies with tracking down victims when thieves are caught with them in their possession or when people have illegally purchased them. This can be done for a small fee at any mechanic shop.

If you observe this crime in progress or hear metal cutting sounds coming from a vehicle, call 911 immediately so officers can be quickly dispatched.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS VACANCIES

The City of Sherwood is currently accepting applications for various Board and Commissions. Applicants must be residents of Sherwood, unless otherwise specified.

Cultural Arts Commission - 3rd Monday at 6:30 p.m. Identifies needs and facilitates arts initiatives that serve the City, expanding and enriching the cultural life of Sherwood. Commissioners promote cultural tourism and advocate for arts participation through the utilization of the Sherwood Center for the Arts.

The Commission recently completed the first Public Art Plan for the City of Sherwood; going forward, the Commission's focus will be implementing the public art plan and continuing to develop public art policies, objectives, and priorities that serve the city. Center for the Arts Manager, Chanda Hall 503.625.4261 Hallc@sherwoodoregon.gov

Senior Advisory Board - 2nd Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Evaluate community needs and resources on a regular basis to assist the City Council and staff in creating public policy on senior safety, housing, transportation,

health, and other needs relevant to the senior community.

The Board also assists City Council and city administration in developing long-range plans, goals, priorities, and objectives for the delivery of senior services, including types, levels, and quality of services, through the Marjorie Stewart Senior Community Center and other local senior services. Senior Center Manager, Maiya Martin Burbank 503.625.5644 burbankm@sherwoodoregon.gov

Applications can be obtained on the City website at sherwoodoregon.gov or by contacting the City Recorder's office at 503.625.4246, or emailing at CityRecorder@sherwoodoregon.gov

Submit applications to CityRecorder@sherwoodoregon.gov or by mail at Sherwood City Hall, 22560 SW Pine Street, Sherwood, Oregon 97140, attention City Recorder.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

The City of Sherwood and Senestraro Family Orthodontics are excited to present the 2022 Movies in the Park series.

Join your neighbors for an evening under the stars at Stella Olsen Park! Grab your blankets, picnics, friends and family and get ready for an unforgettable time in front of the big screen this summer. Movie events will occur Fridays during the month of August. All movies are free and open to the public, and will begin at dusk (between 8:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.).

Concessions will be available for purchase. Pre-entertainment and activities will begin at 7:30 p.m., visit our website at sherwoodoregon.gov/communityservice/page/movies-park-0 for featured performances!

Friday, August 12: Sing 2 (PG)
Friday, August 19: Encanto (PG)
Friday, August 26: Spider-Man: No Way Home (PG-13)

For more information about the series, rainout or event cancellation, visit sherwoodoregon.gov/communityservice/page/movies-park-0 or call 503.625.4278

FEATURED PARTNER: SHERWOOD ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION

The Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Association (SRHFA) is pleased to be actively planning for the return of our annual summer festival. With the theme of "Welcome Back to Sherwood Forest", the 69th annual Sherwood Robin Hood Festival promises to be a special celebration of a cherished tradition which began in 1954. We look forward to a 2022 celebration that honors old traditions and revitalizes our town spirit.

The Sherwood Robin Hood Festival, one of the oldest and unique events in Oregon, will fill the streets of downtown Sherwood on July 15 and July 16. Both medieval and modern, the festival offers plenty of fun for all ages. Archers will compete at Ridges Elementary on Saturday and Sunday, July 16-17 in Sherwood's portion of the International Archery Match with Nottingham, England. Sylvan Archers, Inc. of Sherwood host and organize this contest of skill. The popular parade will begin on Saturday, July 15 at 10:00 a.m., welcoming family friendly entries from Sherwood and beyond.

The first Robin Hood Festival was held in July of 1954, the year the newly formed Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Association was incorporated. In 1954 a group of Sherwood residents came together and created a group called Robin Hood and His Merry Men of Sherwood, Oregon. In 1954 this group along with the Sherwood Kiwanis and the Chamber of Commerce joined together to form the Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Association. The first official Maid Marian Court was selected from a group of young ladies residing in Sherwood and reigned over the first Robin Hood Festival. The 2022 Maid Marian Coronation was held on May 7th. The Maid Marian court reigns over our summer festival and represents Sherwood at other Sherwood and neighboring community events.

Medieval mixed with modern merriment will highlight this year's Robin Hood Festival activities. Festivities begin at 5:00 p.m. on July 15th. The Main Stage will feature a continuous line-up of popular musical groups including NuWavers on Friday night and Hit Machine on Saturday night. The vendor village, with approximately 100 booths, will offer a wide variety of shopping and activities to explore. Family Stage entertainment begins with the fanfare of the traditional Knighting Ceremony on July 15th at 6:00 p.m. at Veterans' Park. Several Sherwood residents are chosen to be honored for their service to the community. Family entertainment and a Teen Dance follow the Knighting Ceremony. Local groups and entertainers of all kinds are scheduled for Saturday on the Family Stage. Festivities also include delicious food and a beer, wine and cider garden.

July 16th festivities begin with the popular parade which starts at 10:00 a.m. at the SW Langer Farms Parkway roundabout. The parade weaves its way through downtown Sherwood drawing a large crowd of spectators. This is the perfect opportunity to show your community spirit with a creative, family-friendly entry commemorating "Welcome Back to Sherwood Forest". Medieval entertainment and demonstrations will take place at various locations on the festival grounds. Residents are welcomed to demonstrate their creativity and enter their creation in the Castle Building Contest. Scheduled times for festival activities will be highlighted in the July Sherwood Gazette, and will be available at our souvenir booth and on our website, www.robinhoodfestival.org.

Sponsors, vendors, parade entrants, archers, volunteers or anyone interested in the festival may visit our website, email robinhoodfestival@gmail.com or leave a message at 503.625.4233. The SRHFA is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization in service year-round to the Sherwood community. We proudly offer two annual scholarships. We want to take this opportunity to thank the City of Sherwood, Metro Community Enhancement Project, title sponsor, Langer's Entertainment Center, all of our other generous sponsors, the numerous volunteers and event attendees. All mentioned greatly contribute to the success of our annual festivals and community projects.