



Tualatin today

March 2015

#TualatinTownHall

Do you have an idea, a concern or something to say about what's happening in your community, but no time to attend a meeting? If you answered yes, then you are like most of the other busy and active people who live in Tualatin.

#TualatinTownHall is a new online platform that provides opportunities for government and citizens to work together by connecting civic challenges to community problem-solvers. We believe the best ideas and solutions for Tualatin will come from within the community. By using a platform that allows members of the community to contribute from their own homes and on their own schedules, we believe that we can engage a broader audience. And with this broader audience comes a broader range of ideas. It's easy to get started, just go to www.tualatintownhall.com, and get signed up. Once you log in, you can start engaging in the topics posted.

The City is gathering input on the **City Facilities Study**, so the first few questions are seeking your input and ideas regarding City buildings. However, look for many more questions in the future. We can't wait to hear your ideas!

This tool is not replacing our other methods for engaging the community such as meetings, workshops, and newsletters. It is simply another way to reach our audience to hopefully hear from even more people who love Tualatin and care about its future.

Tell us what you think



Tualatin Tomorrow is Making Major Progress!

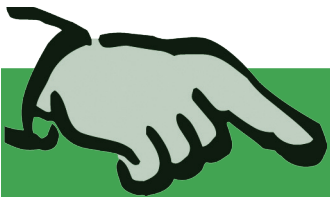
Tualatin and its community partners are amazing! In less than a year, our community partners have initiated or completed 73 of those 100 actions proposed for implementation over the next five years. Tualatin Tomorrow is a community-driven Vision for the future of our city. The Vision describes the way citizens want their community to look, feel and function over a twenty-year horizon. The Vision "action plan" outlines specific programs and projects designed to help achieve these community goals.

A number of these successes, from increased public access to the Tualatin River

to a new economic development strategy, are documented in the Tualatin Tomorrow Annual Progress Report. To learn more about the Vision Progress or how to get involved in implementing these actions, visit www.tualatintomorrow.org or call 503.691.3065.



TUALATIN TOMORROW



check it out!

Save the Date – Spring Clean-Up Events

Need an incentive to start spring cleaning? Attend a clean-up event!

YARD DEBRIS DROP OFF:

Saturday, May 2- Grimm's Fuel, 18850 SW Cipole Road

Saturday, May 16- Bulky Waste Day, Republic Services/WRI, 10295 SW Ridder Road, Wilsonville

Events are held from 9:00 am-1:00 pm. Donations of non-perishable items for the Tualatin School House Pantry will be accepted. If you have questions call 503.691.3093.

Employee of the Year Award



The City of Tualatin Employee of the Year program is designed to recognize the work and actions of the City's employees which bring credit to the City and improve our ability to deliver excellent service to Tualatin's customers.

This year, Matt Warner, Accounting Supervisor in the Finance department, was selected as Tualatin's 2014 Employee of the Year.

The Finance department has embarked on several major projects this year, including a move of their staff to multiple City facilities and the conversion of the City's financial software system.

Matt has played key lead roles in each of them, all while still successfully, and impressively, completing his extensive regular responsibilities. Matt's ability to maintain grace, humor, and calm under pressure and respectful approach to teamwork is highly valued and admired by all who work with him. He brings to every situation a positive, solution seeking attitude and stellar customer service skills which makes him a highly sought out partner for organizational projects. Matt has been employed with the City of Tualatin since 2012, supervising the accounting function in the Finance department. The employees reporting to Matt appreciate his leadership, approachability, and willingness to step in and help whenever needed.

Please join city staff in congratulating Matt on his much deserved award as Tualatin's 2014 Employee of the Year!

Marijuana in Tualatin

The City Council will be considering a new policy to regulate marijuana dispensaries for medical and recreational uses. The City Council discussed possible regulations at work sessions in January and February. The City Council will hold a public hearing on March 9, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

What you should know about the draft regulations:

- Language is proposed to be added to the Tualatin Development Code to require that marijuana facilities will:
- Be no closer than 3,000 feet from schools, parks, the library or residential uses.
- Be no larger than 3,000 square feet in size.
- Facilities cannot co-locate.
- Be permitted only in the following zones; Light Manufacturing (ML), General Manufacturing (GL) and Manufacturing Business Park (MBP).
- Marijuana facilities will not be permitted in downtown Tualatin.
- Marijuana facilities can only be located in a permanent building without a drive-through.
- Marijuana facilities hours of operation will be limited to the hours of 10:00 am and 8:00 pm.

To learn more about Tualatin's proposed marijuana policy, please visit the project webpage at www.tualatinoregon.gov/planning/pta-15-01-marijuana-facilities.

Tualatin Students Eligible for Scholarship

Future scientists are invited to apply for a Tualatin Science and Technology Scholarship! One scholarship in the amount of \$400 will be awarded to a high school senior who is a resident of Tualatin, will attend an Oregon four-year college or university, and will pursue a career in a science or technology field. College students may also apply if they lived in Tualatin during their final year in high school. Completed applications are due by April 30 and are available at Tualatin Public Library and online at www.tualatinoregon.gov/library.

TEAM Tualatin: Together Everyone Achieves More in Tualatin



TEAM Tualatin is an eight-week youth volunteer program offering activities that improve

Tualatin's urban forests and greenways. Each team is made up of 7 to 10 youth who meet starting in late June – August, Monday-Friday from 9:00 am-3:00 pm at Tualatin Community Park. TEAM works with the City's Park Maintenance and Operation Crews, accomplishing tasks including watering and mulching plants, planting a garden, painting fire hydrants, washing City cars and trucks, taking care of parks, and participating in Art Splash and the Crawfish

Festival. TEAM Leader, Andrew Bonica, returns this year with new challenges and games.

Are you a teen between the ages of 12 and 18 who likes the great outdoors? Want to improve Tualatin's urban forests and greenways? Want to make a BIG impact in a week? Then, consider spending one week as a TEAM volunteer. Applications are accepted April 15 through June 1 at www.tualatinoregon.gov/volunteer. Applicants must be 12-18 years old. Applications will be reviewed and candidates will be contacted for an interview. This program is popular and space is limited to 70 volunteers, so apply early! For more information contact Jackie Konen at 503.691.3087.

Food for Fines at the Tualatin Public Library

Did you know the greatest need for food donations is in March?

Please join us to help the Tualatin Schoolhouse Pantry stock its shelves to assist hungry families.

- **When: Sunday, March 15 - Saturday, March 21**
- **Most needed items include hygiene products, soaps, canned meats, peanut butter and diapers.**
- **Bring your non-perishable donations to the Library and receive a voucher worth up to \$10.**
- **\$1 for every pound of food you donate. Vouchers are valid for one year to pay off overdue fines on any library account.**

Save the Date for Vine2Wine 2015



Enjoy an evening of wine, paired-foods and music at Vine2Wine at the Tualatin Public Library Saturday, April 18, 2015, 7:00-9:30 pm. Presented by the Tualatin Library Foundation, admission to this year's event includes wine tastings, foods prepared by Dalton's catering, music and a complimentary Riedel wine glass. Tickets are \$40 and are limited. Purchase your tickets today through the Foundation website: www.tualatinlibraryfoundation.org/vine-to-wine-2015/.

Street Sweeping – March 2-13, Weather Permitting

Street sweeping will occur March 2-13 weather permitting. For specific information on street sweeping in your area, check out our street sweeping map at www.tualatinoregon.gov/publicworks/street-sweeping-program.

Celebrating Arbor Week—Tualatin Loves Trees!



Tualatin will observe Arbor Week April 5 – 11, 2015. Arbor Week is observed throughout the world to encourage people and communities to plant, care for, and celebrate the many values of trees.

This year Tualatin will celebrate being named a Tree City USA for the 28th time. Tualatin ranks among the very oldest of participants in Oregon. Why? The people of Tualatin have long seen the health of its tree canopy as vital to their sense of well being and a defining characteristic of our community. A healthy tree canopy touches our lives and provides us the daily benefits of cleaner air, shadier streets, and aesthetic beauty. The Tree City USA signs at Tualatin's entrances tell visitors that this is a community that cares about its environment and indicates to prospective businesses and residents that the quality of life is great here.

There are many fun ways you can celebrate trees at home or with your community:

"If I Were Mayor..." Contest

Mayor Lou Ogden, along with the Oregon Mayors Association and Oregon Afterschool for Kids, invite Tualatin students in grades 4-12, including home-schooled students, to participate in the annual "If I Were Mayor..." Contest! Students can share their creative and inspirational ideas about what they would do as mayor. One winner from each age category will win a \$50 prize,

Put Down Roots in Tualatin by participating in the Arbor Week tree planting event at Tualatin Community Park on Saturday, April 11. For information, please visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/volunteer/put-down-roots-tualatin-0.

Winning posters from the City of Tualatin's annual 5th Grade Arbor Day Poster Contest will be displayed at the Tualatin Public Library during Arbor Week. This year's theme is "Trees are ____" so young artists can develop their own theme. Look for information about the contest at Tualatin public schools.

You can also submit a photo of a Tualatin tree for the Arbor Week Photography contest. The winning photographer will win \$50 cash, a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant, and the photograph will be displayed on the City of Tualatin's website. All submissions must be received by March 4, 2015.

There will also be tree-themed events such as story times and crafts at the Tualatin Library, nature walks and day trips. To find out how to enter the contests and for information about all of the Arbor Week activities, please visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation/arbor-week-0.

plus public recognition at the May 13, 2013 City Council meeting. The three winning entries will be submitted to the statewide competition for the opportunity to win an iPad!

All entries must be submitted to the Tualatin Public Library and must be received by Friday, April 24, 2015 at 5:00 pm. For complete contest information, please visit www.tualatinoregon.gov/recreation, or call 503.691.3082.

City receives Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) has presented the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the City of Tualatin for its Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Budget. This is the second year that the City has applied for, and been awarded, this award. "The award represents a significant achievement by

the entity. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting," stated the GFOA in a press release. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

@MayorOgden



I mentioned last month that this is going to be a very busy year in Tualatin! We have lots of big projects happening including the City Facilities Study, Basalt Creek, the SW Corridor planning efforts and much more. These are all projects which require lots of community input, and your City Council wants to hear from you!

The Tualatin community is very involved, but I know sometimes it can be challenging to share your input on everything happening around town. We have launched the new #TualatinTownHall to try and make it easier to connect citizens to government. I know there are so many good, informed ideas out there, but we do not always have a chance to share. I hope this online tool makes it easier to get involved. If not this tool, I hope you will join us in the more traditional forums of meetings, community workshops, Advisory Committee meetings or get involved in your local Citizen Involvement Organization (CIO).

There are so many ways to share your input, and I can't wait to hear what you think about these important community issues. See you at www.tualatintownhall.com!



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Join Us for Pancakes!



Love pancakes and supporting a great cause?

Come out and join the Tualatin Kiwanis Club for their annual Pancake Breakfast on March 1, 7:30am- 1:00

pm, at the Juanita Pohl Center.

For over 25 years the Tualatin Kiwanis Club, with the generosity of the City of Tualatin and Dalton's Northwest Catering, have given 100% of the proceeds to support the Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp (www.mhkc.org), a local non-profit that empowers children and adults with disabilities.

Enjoy all the ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes, juice and coffee you can eat for a suggested donation of \$5.

Can't make it? You can show support by sending a donation to Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, 10725 SW Barbur Blvd., Suite 50, Portland OR 97219 Attn: Pancake Breakfast. Hope to see you there!

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Watch City Council meetings live on www.tualatinoregon.gov/citycouncil, the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at 7:00 pm

All City Council and Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public and provide an opportunity for citizen comment. The agenda and packet materials are available for review in the Library, City offices and at www.tualatinoregon.gov generally seven calendar days prior to the Council meeting.

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held in the Juanita Pohl Center, 8513 SW Tualatin Rd (in Community Park).

Do you have questions or comments regarding the newsletter? Please contact Sara Singer, Deputy City Manager at 503.691.3065 or ssinger@ci.tualatin.or.us.



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