

City Hall News

Due to COVID-19, the Citywide Cleanup has been postponed until fall. Gold Dust Day has also been cancelled.

While we “Stay Home, Stay Healthy”, let’s look out for each other. Make sure your neighbors are safe. Here are some Do’s and Don’ts to help flatten the infection curve:

Do

- Stay home as much as possible; this includes kids and teens
- Stay at least 6 feet away from others any time you are out
- Go out only for essentials (groceries and medical care), drop food off to neighbors who can’t go out
- Exercise outside and remain 6 feet apart from other people
- Have video and phone chats

Don’t

- Gather in groups
- Get together with friends and family outside your immediate household (no drinks or dinners)
- Have playdates for kids
- Make unnecessary trips

For more information:

The public can call 211-information with general questions

OHA Emerging Respiratory Disease page: www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus

CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

Jackson County Health and Human Services: <http://jacksoncountyor.org/hhs/COVID-19>

If you’re using your quarantine time to spruce up your yard:

Avista reminds you safe digging is no accident; call 811 before you dig

Before beginning any outdoor digging project, call 811 at least two business days before you dig. Calling 811 will get a professional locator to your site to mark the approximate location of underground utility lines. There is a two-foot tolerance zone on each side of the line, and it is required to hand dig to determine the precise location of the utility in this tolerance zone. This service is free. Remember, you may have your own utilities that require a Private Locate request at 811.

Knowing where underground utility lines are buried before you dig will help protect you from injury, prevent damages to utilities and service disruptions, and avoid potential fines and repair costs. Underground utility lines can be just about anywhere, so keeping your shovel in the shed or garage and calling 811 first is a smart move (and it’s the law).

Every digging job requires a call — even small projects like planting trees and shrubs. The depth of utility lines varies and there may be multiple utility lines in a common area. Here are just a few examples of when to call:

- Installing a rural mailbox
- Putting in a fence
- Planting a tree or shrubbery
- Building a patio or deck
- Excavating a new garden area

Call 811 or go to www.digsafelyoregon.com

- **City Hall is currently closed to the public – the drop slot is available 24 hours for utility payments. Call us for any other needs (541) 855-1525**
- **If you’d like an announcement posted either in this newsletter or on the city website, please submit it by the 25th of the preceding month**



Mayor’s Corner

Thank you for electing me Mayor of Gold Hill! I love this town and am very excited to serve as the key communicator for our community.

CITY COUNCIL GOALS UPDATE

Goal #1 Hire a City Manager - Jessica Simpson is serving as Interim City Manager.

Goal #2 Complete Past Audits – FY16-17 and FY 17-18 Audit are complete; FY18-19 is with the Auditors.

Goal #3 Revised Wastewater Facilities Plan has been approved by DEQ and by the Council.

Goal #4 Water Facilities Plan is approved by Council, now awaiting OHA approval.

Goal #5 Community Visioning Project - Council has met twice on this project but more work is still ahead.

Goal #6 Create a Comprehensive Plan for Gold Hill; planning will commence as soon as the Planning Commission is seated.

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