

CITY of LA GRANDE THE HUB OF NORTHEASTERN OREGON

MONTHLY REPORT May 2019

City Manager's Top Priorities for 2019

Item	Date of	Item	Comments	Lead Department
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	Status			
2		Fiscal management: Continue to manage the City's finances within limited resources to provide highest possible level of service to the City of La Grande. Economic Development: Continue to implement the Urban Renewal Plan and economic development strategy as approved by the City Council/Urban Renewal Agency.	The City continues to perform within budget and the General Fund's ending cash increased again this most recent fiscal year. Staff finalized projections for a five-year period and the City Council held a joint Work Session with the Budget Committee to review the projections. Business Development/Recruitment • Will continue to discuss Comprehensive Plan changes. • Overseeing process for listing agent selection for Business Park. We are working with UCEDC to hire one listing agent for both properties. • Mike Boquist, Christine Jarski and Robert Strope met with potential relocation project. Continuing to work with this client on finding location. This may require an update	City Manager Economic Development
			 Working with Building and Planning to ensure that Brickyard Lanes is moving forward with required project components. Working with new property owners of Lottes Building to identify potential businesses for the space. Developed potential plan for pop-ups and long-term solution. Ensuring that they are working with Planning and Building Dept. Work is continuing on first floor expansion of local business that has not announced in the Pennington Property. Working with local graphic designer to convert print materials to web-based format. Retail Development Project:	
			Another business from the list is still in	
			 property negotiation phase. Working with Buxton to identify leads to visit at retail trade show in May which entails scheduling, following up on leads, preparing lead specific marketing material 	

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			Prepared for and attended Retail Conference	
			May 19-22. Met with 10 business leads and	
			two field experts and Manager of	
			Carrington Company, which owns the retail	
			shopping center.Partnering with La Grande Main Street	
			Downtown Business Development	
			Committee to conduct an inventory of	
			available downtown retail space.	
			 Working with local property owners for 	
			potential development of additional retail	
			space. Following conversations at Retail Conference, two leads through Buxton are	
			still working to site in La Grande/Union	
			County.	
			La Grande Main Street Downtown	
			Provided feedback on LGMSD Parking	
			Survey. LGMSD Biz Dev Committee has	
			completed parking survey analysis. We are working on creating a multi-year strategic	
			plan to submit to the Parking Committee	
			and ultimately City Council.	
			 Provided content for LGMSD's MOU. 	
			Participating on search committee for new	
			Main Street Director. LGMSD has hired	
			new Director! • Participating on La Grande Main Street's	
			Board of Directors, Business Development	
			(Biz Dev) and Organization Committees.	
			Assist with planning for Biz Dev activities	
			including "Hot Topics."	
			 Organized hanging of downtown flower baskets. Refining process for next year and 	
			working to coordinate with Clean-Up La	
			Grande next year.	
			Attended Rotary Meeting for Clean-Up La	
			Grande.	
			Chair, LGMSD Design Committee and facilitated greation of project list	
			facilitated creation of project list.Participated in planning session for 2019	
			holiday season.	
			Work with Main Street for implementation	
			of the Façade Grant Program.	
			Collecting information to file the annual	
			report for the Oregon Main Street	
			Revitalization grant awarded to Pennington Rental Properties.	
			 Participated in check presentation for 	
			LGMSD announcing Liberty Theatre	
			project as recipient of \$200,000 Oregon	
			Main Street Grant for 2019.	
			Entrepreneur Center/Entrepreneurial Development	
			SPARK women's mentoring group—	
			Developing volunteer leaders who can assist	

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3	Updated May 10, 2019	General Fund Capital Improvements: Identity funding sources and strategy to address major capital needs including	in facilitating the group. Members are continuing to leading short topic workshops. • Met with Ignite Volunteers and Lisa Dawson to update Ignite strategic plan. • Continuing to work with Parks and Rec on Lemonade Day summer camp to be held on July 20, 2019. • Attended Wildhorse Foundation grant recipient luncheon for Ignite. • Staff Ignite on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Urban Renewal Programs: • Began writing of Call for Projects Staff Reports. • Met with one project that will submit in 2020-2021 round of Call for Projects. • Continued working with CFP awardees regarding project questions and funding. The 2019-2020 Proposed Budget that was approved by the Budget Committee includes funding for the Library Roof. The City Council will be asked to consider a revised policy at their June meeting that	City Manager
		but not limited to the Library Roof and the Police Department.	includes dedicating 75% of any unanticipated increase in General Fund ending cash to capital	
4	Updated May 10, 2019	Quiet Zone: Upon approval from the FRA, complete the required improvements and initiate necessary City Council legislation actions to establish the Quiet Zone for La Grande.	improvements. FRA has approved our Application to use ASM/SSMs has been submitted to FRA for review and approval. Public Works has commenced work on the improvements. See Public Works section below for additional details.	City Manager
5	No Change April 1, 2019	Housing: Complete housing study and identify recommendations for addressing findings.	See update under Planning below.	Planning
6	No Change February 14, 2019	Staffing: Develop a plan to address critical staffing issues including, but not limited to hard to fill positions and succession planning for key positions.	No action as of this writing.	City Manager

2019 COUNCIL REGULAR and WORK SESSIONS SCHEDULEAs of May 31, 2019

2019

Wednesday, May 1 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, May 6 – Thursday, May 9 BUDGET HEARINGS

Monday, May 20 WORK SESSION

Final Housing Needs

Analysis

Monday, May 27 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, June 5 HEARING TO ADOPT

BUDGET and

REGULAR SESSION

Wednesday, June 26 SPECIAL SESSION

URA Call for Projects

Monday, July 4 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, July 10 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, August 5 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic:

Joint Session with Union County Commissioners

Wednesday, August 7 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, September 2 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, September 4 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, September 9 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic: System Development Charges (SDC's)

Monday, September 19 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic:

Economic Development

Strategy Update

Monday, September 23 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic:

URAC Composition/Role

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La Grande Staff Report Blue=new item Red=completed item

September 26 – 28 LOC Annual Conference

Wednesday, October 2 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, October 21 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic:

Storm Water Plan Update and/or System Buy in/Sewer Water Ordinance Update

Wednesday, November 6 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, November 11 HOLIDAY

Monday, November 18 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic:

Urban Renewal Training

Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, December 4 REGULAR SESSION

Wednesday, December 11 - HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE (4:30 – 6:00)

Wednesday, December 25 HOLIDAY

<u>2020</u>

Wednesday, January 1 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, January 8 REGULAR SESSION

Monday/Tuesday, January 27 & 28 RETREAT

Additional potential topics with dates to be determined: Sign Code, MPFF Walk Thru, B2H, New targeted URA Project Program, Police Department Building, Urban Fire Interface, Visioning

Unless Otherwise Noted, All Sessions of the Council Begin at 6:00 p.m. Meeting Dates Subject to Change; Please call 541-962-1309 to Confirm Subject to Change

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1	Updated	Monthly activity	2018-2019 Stats			Building
	June 5, 2019	(May)	Permit Type	Total Permits	Total Fees	
			City of La Grande Building	11	\$3,180.00	
			Union County Bldg.	16	\$22,414.00	
			City of La Grande MFH	1	\$450.00	
			Union County MFH	3	\$1,350.00	
			City of La Grande Mechanical	10	\$833.50	
			Union County Mechanical	13	\$970.00	
			City of La Grande Plumbing	8	\$1,414.50	
			Union County Plumbing	16	\$2,374.50	
			City of La Grande Electrical	20	\$341.94	
			Union County Electrical	28	\$3,715.00	
			City of La Grande Demolition	0	\$0.00	
			Union County Demolition	0	0.00	
			TOTALS	126	\$37,043.44	
2	Updated	Year to Date Activity	Year to Date 2018-2019 Sta	ats		Building
	June 5, 2019		Permit Type	Total Permits	Total Fees	
			City of La Grande Building	121	\$104,550.11	
			Union County Bldg.	121	\$130,255.80	
			City of La Grande MFH	6	\$2,373.75	
			Union County MFH	15	\$7,650.00	
			City of La Grande Mechanical	156	\$16,668.50	
			Union County Mechanical	187	\$18,231.00	
			City of La Grande Plumbing	94	\$17,643.95	
			Union County Plumbing	65	\$13,371.00	
			City of La Grande Electrical	173	\$23,888.94	
			Union County Electrical	249	\$35,402.86	
			City of La Grande Demolition	5	\$1,100.00	
			Union County Demolition	2	\$190.00	
2	Now It	Library Director County	TOTALS	1194	\$371295.91	City Manager
3	New Item May 2, 2019	Library Director Search	Our Library Director is retiring the position and are currently	reviewing a	pplications.	City Manager
4	No Change September 18, 2018	Personnel Policy/Employee Handbook Update	Draft policy has been develop Directors and then work with adoption.			City Manager
5	Updated May 10, 2019	Market Place Family Foods Agreement Amendment	The grocery store has reopened Foods. There have not been a amending the agreement.			District Manager
			The Agreement includes the C Family Foods, LLC, and Tow			

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6	No Change September 18,	New Greenway Maintenance Agreement	of Market Place Family Foods has declared bankruptcy and the grocery store is currently closed. The Agreement needs to be amended to reflect the removal of Market Place Family Foods and to clarify items such as the completion date of the project and specifically identify the timelines related to when the window for loan forgiveness ends. There are additional revisions contemplated and the Agency is working with Town Square LP on this. Additionally, the Agency has granted permission to Town Square, LP, to reopen the grocery store with a different operator. One of the requirements under the ODOT Connect grant for the next segment of the Greenway is to have a long-	City Manager
	2018	rigicomoni	term agreement in place. At present the project is still in limbo but once Island City makes a decision we will move forward on this element.	
7	No Change February 26, 2019	ConnectVI Greenway Agreement	One of the requirements under the ODOT ConnectVI grant is match for the project. The City of La Grande acquired property for use in the Greenway that is listed as match. However, a technical point regarding eligible match was raised by new leadership at the State and to use this property the City of La Grande would need to become a party to the agreement solely for the purpose of compliance and would only be responsible for providing the property as match. The City Council indicated support for becoming a party to the agreement in this limited role and we had planned to ask Council to take action at the February meeting but removed it from the agenda. Once Island City makes a decision we will move forward on this element.	City Manager
8	No Change September 18, 2018	Planning/Building Process Enhancements	Staff is reviewing how we respond to potential and actual project proposals in an effort to assure the right people are aware of projects that they can assist with or where they will have review/approval roles. The goal is to streamline the process and reduce confusion where possible. We are currently looking at how we can modify our correspondence to be more helpful. We have identified a process for including more Staff earlier in the timeline.	City Manager
9	No Change February 26, 2019	La Grande Main Street Downtown Agreement	The agreement between the City of La Grande and LGMSD is expiring this year and needs to be renewed. Staff will prepare a draft revision for Council consideration that includes the language to require reporting in the event of suspected fraud as part of the revision.	City Manager
10	Updated May 10, 2019	Tourism Promotion Agreement with Union County Chamber of Commerce	The revised agreement is on the June 5, 2019, Council Agenda for consideration. The current agreement between the City of La Grande, Union County, and the Union County Chamber of Commerce for Tourism Promotion Services is expiring this year. At this year's Retreat the City Council expresses a desire to extend the agreement for one year given the transition in Chamber Director. Staff prepared a draft extension and provided it to the Chamber that also includes the language to require reporting in the event of suspected fraud and other minor revisions that was discussed at the Tourism	City Manager

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			Program of Work report Work Session on April 22		
11	Updated May 10, 2019	Liberty Theatre Agreement	The Agreement between the Urban Renewal Agency and the Liberty Theatre has expired. The Agency took action to allow for a deed restriction to be placed on the property as an alternative but the Theatre Foundation has asked that the Agency consider an extension instead. Staff received the formal request from the Foundation on April 1, 2019. The Agency approved an extension of	District Manager	
			the agreement with a provision that no further extensions will be granted at their May Regular Meeting. The City Attorney is drafting the documents for the District Manager to sign.		
12	No Change February 26, 2019	Traded Sector Policy Update	Based on the Urban Renewal Agency Retreat, Staff will work on a revised Policy for the Traded Sector Program that identifies provisions for a streamlined approval process for exceptional recruitment leads.	District Manager	
13	No Change February 26, 2019	Urban Renewal Targeted Project Policy Development	Based on the Urban Renewal Agency Retreat, Staff will work on a new policy for targeting specific properties for Agency initiated grant funding.	District Manager	
14	No Change February 26, 2019	System Development Charges/Water and Sewer Connection Fee Review	Staff will be reviewing existing methodology for assessing water and sewer connection fees as well as the merits of proposing system development fees such as a transportation SDC.	City Manager	
15	No Change April 1, 2019	Fiscal Policy Resolution	The City Council met in a Work Session on March 25, 2019, to discuss a Fiscal Policy Resolution that includes a minimum General Fund ending cash balance and provisions regarding unanticipated increases in General Fund ending fund balance. Though no decisions are made at Work Sessions, Staff will be bringing forward a Resolution at the June City Council meeting for consideration.	City Manager	
16	No Change January 29, 2019	Police Building	During the Council Retreat the need for addressing the situation with the Police Department was discussed. Recently improvements to the building and increased maintenance efforts have helped with the situation, but the need for a permanent solution remains. Staff will work on potential solutions as part of an overall capital improvement strategy for the City's General Fund.	City Manager	
17	No Change September 18, 2018	Surplus Property Disposal and Procurement Resolution Update	The current policies related to the acquisition and disposal of City property have not been fully reviewed and updated in a number of years. Staff is working on updating these for Council consideration.	City Manager	
18	Updated May 10, 2019	Fraud Language in MOU's with outside agencies	As agreements with outside agencies are renewed, language related to actions that must be taken in the event of potential or actual fraud that may involve public funds will be inserted. We have worked with the City Attorney and have the language ready. The revised agreement for Tourism Promotion Services includes the new language and is scheduled for consideration at the June City Council Meeting.	City Manager	
19	Updated April 1, 2019	В2Н	At the March Council meeting, the City Council directed the Mayor to develop and sign a Proclamation opposing the B2H project in response to public comments received at the meeting. The Proclamation was developed and sent to the Council as directed.	City Manager	

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			representat should the application proposed la considerati	Staff from the City and Union County met with representatives of Idaho Power to discuss mitigation should the Boardman to Hemmingway (B2H) application be approved. Idaho Power provided proposed language for possible mitigation for consideration that is being reviewed at the staff level. ODOE has deemed Idaho Power's application complete						
			and the Cit November	reinforcin	g the	City's	stated	conce	erns.	
20	No Change November 20, 2018	Union Dues Court Case	Due to a recent Supreme Court Ruling regarding employers deducting union dues from paychecks, the City is working with the bargaining groups through their legal representation to have all employees sign a new authorization to withhold the dues. This will protect both the City and the employees. We have received updated authorizations from employees. Additionally, there are other aspects of the Ruling that will require modifications to the current Collective Bargaining Agreements which we will do by Memorandum. Once we have the Memorandums completed, the City Council will be asked to approve them.							
21	No Change March 8, 2019	Advisory Commission Vacancies	The follow	ring table o	outlin	es the e	xisting	g vaca	ancies.	City Recorder
			Advisory Commission Vacancies							
			Air Quali	ty			+	7/7 4/7		
			Arts	Board of A	Anne	als		4/7		
			Budget C		тррес	415		1/7		
				ity Landsc	cape/F	Forestry		2/7		
			Landmarl	ks				1/5		
			Library					0/5		
				Traffic Sat	fety a	nd Stree	et	0/7		
			Maintena Parks and	nce I Recreatio	n			0/7		
			Planning	Recreame	Л			0/5		
				ounty Tour	rism			1/2		
			Urban Re					3/7		
22	No Change	URA projects fund updates	2018 Call			oot	Funds	, 1	Status	Economic
	February 20, 2019	Fiscal YTD	Business Valley	Address 401	Proj Stru	ctural	\$35,00		Status Not started	Development
	2017		Vet	Adams		rades	award		yet	
			Kehr	1802 4 th Street	New Cros		\$50,000 award \$25,000 Remain	0	Near Completion	1
			LT Dev	1012 Adams		oration	\$50,00 Award	00 1	In process	
			Texaco	1508 Adams	Retr	o Suit	\$50,00 award		Not started	
			Direct Music	1206 Adams	Store	e Exp.	\$15,00 award	00	In process	
			Call for Projects carried over							
			Business	Addres		Project	Fur	nds	Status	
			Baum Smith			Façade	\$20	0,000	Complet	e
			2017			Imp.	awa	аги		

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			Pennington 2017	1106 Adams	Rehab	\$140,000 award \$50,000 remaining	In process	
			Brickyard Lanes 2014	1212 Jefferson	Bowling alley	\$80,000 award \$40,050 remaining	In Process	-
23	No Change May 13, 2019	Façade grant program	issued. One 1. **W Ave Newly issued	As of December 2018, there have been (3) façade grants issued. One was in process and has since withdrawn: 1. **Withdrawn**Philip Merrick, 711 Adams				
24	No Change September 18, 2018	Business Development Assistance Program	Three loans a have been ma	re in the re-p	payment p	hase. No n	new loans	Economic Development
25	No Change June 6, 2019	Retail Development Program	Reported Ab	ove				Economic Development
26	No Change February 14, 2019	Chart of Accounts Review	and refine all reflect descri types of activ combining ac December, th	Form a committee involving all departments to update and refine all Accounts within the Chart of Accounts to reflect descriptions that are more appropriate to the types of activities that are being completed as well as combining accounts that are similar in nature. In December, the committee met and reviewed the Chart of Accounts and discussed recommended changes.				
27	Updated June 11, 2019	Statistics	Month of A Monthly Revenu Monthly Revenu Monthly expens Monthly expens # of Accounts P # of Payroll Che Monthly Payroll # of Water acco # of LID accoun Pieces of mail p Electronic Utility # of NSF checks (In August 2018	pril, 2019 le (all funds) le (general fund) es amount (all fur es (general fund) ayable Checks iss cks/AP issued: expenses: unts billed: ts billed:	sued:	Current 1,480,604 521,102 \$ 2,005,944 \$ 865,188 201 145 \$ 912,045 4,739 0 515 2346 5 cessing of Utilib	YTD \$ 21,446,625 \$8,756,148 \$ 19,536,637 \$ 7,956,048 1,980 1,488 \$ 8,716,798 46 11,677 22,153 44 y Bills and	Finance
28	Updated May 21, 2019	Springbrook Software access updates to include more employees and departments	2. Access is being created by groups which is a new concept to the current access set up which is for Finance only. Allowing access to department personnel will allow each department to view real time information and give the ability to print reports for themselves as needed. There will be education provided to departments on how to use. Security and user permissions have been set up in the system. A user guide is currently being created and ESD has been notified to create access to Springbrook for those that don't already have it.			Finance		
29	Updated, June 11, 2019	2019-2020 Budget Process	The budget p Departments as 2020 requ	are in proces	ss with 20	19 estimate	es as well	Finance

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			taken place, updates completed and a final document is currently in review. The budget document has been prepared and distributed for budget hearings that begin on May 6, 2019. Budget hearings are complete, notices filed and awaiting adoption on June 5, 2019. The budget was adopted on June 5 th for both the City and Urban Renewal.	
30	Completed May1, 2019	Fill Vacant Position	We currently have our half-time position vacant and are in the process of filling this position. This position has been offered and employee to begin work on April 30, 2019.	Finance
31	Updated June 11, 2019	Employee Self Service (ESS)	Currently City Hall and Library employees enter their time worked, on line, through ESS. Currently working with the Fire Department to incorporate on line time entry in ESS with Fire Department Employees. We are scheduled for a webinar to view a module that may help with this.	Finance
32	Updated, May 21, 2019	Software upgrade	We are working with Springbrook Software to identify our custom code. Once this is completed, we will be able to determine which upgrade level we will move to. It has been determined that we will not be able to remove all custom code due to the Utility Reading System. A request to a software upgrade has been made and we are awaiting the system requirements and quote.	Finance
33	New Item June 11, 2019	Transient Lodging Tax Ordinance	Update language in the current Transient Lodging Tax Ordinance to incorporate definitions to clarify intermediaries and other language as recommended by LOC	Finance
34	Updated June 10, 2019	Response Statistics	May 1, 2019 – May 31, 2019	Fire
35	Updated June 10, 2019	Fire Code Inspections/Fire Prevention Activities	May 1, 2019 – May 31, 2019 Inspections/Activities: • 3 - Plan Reviews:	Fire
36	Updated June 10, 2019	Staffing	We are short 4 full-time positions currently, 1 out on medical leave. We have tested 1 person for a paramedic-Firefighter position, we are awaiting the final results.	Fire
37	No Change	Juvenile Fire Setter	0 - Intervention(s) conducted	Fire
38	Updated June 10, 2019	Wildland Fire Interface Report to City Council	We attended/hosted a meeting on May 15 and 29, 2019. The discussion involved: city departments, county representatives, emergency management, ODF, & others. A review of the informational brochure was discussed. A decision and printing of the brochure has begun. Mail out will occur soon.	Fire
39	Updated June 10, 2019	Child Safety Seat Installations and Bicycle Helmets	 (4) Families instructed in proper car seat installation with, (2) being provided with reduced price child safety seats. (1) Families instructed in proper bicycle helmet use with, (1) bike helmets being provided. 	Fire

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40	No Change May 7, 2019	Multi-Disciplinary Team Meeting	Participated in (1) Multi-Disciplinary Team meetings.	Fire
41	No Change May 7, 2019	Traffic School	• (5) Students at a revenue of: 300.00	Fire
42	Updated May 7, 2019	Station Tours	• (3) Station tours given/ with 75 total people.	Fire
43	Updated June 10, 2019	PR Events	 (1) Fire Prevention Events conducted 30 students taught fire extinguisher use. 	Fire
44	Updated June 10, 2019	Placing the 2019 Ambulance into Service, recertifying all ambulances	We have met our recertification standards for Oregon EMS for all of our ambulances. We have met the standards and have been renewed as an EMS provider for the State of Oregon.	Fire
45	No Change May 7, 2019	Apparatus AFG Grant No result, TBA	I attended and participated in the FEMA SAFER grant review process in Emmitsburg, MD for 1 week.	Fire
46	Updated June 11, 2019	Current Recruitments	 Library Director Position reposted. First round of interviews completed. – 1 Position. Firefighter Paramedic Applications – Interviews/Testing - 6/12/2019 Firefighter Positions Posted – 2 Positions Code Enforcement Position posted – 1 Position 911/Tele. Tech. Posted – 1 Position PT Permit Tech Position – Interviews 6/19/19 	Human Resources
47	Updated May 21, 2019	Literacy Center	We are gathering applications and arranging for tutors to serve all who wish to have one on one time. Drop ins and unstructured times always available. Hours will be 10 to 2 until August	Library
48	Updated June 4, 2019	Page Turners Book Club	Page Turners book club for adults meets Tuesday, June 11 at 1:00 pm in the Archives Room. The book for June is "The Second Mountain" by David Brooks. Brooks shares the wisdom of people who live joyous, committed lives and successfully combine their commitments of career, family, personal philosophy, and community.	Library
49	Updated June 4, 2019	Statistics	Current Last Month Month 9,698 11,602 Circulation 22,769 11,381 Door count 17,483 17,391 Card holders 104 76 Overdue notices 1,607 1,619 Library2Go e-books &e-audio 7 8 Events in community room 80 109 Adult program attendance 465 387 Children's program attendance 94 101 Teen program attendance 50 77 Volunteer hours 977 1001 Total Sage ILL	Library
50	Updated June 4, 2019	Children's/Young Adults	The 2019 Summer Reading Program, "A Universe of Stories," is here! Space-themed family movies, a handson museum event, downtown puppet scavenger hunt, and a LEGO Competition are all part of this year's	Library

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			program. The Summer Reading Program runs from June 4-July 25 and has three age ranges, for ages 0-5, 5-12, and 12-19. For updates visit our Facebook page, La Grande Summer Reading Program.	
			The Museum of Natural and Cultural History presents "Our Place in Space" on Thursday, June 27 at 11:00 am. Science experiments and fun activities explore what makes planet Earth special. Family movies are Wednesdays, June 12 and June 26, at 10:30 am in the Community Room. The LEGO Competition is Thursday, July 18 at 10:30; LEGO provided. Summer Reading Program registration is not required to participate in events.	
51	Updated June 4, 2019	Adult Programs	Feeling crafty? Need inspiration? Check out CreativeBug, an online platform with over 1,000 classes, from cupcake decorating to planner design, they also have activities themed for the Summer Reading Program. Click the link on our website, cityoflagrande.org/library and login with your library barcode and password.	Library
			3D printing is now available. Contact Ryan at the library or email rmcginnis@cityoflagrande.org for details. Three Book Club Kits for adults are now available for four-week check outs.	
52	Updated June 6, 2019	Parks Maintenance Update	 Ballfield maintenance to support the baseball and softball high school playoffs. This involved extensive field work and preparation. All parks irrigation is up and running including the replacement of 9 new sprinkler heads at Riverside Park. Applying mulch to several areas. Repair sewer line at Pioneer Park ballfield restrooms. Support for electrician at Pioneer Park. Very busy pavilion rentals at Riverside and Pioneer Parks. 	Parks & Rec- Maintenance
53	No Change May 10, 2019	Recreation Center	The Committee met with the owners of Grande Ronde Fitness to see about a possible partnership. They offered sale of the property for the tax assessed value. Other options are still being explored.	Parks & Rec- Admin
54	Updated June 5, 2019	Current Greenway Easement	 The City has an easement for a small segment of the existing Greenway and have reached agreement with the property owner to transfer City property for the portion of the easement that is being used for the trail. The current owner has continued to use a portion of the easement resulting in conflicts. By transferring the property this should resolve the conflicts. Staff met with the property owner and surveyor to stake 	Parks & Rec- Admin

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			property line. Property attorney to finalize the agreed to move his fee before September 201				
55	Updated June 5, 2019	Pioneer Park Concessions Grant	Roll up doors and wir electrical service has stairs, roof, and remai	Parks & Rec- Admin			
56	Completed June 5, 2019	Softball Field Improvements	Varsity softball field is constructed and paint actively playing. That funding just over \$40	is complete, dug ed, fencing is con ink you to the Sc	outs are mplete. They are hool District to	Parks & Rec- Admin	
57	Updated June 6, 2019	Pool Statistics May 2019		FY 17-18 (thru May)	FY 18-19 (thru May)	Parks & Rec- Aquatics	
			ATTENDANCE FY TO DATE REVENUE FY TO DATE	3813 35,094 16,037.07 156,966	3756 35420 14,371.02 163,190		
58	Updated June 6, 2019	Pool Programs Update	We started a summer mor will run Mor 5:30 a.m. to participants instructor to EOU kayakii Central school 3 rd	 We started a Masters Swim program for the summer months of June, July and August, it will run Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. We are starting with (12) participants which will cover the cost of the instructor to be on deck. EOU kayaking class finished on May 1st. 			
59	No Change May 10, 2019	Pool Maintenance Working on fixing	 Have to trourepaired or repaired or repaired or re UV keeps sh Water Aquat We will have new one Flow meter of Anchored the 	repaired or replaced UV keeps shutting down, working with Pure Water Aquatics to get it running right. We will have to replace the pay clock with a			
60	Updated June 6, 2019	Recreation Program Update	Summer is o programs ca Adult Co-ed 11 teams reg increase fror Kick it into C 1st, and was roughly 100 This event is group at EO Hog Wild D Hoops camp starting Skat next week This year we dec camps, due to the than full day cam	Parks & Rec- Recreation			

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62	No change February 21, 2019	Urban Forestry Tree Inventory Project	Urban Forest data. Next ste Surveys Inc.	ep is work	king with	Arbor .		ntory	Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry
63	Updated May 10, 2019	Wildland Urban Interface Committee	• The neig	The committee is working on planning a neighborhood Firewise day in the near future tentatively on property owned by Blue Mountain Conservancy.		Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry			
64	Updated June 6, 2019 Updated	May Urban Forestry Statistics Calendar YTD	July 1, 2018 Street Trees Park Trees Street Trees Park Trees Street Trees Park Trees Community Nuisance R Field/Tree I Ordinance I Tree Servic Site Plan Re Volunteer I	s Planted Planted Removed s Pruned Pruned Response Evaluation Enforcem e Permits	d des	May 15 4 6 0 2 86 45 3 16 2 0 4 8	YTD 77 18 34 16 364 52 333 62 224 32 9 29 192 Curr	ent	Parks & Rec- Urba2n Forestry
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66	New Item June 10, 2019	Notable Projects Approved	 16th Street – 55+ housing development: GCT Land Management is constructing a senior housing project that includes 8 single-family homes (one-story) and 22-24 condominiums (2-story). Russell Avenue, near Spruce Street – Veteran Village tiny home development: GCT Land Management is constructing a 10 unit tiny home development in partnership with Veteran Affairs. 	Planning
67	Updated June 10, 2019	Housing Needs Analysis (HNA)	The City of La Grande was identified as being a severely rent burdened city, which qualified the City for a State funded project to conduct a Housing Needs Analysis (HNA). This analysis has commenced and is being conducted by FCS Group, which are consultants based in Lake Oswego. The conclusions of this analysis will be incorporated the City's Goal 10 (housing) Chapter of the La Grande Comprehensive Plan. The HNA will inventory the City's housing stock and identify the surpluses and deficits in the various housing types within the City.	Planning
			The project is nearly complete with the final documents under review for acceptance by the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD).	
			On May 20, 2019, the draft final report was presented to the City Council during a Work Session. The Consultant presented findings showing that the City has a large surplus of single-family residential zoned lands, but approximately a 14 acre deficit of multi-family (R-3) zoned land over the next 20 year planning horizon. These findings were based on a slightly progressive analysis that took into consideration "pent up demand" which is a perceived need based on public and agency input received and based on their experiences.	
			In DLCD's review of the final report, DLCD rejected the "pent up demand" justification and requires that a more factual approach be used, as required by State law, based on actual studies and physical data. The consultants have modified the final report as required by DLCD, removing the "pent up demand" which continues to results in the City having a need for more multi-family residential development, but the City has surplus of residentially zoned land in all residential categories. The significance and importance of this finding is that the City will not be required to pursue rezoning immediately in conjunction with the adoption of this report.	
			Moving forward, for the next phase of this project, the City should focus on developing a strategic plan that includes possible solutions for satisfying the	

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	Status		various housing needs within	n the City		
68	No Change May 13, 2019				8 Land not sign code	Planning
			review by the City attorney. Pub as early as August 2019.			
69	No Change February 20, 2019	Code Amendments Floodplain Regulations	As mentioned in past reports by Planning Staff, FEMA settled a lawsuit with National Marine Fisheries and other agencies regarding the protection of endangered species and salmon and steelhead habitat. The lawsuit upheld that the FEMA regulations for development within floodplains is inadequate for protecting endangered species according to the Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). In April 2016, the National Marine Fisheries issued a Biological Opinion (BiOp), along with Reasonable and Prudent Alternatives (RPA) for protecting habitat which FEMA is required to address in new regulatory requirements by Spring 2019. This deadline has recently been extended by 3 years, until October 2021.			Planning
			Department is holding off on dra regulations until FEMA provides on how to proceed			
70	Updated April 11, 2019	Taylor Creek Floodplain Mapping	on how to proceed. PW Staff met with Anderson Perry to review the model with the integration of the Taylor Creek data from the Corp of Engineers. Identification of the boundary between the two models was refined, and some projects that could be completed prior to submission to FEMA were communicated to PW. AP anticipates being prepared to submit the updated model and resulting flood map in August of 2019. A work session with the City Council to present and discuss the updated Storm Water Master Plan and changes to the floodplain will be scheduled at that time.			Planning/ Public Works
71	No Change September 14, 2018	Operations Division Statistics	Statistic gathering has been temporarily suspended due to lack of dispatch staffing.			Police
72	Updated May 1, 2019	Detective Division abuse statistics and street crimes	Physical Abuse Cases	APR 19	YTD 33	Police
		The abuse cases are mostly DHS referred cases and not all of them require further	Sexual Abuse Cases Neglect cases- (also includes children exposed to drug activity and dirty homes)	9	25 66	
		investigation	Domestic Violence Total number of Child Abuse	1 35	3 129	
[Monthly cases reported are new cases.	cases Total number of Senior and People with disabilities reports	1	2	

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73	Updated May 29, 2019			APR 19 316		Y TD 1294	Police
			Legitimate 911 calls for service	2436 360	1	3527 1268	
	Updated	May 2019 Training	Case Reports LGPD/UCSO OPERATIONS TRA	208 INING:	6	597	Police/Comm
	May 29, 2019		 The SWAT team had a four-hour block of training. Detective Graffunder attended the Supervisor/leadership conference in Portland. Chief Harvey, Sgt. Hays and Sr. Officer Rogers attended the handgun instructor update in Baker City Sgt. Perry attended an Emotional survival training in Bend COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING: Dispatcher Cherise Kaechele attended the 3 day EMD training at DPSST in Salem Clerk/Receptionist Lisa Reddington and Comm Spec Griffin attended the Law Enforcement Records conference in Redmond 				
74	No Change December 11, 2018	Crime Statistics- These are the most recent stats available from the state. The state historically lags well behind on reports.	Type of Crime Crimes against person (assaults, robbery, secrimes) Crimes against prope (burglary, vehicle the NSF/acct. closed)	ns 1 ext 4	Oct. 18 0 4	95 390	Police
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75	Completed May 3, 2019	Special Victims Detective: 3-year Grant Approved	In partnership with Shelter from the Storm, the Police Department has been successful in a grant application through the US DOJ Office of Violence Against Women (OVW). The grant will allow the PD to staff a Special Victim's Detective for 3 years. This position will work closely with SFS and other community partners explicitly investigating crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The SV Detective has been assigned from the ranks of our operations staff. A new police officer has been hired to backfill for the grant funded position. His first day with the department was April 3, 2019. On April 27 th the Police Department, partnered with the			Police	
76	New Item	Drug Take Back	On April 27 th the Polic	e Departn	nent, part	tnered with the	Police

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	June 5, 2019		Union County Safe Communities Coalition, to participate in the National Drug Take Back Day. This event is sponsored by the US Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration. Sgt. Rasmussen and Officer Rush were set up at Safeway from 10 am till 2 pm. for people to drop off any unwanted drugs. During that time period we took in 85 pounds of unwanted drugs. Combined with the drugs we had taken in the Drop Box in the lobby of the Police Department, we shipped 175 pounds of drugs to the DEA. This event provides a valuable service to our community and we plan to continue to participate in this event which takes place twice a year (April and October).	
77	Updated June 10, 2019	Beaver Creek Fish Passage	Final Report for the Project is completed and will be submitted to OWRD by June 20, 2019. All permits have been closed out, and project will be completed by the end of the 2018-2019 Budget year.	Public Works
78	No Change September 1, 2018	Jefferson Street Truck Route	This project is on hold until funding is acquired. In the new STIP cycle, the grant funding model has been updated. The updated model does appear to be favorable for the truck route project, and staff will be working with ODOT to submit an application for the next cycle.	Public Works
79	Updated June 10, 2019	2018-19 Street User Fee Projects	High Desert and Aggregate Completed the paving of Cove Avenue on June 5 th and the paving of Washington Avenue on June 7 th . Project invoice has been received and will be paid in June. Project will be completed after final walk through, which is scheduled for June 18 th . The reconstruction project for 5 th Street from L Avenue to N Avenue and Penn Avenue from 3 rd Street to 4 th Street has been completed and closed out.	Public Works
80	Updated June 10, 2019	Street Maintenance	Street crew has been designated to multiple large projects, leaving little time to complete maintenance activities. Crews completed the paving of utility ditches from Fall construction activities and will switch to filling potholes as the 2018-2019 budget year winds down.	Public Works
	Updated May 15, 2019	Wastewater Treatment Plant Screening Facility	Electrical conduits and the concrete working slab have been constructed. Next step will be to construct the lifting frame that will assist in the placement of the screen. It is anticipated that this work will be completed in the coming weeks.	Public Works
81	No Change April 11, 2019	Adams Avenue ADA Ramps	Working with the Oregon Department of Transportation, Public Works will be participating in a pilot program that will construct ADA compliant corner ramps along Adams Avenue from Island Avenue to 4 th Street. The initial phase of the program will include 15 ramps designed, bid, and constructed under City Staff supervision. Funds for the project are being provided by ODOT.	Public Works
82	No Change April 11, 2019	Otten Drive Turn Around Construction	ODOT is completing a feasibility study on the construction of a turnaround at the base of Otten Drive to pull truck traffic away from the roadway during inclement weather shutdowns of the Interstate. Truck	Public Works

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			stacking has caused multiple problems for State workers as well as the residence living on Otten Drive. The City will be working with ODOT to review available options and determine whether or not the project will move forward.	
83	Update June 10, 2019	Quiet Zone ASM/SSM Construction	Construction of the Hall Street improvements and upgrades surrounding the AmeriGas location has been completed. Crews await arrival of materials needed to complete the traffic dividers, and will commence work upon arrival.	Public Works
84	No Change September 13, 2018	Assistant Public Works Director Job Description and Recruitment	This job description is being updated by Public Works Staff. It is anticipated that recruitment to fill the position will begin soon.	Public Works
85	Updated June 10, 2019	2018-2019 CIPP Project (Sewer Collection)	PEC based out of Helena Montana is on site and completing the project. To date, the contractor has completed the lining of the 27" mainline along Hwy 30, and anticipates project completion on or around the 17th of June.	Public Works
86	No Change April 11, 2019	Water Meter Reading System	Crews are in the process of repairing meters that were damaged during the winter, and will soon switch back to the meter change out. Many meters are being outfitted with a recessed lid to keep radio transmitters from being sheared off by shovels and plows.	Public Works
87	No Change September 1, 2018	Public Works Superintendent Job Description Revision	These job descriptions are being updated and are under review by City Manager Staff.	Public Works
88	Updated June 10, 2019	Safe Route to Schools Grant	Bid opening was rescheduled for July 2, and is still anticipated to be awarded during the July Council Meeting.	Public Works
89	No Change April 11, 2019	Water System Optimization Cohort	Workshop No.3, which was held on March 28 th in Richland, Washington, was attended by two members of PW Staff. At the workshop the City was given access to Sensei, which is the power consumption tracking software that will be used for program. This marks the beginning of the conservation tracking that will be used to determine the City's rebate check amount.	Public Works
90	Completed June 10, 2019	Diagonal Parking Request	Property owner requested pricing for utility upgrades at the site. Upon follow up on the request, it was determined that the proposed diagonal parking request has been cancelled, and the property owner was working on completing a different design for the building.	Public Works
91	No Change September 14, 2018	Sidewalk Repair Enforcement Letters – Sidewalk LID Program	The annual Sidewalk LID program sent out approximately 170 letters in Region 5 this year and has received approximately ten (10) requests for estimates. The City-Wide Concrete Contractor is in process of completing these projects. We will be accepting requests for estimates through October 1 st , and anticipate receiving a few more before the cutoff date.	Public Works
92	Updated June 10, 2019	Implementation of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) at Public Works	Construction of the Sanitary Sewer layer has been completed. Next step will be scheduling training for sewer staff that will be utilizing the software. Additionally, maintenance tracking apps have been completed for the hydrant system. The annual hydrant flushing program will begin in the next few weeks and data will begin to be entered in to the program.	Public Works
93	No Change	STIP Roadway Safety Projects	New Safety signs have been installed on Cove Avenue.	Public Works

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	June10, 2019		City staff is working with ODOT to secure a construction easement from the county to aid in the construction of the rapid flash beacon at the corner of Cove and Albany. Safety signs for Washington Avenue will be completed in the Fall.	