

CITY of LA GRANDE THE HUB OF NORTHEASTERN OREGON

MONTHLY REPORT July 2019

City Manager's Top Priorities for 2019

No. Change in Status			Lead Department
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No Change June 18, 2019 Updated August 14, 2019	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. The 2019-2020 Budgets were adopted by the City Council and Urban Renewal Agency in June as approved by the respective Budget Committees. Business Development/Recruitment Partnering with OTEC to develop and implement new Economic Development Website. 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.	City Manager Economic Development
		 Mike Boquist, Christine Jarski and Robert 	

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			Retail Development Project:	
			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	
			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.	
			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."	
			 Continue to collaborate with Rotary so that 	
			next year's event will be a "Clean up and	
			Beautification" day.	
			Chair, LGMSD Design Committee and	
			facilitated creation of project list.	
			Work with Main Street for implementation	
			of the Façade Grant Program.	
			 Drafted and filed annual report for Oregon Main Street Grant – Pennington Project. 	
			Entrepreneur Center/Entrepreneurial	
			Development	
			• FIRST Lemonade Day was held. 10 kids	
			signed up through Parks/Rec and 8	
			participated in the event on July 20. Several	
			community volunteers helped with the event	
			and Community Bank sponsored and held a	
			loan day. Each of the 4 stands paid back	
			their loans and made \$80 to \$100.	
			 Completed final report for CDBG. 	
			Presented Economic Development 101 at	
			SPARK women's mentoring group—	
			Developing volunteer leaders who can assist	
			in facilitating the group. Members are	
			continuing to leading short topic	
			workshops.	
			• Ignite received a grant from US Bank. Urban Renewal Programs:	
			Draft Grant Agreements for 2019/2020 CFP	
			and met with award recipients to review.	
			 Continued working with CFP awardees 	
			regarding project questions and funding.	
			Processed Final Close Out for Kehr	
			Chiropractic and Crossfit.	
3	No Change	General Fund Capital	The 2019-2020 Budgets that were adopted by the	City Manager
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	June 18, 2019	Improvements: Identity funding sources and strategy to address major capital needs including but not limited to the Library Roof and the Police Department.	City Council and include funding for the Library Roof as well as matching funds up to \$50,000 for ADA improvements at the Arts Center. The City Council approved a revised policy at their June meeting that includes dedicating 75% of any unanticipated increase in General Fund ending cash to capital improvements.	
4	Updated August 19, 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.	FRA has approved our Application to use ASM/SSMs has been submitted to FRA for review and approval. At the August City Council meeting, the City Council authorized the Mayor and City Manager to take all required actions to finalize the Quiet Zone. Once all improvements are completed the City will submit final notices required to enact the Quiet Zone. Public Works is working 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	Updated August 19, 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.	Committee has been appointed and continues to meet.	City Manager

Council Sessions, Significant Deadlines, and Events Schedule As of August 15, 2019

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings begin at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting dates listed here are place holders; meeting dates and topics are subject to change.

2019

Wednesday, August 7 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, August 19 JOINT WORK SESSION

With Union County Commissioners

Monday, September 2 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, September 4 REGULAR SESSION

Monday, September 9 WORK SESSION

Tentative Topic: System Development Charges (SDC's)

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:

Economic Development

Strategy Update

Monday, November 25 WORK SESSION

TBD

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

July 2019 4
La Grande Staff Report Blue=new item Red=completed item

2020

Wednesday, January 1 HOLIDAY

Wednesday, January 8 REGULAR SESSION

Monday/Tuesday, January 27 & 28 RETREAT

Additional topics with dates to be determined: Visioning, URAC Composition/Role, New Targeted URA Project Program, Police Department Building, Urban Fire Interface

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1	Updated August 6,2019	Monthly activity (July)	Permit Type	<u>Permits</u>	Permit Fees	Plan Review Fees	Building
			City of LG Building:	10	\$4,719.40	\$2,523.95	
			UC Building:	14	\$14,739.00	\$11,451.65	
			City of LG MFH	0	\$0.00		
			UC MFH	0	\$0.00		
			City of LG Mechanical	14	\$185.00		
			UC Mechanical	21	\$1,747.00		
			City of LG Plumbing	10	\$931.50		
			UC Plumbing	15	\$6,292.50		
			City of LG Electrical	11	\$2,010.00		
			UC Electrical	1	\$3,740.00		
			City of LG Demolition	0	\$0.00		
			UC Demolition	0	\$0.00		
			AG Exempt permits	4			
			TOTALS:	100	\$34,364.40	\$13,975.60	
			Fiscal Year Running Totals:	100	\$34,364.40	\$13,975.60	
2	New and Complete August 6, 2019	New Permit Tech		s a week. V	d the Building l We share Miran		Building
3	Updated August 19, 2019	Library Director Search	Five finalists w and provided p selection has n checks at this t	vere intervioresentation ot been madime. We arserve as a particular to the control of the contro	s to the Commu de. We are doi e contracting w		City Manager
4	New Item July 8, 2019	Waste Pro Franchise Agreement	City garbage so an outdated bu	ervices are t still valid	provided by Wagreement. We odating their Fra	e are in the	City Manager
5	No Change September 18, 2018	Personnel Policy/Employee Handbook Update			eloped. Need to with bargaining	o review with groups prior to	City Manager
6	Updated August 19, 2019 Market Place Family Foods Agreement Amendment The grocery store has reopened as Market Place Froods. There have not been any new actions related amending the agreement. The District Manager has received the first required report per the Agreement regarding employment and operating hours and shawith the Agency.				ions related to anager has Agreement ars and shared it	District Manager	
			Family Foods, of Market Plac	LLC, and The Family F	he CLIENTS— Fown Square, L oods has declar arrently closed.	P. The owner ed bankruptcy	

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			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.	
7	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
8	Completed August 19, 2019	Tourism Promotion Agreement with Union County Chamber of Commerce	The revised agreement was approved by the City Council on the June 5, 2019. 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. The Chamber Board and Union County Commissioners have signed the agreement.	City Manager
9	Completed August 19, 2019	Liberty Theatre Agreement	The City Attorney drafted the documents required and they have been accepted by the Liberty Theatre Foundation and signed.	District Manager
10	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
11	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
12	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
13	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
14	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
15	Updated August 19, 2019	В2Н	The City Council voted to approve an agreement for mitigation with Idaho Power related to the B2H project and is awaiting a signed copy from Idaho Power. The City's response to the Draft Proposed Order is due August 22 and is being drafted.	City Manager
16	No Change November 20,	Union Dues Court Case	Due to a recent Supreme Court Ruling regarding employers deducting union dues from paychecks, the	City Manager

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	2018		legal repres authorization both the Ci We have re employees.	sentation to on to withly ty and the ceived upon Addition	the bargaini o have all er nold the due employees. dated author ally, there a	mployees signs. This will rizations fro re other asp	gn a new protect m ects of th		
			Collective Memorand	Bargaining um. Once	re modificate g Agreement we have the Council will	ts which we e Memorand	will do b dums	у	
17	No Change	Advisory Commission	them. The follow	ing table o	outlines the e	existing vac	ancies.		City Recorder
	March 8, 2019	Vacancies	Advisory Air Qualit Arts Building 1 Budget Co	Board of A		Vac 7/7 3/7 4/5 1/7	ancies_		
			Landmark Library Parking, 7	raffic Saf	ape/Forestry	1/5 0/5			
			Maintenar Parks and Planning Union Co	Recreatio		0/7 0/5 1/2			
			Urban Re			3/7			
18	Updated	URA projects fund updates	2019-2020 Business			F 1	Gt. t		Economic
	August 9, 2019	Fiscal YTD	BR Office Condo.	Address 1902 4 th Street	Project Renovation for business	Funds \$63,211	In Proce	ss	Development
			Assoc. Countertop Solutions	1415 Jefferson	expansion Renovation of historic property for business expansion	\$36,789	In Proce	SS	
			Grande Ronde Animal Hospital Lottes	2400 Adams Avenue	New Construction for New Business Renovation		Not Star		
			Building	Adams	Restoration of Historic Property				
			Steve's Outdoor Adventures	316 Antelope Dr.	New Construction for business Expansion		Not Star	rted	
			2018-2019			Funda	Status		
			Business Valley Vet	Address 401 Adams	Project Structural Upgrades	Funds \$35,000 award	Not starte yet		
			Kehr LT Dev	1802 4 th Street 1012	New CrossFit Restoration	\$50,000 award \$50,000	Complete In process		
			Texaco	Adams 1508	Retro Suit	Award \$50,000	Not starte		
			Direct Music	Adams 1206 Adams	Store Exp.	award \$15,000 award	In process	3	

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			Business	Address	Project	Funds	Status	
			Baum Smith 2017	808 Adams	Façade Imp.	\$20,000 award	Complete	
			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	
19	Updated August 9, 2019	Façade grant program		was in proce ithdrawn** nue – Windo Kelly Secl, blacement.	ess and has Philip Me ow Replace 1214 ½ A	s since with prrick, 711 A cement dams Ave f	drawn: Adams For a	Economic Development
20	No Change September 18,	Business Development Assistance Program	Three loans a have been ma	re in the re-p				Economic Development
21	No Change	Retail Development Program	Reported Ab	OVA				Economic
21	June 6, 2019	Retail Development Flogram	Reported Ab	ove				Development
22	No Change February 14, 2019	Chart of Accounts Review	Form a command refine all reflect descritypes of active combining active combinity active c	Accounts we ptions that are rities that are recounts that are committee	rithin the ore more ape being co are similar met and	Chart of Ac ppropriate t mpleted as r in nature. reviewed the	counts to o the well as In the Chart of	Finance
23	Updated July 23, 2019	Statistics	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	le (all funds) le (general fund) les amount (all fur les (general fund) layable Checks is: les cks/AP issued: lexpenses: lex billed: lts billed:	sued:	\$ 442,569 \$ 2,298,724 \$ 768,195 182 163 \$ 852,476 4,821 3 487 2,431 9 ccessing of Utility		
24	Updated July 23, 2019	Springbrook Software access updates to include more employees and departments	2. Acc new is for depa depa give as n depa perr	ess is being of concept to the concept to the concept to the concept to the concept the co	he currently. Allow onnel will ew real time o print represent will be a show to use the been set	t access set ving access allow each me informa ports for the education p e. Security up in the s	to to to to and to and to to and user ystem. A	Finance

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			has been notified to create access to Springbrook for those that don't already have it. IT is currently working to give access to those who are approved and education has begun on how to use.	
25	No Change 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
26	Updated July 23, 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. All quotes have been received and workorders have been placed for both the hardware and software.	Finance
27	Updated July 23, 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. The 1 st draft has been completed and passed on for another review.	Finance
28	No Change July 23, 2019	Annual Audit	The annual audit has been scheduled for October 7 – 11, 2019 for FY 2018-19. Preliminary field work was completed on June 24 and 25.	Finance
29	No Change July 1, 2019	Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS)	Municipal Court Clerk will be receiving education on accessing the LEDS system. Dispatch will no longer be providing the necessary information for us to obtain driving record information for the Municipal Judge. LEDS recently implemented changes that no longer allow dispatch to provide this information to us.	Finance
30	Updated August 8, 2019	Response Statistics	July 1, 2019 – July 31, 2019	Fire
31	Updated August 8, 2019	Fire Code Inspections/Fire Prevention Activities	July 1, 2019 – July 31, 2019 Inspections/Activities: • Plan Reviews: 2 • Inspections: 0	Fire
32	Updated August 8, 2019	Staffing	We are in process of hiring 2 FF/EMTs, which should be completed by August 21st. We have given conditional offers to 2 FF/Paramedic candidates that accepted and then both withdrew. We are still needing to fill 2 vacant FF/Paramedic position with the anticipation of 1 more vacancy soon. One of our recent retirees has been re hired part time to help cover shortage.	Fire
33	No Change May 7, 2019	Juvenile Fire Setter	0 - Intervention(s) conducted	Fire

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34	Updated August 8, 2019	Wildland Fire Interface Report to City Council	Coordinating with Parks department and other Volunteers to distribute flyers.	Fire
35	Updated August 8, 2019	Child Safety Seat Installations and Bicycle Helmets	 (3) Families instructed in proper car seat installation with, (1) being provided with reduced price child safety seats. (1) Families instructed in proper bicycle helmet use with, (1) bike helmets being provided. 	Fire
36	No Change May 7, 2019	Multi-Disciplinary Team Meeting	Participated in (1) Multi-Disciplinary Team meetings.	Fire
37	Updated August 8, 2019	Traffic School	• (9) Students at a revenue of: 450.00	Fire
38	Updated August 8, 2019	Station Tours	• (5) Station tours given/ with 11 total people.	Fire
39	Updated August 8, 2019	PR Events	 Provided breakfast to approx. 200 people at station during crazy days. Fire Chief assisted in judging crazy days car show. 	Fire
40	Updated August 8, 2019	Public Education	• (0) Extinguisher class, 0 students.	Fire
41	No Change July 10, 2019	Apparatus AFG Grant No result, TBA	Awaiting grant results.	Fire
42	Updated July 31, 2019	Current Recruitments	 Library Director Position reposted. Final Interviews scheduled for 8/13/19 – 1 Position. Firefighter Paramedic Applications – Interviews/Testing – Pending job applications. Firefighter Positions Posted. Two offers made. – 2 Positions Code Enforcement Position posted. Background in process. – 1 Position 911/Tele. Tech. Posted. Background in process. – 1 Position Sergeant Position posted – 1 Promotion. Police Officer Position posted – 1 position. 	Human Resources
43	No Change August 8, 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
44	Updated August 8, 2019	Page Turners Book Club	Page Turners book club for adults meets Tuesday, August 13 at 1:00 pm in the Archives Room. The book for August is <i>Killers of the Flower Moon</i> by David Grann, a true story of greed, crime, and the beginning of the FBI as it investigated a conspiracy against the Osage tribe in Oklahoma in the 1920's.	Library
45	Updated August 8, 2019	Statistics	Current Month Last Month 10,969 10,815 Circulation 24,495 22,010 Door count 17,548 17,484 Card holders 98 56 Overdue notices 1,778 1,697 Library2Go e-books &e-audio 5 3 Events in community room	Library

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			07Adult program attendance383247Children's program attendance1211Teen program attendance5864Volunteer hours1,073976Total Sage ILL	
46	Updated August 8, 2019	Children's/Young Adults	 The 2019 Summer Reading Program, "A Universe of Stories," is here! Space-themed family movies, a hands-on museum event, downtown puppet scavenger hunt, and a LEGO Competition are all part of this year's 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. Summer Reading Program registration is not required to participate in events. The LEGO Competition is Thursday, July 18 at 10:30; LEGO blocks are provided. Children from newborn to age five may be signed up for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library free book program at the library. Children will receive an age-appropriate book mailed to their home in their name every month until they reach age 5. The final Family Movie Night for the summer is on Wednesday, August 7 at 10:30 a.m. Popcorn is provided. Toddler time is held on Mondays at 10:20 a.m. for children ages 14 months to 4 years and their caregivers. Baby Tot Bop program for children 3 years old and under is held Friday mornings at 10:30 am. Teen Writing Circle will continue in July, meeting on Thursdays July 11 and July 25, at 4:00 p.m. Teen Book Club will meet on Tuesday, July 16. This is a free activity for teens. Middle school book club meets at 10:00 am. High school book club meets at 11:00 am. Teen programs will return this Fall. Teen events are open to youth in middle and high school. Digital audiobooks and e-books are available with a library card on two apps: Overdrive and Libby. Perfect for young readers, Libby is a kid-friendly format. Both apps are free and can be used by logging in with a library barcode and password. Contact the library for a password if needed. 	Library

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47	Updated August 8, 2019	Adult Programs	 In August the Library will be hosting the exhibit "Anywhere But Here." Provided by the Fair Housing Council of Oregon, this exhibit explores the history of housing discrimination in Oregon, and the State and Federal laws currently in place to prevent discrimination. A special storytime on Tuesday, August 20, at 11:00 am will tie into the display's message. 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. 3D printing is now available. Contact Ryan at the library or email rmcginnis@cityoflagrande.org for details. Check out a video of the printer in action on our Facebook page. Four book club kits are now available for patron check out to use in their own book clubs, each with 7 to 10 copies of a title and a sheet of questions. Upcoming programs for adults starting in September include Meditation on Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m., beginning September4; Ballet Basics on Tuesdays at 12:10 pm beginning September 10; and Foreign Film Friday, beginning September 13. Films will now start at 4:00 p.m. New Gamer Club is being organized at the Library for Gamers ages 13 to adult. Club will form around interests of participants. First get-together will be Saturday, July 20, at 1 p.m., to talk about types of games, meeting frequency and other organizing plans. If you have questions, contact Ryan at the Library. 	Library
48	Updated August 9, 2019	Parks Maintenance Update	 Applied mulch to Island Avenue Strip, Birnie Park Finished Library Landscape project with final shrub plantings and irrigation. Finished front pool landscaping including river rock and shrubs. Applied fertilizer and herbicide to several parks. Pruned spruce tree and cleaned out shrub beds at Max Square including mulching beds. Replaced approximately 24 sprinkler heads. 	Parks & Rec- Maintenance
49	No Change June 30, 2019	Welcome Sign Improvements	Removed shrubs at the La Grande welcome sign and replaced with perennial flowers and decorative bark. La Grande Rotary may be interested in repainting the sign. Staff is currently getting bids for that.	Parks & Rec- Maintenance

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50	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
51	Updated August 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 has received notice of the revised Property Line Adjustment Deed and has authorized the City Attorney's office to prepare the final draft for signatures once the County approves the transfer. 	Parks & Rec- Admin
52	Updated August 5, 2019	Pioneer Park Concessions Grant	The exterior has been painted and the roof should be complete by the end of the week. Up next – electrical and indoor construction.	Parks & Rec- Admin
53	Updated August 6, 2019	Pool Statistics June 2019 Note: These are still June statistics in order to give the Finance Department time to calculate revenue.	FY 17-18 (thru June) FY 18-19 (thru June) ATTENDANCE 4346 3744 FY TO DATE 39440 39164 REVENUE 24,241 20,407 FY TO DATE 181,207 185,143	Parks & Rec- Aquatics
54	Updated August 6, 2019	Pool Programs Update	 The annual Doggy Splash event will take place in the outdoor splash pool on August 24th before the pool is closed for the season. Staff is preparing for the Fall Activities Guide and fall programs. 	Parks & Rec- Aquatics
55	Updated August 6, 2019	Pool Maintenance	 Annual maintenance closure is scheduled for Sept. 14-22 items to be done are as follows Tile, Stainless steel and grates around pool will all be cleaned Start on front entrance remodel Drain, clean, and refill both indoor pools. A new chlorinator will be hooked up for the lap pool All concrete is hosed, bleachers cleaned, floors in locker room scrubbed. General house cleaning 	Parks & Rec- Aquatics
56	Updated August 2, 2109	Recreation Program Update	 Summer is now 2/3 over! This summer, 34 different camps, sports, events, concerts, and excursions are being offered and we are busier than ever. All of our summer programs can be found at lagrandeparks.org. This year's summer concert series kicked off July 2nd. Concerts are held every Tuesday at the park from 6:00 – 8:00pm until August 20th. The Morgan Lake Regatta was July 27th from 6-8pm. Rock and Harmony played the Regatta this year and drew the best crowd so far! Lemonade Day was a success! This is new 	Parks & Rec- Recreation

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57	Updated August 7, 2019	Urban Forestry Update	 Responded to eighteen questions/concerns from the community regarding street tree removal permits, the beautification awards program, pesticide applicators, commercial tree services, tree pruning, tree health, volunteer opportunities and nuisance complaints. Set up information table about the LGWUI committee and the CLFC at the ODF/USFS Union County Fair booth. July Facebook posts included the spring Beautification Awards announcements and information on summer tree watering. 	Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry
58	Updated August 7, 2019	Urban Forestry Tree Inventory Project	Worked with Urban Forest Metrix to download the street tree inventory onto tablet and learn the software application.	Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry
59	No Change July 9, 2019	Wildland Urban Interface Committee	A brochure was sent out with all City water bills in July and theater ads have been purchased that will show at the indoor and outdoor theaters in town.	Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry
60	Updated August 7, 2019	June Urban Forestry Statistics	July 1, 2019 – July 2019 July YTD Street Trees Planted 0 0 Park Trees Planted 1 11 Street Trees Removed 7 7 Park Trees Removed 0 0 Street Trees Pruned 37 37 Park Trees Pruned 12 12 Community Responses 18 18 Nuisance Responses 5 5 Field/Tree Evaluations 13 13 Ordinance Enforcement 0 32 Tree Service Permits 0 0 Site Plan Reviews 1 1 Volunteer Hours 6 6	Parks & Rec- Urban Forestry
61	No Change June 10, 2019	Notable Projects Approved	16 th 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

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62 Updated August, 14 2019	Calendar YTD Planning Statistics	Description Description
63 No Change June 10, 20		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. 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

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	in Status		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 various housing needs within the City.	
64	No Change May 13, 2019	2019 Sign Code Amendments	Initially, Planning Department Staff hoped to bundle sign code amendments with updates to the 2018 Land Development Code. Unfortunately, due to the complexity of modifying the sign code, it was not possible to bundle these together. Staff is currently working on preparing a new sign code for the City Council's consideration, which will require review by the City attorney. Public Hearings may begin	Planning
65	No Change February 20, 2019	Code Amendments Floodplain Regulations	as early as August 2019. 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. Based on this extended timeline, the Planning Department is holding off on drafting new floodplain regulations until FEMA provides clarity and direction	Planning
66	No Change April 11, 2019	Taylor Creek Floodplain Mapping	 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
67	No Change September 14, 2018	Operations Division Statistics	Statistic gathering has been temporarily suspended due to lack of dispatch staffing.	Police
68	New Item August 13, 2019	Staffing	We currently have a vacant dispatch position and a vacant Code Enforcement position to fill and have begun the hiring process for an upcoming officer opening in operations due to retirement.	Police

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69	Updated August 2, 2019	Detective Division abuse statistics and street crimes The abuse cases are mostly DHS referred cases and not all of them require further investigation Monthly cases reported are new cases.	Physical Abuse Cases Sexual Abuse Cases Neglect cases- (also includ children exposed to drug actividirty homes) Domestic Violence Total number of Child A cases Total number of Senior a People with disabilities reports Total number of Domest Violence and SART case Total number of death cases Miscellaneous Cases	e Cases 6 S- (also includes d to drug activity and olence 2 or of Child Abuse 36 or of Senior and disabilities or of Domestic 4 SART cases or of death cases 0			44 44 151 10 242 4 38 6 27	
70	Updated Aug 2, 2019	Communications Division Statistics	Traffic/Air 486 All Calls 263 Legitimate 911 415 calls for service Case Reports LGPD/UCSO	32	YTD 2,753 15,958 2321 1288		Police	
71	Updated Aug. 2, 2019	July 2019 Training	OPERATIONS TRAINING: • The SWAT team had a four-hour training. • Detectives Harris and Graffunder day training on Human Traffickin • Lt. Bell attended the CIS 2019 Pt Conference in Redmond COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING: • Comm. Specialist Cribbs attended Field Training & Evaluation Progrin Pendleton • One new dispatcher began her 3-academy training on July 29, 201			ded a 1- afety lay raining	Police/Comm	
72	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 persons (assaults, robbery, sex crimes) Crimes against property (burglary, vehicle theft, NSF/acct. closed) Crimes against society (drug laws, DUII, liquor laws, disorderly conduct Traffic Crimes (DWS, Hit & Run, eludin	Oct. 1 10 44 18)	Police	
73	No Change September 1, 2018	Jefferson Street Truck Route	reckless driving) This project is on hold unt new STIP cycle, the grant updated. The updated more favorable for the truck rou working with ODOT to su next cycle.	funding model does appute project, a	odel has been pear to be and staff wi	en ill be	Public Works	

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74	Updated August 6, 2019	Street Maintenance	The street crew has patched the northwest corner of town, patched any remaining utility ditches, and completed some pothole repair. Painting is 75% complete. Weed spraying is continuing.	Public Works	
75	Updated August 6, 2019	Wastewater Treatment Plant Screening Facility	The lifting rails are currently being completed. Garbage cans have been ordered. Electricity will be hooked up and tested this week.	Public Works	
76	No Change July 10, 2019	Adams Avenue ADA Ramps	Staff is working in conjunction with local ODOT staff to complete exemptions for multiple ramps that will be included in the project. Due to existing obstructions and spacing, it has been found to be necessary to obtain exemptions to complete the project. If process is successful, work is anticipated to begin in the Fall.	Public Works	
77	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 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.	Public Works	
78	Updated August 13, 2019	Quiet Zone ASM/SSM Construction	Construction of the roadway channelization devices has been completed. Crews are working on placing the truncated dome strips and anticipate completion on Wednesday, August 14, 2019. Sign will be installed by August 19, 2019, and the lights on the drop arm on Cherry Street is being coordinated with UPRR.	Public Works	
79	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	
80	No Change July 10, 2019	Water Meter Reading System	Crews have focused efforts on one of the larger routes in the City in an effort to move it from construction to maintenance. Currently, the route which consists of over 800 meters has less than 10 to replace. Following completion of this route the crews will move focus to a new route. Staff had Ferguson on site for additional training on diagnostic tools available within the software, and continues to develop knowledge and processes within the program.	Public Works	
81	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	
82	Updated August 13, 2019	Safe Route to Schools Grant	James Challis Construction is on site and anticipates completion of the project will be completed on schedule.	Public Works	
83	Updated August 6, 2019	STP Roadway Project: North Willow (Cove Ave to Island Ave)	This project is in the process of being paved.	Public Works	
84	No Change April 11, 2019	Water System Optimization Cohort CMAQ Roadway Projects	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. The street crew has applied dust oil to the roadways that	Public Works Public Works	

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	August 6, 2019		were proposed under the grant. The City has received approval from the State and it has been forwarded to FHWA.		
86	No Change September 14, 2018	September 14, Enforcement Letters – approximately 170 letters in Region 5 this year and has			
87	Updated August 6, 2019	Implementation of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) at Public Works	Sewer staff was trained on July 24. 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	
88	Updated August 6, 2019	STIP Roadway Safety Projects	ODOT is working with Union County to establish a construction easement at the Senior Center to aid in the construction of the project. The easement would allow access to areas that will provide adequate equipment space, and create an onsite laydown area Materials were ordered on July 30.	Public Works	
89	New Item August 6, 2019	Lift station Improvements	The wastewater crew is adding an air ozone blower to the East H Avenue lift station. This will remove grease, odor, and H ₂ S from the lift station.	Public Works	
90	New Item August 6, 2019	Tule Lake	Tule Lake will be shut down until approximately September 15 due to low flows. The Treatment Plant is able to evaporate all effluent at this time.	Public Works	
91	New Item August 6, 2019	Street User Fee	The street crew will begin reconstruction of I Avenue from 12 th Street to 14 th Street the week of August 12 using Street User Fee funds.	Public Works	
92	New Item August 6, 2019	Broken Water Main	The water crew will be fixing a broken water main in Morgan Lake Road starting this week. This mainline originates in Beaver Creek.	Public Works	
93	New Item August 6, 2019	Beaver Creek	Staff is contracting with a lab out of Seattle to do water sampling for one year in order to identify potential contaminants from surface water to better evaluate the proper size of water treatment plant necessary to bring the Beaver Creek back online.	Public Works	

$July\ 2019\ Monthly\ Statistics-Building\ Department$

	TOTAL PERMITS	TOTAL	PERMIT FEES	TOTAL P	LAN REVIEW FEES	TOT	AL VALUATION
City of La Grande Building Permits:	10	\$	4,719.40	\$	2,523.95	\$	660,617.16
Union County Building Permit:	14	\$	14,739.00	\$	11,451.65	\$	2,352,824.17
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City of La Grande Manufactured Homes Permit	0	\$	-				
Union County Manufactured Homes Permits	0	\$	-				
City of La Grande Mechanical Permits	14	\$	185.00				
Union County Mechanical Permits	21	\$	1,747.00				
City of La Grande Plumbing Permits	10	\$	931.50				
Union County Plumbing Permits	15	\$	6,292.50				
City of La Grande Electrical Permits	11	\$	2,010.00				
Union County Electrical Permits	1	\$	3,740.00				
City of La Grande Demolition Permits	0	\$	-				
Union County Demolition Permits	0	\$	-				
AG Exempt permits	4						
TOTALS:	100	\$	34,364.40	\$	13,975.60		
				\$	34,364.40		
				\$	48,340.00		
Fiscal Year Running Totals:	100	\$	34,364.40	\$	13,975.60		