

## City Manager February Report

*The following February report will give an overview of the objectives accomplished this past month, as well as future plans:*

### Community Partnerships

To help advance projects that benefit our region, I wrote letters of support for the Port of Morrow and Columbia River Health to include with their congressionally directed spending applications. Submitting these letters is one way I can show the City's support for our community partners and help strengthen their requests for federal funding that can benefit our community.

### Sustainable Growth

The City continues to improve community access by investing in street improvements. By using our Urban Renewal Districts (URDs), we can build needed projects now and use future URD property tax revenue to help cover costs over time. The SE Main St project is estimated at \$5,096,500, and we expect to recoup \$3,200,000 through Central URD property taxes. The NE Front Street project is estimated at \$5,931,500; Business Oregon will provide a \$1,900,000 loan to fund part of the project up front, and North URD property tax revenue will be used first to make the loan payments and then to cover and recoup the remaining project costs.

### Quality Services

City staff are once again taking part in our annual safety trainings to refresh key workplace practices and strengthen day-to-day safety. These trainings help ensure employees stay current on required procedures, reduce the risk of injuries, and support a safe, prepared work environment for both staff and the public.

**CHECK IT OUT...** *We've added a new interactive map to the City's website! Explore layers like water & sewer, sidewalks, zoning, and more—just click around, turn layers on/off, and find the info you need in seconds.*

### Betterment of our Community

This will be a regular section that I will include with each report. This is a way for myself and the council to keep in mind the importance of ongoing outreach to our community and highlight what has been done and will be upcoming for the future.

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| A. DPSST Graduation              | L. S. Main Substantial Walkthrough |
| B. BIZ Oregon Grant Review       | M. Regional Leadership Mtg         |
| C. S. Main Construction Review   | N. Community Session               |
| D. LOC Legislative Update        | O. City Development Mtg            |
| E. Clean Water Consortium        | P. Regional Solutions Mtg          |
| F. CREZ II & III                 | Q. City of Hermiston               |
| G. Morrow County School District | R. Youth Advisory Committee Mtg    |
| H. Fire District Board           | S. Rec District Board Mtg          |
| I. Youth Advisory Committee Mtg  | T. PATH Advisory                   |
| J. Port of Morrow Mtg            | U. Read Across America-Windy River |
| K. BCDA Monthly Mtg              | V. The Modern Railroad             |

# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

## 2025-26

General	Status	Timeline	Cost Estimate
BPA Greenspace	Completed	Fall 2025	\$390,000
Splash Pad	Bid Process	Current	\$550,000
<b>Planning</b>			
Economic Opportunity Analysis	Completed	Feb-26	\$60,000
Transportation System Plan	Completed	Jan-26	Grant Funded
Parks Master Plan	Completed	Jan-26	\$40,000
Development Code/Comp Plan	In Progress	December 2026	\$150,000
Municipal Code	In Progress	December 2026	-----
<b>Streets/Sidewalk</b>			
S Main Project	In Progress	Current	\$5,400,000
Annual Street Improvements	Bid Process	Current	\$2,000,000
Storm Water Flow	Bid Process	Current	\$600,000
<b>Water/Wastewater</b>			
NE Front Sewer	Completed	Jul-26	\$160,000
Bio Solids Removal	Construction	Summer 2026	\$1,250,000
Headworks Screen & Septage Receiving Station	Bid Process	Current	\$1,050,000
Hypochlorite System	Completed	Dec-25	\$380,000
Collector 2 Improvements	In Progress	Current	\$150,000
Kunze Well	In Design	Current	\$1,000,000