

#### CITY OF TOLEDO – CITY COUNCIL

The Toledo City Council is comprised of a Mayor, elected to serve a two-year term and six Council Members, each elected to serve four-year terms. The City Council is the policy-making body of the City and serves as the link between the residents of Toledo and their municipal government. The City Council is responsible for:

- Enacting and amending City laws
- Adopting the City's Budget
- Appointing citizen boards, committees and commissions and
- Providing guidance and direction for actions which affect the quality of life in Toledo.

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Toledo City Council meetings are a great source of information about what is happening in Toledo. Please join the meeting and see what the Council Members and staff are working on.

The Toledo City Council typically meets on the first (1st), third (3rd) and fourth (4th) Wednesday of every month beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Council meetings are accessible to the public online via Zoom. The meeting schedule and location are subject to change. For up to date information, visit the meetings page on the city website at <a href="https://www.cityoftoledo.org">www.cityoftoledo.org</a> or contact Toledo City Hall at 541-336-2247 extension 2060.

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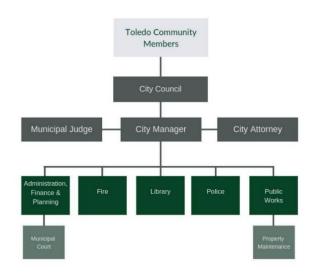
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#### CITY OF TOLEDO – ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF

The City of Toledo operates under a City Council, City Manager form of government. Which means the City Council acts as the governing body and creates rules for the City, while the City Manager manages the day-to-day operations of City, its departments and personnel. The City Council has no authority or influence over personnel administration/management.

The City has several departments including a library, planning department, which is located at City Hall and public safety with a fire and police department.



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Capital Expenditure Projects 2021-2022										p	
description	Budget line item	Location	Budget a	mount	Dept Responsible	approval	status	Begin Date		Date	Final Cost
Butler Bridge Pump Station repairs	013-135-600-420	Butler Bridge Rd.	\$	40,000	Public Works		Awaiting 2nd Quote				
Springbrook admin upgrade	shared expense	City Hall	\$	12,000	Admin/ Finance						
New server/operating sysem	001-100-620-500	City Hall	\$	12,000	Admin/ IT/ PWD						
New Patrol Car	036-360-62800	Public Safety	\$	59,000	Public Safety	Х					
Training props	035-350-621-500	Fire Dept	\$	12,000	Fire Dept.						
Command Vehicle	036-360-621-800	Fire Dept.	\$	55,000	Fire Dept						
Storage Addition	035-350-621-500	Fire Dept	\$	40,000	Fire Dept.		plans in progress/ school dist.				
Park Renovation	035-350-621-660	Arcadia Park	\$	90,000	Facillities-PWD		awaiting possible grant				
Interior paint-library	035-350-621-700	Library	\$	10,000	Facilities-PWD		Awaiting Deborahs return				
ADA complianat doors	035-350-621-700	Library	\$	17,000	Facilities/PWD		scheduled for oct, door is ordered				
Special planning projects	001-900-605-270	City Hall	\$	15,000	Planning Dept		upcoming unknown				
Building lands/housing analysis	001-900-608-100	City Hall	\$	40,000	Planning Dept	Х	in process - being funded by Grant				
Side by Side AtV	040-400-620-500	Public Works	\$	20,000	Public Works	Х	Received October 1				\$17,000
Water main replacement/French St.	041-410-620-520	French St.	\$	40,000	Public Works		probable spring of 21' sca funding				
scada up-grade	012-120-620-500	WTP-facilities	\$	10,000	WTP		ordered thru WTP-				
New Ammon water tank	041-410-620-520	Ammon Rd.	\$ 1	,000,000	Public works		awaiting seal rock departure				
Millcreek Raw line replacement	041-410-626-400	stedco propety	\$	350,000	Public Works		in progress		awaiting permit/ October		
Generator install	041-410-620-520	Siletz Intake	\$	600,000	Public Works		scheduled, awaiting generator arrival				
Asphalt replacement	041-410-620-520	WTP	\$	147,500	WTP- PWD		scheduled in conjunction w/ other project	t			
Water main re-locate	041-410-620-520	Elks parking lot	\$	35,000	Public Works		pending elks decisions				
CIPP LINER INSTALL	042-420-600-420	10th St.	\$	50,000	Public Works-PWD		choosing lines for repair/ flow meters in p	lace			
Main line re-line	042-420-608-400	WWTP area	\$	325,000	WWTP /Public Works	X	bids recv'd- council approval 9-15				
I & I Field Work	042-420-620-550	City wide	\$	150,000	Public works/ PWD	Х	manhole rehabs began Oct. 6,, in progress	s			
Sewer main extension	042-420-608-400	S. Sturdevant Rd.	\$ 1	,300,000	PWD		pending county road upgrade				

#### **URBAN RENEWAL DISTRICT**

**FIRST THING TO NOTE**: Urban Renewal **DOES NOT** create any **new** taxes. It redistributes taxes from the current taxing districts to the Urban renewal district – and not all taxes just a portion. At the time the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) is set up the current tax base is "frozen." The taxes on the frozen base continue to be distributed as before. The growth that occurs by yearly increase in taxes or new development is the portion that is eligible to be allocated to the URA each year. The redistribution takes place only in the designated Urban Renewal Area. The rest of the city is distributed as usual.

Oregon Revised Statute Chapter 457 describes how the system works.

In cities of less than 50,000 population the Urban Growth area cannot be more than 25% of the assessed value of the property in the City or more than 25% of the acreage. Toledo's Urban Renewal Plan meets that criteria.

The Urban Renewal Plan requires a list of projects as part of the initial planning. However, the life of the plan is expected to be about 30 years. It is hard to know what the needs of the City will be that far in the future. The Urban Renewal Plan can be amended during the life of the Plan. Projects will be funded as the dollars become available and are allocated as part of the yearly Budget process.

At the top of the project list is to rehabilitate empty or underused buildings in downtown to attract new business to Toledo. There are several possibilities to accomplish this – actually buying the empty buildings and remodeling or providing loans/grants to help building owners.

Another item high up on the list is to rehabilitate the former bank building to house Police and Dispatch services. There is water and sewer work to be done in the Urban Renewal area as well. Upgrades to parks, sidewalks and possibly a Community Center are also on the list.

The City Council serves as the Board of the Urban Renewal Agency. The City of Toledo Budget committee will serve as the Budget Committee for the Urban Renewal Agency. Public input is always welcomed.

Details about the Urban Renewal Plan can be found at <a href="https://www.cityoftoledo.org/documents">https://www.cityoftoledo.org/documents</a>.

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In July, 2020 the City Council received the Water & Sewer Rate Studies report prepared by Civil West Engineering Services Inc. You can view the full study at <a href="https://www.cityoftoledo.org/documents">https://www.cityoftoledo.org/documents</a>.

Findings from the Study include:

#### **Challenges:**

Capital Improvement Projects Needed-Water

\$16,000,000.00

Capital Improvement Projects Needed-Sewer

\$8,170,000.00

Very soon, Seal Rock will no longer be buying water from us. That loss of revenue is significant for the water fund.

#### **Current Rates for Water/Sewer inside City Limits:**

For all of water users, the charge for water is the sum of Facilities, Service and Water Use Charges listed below:

#### WATER RATES-INSIDE CITY LIMITS

Water Use Charge (per 1000 gallons)	\$4.94

#### **Facilities and Service Charge by Meter Size**

Meter Size	Multiplier	Facilities Charge	Service Charge	Total Facilites and Service Charge by Meter Size
5/8"	1.0	\$25.26	\$5.71	\$30.97
3/4"	1.5	\$37.88	\$5.71	\$43.59
1"	2.6	\$65.67	\$5.71	\$71.38
1.25"	4.1	\$103.55	\$5.71	\$109.26
1.5"	5.9	\$149.01	\$5.71	\$154.72
2"	10.5	\$265.19	\$5.71	\$270.90
3"	23.6	\$596.05	\$5.71	\$601.76
4"	41.9	\$1058.24	\$5.71	\$1063.95
6"	94.3	\$2381.67	\$5.71	\$2387.38
8"	167.5	\$4230.44	\$5.71	\$4236.15
10"	261.0	\$6591.90	\$5.71	\$6597.61
12"	377.0	\$9521.64	\$5.71	\$9527.35

#### **Sewer Rates Effective May 21, 2021**

	Base charge*	Flat rate per thousand**
Inside City Limits	\$17.96	\$17.13

<sup>\*</sup>Base charge includes the first thousand gallons of treated City water used to calculate average.



\*\* Flat rate per thousand based on average water usage January-April for non-industrial users. Rate as proposed by the Study:

#### **WATER:**

Based upon discussions with City elected officials and staff, analysis of the City's financial situation, and experience in other communities, the following new water rate structure is recommended to the City:

#### **SEWER:**

Sewer and water rates can be treated differently. Because collection and treatment costs of sewer, to a point, don't fluctuate greatly based on flow (e.g. treatment doesn't get much cheaper if people us less water), it is recommended there be a single base rate with no consumption component. Based upon discussions with staff, analysis of the City's financial situation, and experience in other communities, the following new sewer rate structure is recommended to the City:

Proposed sewer base rate .....\$103.44 per EDU per month

Rates must generate enough revenue to meet the daily needs of the system, cover depreciation and replacement as well as fund Capital Improvement Projects.

Civil West in their report suggested how rates could be adjusted over a period of time to get to the needed level. Civil West also suggested different funding sources for the CIP needs. More investigation is needed but one possibility would be to cover the cost of the CIP with a General Obligation Bond. This would possibly shift some of the burden from households to larger business/Corporate taxpayers. Once the Urban Renewal Agency starts generating revenue some projects within the Urban Renewal Area can be funded by Urban Renewal. Certainly the City will apply for as many grants as possible to help keep costs down. It is getting more and more difficult to meet the qualifications.

There is help for low income households. The qualifications are the same as for energy assistance however this would apply to water and sewer utility bills. Applications need to be made to Community Services Consortium beginning in early November sometime. More details to follow.

#### PLANNING UPDATES FROM THE CITY OF TOLEDO



- 1. The city applied for a Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD) grant for a Buildable Lands Inventory (BLI) and Housing Needs Analysis (HNA). The grant was awarded at the beginning of October and City Staff will be working with ECONorthwest. The old plan is 20 years old and the new plan will plan for the next 20 years. This study will look at the land available for development and project how much housing the city needs to accommodate projected growth and other demographic trends. We did complete some preliminary maps and data tables through the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) grant. The full BLI and HNA will include a public involvement component to ensure input from community members.
- 2. The housing code updates were proposed to create more flexible housing development code standards. The City Council approved the updates on October 6, 2021. The updates amend the definitions; the Single-Family Residential (R-S) zone, General Residential (R-G) zone, Commercial (C) Zone, and Main Street Overlay District; and off street parking standards, and a text amendment to the Toledo Comprehensive Plan Article 10: Housing and Article 2: Land Use Planning. Highlights include allowing cottage clusters in the R-G zone outright and as a conditional use in the R-S zone. Also, reductions in setbacks, lot coverage and lot size. Last, the updates create more flexibility for upper floor housing in the Main Street Overlay while maintaining Main Street store frontage for commercial activity.
- 3. A full list of the updates can be found in the strikethrough and underlined document which shows every change, which is available in the Planning Commission meeting packets on the City website at <a href="https://www.cityoftoledo.org/meetings">www.cityoftoledo.org/meetings</a>.

If you have any questions, you can contact Justin Peterson or Arlene Inukai at 541-336-2247, extension 2130 or <a href="mailto:planning@cityoftoledo.org">planning@cityoftoledo.org</a>.

#### **HOW TO**

# PREPARE YOUR HOME

**FOR WILDFIRES** 





#### ■ VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

#### 1. HOME IGNITION ZONES

To increase your home's chance of surviving a wildfire, choose fire-resistant building materials and limit the amount of flammable vegetation in the three home ignition zones. The zones include the **Immediate Zone**: (0 to 5 feet around the house), the **Intermediate Zone** (5 to 30 feet), and the **Extended Zone** (30 to 100 feet).

#### 2. LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE

To reduce ember ignitions and fire spread, trim branches that overhang the home, porch, and deck and prune branches of large trees up to 6 to 10 feet (depending on their height) from the ground. Remove plants containing resins, oils, and waxes. Use crushed stone or gravel instead of flammable mulches in the **Immediate Zone** (0 to 5 feet around the house). Keep your landscape in good condition.

#### **■ FIRE RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION**

#### 3. ROOFING AND VENTS

Class A fire-rated roofing products, such as composite shingles, metal, concrete, and clay tiles, offer the best protection. Inspect shingles or roof tiles and replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration. Box in eaves, but provide ventilation to prevent condensation and mildew. Roof and attic vents should be screened to prevent ember entry.

#### **4. DECKS AND PORCHES**

Never store flammable materials underneath decks or porches. Remove dead vegetation and debris from under decks and porches and between deck board joints.

#### **5. SIDING AND WINDOWS**

Embers can collect in small nooks and crannies and ignite combustible materials; radiant heat from flames can crack windows. Use fire-resistant siding such as brick, fibercement, plaster, or stucco, and use dual-pane tempered glass windows.



**VISIT FIREWISE.ORG FOR MORE DETAILS** 

#### **■** BE PREPARED

#### **6. EMERGENCY RESPONDER ACCESS**

Ensure your home and neighborhood have legible and clearly marked street names and numbers. Driveways should be at least 12 feet wide with a vertical clearance of 15 feet for emergency vehicle access.

- Develop, discuss, and practice an emergency action plan with everyone in your home. Include details for handling pets, large animals, and livestock.
- Know two ways out of your neighborhood and have a predesignated meeting place.
- Always evacuate if you feel it's unsafe to stay-don't wait to receive an emergency notification if you feel threatened from the fire.
- Conduct an annual insurance policy checkup to adjust for local building costs, codes, and new renovations.
- Create or update a home inventory to help settle claims faster.



TALK TO YOUR LOCAL FORESTRY AGENCY
OR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE SPECIFIC WILDFIRE RISK
WHERE YOU LIVE.

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### Making Your Home a Harder Target for a Burglary



#### 1. Keep shrubs low.

This will give unwanted persons less areas that shield them from view while on your property and close to your home.

#### 2. Use audible alarms or alarm signs.

Whether or not you have an alarm system, posting an alarm sign that is visible, can be an excellent deterrent.

#### 3. Keep doors, windows, and outbuildings locked.

Secure your belongings! Don't give someone free access to what is not theirs.

#### 4. Keep garage door openers secured inside of a locked vehicle.

Always secure your vehicles. Keep any personal items or valuables out of sight.

#### 5. Know your neighbors and what they drive.

Introduce yourself, learn their names, and familiarize yourself with the surroundings beyond your own property.

#### 6. Report suspicious activity.

Vehicles making repeated passes, strange vehicles you've never seen, same with persons, alarms or other sounds that are abnormal or of concern.

#### 7. Car alarms make good home alarms.

No one likes a car alarm that doesn't shut off! What else could it be? Someone having an emergency outside or inside their home. Don't hesitate to contact your local law enforcement to report the activity.

#### 8. Keep expensive items in a safe that is secured to both the wall and floor.

A safe that isn't secured, is a safe that can be stolen.

#### 9. Keep valuables out of places burglars look: Under a mattress, closets, freezers, and dresser drawers.

Think like a thief! Where would you look? Where wouldn't you look?

#### 10. Cash may not be covered by insurance.

When in doubt, check with your insurance carrier. Keep your cash in a safe, secured location.

#### 11. Keep a video log of your home and valuables.

When a burglary occurs, remembering what you had and where, can be a difficult thing. We're all so use to our surroundings and often overlook many things. Itemize your belongings, keep serial numbers, and take a video to see what the inside of the residence normally looks like.

#### 12. If you arrive home and it is not how you left it, do not go inside.

Stop, back away, and immediately call your location police department or 9-1-1. Unfortunately the worst can occur when a homeowner interrupts a burglary in progress. Let an officer safely clear your residence and proceed with a report if necessary. Do not place yourself harm's way.

#### 13. Use neighbors or "house watch" to monitor your home when you are on vacation.

Excellent! If you're leaving town, let a trusted neighbor know that you will be gone, when you're leaving and when you expect to return. You can also contact your local police department and ask about extra patrols.



# ART Toledo Connecting Art, Industry & History

The Arts Revitalization of Toledo (ART) is an initiative launched in 2020 by the City Toledo and other local stakeholders. The goals for this initiative are to energize Main Street and the business district with an art-centric focus, celebrating our City's industry and history and enticing more visitors from the coast to experience Toledo.

There is so much to love and celebrate about Toledo, such as the Port of Toledo's annual boat show, the Yaquina Bay, our artist community, annual art walk, the farmer's market, the railroad museum, our holiday events and more. This project will tap into our local cultural, environmental and historical assets to support long-term economic recovery for the city and our residents.

Several stakeholders form the ART Committee, which include City staff, City Council, Timbers Restaurant & Lounge, Oregon Coast Visitors Center, Yaquina River

Museum of Art, Crow's Nest Gallery and several local artists!

Current projects include our phantom galleries; transforming vacant storefronts along Main Street into mini art galleries. These galleries provide local artists an a way to engage with new audiences and attract potential new business owners to downtown Toledo.

We recently held a summer outdoor event called Art, Oysters & Brews with live music, vendors and food. ART Toledo received several grants to assist local businesses with beautification projects and is preparing to install several murals within the next in Spring of 2022.

For more information visit our website at www.arttoledo.com. Follow us on Facebook at @ArtToledoOR and on Instagram at @art\_toledoor. Contact us at 541-336-2247 or info@arttoledo.com







# Sustainable Renewable Energy Utility Systems (SREUS) Pilot Project

SREUSenergy.com

### Why the City needs to change its Wastewater Treatment System:

- System was built in the 1940s
- Uses a large amount of energy
- Loses potential energy present system does not capture methane
- Produces sewage sludge (biosolids) unused source of renewable energy
- Costs to transport and land apply biosolids
- Emissions from trucks
- · Possible health risks of biosolids
- Possible risks to Siletz River environment from biosolids applications

#### **Possible changes**

- Continue with what we have

   replacing or expanding as
   needed
- Incinerate biosolids cost \$14,000,000 to build a plant
- Sustainable Renewable Energy Utility System (SREUS) Pilot Project - cost \$6,000,000



- 2 SREUS units at our present waste treatment facility
- Technology Development Center built in Toledo for Lincoln County residents to attend



#### Why we want SREUS?

- · Produces ultra clean distilled water
- Produces green energy uses greenhouse gases to produce energy to run the plant
- No toxic or carcinogenic airborne pollutions released
- Minerals are concentrated and collected
- All micro carbons, including plastics have been destroyed making electricity
- No sewer sludge or waste to land apply or land fill
- CO2 released can be captured and sequestered as carbon fiber

#### **Jobs for Toledo**

- Build a technology development center in Toledo
- Training for:
- Fabrication/Welding/Fiberglass/Carbon Fiber wrapping
  - Pipefitting
  - Assembly
  - Commissioning activities
  - Maintenance activities
  - Installation certification
  - Sales
- Fabrication possibilities
- Assembly possibilities
- Demonstration site for industry leaders to visit

To help Toledo secure the funding and special permits for the SREUS pilot project please contact Sen. Merkley and Rep. Schrader and tell them you support this project and want them to help us make it happen.