

**CITY:** Council will hear remand from LUBA appeal

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week to review the proposed 2016/17 fiscal-year budget, which will take effect July 1, 2016. The committee approved the budget in the amount of \$11,488,000. They also approved taxes for the 2016/17 FY at the rate of \$2.6417 per \$1,000 of assessed value for the permanent rate tax levy. The strategic reserve fund will have \$548,000 after allocating \$50,000 for an affordable housing reserve as a line item in the general fund. City Council will vote in a regular session on accepting the Budget Committee's approvals.

• Clear Pine developer Peter Hall is planning to include two areas of cottages in his subdivision, if the planning commission approves changes to the current code to make building the cottages a feasible proposition. Hall's cottages will run 800-1,250 square feet with both single- and two-story floor plans.

The planning commission is currently looking at changing the current codes regulating cottages to make them workable, rather than

throwing them out and starting from scratch. Hall's cottages would be built around a central shared open space with parking on the outside of the cluster. One cluster would be in the single-family residential part of the subdivision and the other in multi-family residential.

The planning commission is looking at two possible sets of rules – one for cottages as part of a master plan and one for cottages being built as infill on a single city lot.

• Sisters City Council will be holding a public hearing and considering a remand by the Land Use Board of Appeals regarding McKenzie Meadow Village at their Thursday, May 26, meeting. Anyone wishing to testify must sign up at the meeting in Council Chambers at 7 p.m.

• On May 19, City Council approved an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for Right-of-Way Services associated with the Highway 20/Barclay Drive roundabout project. ODOT will be acquiring all of the right-of-way areas required for the project, both on the highway portions and the city street portion. Once the construction is completed, the

portions on city streets will be transferred to the City.

• Two new maps have been created by the Community Development Department to assist in future planning activities. One of the maps is a comprehensive look at all vacant land currently within the city limits, with color coding to indicate the FEMA 100-year flood plain along Whychus Creek, constrained land, partially vacant, private right of way, undevelopable land (U.S. Forest Service, etc.), and vacant land. In red is all land already developed.

This map is part of the comprehensive urbanization study that is underway. The other map shows the entire city with a half-mile buffer all the way around it. By use of color coding, all of the building zones in the city are shown, such as downtown commercial, multifamily residential, light industrial, and public facilities. The zones in the buffer include Exclusive Farm Use, Forest Use 1 and 2, Rural Residential (which are larger lots), and Surface mining.

This is the map that will help determine the most logical areas to include in any future urban growth boundary adjustments to allow for future growth of the city.

**COCC settles suit**

BEND, Ore. (AP) — Central Oregon Community College announced it has settled a lawsuit filed by a student who was repeatedly stabbed in the back on Halloween night in 2014.

James Briles said in his lawsuit that the college failed to accommodate his request for a new roommate when his started exhibiting strange and scary behavior. The roommate, according to the suit, stabbed Briles about a dozen times, causing him to spend six days in a hospital and undergo multiple surgeries.

“COCC’s indemnity provider will be making a payment to Mr. Briles to assist with his medical expenses and

ongoing treatment,” college spokesman Ron Paradis said in a statement to *The Bulletin* newspaper. “Both parties are (pleased) to save all involved the need to revisit this tragic event in litigation.”

The amount of the settlement has yet to be revealed. Briles initially sought \$500,000 in economic damages and noneconomic damages of \$2.5 million. Before the settlement, the college maintained that Briles’ injuries were caused by third party outside its control.

Briles alleged that the college admitted Eric Norgaard despite knowing the young man posed a safety threat.



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