

ANNEXATION: Change clears way for housing construction

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facility. After hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees, the Bend developer pulled out of the project.

Despite receiving City approval for an assisted-living facility on another parcel of land in town, Adolf has never paid the fees required to pick up his building permits, so his approved project is not yet under construction.

Their request to remove the requirement for the assisted-living facility frees the developers up to start building affordable and market-rate apartments and houses for all ages of

residents.

The approved revised and restated amendment spells out clearly the provisions regarding affordable housing, water rights, infrastructure, master plan, and open space. The requirement for the senior-living facility is removed. However, it could still be built at a later date.

During the hearing several community members spoke in favor of the proposed amendment with no one speaking against it.

In his testimony before the Council, Bill Willitts indicated that Mark Adolf had already requested the records of the evening's proceedings. He closed his testimony by saying, "We can't continue the war. It's just untenable."

KUCERA: Manager previously served in Cannon Beach

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strategic planning process."

Eric Jensen and Jeff Aprati of Jensen Strategies received high praise from those who participated in the various parts of the selection process.

Community member Cris Converse "loved every minute of it and would do it again in a heartbeat."

Converse thought very highly of the job done by Jensen Strategies.

"They were worth every penny the City spent on them. Jeff (who facilitated the community panel) was respectful, thoughtful, and insightful, such a professional," Converse said.

Converse's impression of Kucera is that "he will provide stability — someone both the City Council and staff can trust."

She noted his experience, his education, and his knowledge of Oregon land-use laws as strengths.

"Because he knows Oregon law, he won't have a big learning curve," she noted.

Aaron Okura, owner of Sisters Saloon and Ranch Grill, also thought the interview process was very good.

"They (Jensen Strategies) were very professional and gave us good guidance as how to be most helpful to the process," Okura said.

He liked being able to communicate with the other community members on the panel and hear their different perspectives.

"I'm glad I did it," he added.

Okura thinks there are a number of important qualities and abilities that Kucera

brings to Sisters.

"His experience with another tourism-based small town. He recognizes the importance of change and looking to the future. He has strong communication skills and was able to answer our questions concisely. He wasn't afraid to say 'I don't know' when he needed to. He has a likeable personality. He clearly understands his role as city manager. The Council are the policy makers and he's the implementer," Okura summarized.

Fire Chief Roger Johnson agreed with the others that the interview process was effective.

"It was professionally managed and all the candidates were very qualified," he said. "It was an open, transparent process."

Family Access Network representative Dawn Cooper enjoyed the process.

"We were provided with a script of questions to ask and then we could ask follow-up questions," she explained.

Cooper found Kucera to be genuine, honest, and very comfortable.

"He answered all of our questions completely. He stayed on topic and knew the most about the issues. Brant was very impressive. I think he is a good fit," Cooper said.

She thought it was refreshing to hear him speak about the importance of nonprofits to the community.

"I think the 5-0 vote is exciting," she concluded.

"I feel great about the process and where it led us," said Mayor Chuck Ryan.

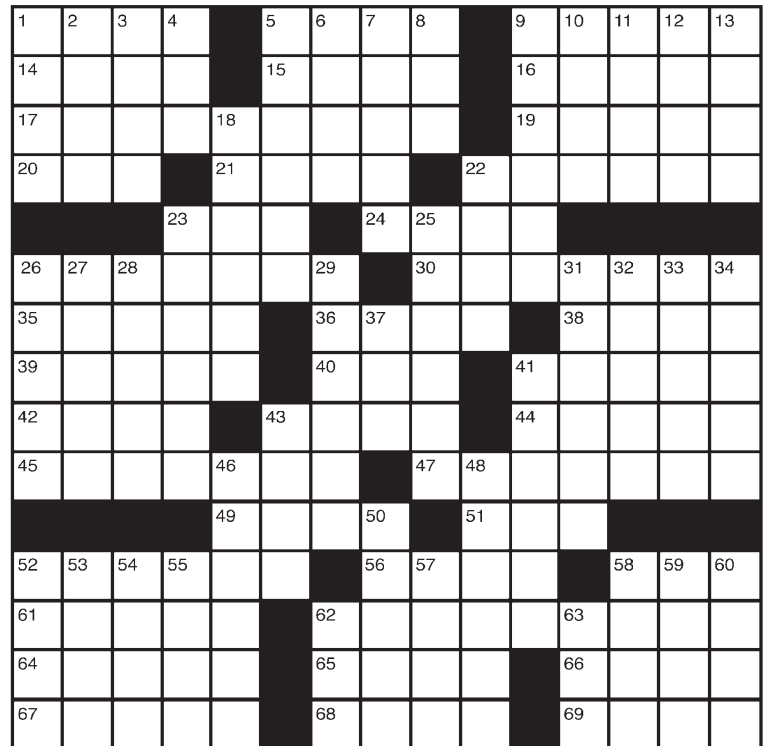
He talked about how important the right fit is between the City Manager and the community.

"I think we have the right fit with Brant. He has the intangibles that are difficult to measure."

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Tight, as a rope
 - 5 Get away
 - 9 Dwelling
 - 14 Bogeyman
 - 15 ___ into; berates
 - 16 Cut wood at a slanted edge
 - 17 Deserters
 - 19 T-bone, for one
 - 20 Bradley and Begley
 - 21 Metal corrosion
 - 22 Longs
 - 23 "Peter ___"
 - 24 Out in the ___; not concealed
 - 26 ___ sauce; hot condiment
 - 30 ___ on to; grabs and holds
 - 35 Grown-up
 - 36 St. George, ___
 - 38 Helpful clue
 - 39 Peddles
 - 40 Singapore Sling ingredient
 - 41 Yuletide visitor
 - 42 Sticky strip
 - 43 Cried
 - 44 Ire
 - 45 Great joy
 - 47 Grammy hopefuls
 - 49 Carries out
 - 51 Bee's follower
 - 52 Golfer Palmer
 - 56 ___ and that; sundry items
 - 58 Yrbk. section
 - 61 Shampoo brand
 - 62 Down-to-earth
 - 64 Fall flower
 - 65 British noble
 - 66 Snatch
 - 67 Lowly laborers
 - 68 Sort; variety
 - 69 One-dish meal



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- DOWN**
- 1 Shredded
 - 2 Like fine wine
 - 3 Fancy vases
 - 4 Peg for Tiger
 - 5 Display with cockiness
 - 6 Youths
 - 7 See ___ eye; agree
 - 8 19th letter
 - 9 Not at school on a school day
 - 10 Phi ___ Kappa
 - 11 Start ___; begin again
 - 12 College official
 - 13 BPOE folks
 - 18 Cary and Amy
 - 22 Slangy reply
 - 23 Straw mattress
 - 25 Flowers, trees and bushes
 - 26 Adhesive
 - 27 Just right
 - 28 Mea ___; guilty person's words
 - 29 City in Oregon
 - 31 Nickels, dimes, pennies, etc.
 - 32 Door hanger's metal piece
 - 33 Go into
 - 34 Celebrities
 - 37 Waiter's hope
 - 41 Most rational
 - 43 What Pinocchio was made of
 - 46 Do-nothings
 - 48 Eave dripping
 - 50 Homeless cat
 - 52 Urgent letters
 - 53 Trick
 - 54 Intl. military alliance
 - 55 Kiln
 - 57 Lyre
 - 58 "Beat it!"
 - 59 Gather leaves
 - 60 Murdered
 - 62 Teacher's favorite
 - 63 "___ a girl!"; new parents' cry

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