

Spencer Park Construction Delayed Until Spring

The Vernonia School District has decided to delay the completion of the Spencer Park construction until the spring of 2014.

The park plan includes the construction of a baseball field and two soccer fields at the site of the old school buildings which were recently deconstructed. The sports fields being built will replace the fields the City of Vernonia lost when they traded properties with the School District as part of the new school campus.

The School District is responsible for the construction of the replacement park which will then be turned over to the City of Vernonia for public use.

The decision to delay the project was announced by email to the Vernonia School Board and Vernonia City officials by School District Superintendent Dr. Ken Cox on Thursday September 26. Cox stated in the

email that the decision was made following a conference call between project architect Kurt Lango, District Project Manager Rod McDowell and project contractor Mike Lyda. According to Cox, it was determined that due to weather and delays in the project, the site should be winterized and completed in the spring. Cox said that project consultant Damon Richardson was advised prior to the conference call and agreed with the plan.

Cox noted that topsoil that is needed to complete the project would not be available until the third week in October. He also noted that the site was already too wet to work, which was before



the heavy rains fell over the following weekend. Cox said plans and a timeline for completion would be finalized. Cox said it was anticipated that the site would be seeded with a winter grass seed and that the soil would have a chance to settle over the winter.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Consideration of a Site Design Review Permit for The Vernonia Health Center

When: You are invited to attend and comment at the Planning Commission public hearing on Thursday October 17, 2013 at 7:00 pm.

Where: Council Chamber, City Hall, 1001 Bridge Street Vernonia Or 97064

Why: To consider a request by the Vernonia Health Center to construct a new building with parking and other exterior improvements on vacant land at the southwest corner of Cougar Street and Weed Avenue. The building is proposed on a site within the planned Rose Avenue Master Plan Development.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Vernonia Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing regarding File # SD13-01 to consider the planned building exterior, vehicle access, parking lot and other improvements on the site. A copy of the request is available for inspection at Vernonia City Hall located at 1001 Bridge Street, and may be copied for a nominal fee.

The Public Hearing is governed by the Vernonia Title 9 Land Development and Zoning Code Sections:

- 9-01.03-50 Downtown Zone DT
- 9-01.04-50 Off-Street Parking and Loading
- 9-01.10-40 Type III Procedures
- 9-01.10-70 Site Development Review
- 9-01.11 Transportation Planning Standards and Procedures

A staff report will be available to the public at City Hall one week before the hearing, and may be copied for a nominal fee. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, in person or by letter or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the decision-maker an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the state Land Use Board of Appeals based on that issue. Public testimony is welcome, and written statements will also be received before the hearing.

Notice to mortgagee, lien holder, vendor, or seller: The City of Vernonia Title 9 requires that if you receive this notice it shall be promptly forwarded to the purchaser.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours prior to public hearing to Joann Glass at 503-429-5291, TTY 1-800-735-2900 or at City Hall, 1001 Bridge Street Vernonia, OR 97064

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