

## YOUR VOICE CONTINUED

caused their disappearance? Are they being the canary in the coal mine?

**Peter Frothingham Odell**

### Abiding by Scripture

Another reason many reasonable, commonsense thinking people resent the Hebrew Scriptures (the bible) is because those who claim to use it treat it with bold contempt and disrespect. That is what you see

... dishonor.

This very immoral rather disgusting political fray we are engaged in (all futile) is supposed to be off limits to those who claim a relationship with Yahshua (Jesus). It is very clear that the knowledgeable and complete Scripture reader is not to have a voice or vote in political matters. Wow! I must be insane. I would be the only Scripture related person in the entire Gorge to claim that was a truth from Scripture.

Not voicing your vote is part of a fundamental principle that is to

be accepted and worked out by the true believer. Suffering. The cowardly, money loving church pastor would never teach the paying customer that they should ever suffer.

This would be an example of suffering (silently) when living in the truth. A law is passed stating everyone must pay a \$1,000 abortion tax. There are two options. Move from the district or suffer the penalty for not paying the abortion tax.

Engaging in worldly affairs is forbidden by commandment from Yahshua. This law is as easy to

read and understand as the law stating sisters are commanded not to govern or teach the brothers. Unacceptable in today's world but it is a commandment for those within the truth.

The pastor-operated church is a dishonorable system. It sanctions the lusts of human flesh. Pastor would lose all the paying customers if they taught Scripture as this, "Friendship with the world is hostility towards the Father ... whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of

the Father." Voicing your vote makes one a friend of the world.

Don't like abortions? Fine, then DO something to help prevent pregnancies. DO something to help that young woman raise that child. "Prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves." Abiding by Scripture is honorable.

**Gary Fischer**  
*The Dalles*

## LOCAL GORGE NEWS

# Budget returns trolleys to downtown

### \$54 million budget adopted with wide-ranging project support

By Gail Oberst  
For Columbia Gorge News

HOOD RIVER — The Hood River City Council officially adopted a \$54 million budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year, levying property taxes and accepting state revenues.

Next year's budget will include additional affordable housing planning and development, replacement of aging network infrastructure, park and tennis court improvements, continuing inclusion and equity analysis, urban renewal projects, evaluation of waterline hydroelectric turbine energy production, and funding for the return of trolley cars, which are scheduled to be back in service this summer.

The new budget will also support staff wage increases, including, over the next three years, a 7.7% increase for the city's police.

### City, CAT to share trolleys, free passes

The newly-approved city budget includes \$32,200 in payments to the Columbia Area Transit to resume trolley service and provide

free Gorge passes for city residents who meet poverty guidelines, as well as passes for downtown employees.

Trolleys were a popular way to navigate the city for locals and visitors in 2018 and 2019 but were discontinued in 2020 due to pandemic concerns.

Trolleys are not just a tourist attraction. According to Finance Director Will Norris, the added transportation aims to reduce parking and traffic congestion downtown and addresses the city's climate change policies by increasing public transportation.

The plan is to restore weekend trolley service beginning in July through the tourist season, and possibly beyond.

In addition to free low-income passes on all the CAT bus and trolley routes, an additional pass program is available for downtown Hood River employees, according to John Andoh, CAT spokesman.

Employees can fill out an application for the pass, available at the CAT offices, or employers can email john.andoh@catransit.org, for information.

Gorge bus passes provide access to in-city routes on buses weekdays and weekends and on trolleys weekends.



The Hood River Trolley is back again this summer, with free passes for Gorge residents who meet poverty guidelines or work downtown. Photo courtesy of Columbia Area Transit

The pass is also good for the Columbia Gorge Express buses that travel between

Hood River and Portland, and the Gorge-to-Mountain Ski bus. Passes can be

purchased on the website, [www.ridecatbus.org/gorge-on-the-go](http://www.ridecatbus.org/gorge-on-the-go), or at the CAT

offices, 224 Wasco Loop, Hood River.

# Join us at the Gorge Community Recycling Pop Up Event

Saturday, June 26th, 2021 . 11AM - 2PM  
Ashley HomeStore  
1105 Tucker Rd. Hood River (no bathrooms available)



Clamshells only (PETE or PET)



Paper Cartons

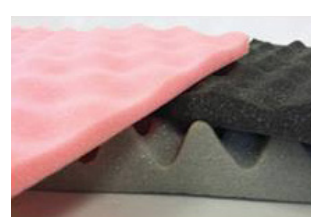


Polypropylene (PP)



Polystyrene (PS)

### Three Types of Foam



### Plastic bags and film packaging include the following items:



Come learn about our upcoming recycling club and how you can be a part!

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