

# TOBACCO,

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The latest trend the pair is trying to catch up to is vaping. "The idea that vaping is a better choice than using tobacco in another form is just erroneous. Taking superheated liquid into your lungs is not healthy," Bouska said.

Vaping pens can also be used to smoke cannabis oil without the distinct associated odor.

Suneson said the general scientific consensus is that vaping is not the effective quitting tool it is sometime sold as.

"More often people start vaping and continue using traditional tobacco. The amount of nicotine in vaping liquid is also anybody's guess," Suneson said.

Also, because a single vaping tank can last for hours, it's likely that vapers are ingesting more nicotine than they would otherwise because they no longer reach the natural end of a cigarette, she added.

Currently, Oregon does not require a license to sell tobacco products – even though one is required for selling Christmas trees and owning a dog – but that is the part Marion County health would like to change.

Proposed legislation at the state level often gets hung up in the process, so MCHD is advocating for local jurisdictions to take up the issue.

It would start by establishing a citywide tobacco retailer licensing program and that would allow enforcement of associated rules, which could range from regular audits of the kind OHA performs to even increasing the purchasing age to 21. Suneson said roughly 90 percent of underage tobacco users are supplied by those age 18 to 21.

While middle school and high school students learn how to avoid things like peer pres-

sure and deconstruct advertising campaigns, which are essential skills, more could be done to protect youth from the dangers of tobacco use, Bouska said.

"We have the tendency to put the onus of refusal on the youth, and their frontal lobe that includes reasoning and logic are still developing until the age of 25," she said. "The economy is important, but at what health cost? And what could the (policy) umbrella do for our youth?"

Suneson suggested putting yourself in the shoes of a 15-year-old with all the power of Google in your pocket.

"If you're 15 and do a quick Google search on vaping you will find arguments on both sides," Suneson said.

Choosing which to believe, at a young age, is likely a better reflection of desire than informed decision-making, she said.

# FEE,

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uniforms and patrol cars or even expanding outreach programs like KPD's annual BLAST Camp, which filled up in just two days last month.

KPD currently has 37 officers, four fewer than it did a decade ago, and the population has only grown since that time.

The most cost-effective way to collect the fee would be to add it as a line item to existing utility bills. That method

has taken fire when it came to establishing a fee for parks, but it wasn't even broached during the meeting Monday.

Resident Rhonda Rich told the council it would be "wise" to put the fee before voters in the form of a ballot measure, but the city would have to wait until May 2018 to do so without additional cost.

That didn't sit well with Mayor Cathy Clark.

"I appreciate the concerns about finances and the ability (for households) to absorb the increase in cost. I also appreci-

ate the voice of an election. The reason, at this point, I feel we need to move forward with the audience is timing. For me, this has waited too long," Clark said.

Without addressing the specifics of a vote, a timeframe for the fee to begin being collected, or the methodology by which it will be collected, all the other counselors chimed in with support.

The ordinance the council directed city staff to draft will include opportunities to raise the fee for inflation-related reasons.

# SUPPORT: 'They need to feel safe and secure'

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"In 2008, we had 41 officers and Chief (John) Teague left for a position in Dallas and that was frozen. Then the positions of the next three officers who left were frozen. Failing to adequately fund police puts citizens and police officers at higher risk," Adams said.

Adams' point about officer safety was picked up by Garry Whalen, a former city councilor and longtime volunteer on city committees.

"They need to feel safe and secure to perform their sometime dangerous duties," Whalen said.

Whalen also suggested a 90-day lead time between the approval of the fee and the beginning of collection so that residents can adjust their budgets accordingly, especially given that landlords will likely pass along the costs to tenants.

Ken Gierloff spoke as president of the Southeast Keizer Neighborhood Association and said the group supports both a police and parks fee, but police should take precedence.

"Chief Teague has done a wonderful job of stretching resources, but I think we've reached the tensile strength of that line," Gierloff said.

Echoes of Gierloff's testimony could be

found in that of Mark Caillier, a former city councilor and veteran of the Salem Police Department.

"I have never seen an agency do more with less and we are approaching the point of doing less with less," Caillier said.

After resident Rhonda Rich advocated for putting the fee on the ballot and letting voters decide, another resident, Matt Lawyer, put the ball back in the court of the council.

"You are the elected body and you have the ability to make these choices. I respect the need to have that voice but it's why you all are here," Lawyer said.

The city council has the ability to impose a fee without a vote.

After declining to speak on the issue earlier in the meeting, Rep. Bill Post opted to chime in as public testimony wrapped up, but said he was speaking solely in his capacity as a resident of Keizer.

"I want to acknowledge what Chief Teague said earlier, that there is nothing more noble a cop can do than prevent crime. For that alone, I am in favor of this. Nobody on this earth is more anti-tax than Bill Post, but I support this," he said.

# SCHOLARS,

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Promise; **Benjamin Rodriguez:** Oregon Promise; **Alexandrea Rodriguez:** Oregon Promise; **Abigail Rodriguez:** Soccer Scholarship; **Marissa Rogers:** Oregon Promise; **Kailey Rondo:** Oregon Promise; **William Ross:** Oregon Promise; **Jasmine Ruiz:** Oregon Promise; **Elizabeth Russell:** Chemeketa Scholar, Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship, Keizer Rotary Pat Valentino Outstanding Female Student, Keizer's Distinguished Young Woman Award, Keizer's Distinguished Young Woman Self-Expression Award, Marion

County's Distinguished Young Woman Scholarship, Marion County's Distinguished Young Women Self Expression Scholarship; **Alexandria Samples:** Chemeketa Scholar, Oregon Promise; **Izael Sandoval:** Oregon Promise; **Rafael Santana:** Jason Lee Award, Oregon Promise, Willamette Award; **Siri Scales:** Chemeketa Scholar; **Gabrielle Schmit:** Oregon Promise, Oregon State Merit Scholarship, Joseph H. Albert Prize; **Taylor Self:** Oregon Promise; **Alexey Sharabarin:** GCU Antelope Scholarship, George Fox Award, Oregon Promise, George Fox Bruin Achievement Award; **Willow Shamain:** Oregon Promise; **Pherson Shepherd:** Oregon Promise;

**Hannah Shuart:** Oregon Promise; **Anastasia Shurts:** Oregon Promise; **Morgan Sigurdson:** Oregon Promise; **Alexis Simpson:** Chemeketa Scholars, Oregon Promise; **Amrinder Singh:** Oregon Promise; **Abigail Smith:** Chemeketa Scholar, Chemeketa Soccer Scholarship, Oregon Promise; **Ashley Smith:** Oregon Promise; **Analiwi Solis:** Oregon Promise; **Tyler Sorenson:** Oregon Promise, Chemeketa Scholar; **Samantha Souter:** Chemeketa Scholar, Oregon Promise; **Mara Steele:** Oregon Promise, Chemeketa Scholar; **Kai Steele:** Corban Herb Anderson Scholarship; **Alexa Strand:** Chemeketa Scholar; **Austin Suarez:** Oregon Promise; **Alayna Sykosky:** Oregon Promise, Resident Opportunity Scholarship, ASK ESP; **Katelyn Tallon:** Chemeketa Soccer Scholarship; **Cody Taylor:** Oregon Promise; **Ashton Thomas:** APU Academic Scholarship, Azusa Pacific University Music Scholarship, APU Scholarship, APU School of Cinema and Arts Scholarship; **Kobilyn Thomas:** Oregon Promise; **Brett Thurston:** Oregon Promise; **Ke'aloii Tombleson:** Chancellor's Scholarship, Christian Worker Grant, Corban Grant, Oregon Promise; **Taiz Torres:** Oregon Promise; **Isaac Touch-Vue:** Oregon Promise; **Kaili Townsend:** Oregon Promise; **Marco Trout:** Oregon Promise; **Nicole Turner:** Oregon Promise; **Cecilia Valle:** Chemeketa Scholar, Oregon Promise; **America Valle:** Oregon Promise; **Brendan Van Voorhiis:** DePaul Athletic Track Scholarship, DePaul Merit Scholarship; **Maria Vargas:** Goucher Academic Merit Scholarship, Goucher Diversity Scholarship, **Daniel Vargas:** Oregon Promise; **Denali Vawter:** Oregon Promise; **Austin Verboort:** Oregon Promise; **Michelle Vergugo:** Oregon Promise; **Natalie Wade:** Linfield College Award, Linfield Trustees Scholarship, Oregon Promise; **Shania Walls:** Chemeketa Scholar, Oregon Promise; **Jesse White:** Oregon Promise; **Haley Whitman:** Bruin Achievement Award, Business-Administration, George Fox Need Grant, Oregon Promise; **Brayden Wilcox:** Oregon Promise; **Dominique Williams:** Oregon Promise; **Shaylee Williams:** Oregon Promise; **Brenna Wilson:** Oregon Promise, Trustee's Scholarship; **Rachel Wood:** Chemeketa Scholar; **Scarlett Working:** Oregon Promise; **Elizabeth Wright:** Oregon Promise; **Desirae Wright:** Oregon Promise; **Emma Wright-Cloutier:** Evergreen State College, Oregon Promise; **Jacob Wyrer:** Oregon Promise, Southwestern Oregon Community College Athletic Scholarship; **Ceara Yordy:** Oregon Promise; **Ethan Yoshinaga:** Chemeketa Scholar, Oregon Promise; **Alec Zamarripa:** PNCA Willamette Scholarship, PNCA Early Application Scholarship; **Tyler Ziebart:** Oregon Promise; **Madelyn Zuro:** Academic Achievement Scholarship, Keizer's Distinguished Young Woman 1st Alternated, Keizer's Distinguished Young Woman Talent Award, Oregon Promise, Music Scholarship

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- 16 Century plant
- 17 Symbol of strength
- 20 Pair
- 21 Turn aside
- 22 Type of light
- 23 Man from Munich
- 24 Target
- 26 Claws
- 29 Murmuring sound
- 30 Grampus
- 33 Maple tree genus
- 34 Burn
- 35 Inlet
- 36 English tourist mecca
- 40 *Dombey and \_\_\_*
- 41 Rinses
- 42 Snug abode
- 43 Purse item
- 44 Iron \_\_\_
- 45 Sets of steps
- 47 Motor trip
- 48 Culloden fighter
- 49 Kind of horn

### DOWN

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- 2 Leigh Hunt hero
- 3 Palm tree
- 4 Game animal
- 5 Thin biscuits
- 6 Creator of *Ragged Dick*
- 7 Agitate
- 8 Actor Hunter
- 9 Blunder
- 10 Attendant
- 11 Choir singer
- 12 Complain
- 13 For each
- 18 Heating apparatus
- 19 Hunting trophy
- 23 Band instrument
- 24 Stoppers
- 25 Yen

- 26 Italian poet
- 27 Obey
- 28 Sierra \_\_\_
- 29 Years
- 30 Bay window
- 31 Lave
- 32 Throws
- 34 \_\_\_ seas
- 37 Ran away
- 38 Mata \_\_\_
- 39 Military group
- 45 Burns
- 46 Japanese immortal
- 47 \_\_\_ heat
- 48 Weapon
- 49 Concert number
- 50 Oahu attraction
- 51 Scrutinize
- 52 Wall decoration
- 53 Pagan deity
- 54 Communication
- 55 Hairstyle
- 56 Decline
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- 58 Talk