

RESIDENTS TO COUNCIL: CONDEMN WHITE SUPREMACY

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A proposed statement of city values raised the ire of residents for not going far enough in condemning white supremacy during a Keizer City Council meeting Monday, Nov. 2.

Attendees at the meeting called out councilors for refusing to denounce white supremacy and directed anger and frustration at City Councilor Dan Kohler for statements made at a council work session a week prior.

"I'm concerned that after Councilor (Roland) Herrera suggested condemning white supremacy and received a barrage of questions (regarding what qualifies as hate

groups)," said resident Courtney Clendening. "Different definitions of white supremacy are part of the explicit and implicit bias that people carry. How others define white supremacy is not the responsibility of you as the council to tip-toe around."

During the work session, Herrera asked the council to consider including a more forceful statement condemning white supremacy in the draft of a proposed

values statement. In response, Kohler suggested that other groups, including Antifa and Black Lives Matter (BLM) could be included under the same heading. Councilor Laura Reid said it was difficult to consider a condemnation without a more universal understanding of what the term white supremacy means.

At the same work session, Kohler later added, "I denounce any white

"Not comprehending isn't an excuse for not condemning white supremacy."

— Mathew Poteet, Keizer resident

supremacy and any group that thrives in hate or promotes hate and intimidation." However, he was not present at the city council meeting due to family commitments.

Numerous speakers took issue with the equating of white supremacist organizations with BLM at the meeting Monday.

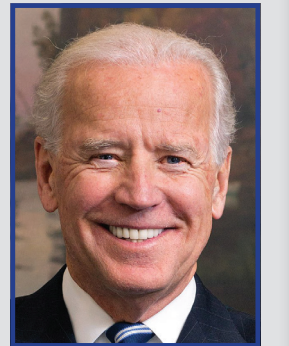
"BLM is a social justice movement meant to help leaders speak out on matters of injustice as it relates to police enforcement, nothing about it is meant to be hateful. White supremacy has elements of a domestic terrorist group and is meant to keep people

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2020 Election RESULTS

United States President

270/538 Electoral Votes needed to win



253 270 Electoral Votes
BIDEN/HARRIS

Electoral Votes 270 214
TRUMP/PENCE



Election results are reported as of 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020.

2020 Election RESULTS

All of the following election results are reported as of 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020.

Keizer City Council

POSITION 1



60.99% 38.49%
L. REID M. DE BLASI

POSITION 2



44.76% 54.69%
D. JURAN R. DAY

POSITION 3



49.57% 49.90%
M. ROLAND-SCHWARTZ K. JURAN

Marion County Commissioner



45.84% 51.18%
A. CARSON COTTINGHAM D. BETHELL

State Representative



43.71% 56.14%
R. NAVARRO, JR. B. POST

Secretary of State



51.11% 42.61%
S. FAGAN K. THATCHER

United States Representative



54.10% 43.30%
K. SCHRADER A. RYAN COURSER

Holiday parade canceled

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There will be no holiday light parade this December.

Danielle Bethell, executive director of the Keizer Chamber of Commerce, made the announcement at the Keizer City Council meeting Monday, Nov. 2.

"COVID-19 has created a bunch of challenges and our small town is no exception to that," Bethell said. "My hope is that next year's parade will be bigger and better than ever."

In normal times, the parade lights up River Road North the second Saturday of each December, but it wasn't the only toll the pandemic extracted from the Chamber usual holiday line-up. Both the Turkey Dash and Jingle Dash runs have been canceled as well.

The one community event that will continue is the annual lighting of the Christmas Tree at Walery Plaza on River Road. Santa will be there, children will be selected to help the Bearded One turn on the lights, but the general

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Help needed for warming centers

The colder weather brings life-threatening conditions for those who don't have shelter. The Salem Warming Network seeks to limit the harsh weather impacts by providing a place for people experiencing homelessness or housing instability when the temperature reaches 32 degrees through the winter months.

The warming centers are considered a "low-barrier" shelter. The spaces are co-ed and service animals and pets are allowed. The only time someone would be turned away is if the shelter is full—in which case they would be directed to another shelter.

Sites are open from 7 p.m. to 6:45 a.m. and guests can check in or out at anytime throughout the night. However, once a guest leaves for the night, they are not allowed to return to the same

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New officers take oath



Middle school workouts get greenlit

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