# Warrenton man sentenced for luring a minor for sex

Colby

Ray Cochran

### Sent sexually explicit photos to underage girl

By KYLE SPURR The Daily Astorian

A 21-year-old Warrenton man was sentenced for sending sexually explicit photographs of himself to an underage girl with the intention of having sex.

Ray Cochran Colby pleaded guilty Tuesday in Clatsop County Circuit Court to luring a minor, a class C felony. Other charges of online sexual corruption and attempting to use a child in display of sexually explicit conduct were dropped through a plea agreement.

Cochran was sentenced to 75 days in jail with credit for time served and four years probation. If he violates the probation, he will face between 16 and 18 months in prison.

addition, In Cochran must register as a sex offender and seek treatment, have no contact with minors or the victim and pay the victim a \$2,500 fine.

occurred The luring between June and November 2014, when Cochran was 19 and the girl was 13. Prosecutors said they eventually met in person and he was putting pressure on the girl to date.

> Cochran admitted to Judge Paula Brownhill that he knew his actions were illegal at the time.

"I furnished a minor a picture of my genitals along with a statement for the purpose of inducing her into sexual conduct," Cochran wrote in his plea petition.

Deputy District Attorney Dawn Buzzard said the victim is having a difficult time with some friends and family who mistakenly think she was

there and tear the old

Team wanted to base

homeowner and family

health programs in the

first floor of the Port's

old offices. Knight said

the group looked at all

the Port's vacant spaces

and found the offices

director of Community

Action Team, said the

social service agency is

getting close to having

to move out of its current

offices, which it shares

with Clatsop Commu-

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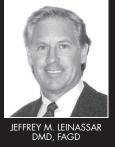
somehow responsible.

"She was no way responsible here. He was the adult," Buzzard said.

The girl's mother is the one who contacted Warrenton Police after checking her daughter's phone and discovering inappropriate messages from Cochran.

Warrenton Police arrested Cochran in April after an extensive investigation that included collecting information from various social media applications, reviewing text messages and following up with the victim. Police used new local Cellebrite software that pulls data off cellphones and other mobile devices to investigate the case.





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Social services group wants lease By EDWARD STRATTON

The Daily Astorian

Community Action Team will have to wait while the Port of Astoria decides what to do with its old offices.

The Port Commission on Tuesday tabled discussion of a lease to the social services group for 1,600 square feet on the first floor of the agency's old offices at 422 Gateway Ave. The lease would pay \$1,525 a month and last five years with a similar renewal option, while the group would pay the remodeling

Commissioner James Campbell said that for three years, the consensus on the Port Commission has been to remodel the old offices and leave the Pier 1 building. He had campaigned for the commission on divesting the Port from the building. The agency bought the building from former Port Commissioner Glenn Taggart in 2010 using a \$1.7 million loan to settle a lawsuit with Columbia Bank.

The bank had foreclosed on the building in 2008, and the Port had gone into default on its ground lease underneath.

Knight was taken aback by the idea of moving the Port's offices with representatives of Community Action Team sitting in the audience, expecting a new

"This is new news to us," he said of the move to abandon the Pier 1 building, adding he has been tasked with renting out the Port's vacant spaces and increasing revenue.

The Port has long been advertising the vacant space in its old offices, he said, with advertisements of the space and "for rent" signs on the windows.

During public comment, former Port Commissioner Floyd Holcom said former Executive Director Jack Crider had convinced the Port Commission that the building was contaminated because of underground fuel leaks the agency is still trying to get cleaned up. Holcom said the plan was to move the offices to the Pier 1 building, establish a meeting space in a breezeway

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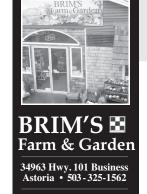
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