

Former Astoria planner joins state heritage commission

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A retired Astoria city planner is now on the Oregon Heritage Commission.

Gov. Kate Brown appointed Rosemary Johnson, Astoria's former planner and historic preservation officer, to a four-year term on the commission, which is tasked with securing, sustaining and enhancing Oregon's heritage. The commission includes nine people, representing Oregon's heritage and geographical diversity. There are also nine advisory representatives from state agencies and statewide organizations.

Johnson retired in 2014 after 35 years with the city but remains involved with a number of city planning projects, including overseeing the restoration of the Doughboy Monument as well as the design and construction of the Scandinavian Heritage Park.

"I am excited to be part of the Oregon Heritage Commission," Johnson said about her appointment. "I have been passionate about history for as long as I can remem-



Joshua Bessex/The Daily Astorian

Rosemary Johnson was appointed to the Oregon Heritage Commission.

ber. I believe we are a product of our past and we need to preserve the history of our state and nation to help form our future.

"Preservation is not just preserving structures. It is about people, our cultural history and the built environment."

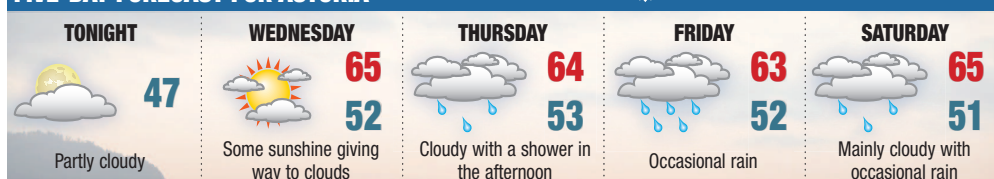
When she was with the city, Johnson helped complete the Astoria Riverfront Vision Plan, a document intended to guide development along the Columbia River, and implemented

codes for three of the districts identified in that plan. She is working as a consultant now to wrap up work on the last district, the Urban Core.

Johnson also volunteers at the Flavel House Museum.

"Johnson has engaged with many of the commission's programs through her work and brings a wealth of preservation experience to the group," said Beth Dehn, the Oregon Heritage Commission coordinator. "We are pleased to have her on the Heritage Commission."

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



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Astoria through Monday.

Temperatures
 High/low 65°/45°
 Normal high/low 68°/49°
 Record high 86° in 1991
 Record low 36° in 1965

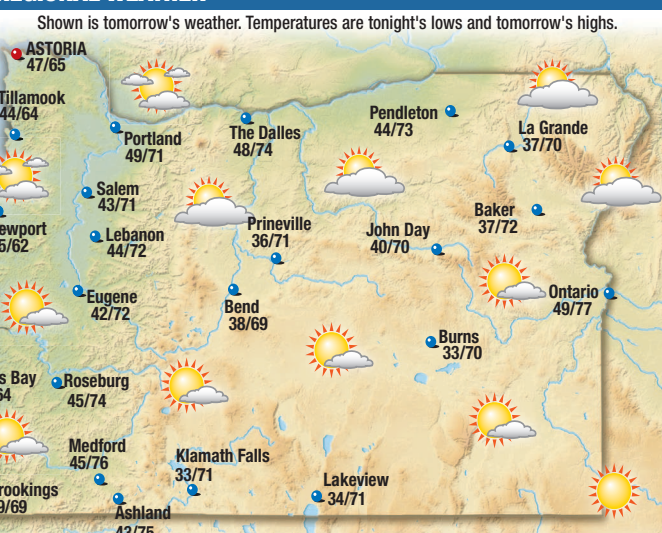
Precipitation
 Monday 0.00"
 Month to date 1.91"
 Normal month to date 1.04"
 Year to date 38.19"
 Normal year to date 39.14"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 7:21 p.m.
 Sunrise Wednesday 6:58 a.m.
 Moonrise today 4:14 p.m.
 Moonset today 12:36 a.m.

Full Last New First
 Sep 24 Oct 2 Oct 8 Oct 16

REGIONAL WEATHER



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Moon at apogee at distance of 251,034 miles of the Earth.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks	High	Time	Low
10:51 a.m.	6.4 ft.	4:20 a.m.	0.7 ft.
10:08 p.m.	7.0 ft.	4:17 p.m.	3.0 ft.

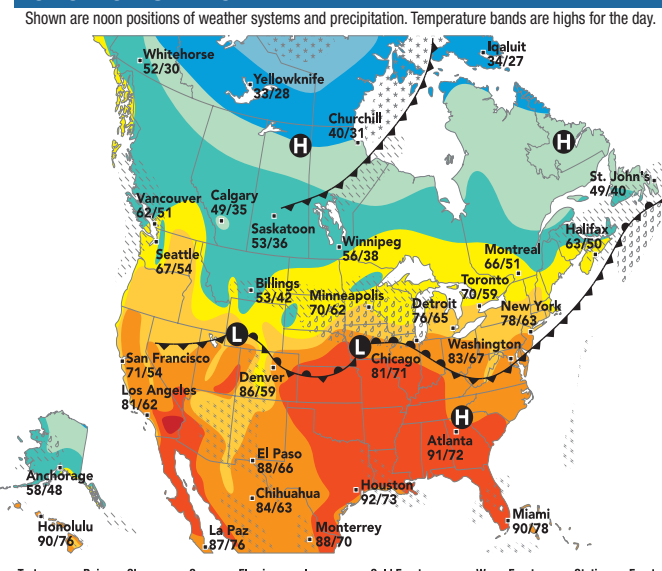
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Wed.
Atlanta	92 72 s	91 72 s
Boston	77 62 r	68 58 pc
Chicago	84 66 pc	81 71 r
Denver	94 61 s	86 59 t
Des Moines	86 69 t	88 74 pc
Detroit	85 63 pc	76 65 c
El Paso	92 72 s	88 66 t
Fairbanks	56 45 c	54 40 c
Honolulu	87 74 pc	90 76 s
Indianapolis	90 69 s	87 70 pc
Kansas City	91 73 s	92 74 s
Las Vegas	100 74 s	98 71 s
Los Angeles	82 60 s	81 62 s
Memphis	93 74 s	95 74 s
Miami	89 79 pc	90 78 pc
Nashville	92 71 s	92 71 s
New Orleans	94 77 pc	92 77 pc
New York	80 68 t	78 63 pc
Oklahoma City	90 72 s	90 72 s
Philadelphia	82 68 t	81 64 pc
St. Louis	94 73 s	95 75 s
Salt Lake City	88 56 s	82 49 s
San Francisco	66 53 pc	71 54 pc
Seattle	67 49 pc	67 54 pc
Washington, DC	81 69 t	83 67 s

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Wed.	City	Today	Wed.
Baker City	72 37 pc	72 35 s	Olympia	67 45 pc	67 50 pc
Bend	70 38 s	69 36 s	Pendleton	73 44 pc	73 49 pc
Brookings	65 48 pc	66 50 pc	Portland	71 49 pc	71 53 pc
Eugene	72 42 s	72 46 s	Roseburg	73 45 s	74 48 s
Ilwaco	63 50 pc	63 54 sh	Salem	71 43 s	71 49 pc
Klamath Falls	74 33 pc	71 31 s	Seaside	65 48 pc	64 52 pc
Medford	78 45 s	76 45 s	Spokane	69 45 s	70 45 pc
Newberg	71 43 s	71 49 pc	Springfield	72 43 s	73 47 s
Newport	61 45 s	62 49 pc	Vancouver	70 47 pc	69 51 pc
North Bend	63 49 s	65 50 s	Yakima	73 40 pc	75 42 pc

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER



Enterprise zone maps finalized in Astoria

By KATIE FRANKOWICZ
The Daily Astorian

Plans to expand the Clatsop Enterprise Zone are on track, but the Sunset Empire Transportation District has concerns about traffic and road impacts, as well as the county's low unemployment rate.

The Astoria City Council approved final maps Monday that could expand the boundaries of the enterprise zone to include portions of Tongue Point, downtown and the city's western tip.

City councilors voted not to be a part of the enterprise zone in 2015 when the development tool was first proposed, but interest in the zone revived this year with a change in ownership at North Tongue Point, an industrial dockside site on the eastern edge of Astoria.

Robert Dorn, CEO of Hyak Maritime, a tug and barge building company, had

requested an expansion of the enterprise zone, saying the tax exemptions available will be key to his plans to create a marine fabrication and repair facility at Tongue Point — a project the City Council supports.

But in a letter to enterprise zone manager Kevin Leahy, the Sunset Empire Transportation District's board asked: As new businesses arrive to take advantage of tax breaks, where will they find employees?

"The tight housing market is also of concern," the letter continued. "Where will employees find available housing? As we've seen with the commercial development on Ensign Lane in Warrenton, the impact on the roads and highway are significant."

The letter also noted the likely increase in demand for various services, such as transit, water, sewer and public safety. "With the freezing of the tax base, where do the

funds for this come from?"

"The opportunity out there is just immense and not just out there (at North Tongue Point) but with the rest of the hopeful passage, it's going to be an opportunity for our whole region," Leahy said. He plans to speak with the transportation district more about their concerns, but added, "We keep working on the workforce at all levels." Dorn is not concerned. "I'm a believer that if you create good businesses, you'll attract good employees and society will adjust as needed," he said.

The partners in the enterprise zone — Clatsop County, the Port of Astoria and Warrenton — will need to approve Astoria's proposed boundaries and other modifications. Unlike these other partners, the Astoria City Council has stated that hotels, motels and destination resorts will not be eligible for enterprise zone participation in the city limits.

Hundreds of chronic pain patients oppose opioid policy change

By PARIS ACHEN
Capital Bureau

The public will have another chance to speak Thursday on a controversial, first-in-the-nation proposal that would end coverage of opioids for chronic pain patients enrolled in the Oregon Health Plan — the state version of Medicaid.

Hundreds — even thousands — of chronic pain patients would see their opioid prescriptions phased out over a 12-month period beginning in 2020.

Officials with the Oregon Health Authority have already received more than 400 emails from patients and 14 from providers largely opposing the policy change.

The state Chronic Pain Task Force will convene from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Willsonville Holiday Inn to review emailed comments, consider refinement of the policy and take additional public comments.



Capital Bureau

Chronic pain patients protest outside of the Oregon Health Authority office in Salem in July.

Dr. Dana Hargunani, the Oregon Health Authority's chief medical officer, has said the proposal is intended to reduce the risk of addiction and overdose among chronic pain patients.

Proponents of the policy cite statistics from the National Institute on Drug Abuse showing that nearly 80 percent of

heroin users first use prescription opioids. Only 4 percent of prescription opioid users start using heroin within five years.

Additionally, Oregon had a more than 5 percent spike in drug overdose deaths in the 12-month period ending in April, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

DEATH

Sept. 17, 2018

SOLT, Russell Eugene, 70, of Gearhart, died in Gearhart. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

ON THE RECORD

DUI

• At 7:40 p.m. Sunday, Holly Jean Stevens, 45, of Warrenton, was arrested by Astoria police on the 200

block of Marine Drive and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless driving, hit and run, refusing to take a breath test

and driving while suspended. She allegedly struck a parked pickup truck, which then hit two other cars parked in front of it.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

TUESDAY

Port of Astoria Commission, 2:30 p.m., executive session, 4 p.m., regular meeting, Port offices, 10 Pier 1, Suite 209.
Sunset Empire Park and Rec-

reation District, 5:15 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A., Seaside.
Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission, 5:15 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

Seaside School District Board of Directors, 6 p.m., 1801 S. Franklin.

WEDNESDAY
Seaside Tourism Advisory Committee, 3 p.m., 989 Broadway.

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Monday's Pick 4:
1 p.m.: 1-8-6-1
4 p.m.: 8-2-8-9
7 p.m.: 8-3-1-6
10 p.m.: 2-8-4-0
Monday's Lucky Lines: 3-7-9-15-17-21-26-31

Estimated jackpot: \$29,000
Monday's Megabucks: 9-17-18-27-36-47
 Estimated jackpot: \$7.2 million

Estimated jackpot: \$190,000
Monday's Keno: 01-02-07-16-17-18-19-21-24-28-29-31-32-41-50-55-57-58-61-64
Monday's Lotto: 04-26-33-42-46-47
 Estimated jackpot: \$3 million
Monday's Match 4: 04-09-14-19

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