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Ham to remain Seaside police chief

Enterprise rescinds job offer

By R.J. MARX
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SEASIDE — Police Chief Dave Ham will stay in his role in Seaside after the offer for the police chief position he accepted in Enterprise was rescinded.

Ham shared plans to take the position in Enterprise in November.

Enterprise will restart the selection process after rescinding Ham's offer. Ham was set to be sworn in on Monday.

"He will not be joining the Enterprise

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Hailey Hoffman/The Astorian

Merry Time Bar and Grill has been approved to install a parklet.

ASTORIA ALLOWS COVERINGS FOR PARKLETS

Flexibility during the coronavirus pandemic

By EDWARD STRATTON
The Astorian

The Astoria City Council on Monday allowed coverings for parklets in an effort to help struggling bars and restau-

rants restricted by the coronavirus create more outdoor seating protected from wind and rain.

Cities have turned to parklets — outdoor seating areas in a pub-

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Liberty Theatre director to step down

Crockett led theater for four years

By KATIE FRANKOWICZ
The Astorian

The Liberty Theatre will begin searching for a new executive director this year.

Jennifer Crockett, who oversaw the successful launch of a major capital campaign to modernize and improve the historic theater, announced she is

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A Coronavirus Snapshot

Clatsop County surpassed 600 reported cases of COVID-19 in January, a local milestone in the global pandemic. Ten hospitalizations and three deaths have been reported.

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REPORTED CASES

