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Arterial Street System Proposal To Unfold in Council Meeting

A report from the City Planning Commission Monday night will bring before the city council a tentative plan for the development of an arterial street system in Eugene.

The product of more than a year of study and fact-gathering by the planning commission, the plan has been designed to facilitate movement of cross-town traffic, eliminating congestion by providing wider streets where heaviest traffic flows are encountered.

Utility Needs To Be Outlined

The need for additional funds to finance further expansion of the city's water and electric utility systems will be discussed Monday at a special noon meeting of the Eugene Water Board.

Already embarked on a \$7,000,000 expansion program, the board has exhausted reserve funds available for use on the water supply and distribution system. Several million dollars still are in reserve for the electric utility expansion plan, but these funds are the result of payments for power, and the Water Board's policy is that each utility operation should stand on its own feet financially.

Even if the policy were otherwise, Superintendent Ray Boals noted Saturday, the power requirements of this fast-growing community will result in the expenditure of these electric utility reserves during the current expansion program. It is possible, Boals said, that the board will need to issue bonds to cover further development of its power system.

The continuing growth of the city already has created an acute need for further expansion of the water system, he explained. Future revenues from a larger water system would provide for payment of any bonds the board found it necessary to sell at this time, and electric rates would cover payments if bonds were issued for the power system, Boals said. No tax payments would be involved.

Authority from the voters, granted in a special election, would be necessary before the board could sell any bonds, however.

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and adding to the accessibility of various sections of the city.

Explained at Gathering
Before the planning commission decided to turn the plan over to the council for consideration, its provisions were explained at an informal meeting of councilmen, chamber of commerce representatives, members of the traffic council and other interested citizens.

Reactions to the program at that time were summed up in statements that the city probably could not afford to undertake the entire scheme at once, but that it would be greatly to the city's advantage to have a comprehensive plan for the coordination of whatever street developments are to be carried out.

As it will be presented to the council at its regular 7:30 p.m. meeting at the city hall, the arterial street program lists the following improvement projects in the order of tentative priority:

1. First Ave.—Fourth Ave. Industrial traffic by-pass to connect the new Ferry St. bridge and Highway 99 with the westside industrial area. Extending 5200 feet, and 56 feet wide, this route would run north of the present business district under the brow of Skinner's Butte. The estimated cost would be \$206,216.
2. Eighteenth Ave. from Willamette to University, proposed as a 42-foot wide street; the project cost estimated at \$64,545.
3. Eighteenth Ave. from Willamette to City View; also 42-feet in width; estimated cost, \$195,840.
4. Eighteenth Ave. from University to Agate; also 42-feet in width; estimated cost, \$8,008.
5. City View from Eleventh to Eighteenth Ave.; width, 34 feet; estimated cost, \$44,480.
6. Jefferson from 27th to Youngs Lane and Washington (outside city limits); width, 42 feet; estimated cost, \$14,500 (county might share cost).
7. Pearl St. from Sixteenth to 29th Ave.; width, 56 feet; estimated cost, \$131,235.
8. Pearl St. from Eleventh to Sixteenth; width, 56 feet; estimated cost, \$27,840.
9. First Ave. from Van Buren to Washington; width, 56 feet; estimated cost, \$142,720.
10. Eleventh Ave. from Willamette to Franklin; width, 56 feet; estimated cost, \$69,532.
11. Eleventh Ave. from Willamette to Polk; width, 56 feet; \$76,876.
12. Garfield from Seventh to Eighteenth Ave.; width 34 feet; estimated cost, \$64,388.
13. Willamette from Eleventh to nineteenth; width, 54 feet; estimated cost, \$49,874.
14. Monroe from Eighth to Thir-

teenth; width 42 feet; estimated cost, \$15,486.

15. Twenty-fourth Ave. Willamette to Columbia; width, 34 feet; estimated cost, \$89,112.

16. Thirtieth Ave. from Ferry to east city limits; width, 36 feet; estimated cost, \$59,540.

17. Jefferson from north city limits to 24th Ave.; width, 42 feet; estimated cost, \$207,053.

18. Lincoln from Second to Eighteenth Ave.; width, 42 feet; estimated cost, \$48,714.

19. Chambers from Sixth Ave. to south city limits; width, 42 feet; estimated cost, \$50,281.

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TSINGTAO — (AP) — The United States is keeping Task Force 38 in China Waters indefinitely because of the civil war.

Worker Dies Above Lowell

Joe Neet, 43, was killed instantly late Saturday afternoon when he fell 175 feet from a rock ledge 18 miles above Fall Creek on the Big Fall Creek road.

Valley Ambulance drivers and County Coroner Phil Bartholomew said that Neet was working for the Fall Creek Gravel Co., and was preparing to blast a boulder from the side of a cliff. A rock about 35 feet above him started to fall and fellow workers called to him. He was apparently unable to escape the rock and was knocked to the road below.

Neet was a resident of Lowell. Surviving is a wife, whose name

was not immediately available. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. The body is at Bartholomew-Buell chapel in Springfield.

IT'S BING, BY A GROAN
HOLLYWOOD — (AP) — Bing Crosby edged out Ingrid Bergman as the favorite movie star of 1948, according to a poll announced Saturday by Boxoffice Magazine, a movie trade publication. Miss Bergman had led the parade for the past two years.

CHASE BACKS WALKER
State Sen. Truman Eugene Saturday lost the William E. Walsh camp giving Walsh 13 votes for the presidency state senate next January. Engdahl of Pendleton and there two votes were needed. Sixteen are needed for all senators vote.

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