

Transit: Improvements ahead

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ral transit agency, which has always been dependent upon timber revenue and property taxes.

With the assurance of nearly \$700,000 in new money every six months, that 20-year plan could be realized in just five or six years.

"You can have all these aspirations of what you want to do, but you have to figure out a way to pay for it," Hazen said. "Now we have the vehicle to get us where we need to be. ... We're going to be able to do some great things."

• **Where's my bus?** In January or February, the district will have an application available for smart phones that allows riders to track buses on their routes through a GPS locator. Not only will riders be able to see where their bus is, the agency will have a way to get on-time data and see where the system should be tweaked.

• **EFares.** Projected by the end of summer, the district will implement eFares to cut down on the amount of cash drivers must deal with. Riders can go online through their phone or computer to buy passes and add funds to the passes. Those with smart phones can use an eFare app and never need to present a card.

Discounts for seniors, students and those with disabilities will be built in when riders sign up.

EFares will help people get on the bus quicker because it reduces some of the things drivers do. The process of determining the number of riders and whether discounts are applied is a manual process now.

• **Passenger counters.** By the end of 2018, technology to accurately count the number of riders would be installed on all

buses. It could be a red beam of light or something similar to a traffic ticket camera.

Transit agencies that use these devices report a 95 to 97 percent accuracy rate. Today, drivers push a button for every rider that steps onto the bus, which can lead to bad counts.

• **Revised fare structure.** Monthly passes could go down with some of the new technology, Hazen said. The agency will look at every route and determine the correct fare and figure out incentives to convince riders to pay in the most cost-effective way.

"That stems from my retail days," Hazen said. "When I worked for Costco, we were unique in that the typical retailer was looking at 'How much can we sell this for?' Costco looks at it and says,

'How little can we sell this for?' I know I can get more people to switch to monthly passes."

• **Route improvements.** Route 10, the main route serving Astoria and Warrenton, would be split in two. Instead of one bus making a huge circuitous route, two buses would take it on, meeting in the middle.

Route 15, which offers service within Warrenton and Hammond, would be increased in both frequency and area. With the new Walmart, more service will be added.

Route 101, which connects Astoria-Warrenton to Seaside, will be reworked to improve on-time rates and to increase frequency.

On Dec. 18, the district announced it's adding additional service to Route 20 and to the Pacific Connector bus routes effective Jan. 2.

Both routes serve South Clatsop County and connect with the Tillamook County Transit bus in Cannon Beach or Manzanita.

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The City of Warrenton received a petition from Clatsop County on October 12, 2017 to vacate several streets in the plat of Warrenton Park. The streets requested include all of SE 14th Place, SE 15th Street, SE 15th Place, SE 16th Street, SE King Street from SE 19th Street to SE 14th Street, SE Lake Avenue from SE 19th Street to SE 14th Street and two remainder streets in the plat of Portsmouth Addition to Warrenton.

A public hearing on this request will be conducted by the Warrenton City Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, in the Commission Chambers at Warrenton City Hall, 225 S. Main Avenue, Warrenton. Any interested person may appear or present written or oral statements, in favor of, or in opposition to, said vacations. Any written remonstrance filed with the City prior to the time of hearing will be presented to the City Commission for its consideration. For more information, please call:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CLATSOP

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLEY G. WALLIS, Deceased
Case No.: 17PB08946

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Michael R. Wallis has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the Personal Representative c/o Moberg & Rust Attorneys at Law P.C., 842 Broadway, Seaside, Oregon 97138, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the lawyer for the Personal Representative, Jeremy Rust.

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