City Manager Hough gives detailed city report to Banks Council

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agreement to participate in a Pilot Project for LED fixtures. LED fixtures provide better light diffusion with significantly less energy usage. Council agreed to have Hough sign the Pilot Project Agreement on behalf of

- Hough advised Council that the city is beginning a review of extra-territorial fire hydrants to see whether they are in service. The issue has a bearing on the design of the Main Line Replacement Project slated to begin in 2015.
- The Banks rest stop for the Beaverton, Banks, and Beyond fund raising event went very well. The city sponsored the rest stop as part of its economic development aspirations. The city is already planning to continue sponsoring the rest

stop next year and annually thereafter.

· Hough has been advised by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) that due to funding restrictions, the department is revising (and eliminating) some of the district boundaries. This will result in the City of Banks (and other parts of western Washington County) being shifted from Region 1, District 2A (headquartered in Portland) to Region 1, District 1 (headquartered in Astoria). The city will not see any change in maintenance operations (the city will continue to be covered by the Manning Maintenance station) and very little change in the short run for design and operations servic-

• The city has two opening on the Banks Tree Advisory

County seeks residents for CAC

Washington County is planning to update its Transportation Plan and is looking for area residents to serve on a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) to help guide the project. The CAC application is available through the Transportation Plan page of the Washington County website (www.co.wash ington.or.us) or by calling the Long Range Planning Division at 503-846-3519. Applications should be completed and returned to the Long Range Planning Division by September 30,

The CAC is expected to include approximately 20 members to represent a balance of geographic and stakeholder interests, and provide a broad range of perspectives on transportation matters. The committee, which will be appointed by the Board of Commissioners, will likely meet six to eight

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Board and is soliciting applications. The city is also working with a potential volunteer arborist who will advise the Parks and Trees Director and the

Tree Advisory Board on tree matters.

• The city recently made the New York Times in an article about spending 36 hours in the

Portland area. The article mentioned Banks and the Banks-Vernonia State Trail. The city sees this as an economic

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