



CITY OF
JOHN DAY

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday March 24, 2026

REGULAR MEETING: 6:30 pm

John Day Fire Station

316 S Canyon Blvd, John Day, OR 97845

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This meeting is open to the public. This agenda includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting. However, the agenda does not limit the ability of the Council to consider additional subjects. Meetings may be canceled without notice. Zoom Meeting participants should use the "raise your hand" feature during these times to alert the moderator that they would like to speak.

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Meeting ID: 953 2182 2663

Passcode: 823687

Call to Order: Regular John Day Council Meeting 6:30 pm.

1. Call John Day City Council Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Amend or Accept Regular Agenda
5. Public Comments (*Please Limit to 3 Minutes*)

Public Comments are an opportunity to present information or speak on an issue that is not on the agenda. Comments are limited to 3 minutes for each person. Visitors may state their comments and should not expect the council to engage in back and forth dialogue regarding the comment, council may either choose to add it to a follow up meeting or direct City Manager to follow up with the speaker.

6. Consent Agenda

All matters listed within the Consent Agenda have been distributed to every member of the City Council for reading and study, are considered routine, and will be enacted by one motion of the Council. If separate discussion is desired, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request.

- a. AP through March 18, 2026
- b. Minutes of CC Mtg 3-10-26

7. Motion to remove Chris Labhart as an authorized check signer on the City bank account.
8. Finance Update; Rob Gaslin, CPA
9. Appointment of Budget Committee Member
10. Consideration of The Promised Land statute placement
11. Adjournment:

Report Criteria:

Report type: Invoice detail

Check.Type = {<-} "Adjustment" {AND} {<-} "EFT"

Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Invoice Number	Invoice GL Account	Invoice Amount	Check Amount
ACS - ADVANCED CONTROL SYSTEMS							
03/09/2026	760666	1013	ACS - ADVANCED CONTROL SYSTEM	41768	03-000-63450	415.00	415.00
Total 760666:							415.00
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.							
03/09/2026	760667	1026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	111P[-FPWL-	01-000-63800	1,214.97	1,214.97
03/09/2026	760667	1026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	1PQ1-DWGT-	01-000-63800	69.85	69.85
03/09/2026	760667	1026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	1Q9K-F943-K	02-000-62900	30.78	30.78
03/09/2026	760667	1026	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES, INC.	1X7T-1J4M-YL	02-000-63800	106.33	106.33
Total 760667:							1,421.93
ANALYTICAL LABS							
03/09/2026	760668	1030	ANALYTICAL LABS	2601667	03-000-63450	127.41	127.41
Total 760668:							127.41
BOX R WATER ANALYSIS							
03/09/2026	760669	1062	BOX R WATER ANALYSIS	X065401BB	02-000-64100	51.00	51.00
Total 760669:							51.00
CHESTERS							
03/09/2026	760670	1097	CHESTERS	008098940912	01-000-63500	34.26	34.26
Total 760670:							34.26
CIS							
03/09/2026	760671	1103	CIS	JND-GASB75-	06-000-62300	628.50	628.50
Total 760671:							628.50
CLARK'S DISPOSAL							
03/09/2026	760672	1109	CLARK'S DISPOSAL	1144FEB26	01-050-64798	145.15	145.15
Total 760672:							145.15
CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY COMPANY							
03/09/2026	760673	1118	CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY COMPANY	S012786099.0	02-000-62900	2,243.74	2,243.74
03/09/2026	760673	1118	CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY COMPANY	S012786099.0	02-000-66400	300.67	300.67
03/09/2026	760673	1118	CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY COMPANY	S012786099-0	02-000-66400	580.49	580.49
Total 760673:							3,124.90
CwM-H20, LLC							
03/09/2026	760674	1125	CwM-H20, LLC	3195	03-000-66230	360.00	360.00
Total 760674:							360.00
DUCOTE CONSULTING, LLC							
03/09/2026	760675	1163	DUCOTE CONSULTING, LLC	2674	03-000-66230	1,937.50	1,937.50
03/09/2026	760675	1163	DUCOTE CONSULTING, LLC	2687	34-000-63825	1,537.50	1,537.50

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Total 760675:							3,475.00
ED STAUB & SONS PROPANE							
03/09/2026	760676	1168	ED STAUB & SONS PROPANE	13738698-2	26-000-64798	1,056.39	1,056.39
03/09/2026	760676	1168	ED STAUB & SONS PROPANE	CL465682	26-050-63100	792.09	792.09
Total 760676:							1,848.48
GASLIN ACCOUNTING CPAS PC							
03/09/2026	760677	1191	GASLIN ACCOUNTING CPAS PC	02241	06-000-63825	8,518.35	8,518.35
Total 760677:							8,518.35
GRANT COUNTY TREASURER							
03/09/2026	760678	1218	GRANT COUNTY TREASURER	JD022026	01-000-62450	8,333.33	8,333.33
Total 760678:							8,333.33
HIGH DESERT OFFICE EQUIPMENT							
03/09/2026	760679	1238	HIGH DESERT OFFICE EQUIPMENT	120681	01-050-63800	40.00	40.00
Total 760679:							40.00
JOHN DAY AUTO PARTS							
03/09/2026	760680	1273	JOHN DAY AUTO PARTS	282352	03-000-64250	165.00	165.00
03/09/2026	760680	1273	JOHN DAY AUTO PARTS	282353	03-000-64250	165.00	165.00
03/09/2026	760680	1273	JOHN DAY AUTO PARTS	283852	03-000-62500	38.98	38.98
03/09/2026	760680	1273	JOHN DAY AUTO PARTS	284010	26-000-64700	7.99	7.99
Total 760680:							376.97
JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE							
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	637848	02-000-64260	29.97	29.97
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	637963	02-000-64260	28.99	28.99
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	637966	01-050-63800	56.94	56.94
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638284	03-000-62500	77.99	77.99
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638285	26-000-64700	44.16	44.16
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638587	10-000-63877	143.99	143.99
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638623	01-000-63500	49.47	49.47
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638760	26-000-64700	44.99	44.99
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638767	26-000-64700	18.37	18.37
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638790	01-050-62900	129.27	129.27
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638834	26-000-64700	27.35	27.35
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638839	26-000-64700	15.99	15.99
03/09/2026	760681	1280	JOHN DAY TRUE VALUE HARDWARE	638957	03-000-62500	35.07	35.07
Total 760681:							702.55
KELLER ASSOCIATES							
03/09/2026	760682	1742	KELLER ASSOCIATES	0254885 JAN	03-000-66230	307,397.07	307,397.07
Total 760682:							307,397.07
KJDY							
03/09/2026	760683	1305	KJDY	CC-12602181	06-000-62100	349.00	349.00

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Total 760683:							349.00
LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS							
03/09/2026	760684	1314	LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	100901	03-000-63500	22,128.90	22,128.90
03/09/2026	760684	1314	LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	100915	10-000-63825	3,691.50	3,691.50
03/09/2026	760684	1314	LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	100918	10-000-63825	401.25	401.25
Total 760684:							26,221.65
LEN'S PHARMACY							
03/09/2026	760685	1322	LEN'S PHARMACY	336664	03-000-63460	16.93	16.93
Total 760685:							16.93
LOGAN SCOTT							
03/09/2026	760686	17895	LOGAN SCOTT	W/S REFUND	03-000-20130	19.84	19.84
Total 760686:							19.84
NORTH CENTRAL LABS							
03/09/2026	760687	1378	NORTH CENTRAL LABS	531506	03-000-64250	78.53	78.53
Total 760687:							78.53
NYDAM'S ACE HARDWARE							
03/09/2026	760688	1381	NYDAM'S ACE HARDWARE	1686871	01-050-62950	41.99	41.99
03/09/2026	760688	1381	NYDAM'S ACE HARDWARE	1687150	01-050-63800	20.98	20.98
Total 760688:							62.97
OR ASSOC OF WATER UTIL-OAWU							
03/09/2026	760689	1390	OR ASSOC OF WATER UTIL-OAWU	60665	03-000-63200	440.00	440.00
Total 760689:							440.00
SAIF CORPORATION							
03/09/2026	760690	1461	SAIF CORPORATION	1002225329	06-000-63300	17.67	17.67
Total 760690:							17.67
SECRETARY OF STATE							
03/09/2026	760691	1468	SECRETARY OF STATE	ARI27176	34-000-62300	150.00	150.00
Total 760691:							150.00
TEC COPIER SYSTEMS LLC							
03/09/2026	760692	1500	TEC COPIER SYSTEMS LLC	221977	06-000-62900	259.94	259.94
Total 760692:							259.94
THE DYER PARTNERSHIP							
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40532	10-000-63825	2,943.50	2,943.50
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40712	06-000-63825	675.50	675.50
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40713	10-000-63825	616.00	616.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40714	10-000-63825	1,936.00	1,936.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40715	10-000-63825	1,496.00	1,496.00

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03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40716	10-000-63825	908.00	908.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40855	34-000-63825	550.00	550.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	40856	02-000-63825	726.00	726.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41026	10-000-63825	88.00	88.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41027	34-000-63825	5,876.56	5,876.56
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41028	10-000-63825	616.00	616.00
03/09/2026	760693	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41031	10-000-63825	220.00	220.00
Total 760693:							16,651.56
TRIANGLE OIL							
03/09/2026	760694	1524	TRIANGLE OIL	130672	03-000-63400	1,549.03	1,549.03
Total 760694:							1,549.03
VISA							
03/09/2026	760695	1540	VISA	VISA 0548 FE	01-000-63500	1,788.54	1,788.54
03/09/2026	760695	1540	VISA	VISA 2957 FE	03-000-63200	1,014.77	1,014.77
Total 760695:							2,803.31
Grand Totals:							385,620.33

Summary by General Ledger Account Number

GL Account	Debit	Credit	Proof
01-000-20000	.00	21,372.05-	21,372.05-
01-000-62100	104.70	.00	104.70
01-000-62300	188.55	.00	188.55
01-000-62450	8,333.33	.00	8,333.33
01-000-62900	77.98	.00	77.98
01-000-63300	2.20	.00	2.20
01-000-63500	824.67	.00	824.67
01-000-63800	1,270.44	.00	1,270.44
01-000-63825	2,555.50	.00	2,555.50
01-000-64000	7,389.26	.00	7,389.26
01-000-64798	36.28	.00	36.28
01-050-62650	259.20	.00	259.20
01-050-62900	129.27	.00	129.27
01-050-62950	41.99	.00	41.99
01-050-63300	4.45	.00	4.45
01-050-63800	117.92	.00	117.92
01-050-64798	36.31	.00	36.31
02-000-20000	.00	17,189.36-	17,189.36-
02-000-20130	7.94	.00	7.94
02-000-62100	104.70	.00	104.70
02-000-62300	188.55	.00	188.55
02-000-62900	2,352.50	.00	2,352.50
02-000-63300	4.41	.00	4.41
02-000-63500	871.20	.00	871.20
02-000-63800	29.68	.00	29.68
02-000-63825	4,876.50	.00	4,876.50
02-000-64000	7,376.30	.00	7,376.30
02-000-64100	51.00	.00	51.00

Report Criteria:

Report type: Invoice detail

Check.Type = {<-} "Adjustment" {AND} {<-} "EFT"

Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Invoice Number	Invoice GL Account	Invoice Amount	Check Amount
BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.							
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27540-2	34-000-63450	18,090.00	18,090.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27541-2	34-000-63450	180.00	180.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27542	01-000-63450	180.00	180.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27543	34-000-63450	2,375.00	2,375.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27544	34-000-63450	475.00	475.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27545	01-000-63450	330.00	330.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27546	01-000-63450	390.00	390.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27547	02-000-63450	300.00	300.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27548	01-000-63450	90.00	90.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27549	03-000-63450	90.00	90.00
03/18/2026	760696	1067	BRYANT, LOVLIE, & JARVIS, PC.	27651	34-000-63450	1,775.00	1,775.00
Total 760696:							24,275.00
CASELLE, INC							
03/18/2026	760697	1083	CASELLE, INC	INV-16826	26-000-64000	1,254.00	1,254.00
Total 760697:							1,254.00
DEQ FINANCIAL SERVICES LBX4244							
03/18/2026	760698	1149	DEQ FINANCIAL SERVICES LBX4244	WQDOM2600	03-000-62900	9,529.52	9,529.52
Total 760698:							9,529.52
ED STAUB & SONS PROPANE							
03/18/2026	760699	1168	ED STAUB & SONS PROPANE	CL470395	26-050-63100	525.87	525.87
Total 760699:							525.87
GENERAL PACIFIC, INC.							
03/18/2026	760700	1198	GENERAL PACIFIC, INC.	1538727	02-000-66306	18,744.00	18,744.00
Total 760700:							18,744.00
JENSEN STRATEGIES							
03/18/2026	760701	17730	JENSEN STRATEGIES	1695	06-000-63825	3,870.75	3,870.75
Total 760701:							3,870.75
KELLER ASSOCIATES							
03/18/2026	760702	1742	KELLER ASSOCIATES	0255281 FEB	03-000-66230	244,523.33	244,523.33
Total 760702:							244,523.33
LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS							
03/18/2026	760703	1314	LANE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	101012	10-000-63825	856.00	856.00
Total 760703:							856.00
LEAGUE OF OR CITIES							
03/18/2026	760704	1319	LEAGUE OF OR CITIES	2026-R28273-	01-000-63500	75.00	75.00

Check Issue Date	Check Number	Vendor Number	Payee	Invoice Number	Invoice GL Account	Invoice Amount	Check Amount
Total 760704:							75.00
NocTel Communications Inc							
03/18/2026	760705	17825	NocTel Communications Inc	260266	03-000-64798	281.84	281.84
Total 760705:							281.84
RALLY NETWORKS							
03/18/2026	760706	17900	RALLY NETWORKS	10340207-2	03-000-64798	816.48	816.48
Total 760706:							816.48
THE DYER PARTNERSHIP							
03/18/2026	760707	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41165	10-000-63825	1,232.00	1,232.00
03/18/2026	760707	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41166	02-000-63825	1,320.00	1,320.00
03/18/2026	760707	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41167	06-000-63825	707.00	707.00
03/18/2026	760707	1667	THE DYER PARTNERSHIP	41168	34-000-63825	3,378.00	3,378.00
Total 760707:							6,637.00
Grand Totals:							311,388.79

Summary by General Ledger Account Number

GL Account	Debit	Credit	Proof
01-000-20000	.00	2,074.17-	2,074.17-
01-000-63450	990.00	.00	990.00
01-000-63500	75.00	.00	75.00
01-000-64000	351.12	.00	351.12
01-000-64798	409.81	.00	409.81
01-050-64000	25.08	.00	25.08
01-050-64798	223.16	.00	223.16
02-000-20000	.00	21,014.89-	21,014.89-
02-000-63450	345.00	.00	345.00
02-000-63825	1,320.00	.00	1,320.00
02-000-64000	363.66	.00	363.66
02-000-64798	242.23	.00	242.23
02-000-66306	18,744.00	.00	18,744.00
03-000-20000	.00	254,684.63-	254,684.63-
03-000-62900	9,529.52	.00	9,529.52
03-000-63450	45.00	.00	45.00
03-000-63500	363.66	.00	363.66
03-000-64798	223.12	.00	223.12
03-000-66230	244,523.33	.00	244,523.33
06-000-20000	.00	4,703.15-	4,703.15-
06-000-63825	4,577.75	.00	4,577.75
06-000-64000	125.40	.00	125.40
10-000-20000	.00	2,088.00-	2,088.00-
10-000-63825	2,088.00	.00	2,088.00
26-000-20000	.00	550.95-	550.95-
26-000-63100	291.38	.00	291.38
26-000-64000	25.08	.00	25.08
26-050-63100	234.49	.00	234.49



CITY OF JOHN DAY

CITY OF JOHN DAY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES March 10, 2026

COUCILORS PRESENT:

Sherrie Rininger, Mayor (Virtual)
Bradley Hale, Councilor
Ron Phillips, Councilor
Heather Swank, Councilor
Meloni Cochran, Councilor

COUNCILORS ABSENT

Vern Pifer, Councilor (Excused)

STAFF PRESENT:

Melissa Bethel, City Manager
Don Gabbard, Fire Chief

Agenda Item No. 1—Call Meeting to Order

The City Council meeting was called to order.

Agenda Item No. 2—Pledge of Allegiance

The City Council stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item No. 3—Roll Call and Attendance

All councilors were present except Councilor Pifer, who was excused, and Mayor Rininger, who attended virtually.

Agenda Item No. 4—Amend or Accept Regular Agenda

Councilor Cochran made a motion to amend the agenda by moving Agenda Item No. 7-Consideration of Iron Triangle Settlement Agreement and Amendment to Development Agreement to Agenda Item No. 5. The motion was seconded by Councilor Phillips and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 5—Consideration of Iron Triangle Settlement Agreement and Amendment to Development Agreement

Councilor Cochran moved that the Council approve the settlement agreement and associated documents identified in the settlement agreement between the City of John Day and Iron Triangle LLC, subject to any final legal revisions, and authorize the Mayor and/or City Manager to sign the settlement agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilor Phillips and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 6—Public Comments

Robin Olterman: She expressed concern about the water and sewer billing policy. She stated that the required year-round base rate for her airplane hangar, which is not used in the off-season, creates a hardship. She asked Council to review her situation and consider a possible solution.

Katrina Page: She had heard that the American Legion burger stand, which operates only during the fair and raises funds for the veterans, may be charged a water rate for the entire year. She expressed concern and said she hopes this is not the case.

Agenda Item No. 7—Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of City Council Meeting 2-24-26
- b. Minutes of City Council Meeting 2-10-26
- c. Minutes of City Council Meeting 1-13-26

Councilor Hale made a motion to approve the consent agenda as published. The motion was seconded by Councilor Cochran and passed unanimously.

Adjourn:

There being no further business before council the meeting was adjourned.

Melissa Bethel, CM

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

DATE ACTION REQUESTED March 24, 2026			
Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/>	Resolution <input type="checkbox"/>	Motion X	Information <input type="checkbox"/>
Date Prepared: 5-18-26		Dept.: City Manager's Office	
SUBJECT: Appointments to Budget Committee		Contact Person for this Item: Melissa Bethel, City Manager, bethelm@johnday-org.gov 541 575 0028 ex 4224	

SUBJECT: Council Appointment to City Budget Committee

BACKGROUND:

ORS 294.414 provides cities must establish a budget committee which consists of;

- Members of the governing body and a number, equal to the number of members of the governing body, of qualified electors of the municipal corporation appointed by the governing body.

Currently, the City has an elected body of a Mayor and 5 councilors. Therefore, the budget committee may consist of the elected officials and equal number of electors. Currently, the city has 5 budget committee members. City Council may appoint 1 additional member.

As the members are volunteer, personal information has been redacted including signatures for the safety of our citizens. Applications have been received by:

Amy Walker
Steve Courtney
Debbie Miller

All applicants were verified as active electors with the county clerk. The appointed members will be appointed to a term of 3 (FY) years ending January 2029.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Budget committee members are volunteer and do not receive compensation.

ATTACHMENTS: Budget Committee Applications



Application for Boards/Commission

Contact Information

Name:	Amy Walker
Street Address:	
Mailing Address:	
City/State/Zip Code:	John Day, OR 97845
Home Phone:	
Work Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	

Background

Years of Residence in John Day:	8
Place of Employment:	Solutions CPAs
Occupation:	CPA
Educational Background:	Bachelor of Business Administration, University of Portland Additional Accounting education at Eastern Oregon University necessary to sit for CPA exam
Prior Civic Activities:	Finance Director, St Elizabeth Catholic Church John Day Golf Club Ladies Club (several years ago)

Boards/Commissions of Interest

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- City Council
- Budget Committee
- Planning Commission

Special Skills or Qualifications

Summarize any special training, skills or experience you may have pertinent to the Board/Commission to which you are applying.

I have been a Licensed Municipal Auditor with the State of Oregon since 2014. I have participated in approximately 40 municipal audit engagements every fiscal year for the past 17 years. Of those engagements, I have been the engagement partner on approximately 15 of those engagements per year for the last 11 years. Many of the engagements were small cities in Eastern Oregon, including the City of John Day (several years ago).

Motivation

Discuss your motivation for serving on this Board/Commission.

I have lived in the John Day/Canyon City area for 49 years, leaving only to attend college. As part owner of Solutions CPAs, I have a vested interest in the success of John Day and the surrounding communities in Grant County. We all want the area to thrive on all fronts, including financial, level of services provided and quality of life.

I lack prior civic activities experience but that is not indicative of a lack of interest in helping the local community.

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Agreement and Signature

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I understand that if I am accepted as a volunteer, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me on this application may result in my immediate dismissal.

Name (printed)	Amy Walker
Signature	
Date	3/11/26

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Application for Boards/Commission

Contact Information

Name:	Steve Courtney
Street Address:	
Mailing Address:	John Day, OR 97845
City/State/Zip Code:	
Home Phone:	
Work Phone:	
E-Mail Address:	

Background

Years of Residence in John Day:	2
Place of Employment:	The Beck Group
Occupation:	Forest Products Consultant
Educational Background:	BS Forest Engineering, Oregon State University MBA National University
Prior Civic Activities:	Grant District #3 School Board, 1999-2024, past chair Grant County Wildlife Advisory Board, past chair John Day Economic Development Corporation, board member John Day Golf Club, current and past president Anacortes Seahawk Athletic Booster Association, past chair

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Special Skills or Qualifications

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I have recieved extensive training in leadership through public service and my work experiences. While on the school board, I was trained in Oregon public meeting laws. As a board member of the economic development group, I was trained in many of the facets of economic development.

Motivation

Discuss your motivation for serving on this Board/Commission.

I moved back to John Day do to my appreciation of the area. After being here two years, I am concerned for it's future.

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Name (printed)	Steve Courtney
Signature	
Date	March 9, 2026

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Application for Boards/Commission

Contact Information

Name:	Debbie Miller
Street Address:	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Mailing Address:	XXXXX
City/State/Zip Code:	John Day, OR 97845
Home Phone:	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Work Phone:	X
E-Mail Address:	

Background

Years of Residence in John Day:	24 1/2 months
Place of Employment:	Retired
Occupation:	Retired
Educational Background:	Tillamook High School graduate some college
Prior Civic Activities:	4-H Leader, Tillamook Shark Swim Team Parent group - President, Treasurer John Day Senior Center - Volunteer + Board member

Boards/Commissions of Interest

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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

DATE ACTION REQUESTED:			
Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/>	Resolution <input type="checkbox"/>	Motion X	Information X
Date Prepared: 3/17/26		Dept.: City Manager's Office	
SUBJECT: The Promised Land Statute		Contact Person for this Item: Melissa Bethel, City Manager, bethelm@johnday-org.gov 541 575 0028 ex 4224	

SUBJECT: Placement options for The Promised Land Statute

BACKGROUND:

In 2020, several public statues in Portland were removed from display following damage during periods of civil unrest. One of these was The Promised Land, a bronze sculpture previously located in Chapman Square. After its removal, the sculpture remained in storage without a long-term plan for its future. The John Day Change Club expressed interest in bringing the sculpture to John Day, noting its relevance to the region's historical themes. The sculpture is approximately 10.5 feet tall with a 5-by-5-foot base. The Change Club has already taken possession of the sculpture and is currently overseeing its refurbishment. The City must now determine an appropriate permanent installation site.

OPTIONS:

Option 1: City-Owned Gateway Property (Welcome Sign Area)

Description:

City-owned land at the western entrance to John Day, where the "Welcome to John Day" sign is located. The site includes large a grassy area and open space behind the sign.

Benefits:

- High visibility for travelers entering the city
- Creates a prominent landmark at the city gateway
- Adequate space for installation and supporting features

Considerations:

- May require adjustments to existing sign layout
- Traffic and sightline review needed
- Installation must avoid interference with utilities or signage
- Not as accessible for close viewing

Option 2: Corner Park Across from Les Schwab

Description:

A small public park located at a prominent intersection across from Les Schwab. The site includes open space and pedestrian access.

Benefits:

- Central, visible location
- Walkable for residents and visitors
- Opportunity to enhance an existing public space

Considerations:

- Limited space may require careful design
- ADA access and pedestrian flow must be maintained
- Potential need for landscaping or irrigation improvements
- May not present as an opportunity for close viewing based on traffic and location

Option 3: The Main Street Square/Plaza Public Restroom Area (Corner of Canton & Main)

Description:

A city-owned public space at the corner of Canton Street and Main Street. The site includes a restroom building and a large paved area used seasonally for the Farmers Market and other civic gatherings.

Benefits:

- High pedestrian visibility in the downtown core
- Supports downtown revitalization goals
- Aligns with the Change Club's original proposal

Considerations:

- Structural assessment of the paved area may be needed
- Additional lighting, seating, or landscaping may be required

Option 4: Historic Advent Christian Church Grounds (Across from the Chamber)

Description:

A historic property located near the Chamber of Commerce. The site includes open frontage suitable for public art placement.

Benefits:

- Strong alignment with local historical themes
- Enhances a heritage-focused area of the community and buildings
- Opportunity for interpretive signage

Considerations:

- Coordination with property stewards may be required
- Additional lighting, seating, or landscaping may be required

Additional Considerations

- The sculpture is already in local possession and undergoing refurbishment.
- Installation costs may include foundation work, crane placement, site preparation, and interpretive signage, ongoing maintenance and insurance.
- Interpretive materials may be appropriate to provide historical context.



FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The financial impacts associated with installation of The Promised Land sculpture will vary depending on the selected site and the level of site preparation required. The following cost categories are anticipated:

1. Site Preparation

- Excavation or grading (if required)
- Concrete foundation or pedestal installation
- Utility adjustments (if applicable)

Estimated Range: \$3,000–\$12,000

2. Transportation and Placement (Change Club to absorb costs)

- Local transport from the refurbishment location
- Crane or lift services for placement
- Labor for installation

Estimated Range: \$2,500–\$8,000

3. Landscaping and Amenities

- Irrigation adjustments
- Plantings, hardscape, or groundcover
- Benches, lighting, or pathway improvements (if desired)

Estimated Range: \$1,500–\$15,000

(Dependent on site and desired enhancements)

4. Interpretive Signage

- Design and fabrication of historical or contextual signage
- Installation

Estimated Range: \$500–\$3,000

5. Ongoing Maintenance

- Annual cleaning and inspection
- Landscaping upkeep
- Potential graffiti removal

Estimated Annual Cost: \$300–\$1,000

6. Funding Sources

Potential funding sources may include:

- City general fund or capital improvement allocations
- Donations or sponsorships
- Grants related to arts, culture, or historic preservation
- Contributions from the Change Club or other community groups

ATTACHMENTS:

Pictures of each site and statute



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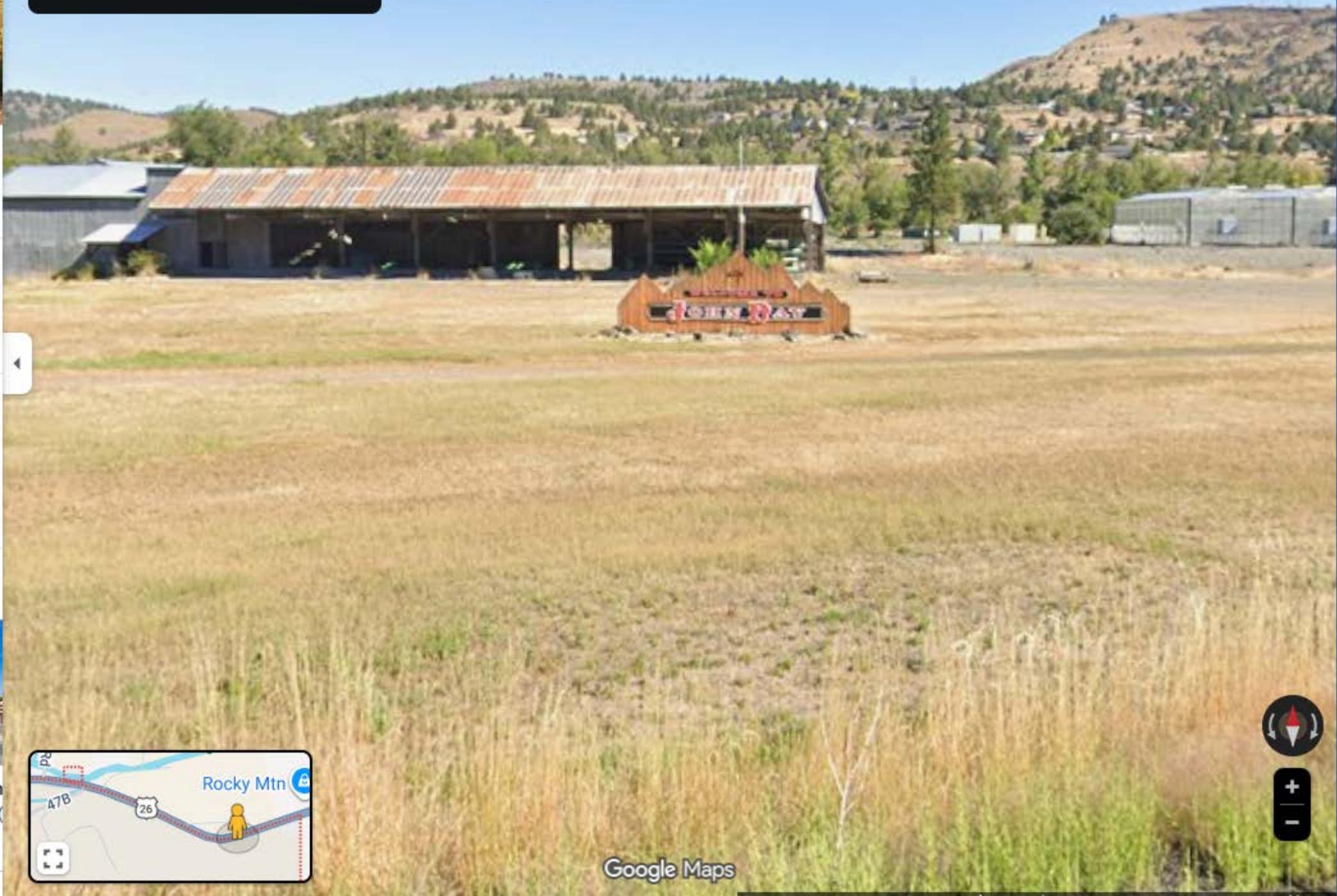
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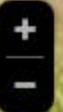
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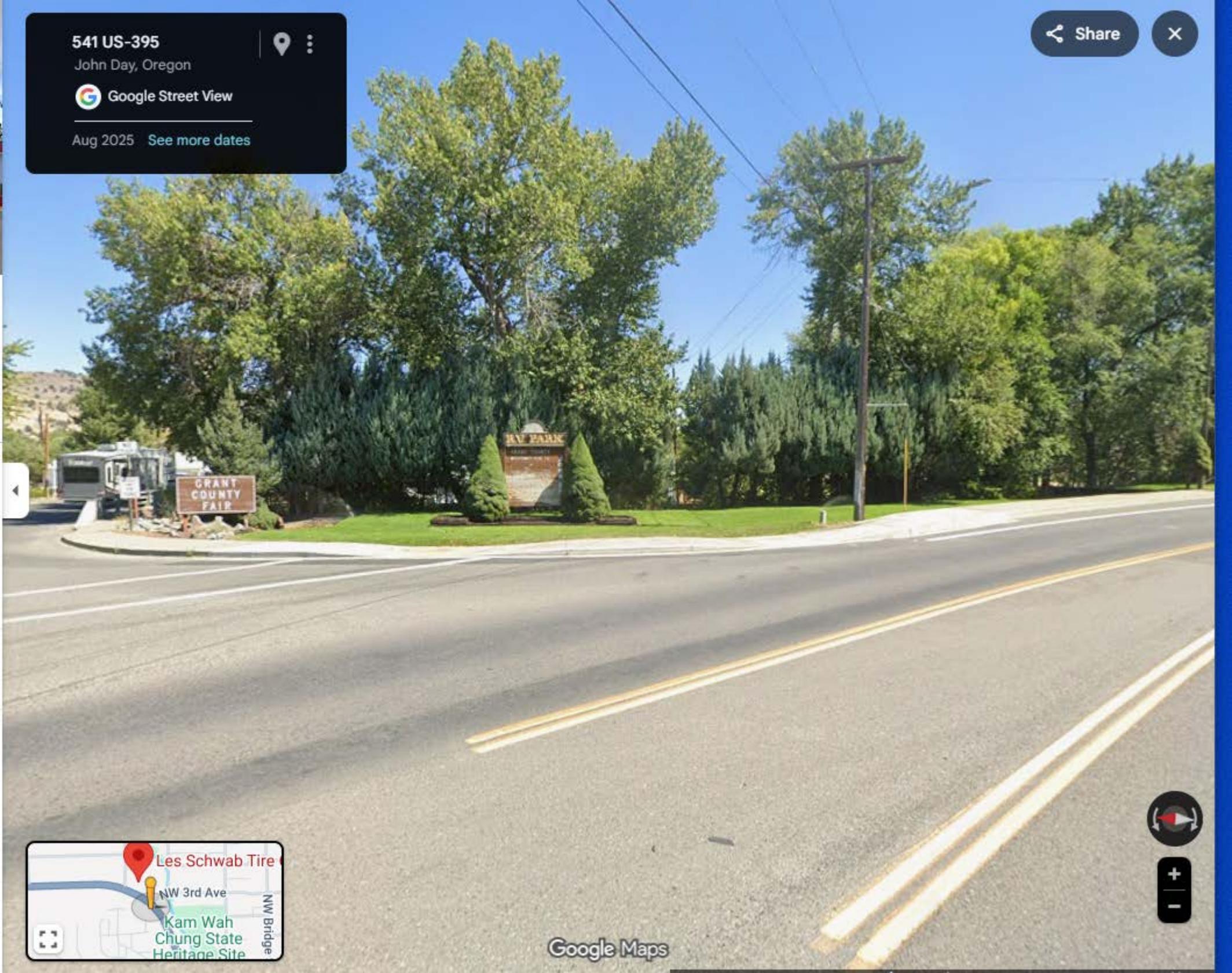
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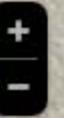
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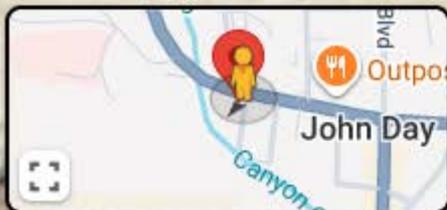
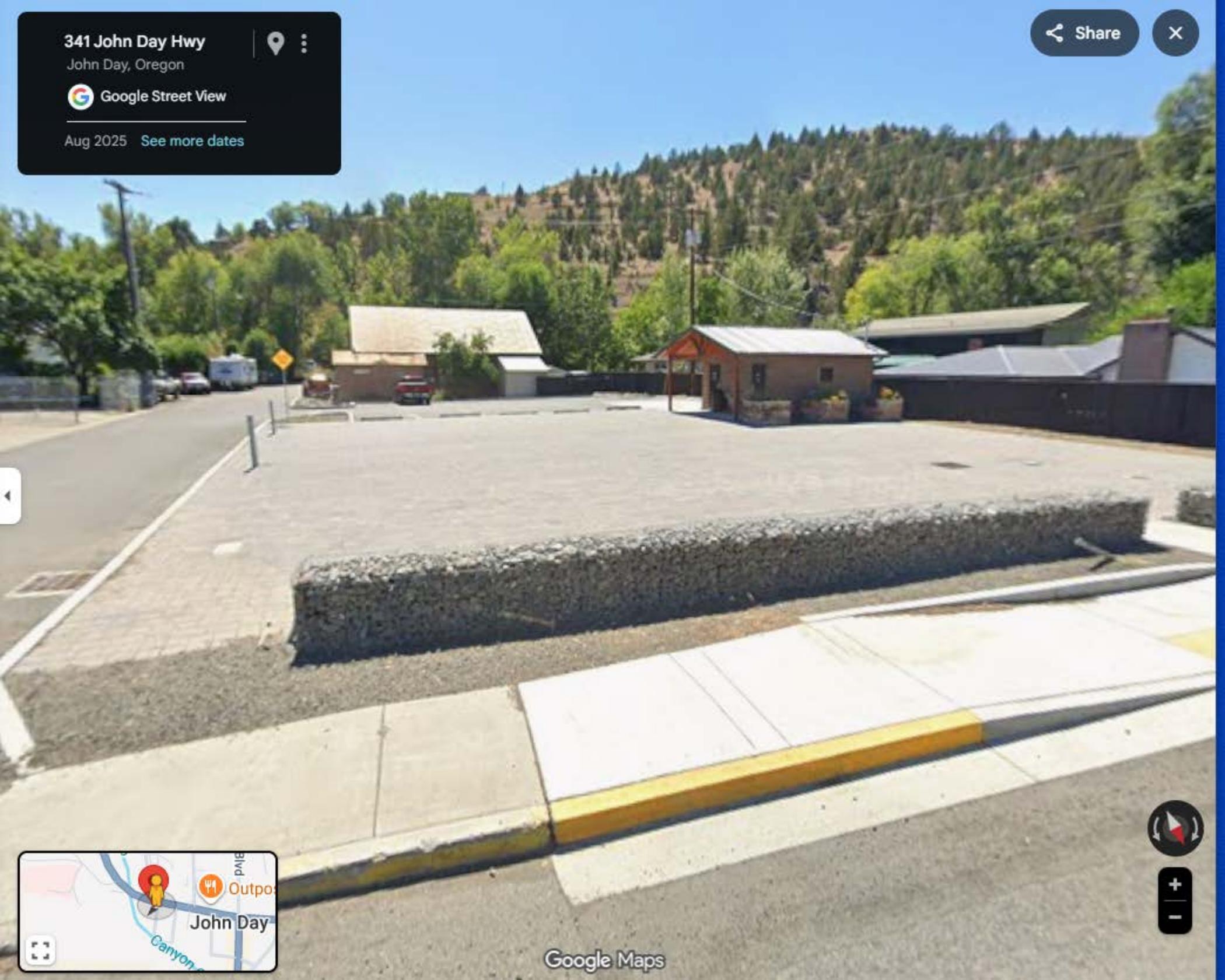
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