

CITY OF JOHN DAY

NEWSLETTER

From the desk of Peggy Gray, City Manager

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Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the John Day Planning Commission is considering the following land use application under Chapter 5-4.3 Land Divisions and Property Line Adjustments and Chapter 5-4.5 Master Planned Developments of the John Day Development Code:

Strawberry View Estates Conceptual Master Plan and Phase 1 Preliminary Subdivision Plan

John Day Land Development, LLC has made application for a proposed residential development project on the East side of John Day located in a Residential General Zone. The preliminary plat for this application is for Phase 1 of the development project containing 17 lots. Also included in this application is a Master Planned Development (MPD) Concept Plan for the entire 82.6 acre (approximate) site. The project is located behind the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; Tax Acct. 3-1 13-31-2703.

A public hearing will take place on **Thursday, October 12, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.** in the John Day Council Chambers, 450 East Main Street, John Day, OR. A site visit by the Planning Commission will be held before the public hearing on **Thursday, October 12, 2006 at 3:00 p.m.** Copy of the subject application, all documents, and evidence relied upon by the applicant and applicable criteria are

available for inspection at the John Day City Hall at no cost; copies will be provided upon request at a reasonable cost. Copies of the City Planning Staff Report on the subject application will be available for inspection not less than seven (7) days prior to said hearing at no cost; copies will be provided upon request at a reasonable cost.

Persons or parties interested in or concerned about the subject application ***may appear in person*** at said hearing, or may submit ***written testimony*** to City Hall on or before the date of the hearing. Failure to raise an issue in person, or by letter at the hearing, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the decision-maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, means that an appeal based on that issue cannot be filed with the ***City Council and/or State Land Use Board of Appeals*** based on that issue.

Any questions regarding the hearing should be directed to the City Manager at 450 E. Main, John Day or phone 575-0028, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Charolais Heights Intersection

At their September 6, 2006 County Court meeting the Grant County Court signed an intergovernmental agreement for County 50 with the City of John Day.

An office memo dated September 6, 2006 to the County Court from Road Master Mark Hensley stated the estimated construction cost of the project is \$129,388. It was stated with the estimated dollar value attached to the project; the road department's current budget doesn't allow them to go forward. If adequate funds are received for next year's operation, Mr. Hensley stated the project can be reevaluated at that time. After discussion with the County Court, the agreement was negotiated with the Commission for a completion date of November 15, 2008.

Burning Season still in effect

The John Day Fire Chief Steve Allen wants to remind residents that the burning ban is still in effect. Recent rains have not been enough to relieve the current dry conditions. As soon as fire restrictions are lifted they will be announced on KJDY or you can contact City Hall for more information.

SE Dayton Street

The reconstruction project for SE Dayton Street is a head of schedule and will be paved by the time this newsletter comes out. Costs will be published in the next newsletter when invoices are finalized. The reconstruction project included new sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and new pedestrian street lights.

The City of John Day would like to thank everyone for their patience during the reconstruction of the street.

Downtown Plan

The City has received the draft final plan and are in the process of reviewing it with ODOT. There are changes that need to be addressed before the final draft is complete. A public hearing will be held to adopt the plan. Notice of the public hearing will be given at a later date when revisions are finalized.

State Parks Commission to Review Master Plan

The Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission will be reviewing the final draft master plan for Kam Wah Chung this month, in John Day. State Parks staff have compiled public comments from the May Advisory Committee and public meetings and produced a revised draft plan. The main change has been the addition of a pedestrian bridge to the site plans.

Overall, public comments were favorable regarding the proposal to gradually move and improve parking, the historic site and eventually to add a new interpretive and visitor center to the site. People were concerned that the city swimming pool would remain open to public use until a new pool can be built and opened somewhere else in town, and encouraged State Parks to work closely with the swim pool advocates and the city to find a workable solution for a new pool.

The Commission met on Thursday, September 28, at the Federal Bldg, from 9 a.m. – noon.