



THE TROUTDALE CHAMPION

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IF YOU SEE IT, CALL IT IN!

“Troutdale residents are the “eyes and ears” of our Public Works Department. We would rather people “over report” a problem, than no one report it.”
~ Ray Young

City staff can't be everywhere all the time. We rely on you to help us know when there is a problem. For many of us in today's busy world we hesitate to report an issue in our neighborhoods. When something strange is happening, whether it's the road, the sewer, water drainage, whatever, we assume, often incorrectly, that someone else must have called it in. Whatever the reason may be, the City really wants to hear from you. Troutdale residents are the “eyes and ears” of our Public Works Department. We would rather people “over report” a problem, rather than no one report it.

Recently, in a neighborhood, several residents noticed water bubbling up under the pavement, but no one called. They either assumed it was ground water, or someone else had called it in. It wasn't until hours later that someone finally called it in to Public Works. It ended up being a major water pipe fracture that could have caused a dangerous situation. Public Works staff quickly attacked the problem and had it repaired in hours.



When should you call?
When you see water running down the street, coming out of the ground or the street, or any suspicious location – or if you just **hear** water running outside. Every street in Troutdale has pressurized water lines underground, and leaks happen. If you help us catch them quickly – we can save thousands of gallons of lost drinking water or preventable property damage. Or sometimes just make a simple adjustment to one of the many systems that may help improve your drinking water experience.

Call 503-674-3300 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. After 5 p.m. and on weekends, call 503-251-4163.

Public Works Project Updates

I-84 Graham Road Bridges Project

ODOT's project will continue through 2020. The new structure carrying I-84 **westbound** over Graham Road was completed in 2019. The new structure carrying I-84 **eastbound** over Graham Road is expected to be complete in spring 2020. Work remains to widen Graham Road to three lanes and improve walking and biking access under the bridges by adding a new bike lane and sidewalk. Travelers should expect some traffic impacts on I-84 while the eastbound bridge is under construction, and lane closures on Graham Road and the Frontage Roads throughout construction. For more information, go to <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects>, and type *Graham Bridges* in the 'Search' box.

Sandy River Bridge Project

As of this writing, construction was scheduled to commence on Tuesday, February 26th, with completion of the project by Memorial Day. The aging wooden walkway and guardrail, located on the east side of the bridge, will be replaced and widened to better serve users with disabilities. Lighting on the bridge will be replaced for added security, and minor traffic control changes will be made at the intersection on the NE end of the bridge.

Mayors Square Parking Lot

The project is underway, with dry well installation and preparation of the ultra-block wall (retaining wall) for Second Street, head-in parking stalls, and grading. *(continued on Page 6)*

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Road Issues? Burned-out Streetlights? Abandoned Vehicles?

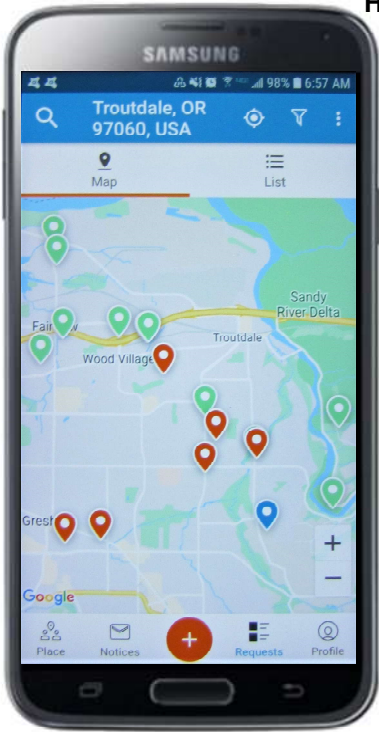


“SeeClickFix” replaces “YourGov” for reporting non-emergency issues in our area

SeeClickFix is a mobile app and website that allows residents to submit non-emergency maintenance requests (and other road-related issues) for roads and bridges maintained by Multnomah County. Once submitted, your request is delivered to the county's Road and Bridge Maintenance staff for review and routing. Unlike YourGov, you'll be able to track the county's response and resolution of your request on **SeeClickFix**.

How to begin using SeeClickFix on your smartphone:

1. To your smartphone, download **SeeClickFix** from either the **Apple App Store** (iPhone) or **Google Play** (Android).
2. Once downloaded, open **SeeClickFix** on your mobile phone or device, click the orange plus (+) sign at the bottom of the screen to begin.
3. Provide a photo if possible.
4. You'll see a map based on your location. Either type a specific address of the issue into the search bar, or simply find it on the map. Place the “x” where the issue is located, and press “next”.
5. Choose the category matching the issue you're reporting. If the issue is outside Multnomah County's jurisdiction (e.g. a road or bridge not maintained by us), you will be given only the option to “Post to Neighbors”. The issue will be posted publicly to SeeClickFix, but NOT tracked by Multnomah County staff.
6. Provide a title for your submission and a description of the issue (the more detailed, the better!)
7. You can also report an issue on SeeClickFix **using your desktop computer** - just go to www.SeeClickFix.com



On your phone, the indicators you see will be colored. Orange dots (darkest here) indicate the issue is 'Open' and waiting to be reviewed. Green dots (lightest) signify that the County is currently reviewing the issue. Blue dots mean the issue has been closed. You'll receive an email after you have submitted your request, and again when the report has been resolved and closed.

For all the information you'll need, and to view a list of 'Frequently Asked Questions', go to: <https://multco.us/>, and type “SeeClickFix” in the Search box.

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Troutdale, OR 97060

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With Removal of MCSO Medication Boxes, Local Disposal Options are Available

Commander Travis Gullberg
Chief of Police – City of Troutdale
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office



Effective March 2, 2020, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) medication turn-in boxes located at our Fairview and Troutdale offices will be removed. However, proper disposal options are still critical to combating the negative, often deadly impacts of medication abuse and addiction.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reported in 2011 that drug overdoses (41,340) kill more citizens than falling (28,360), guns (32,351) and traffic crashes (33,692).

National statistics regarding drug abuse and addiction are staggering, and we know through surveys that children have admitted to substance abuse starting at 12 years of age.

The Sheriff's Office remains committed to preventing overdose-related deaths. We no longer have the staff resources to collect controlled substances. And while we are removing our turn-in boxes, we want citizens to know there are options for the proper disposal of expired and/or unused medications.



For more information about disposal locations, call the Sheriff's Office at 503-988-7300.

Improper disposing of medications by flushing them can have a negative impact on the environment and throwing them in the trash can result in medication being retrieved and sold by others.

The Sheriff's Office wants you to know there are two turn-in box options for citizens in East Multnomah County (listed below), and we encourage our communities to use the turn-in sites when considering disposal options:

Fairview Target Pharmacy

21500 NE Halsey Street
Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Gresham Walgreens

1950 NE Burnside Street
Monday-Sunday 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Fixing vehicle leaks is good for the environment. And your wallet too.

As the raindrops continue this spring, something else may be dripping out of sight. Every year, oil and other automotive fluids find their way into Beaver Creek and the Sandy River via our stormwater pipes that drain stormwater into these local waterways. While a few isolated drips are not on the same scale as the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, collectively all of those toxic drips add up to water pollution that can degrade water quality and stream habitat. Drips can also end up in puddles where little kids or pets play, but these toxic fluids don't play nice.



Waiting to fix vehicle leaks can also lead to engine damage. If you ignore leaks and continue to drive your vehicle, you're likely to end up with a more expensive repair bill. Not only does fixing vehicle leaks extend the life of your car and keep toxic fluids away from kids and pets, it's good for the environment. Stormwater runoff goes mostly untreated to Beaver Creek and the Sandy River, and much of this pollution comes from the accumulation of small drips leaking from cars and trucks.

Be sure to have your vehicle serviced as soon as possible if a leak is detected. If you have curbside collection, Waste Management accepts your used motor oil in a one-gallon or smaller see-through container such as an empty milk jug with a screw cap lid.

If you do not have curbside collection service, visit Metro's webpage at www.oregonmetro.gov and type 'Find a Recycler' in the Search box. You can also call Metro's Recycling Hotline at 503-234-3000.

Out in the Parks with Tim Seery

Monarch Waystation project in the works at Sunrise Park

As Old Man Winter has been trying to flex his muscle this season, we're grateful for no snow and ice events. But keep those shovels close to your side because we're not quite out of the woods yet.

A project I have been developing this winter is beginning to take shape. Over the next few months a "pollinator garden" will be established at Sunrise Park to attract the elusive Monarch butterfly, whose habitat has been

largely lost in this area. While the Monarch is not considered an endangered species, its population has plummeted to record lows in recent years, according to the U.S. Department of Fish & Wildlife.

By mixing in milkweed and nectar plants with the existing plant species, we hope, over future summers, to help re-establish their migrating population, as they will now have a food source and habitat in which to live. Our end goal is to become a "Monarch Waystation" with a thriving population of Monarch butterflies returning each year to pollinate our wildflowers and contribute to the health of our planet.

Finally, as Winter becomes Spring, this is a great time to start working on the ornamental flower beds in your yard. The weeds come up so easily with the soft soil. And, until next time, get out and enjoy your Parks.

Did you know?

Monarchs are the only butterflies in the world that complete a two-way migration each year. The monarch butterflies you see in the U.S. every summer are the grandchildren of monarchs that flew north from central Mexico in the spring. At the end of the summer, those monarchs will fly to Mexico — a place they've never been.

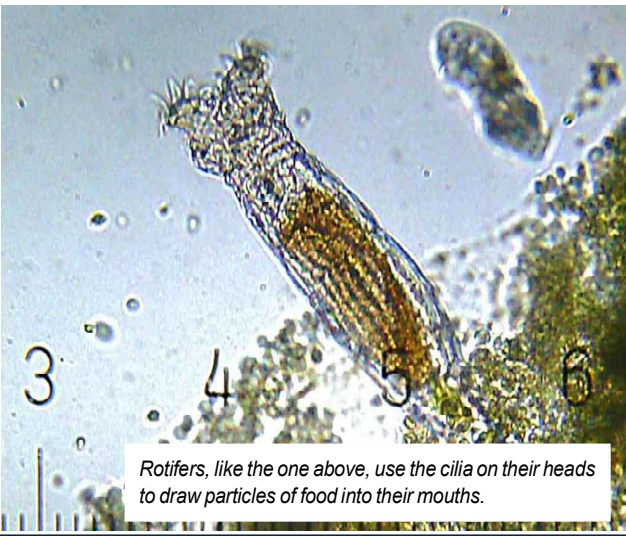


A female monarch butterfly feeds on a favorite nectar plant, the Annabelle Hydrangea.

Do you ever wonder what kind of creatures make our wastewater safe to return to the environment? Life under the microscope is very fascinating and the Water Pollution Control Facility (WPCF) depends on it. Wastewater treatment is often unappreciated and misunderstood. Its purpose is to remove organic pollutants from everything that goes down drains and ends up at a municipal facility. To do that requires a host of diverse creatures we see under the microscope, and we have billions of these little guys over at your WPCF!

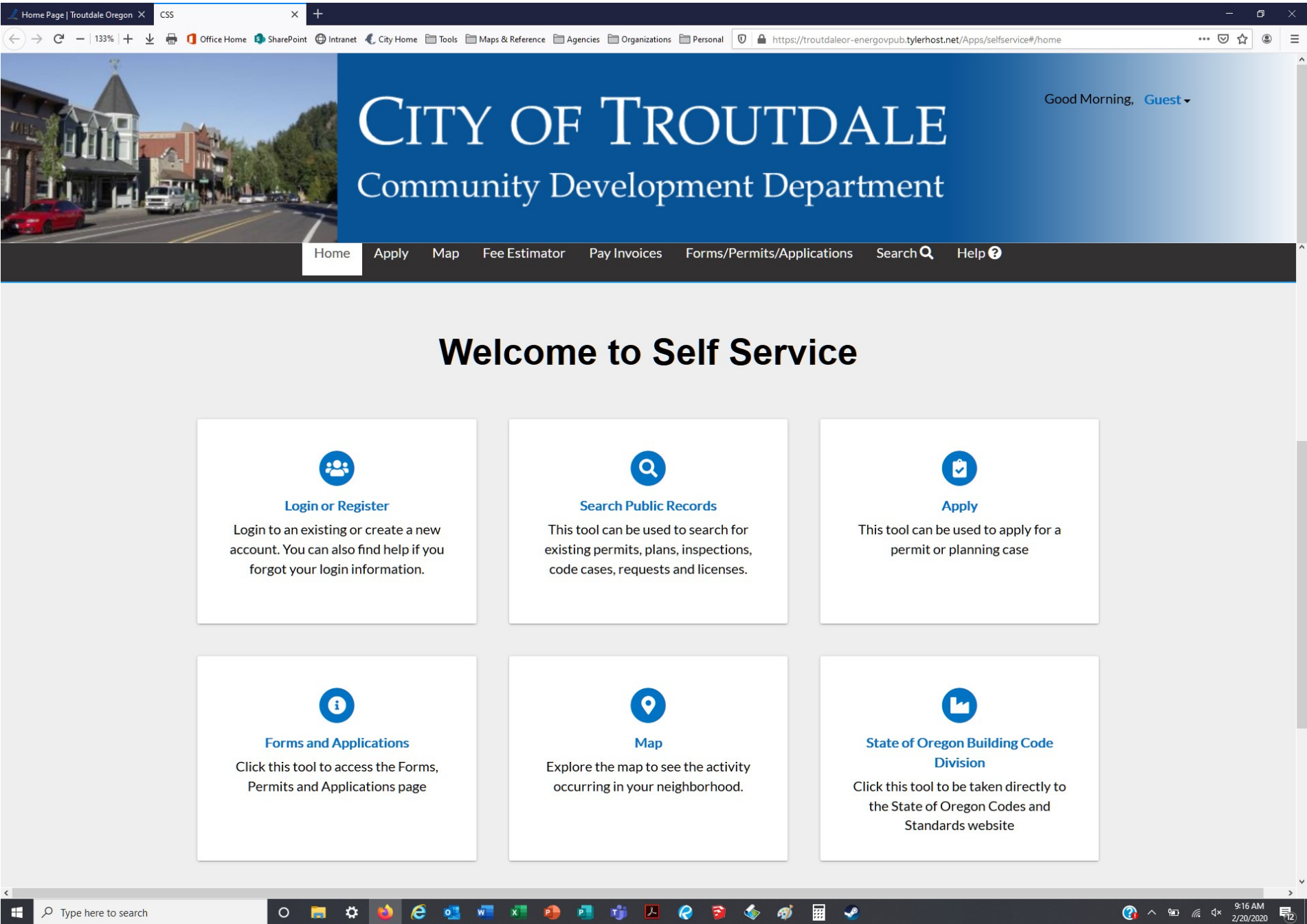
There are several types of microscopic creatures that consume organic matter and filter impurities. Ciliates, rotifers, and amoebas are just a few of nature's wonders. Each species has its own ecological role within the system, but together they function as nature's decomposers and recyclers. Rotifers (at right) are a favorite with double wheels of cilia on their heads resembling spinning circular saws that create a visible current of food particles being drawn into their mouths.

Meet the microscopic creatures that make our wastewater safe



Another one of these creatures is called a "water bear" or "moss piglet". It is of the Tardigrade (phylum Tardigrada) family - a species of tiny invertebrates that is nearly indestructible. These fascinating creatures can withstand extreme temperatures of hot or cold (300° Fahrenheit or minus 458° Fahrenheit). They can survive a drought for decades and come back to life when liquid touches them again, as if nothing ever happened. These are amazing creatures!

Regardless of their diminutive size, the diversity and adaptations of these amazing microbes are mesmerizing. All of them play a vital role in the breakdown of organic pollution in natural systems, and the biological processing of human waste, ensuring the purity of our water supplies both for ourselves as well as other species. So, if you ever have the opportunity to peer through the lens of a microscope at a drop of water from either a biological filter or a pond, you will not be disappointed.



Community Development services go DIGITAL

Save a trip to the department office and check out our services any time!

With the City of Troutdale's new **Citizen Self Service (CSS) portal**, you can now apply for permits, schedule inspections, pay invoices, search department records, receive fee estimates for applications, and more—all from the comfort of your home or office at any time of day, any day of the week.

The City launched CSS in early January as part of a comprehensive overhaul to its permit and plan review system, which previously involved three different programs. The system (called EnerGov, a product of Tyler Technologies) is designed to streamline review times and create more efficient case management for staff, leading to time and cost savings for applicants.

Access the CSS portal through the City's website, troutdaleoregon.gov. You will find links on the home page under "Online Payments and Services" or through links on several of the Community Development department's pages.



Master planning begins for parks and parking


The City will be launching two master planning projects in 2020 that are of particular interest to many residents.

The Parks Master Plan is the main guide on how the City builds, maintains, and improves upon current and future parks and facilities. The last master plan update was back in 2006. The Parks Advisory Committee will oversee the direction of the project, which will be worked on by a consultant who will be selected in the coming months.

A Downtown Parking Study will also be started. This is a new project that will look not only at current parking space availability, but future needs and better management of parking in downtown Troutdale and Glenn Otto Park. A consultant will also be selected for this effort in the coming months.

Public engagement opportunities will be available for both projects, so stay tuned to future editions of the Champion and follow the City's social media accounts so that you can take part!

Joe's Notebook



This will be the first in a series of articles submitted each issue from Joe Storagee, the City's Code Compliance Officer. Joe will provide updates and nuggets on code issues as he engages with residents and businesses in the City.

It is great to be back in Troutdale! I have 22 years of Law Enforcement experience, 20 years of that with the City of Troutdale. I missed the "small town" atmosphere we had before we merged with MCSO.

My beginning focus since the end of November when I started has been responding to a backlog of complaints that have been compiled and idle awaiting the position to be filled.

Many of the complaints involved unregistered, broken down or abandoned cars, illegal camping, and a few vacant or unkept properties. My approach with most cases (but not all) is to make contact if possible and give warnings. This is to educate and give people an opportunity to come into compliance. However, in some cases, more immediate action is required. This often occurs if the vehicles are hazards or if I have no way to determine ownership if a vehicle is not currently registered.

Some of the city's codes have changed since last year, some having to do with parking RVs, Boats, Camp Trailers and Motorhomes. It used to be that you could have three days for "loading and unloading." It is now four hours for standing. I hope to change this by addressing City Council before the summer begins and everyone gets their toys out.

My goal is to make as many of the contacts POSITIVE if I am given that opportunity.

If you have something you would like addressed or just have questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks!

Joe Storagee
joe.storagee@troutdaleoregon.gov



Housing Troutdale

Housing is a complex issue for any city. In the past year, Troutdale has taken steps to better understand its housing needs to create future policy direction on how to best manage residential growth. These pages contain several charts that tell the story.

Defining what type of housing we are discussing

Sometimes people think duplexes are high density housing. Other times, people think that high-density housing is 20 story tall condominiums in downtown Portland. Shown on the right are examples from right here in Troutdale that show how residential units are considered.

Single-family detached and attached homes are considered **low density residential**, averaging just over 5 units per acre in Troutdale.

Duplex, triplex, and quadplex homes, also known as “middle housing” are considered **medium-density residential** and average about 11 units per acre in Troutdale.

Multi-family units can be apartments (rented) or condominiums (owned). They are considered **high density residential** uses and average about 15 units per acre in Troutdale. Newer multi-family developments are about 20 units per acre, which is in line with suburban areas of the region.



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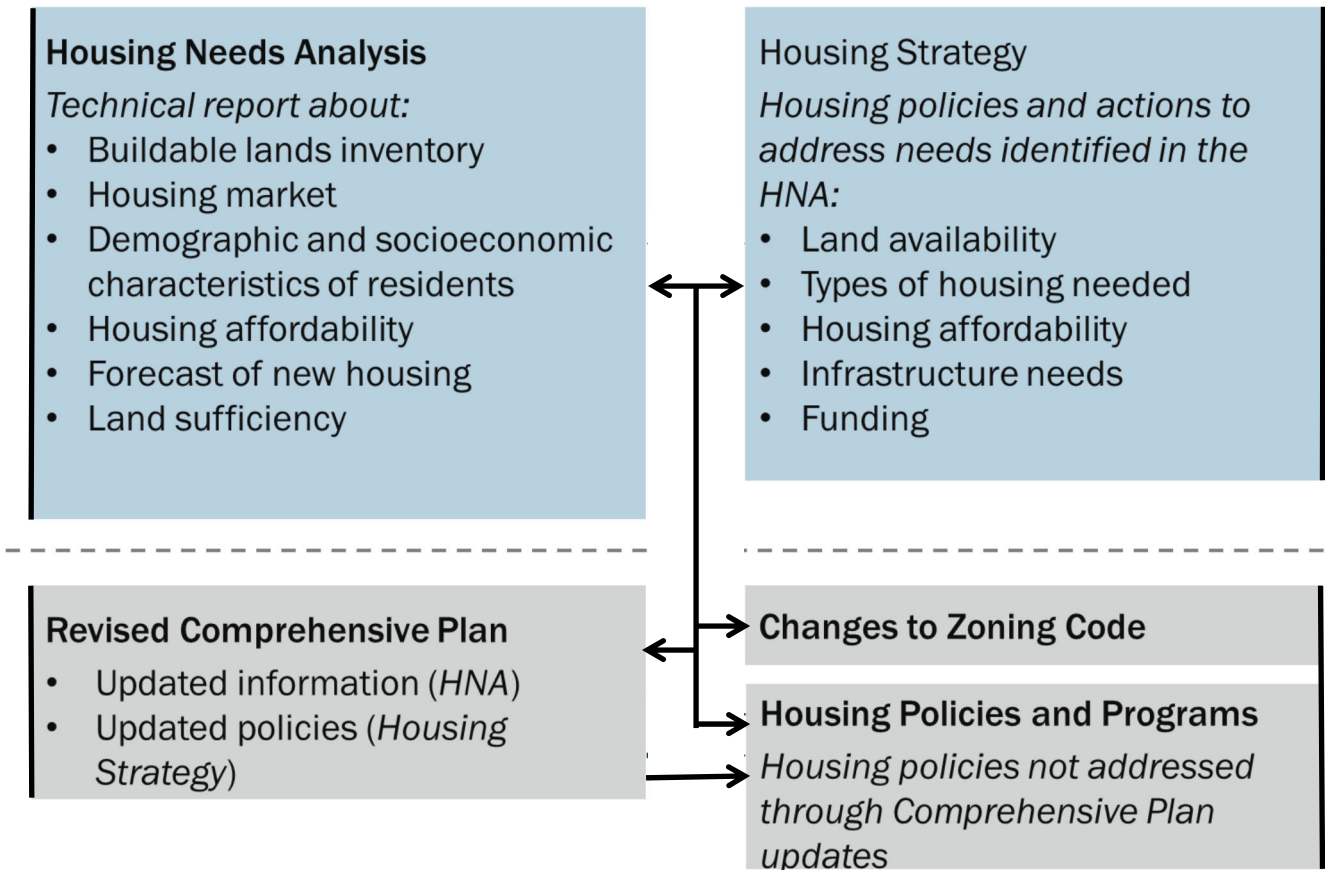
SINGLE-FAMILY ATTACHED



DUPLEX, TRIPLEX, AND QUADPLEX



MULTI-FAMILY (5+ UNITS)



Developing an approach to addressing housing

This flowchart shows a workflow that the City of Troutdale has taken (above the dashed line) and will plan to take to better understand our housing supply and demand.

ECONorthwest, a local planning and economics firm has helped produce the Housing Needs Analysis and strategies that are currently being reviewed by the City through the involvement of city staff, Planning Commission, and City Council.

Future steps would likely include updating our comprehensive plan, making changes to the zoning code, and developing policies and programs that can help the City fulfill our housing needs, all the while respecting the community’s already-established built environment.

Rents are increasing fast

While Troutdale rents on average are below the average across Multnomah County, they have increased rapidly. According to Census figures, nearly 40 percent of our renter households are now cost-burdened, meaning they spend over 50 percent of their income towards rent.

AVG. ASKING MULTIFAMILY RENT, 2019
Source: CoStar

\$1,250 **\$1,306**
Troutdale Multnomah County

MEDIAN MONTHLY RENTS, 2017

\$1,077 **\$1,094**
Troutdale Multnomah County

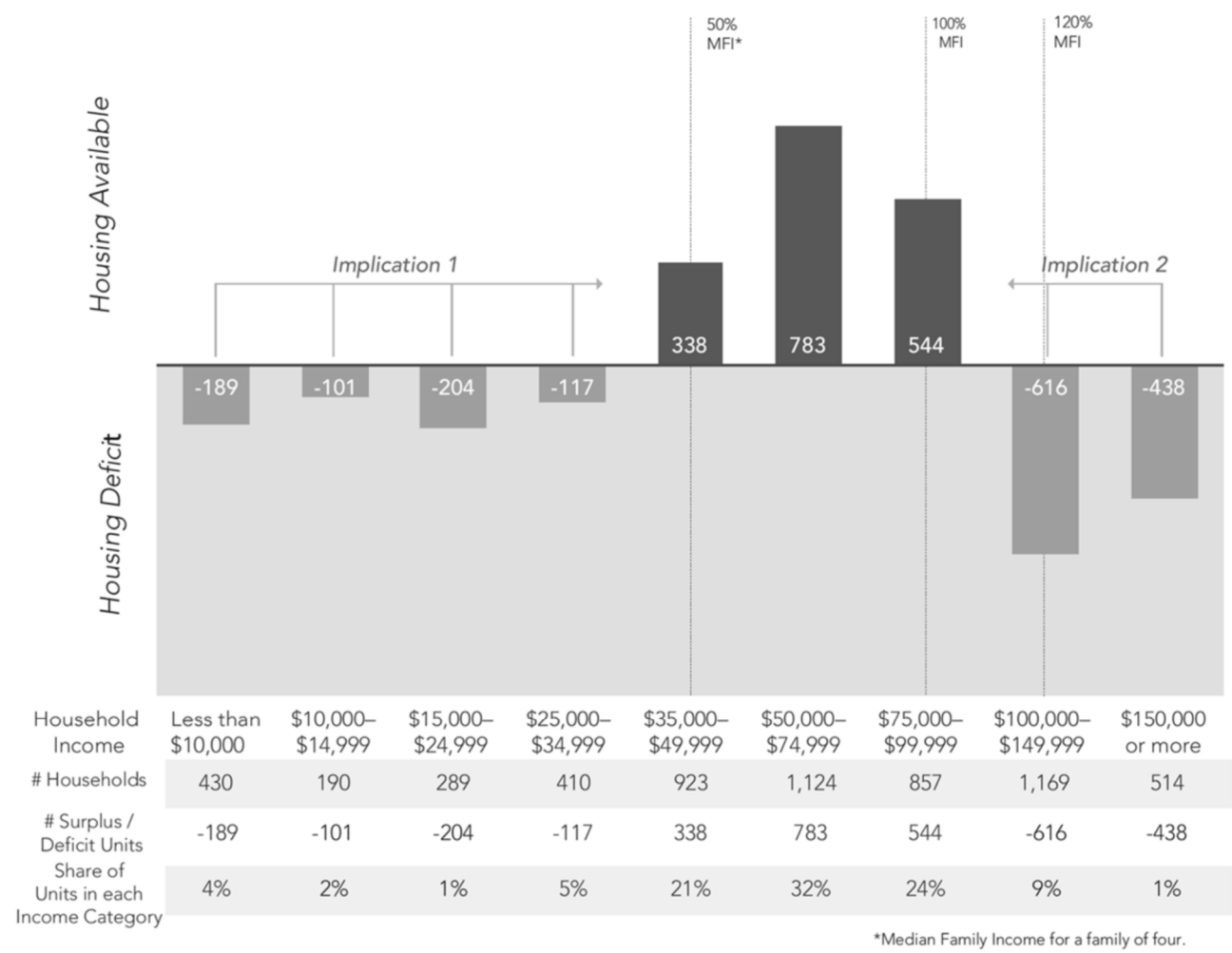
What does this chart tell us?

This chart ties Troutdale’s existing housing stock with its current population to determine if there is too much or too little housing currently available at certain price points to meet current demand.

Each bar represents a household income bracket, ranging from poorest (on the left) to wealthiest (on the right) based on the median family income (MFI) for our community.

Bars that are located below the horizontal line indicate that there is presently a housing deficit (or need) for households at a certain bracket. Bars located above the horizontal line indicate that there is presently a surplus of housing.

In short, Troutdale lacks housing to support not only lower incomes, but upper incomes as well. In accommodating housing for all types, it will also provide relief for middle-income folks who are in competition with both groups for housing that’s typically affordable and desirable for middle income households.



What does this chart tell us?

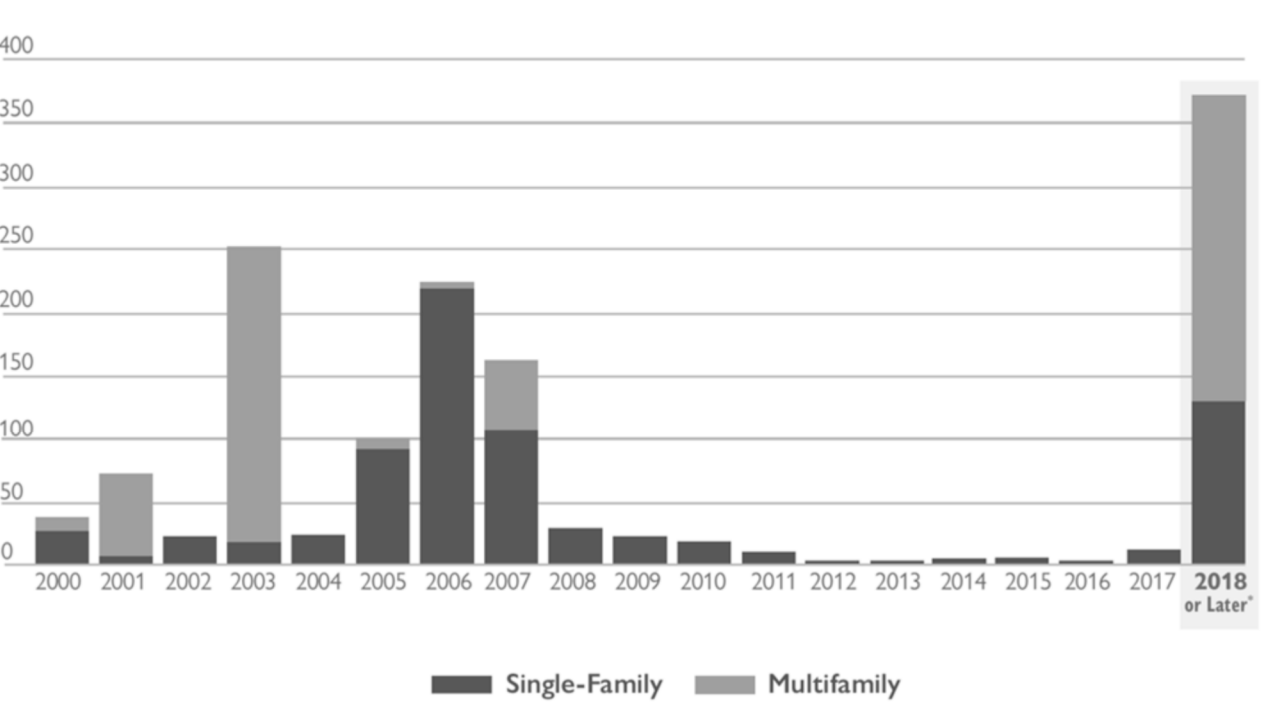
Prior to the Great Recession in 2008. Troutdale had decent residential growth. For nearly ten years, the City had minimal residential development. As growth pressures face the market, a significant burst of development activity has begun again in 2018.

With Troutdale unable to expand its urban growth boundary capacity, it means that the available land left to build becomes less and less. Furthermore, median sales prices in Troutdale have gone up 37 percent just since 2015, making the bar to buy a home that much higher for many in the community. Lastly, construction and labor costs have also increased, making the costs of delivering new housing very expensive on a per-unit basis.

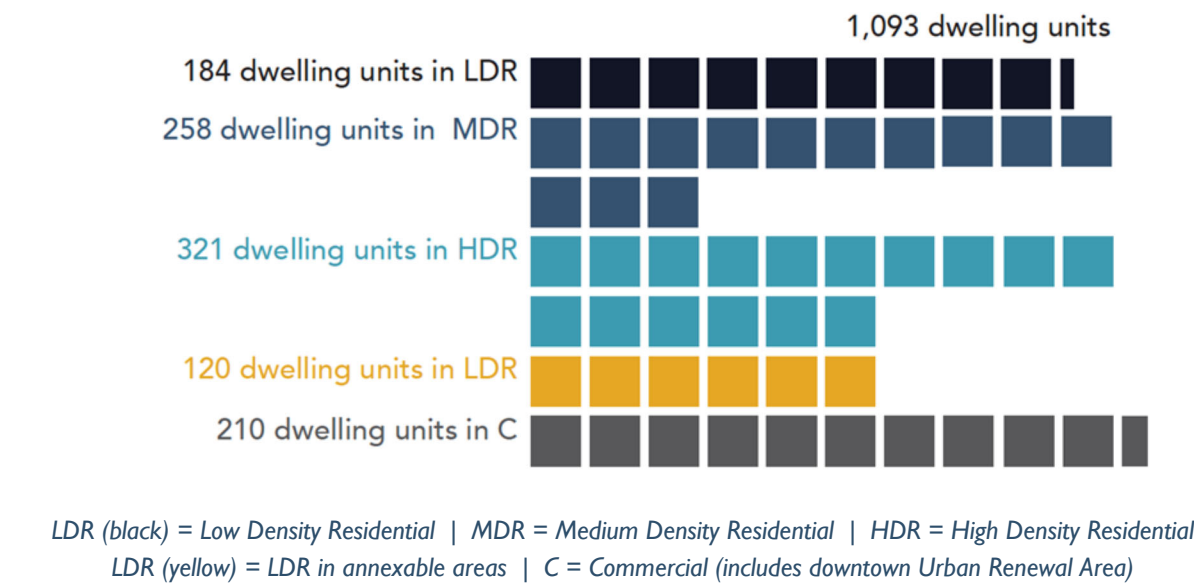
As a result, developers are turning toward medium and high density residential (multi-family) development to seek occupancy and a return on their investments.

UNITS BUILT BY YEAR AND TYPE OF UNIT, TROUTDALE, 2000-2017

Source: RLIS
Note: In this chart, single-family includes single-family detached & single-family attached (townhouses).



CAPACITY ON RESIDENTIAL LAND BY PLAN DESIGNATION



What does this chart tell us?

Troutdale has remaining land capacity to grow in existing areas zoned for residential growth, once natural constraints like wetlands, steep slopes, and floodplains are removed.

Based on historic density patterns for the city, Troutdale could accommodate nearly 1,100 additional housing units, of which nearly 400 are currently under construction or being actively planned for development. As a whole, the city has just over 6,000 dwelling units.

The city is obligated by state law to allow for high density residential housing, but certain areas, including commercial areas (C) could best accommodate that type of housing.

Heads up, gardeners!
If you like to grow things,
but have no space for
a garden, read on.

Now that Spring is nearly upon us, we are making big plans and getting ready for the season!

The Community Garden registration kicks off March 2nd, and application packets are available now at Troutdale City Hall. The cost is just \$25 for your own 5x10-foot plot. The City will provide water, hoses, and all the mulch you'll

need to grow the biggest and best flowers, vegetables and fruits around! The garden is fenced to keep out animals - and non-gardening humans. For an application, or if you have questions, call Pepper Ann McAllister at 503-674-7225 to select your own plot! Registration is open to Troutdale residents only, beginning March 2nd. Starting April 1st, unreserved plots will be made available to non-Troutdale residents, so don't miss out!

We are also in the planning process of creating a pollinator garden at Sunrise Park. Birds, especially hummingbirds, bees and butterflies are important in the flower-pollination process. Sunrise Park is in the migration path of the Monarch butterfly and several species of wildlife (see article on Page 2).



The Community Garden
opens March 2nd

Do Good.
Have Fun. And
Join Us as Earth
Day Turns 50.

On a spring day in 1970, 20 million Americans joined together for peaceful demonstrations in favor of environmental reform. Not only did this mark the first Earth Day, it also continued the growth of the environmental movement, and even helped spawn the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency.

On Saturday, April 25th from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., the City will host its own 50th Anniversary Earth Day event at Beaver Creek Canyon / Weedin Park, located at 1323 SE Beaver Creek Lane. Our project will include removing invasive plants, clearing trails, and filling decorative Gabion baskets with rocks. We'll have plenty of fuel to get you started, with Safeway and Black Rock Coffee providing coffee and water, breakfast bars and pastries. At 1 p.m, volunteers will enjoy a free sit-down lunch of pizza, with a large sheet cake to commemorate this special Earth Day anniversary.

We hope you'll join us. Register to volunteer at www.solveoregon.org, or just show up on the day of the event. This event is sponsored by East Multnomah County Soil & Water Conservation District and SOLVE.

Help make a difference, right here at home!



"The environment
is where we all
meet, where we all
have a mutual
interest; it is the
only thing all of us
share".
Lady Bird Johnson

Need help with
your taxes?

This tax season, get free individualized tax preparation assistance provided by trained volunteers through the Multnomah County Library system. Troutdale Library is not offering the service this year, but Gresham and Midland libraries are among those that are. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Please bring your photo ID, documented proof of Social Security number, last year's return, as well as any current tax documents (W-4, I-9 forms, etc.). **Citizens of any age group and income bracket are welcome.** To select the closest library, dates and times, and to register, go to: <https://multcolib.org/events/tax-help>

Public Works
Project Updates
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Once the project is completed in late May, there will be 36 head-in parking stalls - 29 in the main parking lot, and seven on Second Street. Three parking stalls will be established for people with disabilities, and 10 covered bicycle parking racks will be installed.

Looking for a place to park in the Historic Downtown? We understand that parking is at a premium without the Mayors Square lot available, so here are a few places in the Historic Downtown you might want to check out. While you'll likely be walking a block or two to your destination, these spots are worth a try:

1. Nine parking stalls in front of Old City Hall, located at 104 SE Kibling;
2. Twenty available spots in the parking lot on SE Kibling, located across from Old City Hall;
3. Three available spaces in the parking lot next to the old Depot (please don't park in spots marked as "Troutdale House");
4. The lower-level public parking area behind businesses on the North side of Columbia River Highway. Enter from the West end at Sage Studio Salon, and on the East end at B. Frank Antiques.

We suggest that you shop or visit the downtown stores as early in the day as possible to avoid traffic congestion.

TROUTDALE RECREATION

Springtime programs begin soon!

Spring is just around the corner... and so are Spring recreation programs! The Spring/Summer Recreation Guide will be mailed to all Troutdale addresses the week of April 6th and registration opens on Wednesday, April 8th.

And don't forget that programs like Stroller Strides and select classes at *Anytime Fitness* are available year-round. You can find details and register online at www.troutdaleoregon.gov/rec



You may be eligible for these
Recreation Program discounts

Did you know that Troutdale's Recreation Department offers program discounts? From movement classes for kids to fitness classes for adults, these discounts can be applied to any program listed in the recreation guide.

Financial Aid

If you are a Troutdale resident in need of financial aid to participate in one of our recreation programs, you may apply to receive 50% off the program price. All ages are eligible for one aid package per person, per term. To apply, please visit www.troutdaleoregon.gov/rec, click on Program Discounts and fill out the financial aid application form. We will then contact you to start the registration process.

Family Discount

And for residents and non-residents alike, we also offer a family discount on every one of our programs. If more than one person in your family wants to sign up for the same class, each additional person will receive 20% off that program. If you are interested in applying for a family discount, please fill out the family discount application form on the Program Discount page prior to registering for the program. We will then contact you to start the registration process.

If you have any questions or need help with online registration, please contact Recreation Manager Mollie King at 503-674-7206, or mollie.king@troutdaleoregon.gov

SAVE THE DATE...

CITY OF
TROUTDALE PRESENTS...

MOVIES IN THE PARK
AT
IMAGINATION STATION

FRIDAY 7/31/20	6:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	FRIDAY 8/7/20
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SPRING CLEANUP

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE OF CHARGE UNLESS NOTED, AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
Please check Troutdale's Spring Cleanup webpage for up-to-date event information.

Want a **full list of Accepted/Not Accepted items for each recycling event?**
Go to <https://www.troutdaleoregon.gov/publicworks/page/spring-cleanup>
for lists and other Spring Cleanup information!

For Troutdale Residents Only

"If I receive The Champion in my mailbox, does that mean I can take part in the Spring Cleanup?"

Not necessarily. Check your utility bill. If you do not pay your water bill to the City of Troutdale, you are not eligible to take part in Spring Cleanup events. Still unsure? Contact Troutdale City Hall at 503-665-5175 to confirm your residency.

May 2nd 9 a.m. – Noon

Troutdale Public Works Building, 342 SW 4th Street

Electronics Recycling

by Green Century Electronics Recycling

Secure electronic waste destruction at a special Oregon E-Cycles recycling event.

Accepted: AV equipment, cable/wires, computers, computer peripherals, monitors, networking devices, printers, televisions, and most other small electronics.

Not Accepted: Household batteries, ballasts, fluorescent tubes and lamps, ink/toner, media (CDs/DVDs, cassette tapes, floppy disks. Items containing Freon will **NOT** be accepted.



Paper Shredding

by Shred Northwest

Secure document destruction service for Troutdale community members. Please limit to four (4) bags of paper, and remove binders, binder clips, or plastic sleeves from paper documents before shredding. **This service will stop once the truck is full.**



Bicycle Reuse

by P:ear Bike Works

Come and donate your used bicycle(s)! Your generous donation will help support the efforts of P:ear Bike Works, to keep bicycles from the scrap yard, and refurbishing and repurposing them for those in need of inexpensive transportation.



Bicycle Tubing Recycling

by Cycle Dog, an Earth Friendly Pet Company

Used bike inner tubes are recycled into dog collars, leashes, and toys at the Cycle Dog's factory in Portland.

Accepted: Used inner tubes that are defective in any way, i.e., cuts, slashes, faulty valves, old patches, etc.

Not Accepted: Thorn resistant tubes, rim strips, tires, or any tubes with goo inside.

May 2nd • 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Yard Debris Drop-Off

at Allwood Recyclers, Inc.'s NEW ADDRESS
22800 NE Marine Drive, in Fairview

The City has partnered with Allwood Recyclers, Inc. at their new site to offer FREE disposal of up to two (2) cubic yards of yard debris for Troutdale community members. Disposal does not include dirt, sod, rock, brick or concrete.

You must present this coupon to receive free disposal!



Ongoing Recycling and Disposal Opportunities

Prescription Drugs Disposal There is no longer a take-back box at Troutdale Police Community Center (see article on Page 2). Take medications to:

- Target Pharmacy in Fairview, 21500 NE Halsey Street, (M-F 9am-7pm; Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 11am-5pm)
- Walgreens in Gresham, 1950 SE Burnside Road, M-Su 7a.m.-11 p.m.

Clothing Recycling (Year-round, 24/7)

GemText, (info at www.gemtextrecycling.com)

Shell parking lot, located at 521 SW Halsey Street

Hazardous Waste Disposal (Year-round)

Metro, www.oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler

Metro Central, 6161 NW 61st Avenue in Portland

Metro South, 2001 Washington Street in Oregon City, 503-234-3000 for info, hours

May 6th, by 6 a.m. At Your Curb

Additional Garbage Curbside Collection

Waste Management will collect up to five (5) additional bags (weight not to exceed 45 pounds per bag) of non-hazardous household garbage without yard debris on the regularly scheduled Wednesday curbside pick-up. Loose garbage will not be collected. **There is no extra cost for Troutdale community members unless more than five (5) bags are set out.**

*Saving some of your personal waste for special recycling events is great, but **reducing** and **reusing** waste is even better! **Think about these questions before you buy your next item:** Can something you already own be repaired? Could you borrow or buy it used? Donate it to a good cause? Remember, it takes more money, energy, and resources to make a new item than to buy used (or nothing at all). It's the little choices we make now that can add up to big changes down the road for us all.*

MAY 9

for single family homes

WEST

of the centerline on Buxton and Troutdale roads

BULKY WASTE CURBSIDE COLLECTION

for single-family homes

**AT YOUR CURB,
by 6 a.m.**

MAY 16

for single family homes

EAST

of the centerline on Buxton and Troutdale roads

Bulky Waste Curbside Collection

Who: by Waste Management

When: Saturday, May 9, by 6 a.m.

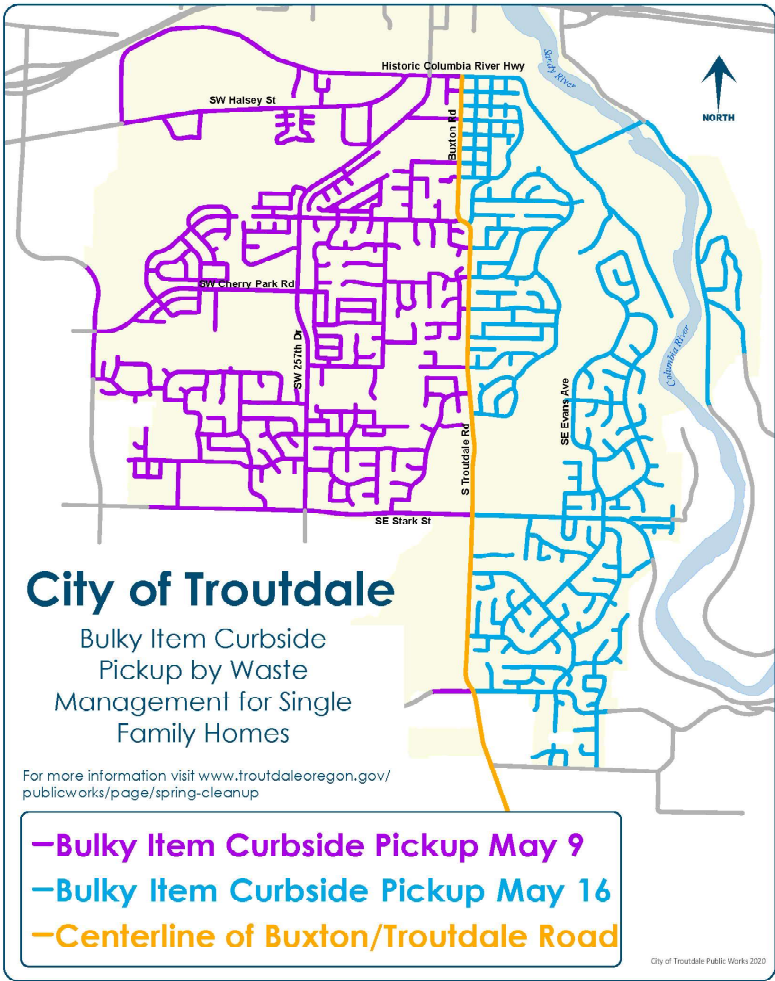
Where: At your curb for single family homes
WEST of centerline
on Buxton/Troutdale roads

Rules & Guidelines for both days:

Waste Management will collect the volume equivalent of one large couch, or up to five (5) bags worth of bulky items, placed curbside for Troutdale community members.

- Small items must be bagged.
- Volumes greater than one large couch will require a separate pick-up scheduled through Waste Management, and will be billed at the appropriate rate.
- Items that do not meet the volume or acceptable material criteria will not be picked up and will be tagged.

For more information, or questions about specific items, item limits, and methods for bundling items for disposal, contact Waste Management directly at 1-800-808-5901.



City of Troutdale

Bulky Item Curbside
Pickup by Waste
Management for Single
Family Homes

For more information visit www.troutdaleoregon.gov/publicworks/page/spring-cleanup

—Bulky Item Curbside Pickup May 9
—Bulky Item Curbside Pickup May 16
—Centerline of Buxton/Troutdale Road

City of Troutdale Public Works 2020

Bulky Waste Curbside Collection

Who: by Waste Management

When: Saturday, May 16, by 6 a.m.

Where: At your curb for single family homes
EAST of centerline
on Buxton/Troutdale roads

Accepted: Bicycles, BBQs, box spring (1), carpeting, furniture, lawn mowers, mattress (1), scrap metal, sinks, tires (five maximum), toilets, water heater (1), windows.

Not Accepted: Refrigerators (and other CFC/Refrigerant-containing items), animal waste, car batteries, engines, concrete, dirt, sod or stumps, food waste, hazardous materials (see event above), liquids, paint, propane tanks, rock, roofing materials, concrete, industrial waste, commercial waste, fluorescent fixtures.

Keep In Mind: During collection, several trucks may stop at your home to collect specific items, such as metal, tires, appliances, etc., and a complete removal of your unwanted items may not occur until the evening.

Please Note: If you would like to learn if items you are parting with can be recycled, donated, or used, visit Metro's Find a Recycler webpage at www.oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler, or call 503-234-3000.

Have questions about any of these recycling opportunities? Call Troutdale's Environmental Specialist at 503-674-3311.

Helping Parents and Teens COMMUNICATE



East Metro Mediation offers **free**, confidential and voluntary conflict resolution services to residents of Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview and Gresham. Call 503-618-3247 for assistance, or visit www.greshamoregon.gov/mediation for more information about this free service.

Being a teenager or having a teenager can be tough. Parents and teens often butt heads over issues like curfews, grades, school attendance, house rules, electronics etc. Mediation can provide an opportunity for both parent and teen to talk about what's important to them and to help them set and agree to practical expectations built through an increased understanding of the issues.

A Troutdale Tradition — April 11th Easter Egg Hunt & Pancake Breakfast

Fuel up first with a hearty **Pancake Breakfast** from 8-11 a.m. at the Sam Cox Building at Glenn Otto Park. Cost is \$7 for adults and kids, \$4 for seniors 60 and above, \$3 for kids age 4-5, kids under 3 are free. This event is a fundraiser for the Boy Scouts of America, Troop #174.

The **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** begins at 10 a.m. **SHARP!** Get there early and take your picture with the Easter Bunny! And find those eggs! Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of the Columbia Gorge.



SUMMERFEST CHANGE!

SummerFest has **permanently** moved to the second Saturday in July! Mark your calendars today for Saturday, July 11, 2020, and look for more SummerFest information in the next issue of *The Champion*.



One-half of the night's proceeds benefit the Troutdale Historical Society



Photo courtesy McMenamins

Friends & Family Night

McMenamins Edgefield Power Station Pub
2126 SW Halsey Street, Troutdale

Monday, April 13
5 p.m. to Close

The Power Station Restaurant at McMenamins Edgefield is hosting Friends & Family Night, from 5 p.m. to close. Fifty percent of all proceeds from food and drink purchased on this night will be donated to the Troutdale Historical Society. Bring your family and friends on Monday, April 13 to support the history of Troutdale and its community.

Troutdale Trot Canceled

The annual May Troutdale Trot & Walk has been canceled this year due to the Sandy River Bridge Construction project.

We'll see you in 2021 on Saturday, May 15, at the 42nd Annual Troutdale Trot and Walk! Sponsored by Kiwanis Club of the Columbia Gorge.

City Meetings

City Council Regular Meetings

Police Facility Kellogg Room – 7 P.M.
March 10, March 24 (if needed)
April 14, April 28 (if needed)

View Council meetings live on Comcast Channel30 or Frontier Channel 38 at 7 p.m.; rebroadcasts are Fridays at 4 p.m. and Sundays at 9 p.m.

Town Center Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room
March 25 – Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.
April 22 - Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.

Planning Commission

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
March 18, April 15

Parks Advisory Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
March 11, April 8

Citizens Advisory Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
March 4, April 1

Historic Landmarks Commission

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.
March 26, April 23

Urban Renewal Agency

Police Facility Kellogg Room – 7 P.M.
March 17 and April 21 (if needed)

Budget Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room – 7 P.M.
April 20 and April 22

Find meeting agendas, Council packets and audio/video of Council meetings at www.troutdaleoregon.gov

Departments

City Hall Main Number	503-665-5175
Building Permits	503-674-7229
Building/Parks Rentals	503-674-7297
Business Licensing	503-665-5175
Code Compliance	503-491-4009
Fire Department (Gresham)	503-618-2355
Mayor & Council	503-674-7258
Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO)	
MCSO Business Office	503-988-7300
MCSO Records	503-988-7300
(press '0' for Police Records)	
Municipal Court	503-665-5175
Police & Fire	
Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-823-3333
Parks Department	503-674-7271
Planning/Zoning	503-674-7247
Public Works (Wastewater)	503-666-8377
Public Works (Water & Streets)	503-674-3300
Recreation Program	503-674-7206
Water/Sewer - Billing Questions	503-674-7232
Water/Sewer - Open/Close Acct.	503-674-7225

City Buildings

City Hall / 219 E. Historic Columbia River Highway
Municipal Court Chambers / 234 SW Kendall Court
Council Chambers / 234 SW Kendall Court
Mult. Co. Sheriff's Office / 234 SW Kendall Court
Public Works / 342 SW 4th Street
Building / Planning / 2200 SW 18th Way
Parks / Facilities / 2200 SW 18th Way
Water Pollution Control Facility / 1820 NW Graham Road
City Conference Building (CCB) / 223 South Buxton Road
Glenn Otto Park / 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Highway
Sam Cox Building at Glenn Otto Park / 1102 E. Historic Columbia River Highway

CITY CALENDAR



MARCH

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Registration begins for Community Garden plots at Sunrise Park – nab an outdoor garden space to call your own (temporarily!), and enjoy the best view of Mt. Hood in the City (see article Page 6)

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First Friday Art Walk, 5-9 p.m. Downtown, Historic Columbia River Highway, 503-491-8407. Make downtown Troutdale your destination for extraordinary art, all styles of live music, great food, wine tastings, demonstrations and workshops. Enjoy the Art, the Shops, the Music, and the People! Details? Go to: www.columbiarivergallery.com/first-friday

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Creating an Edible Landscape – 9-11:30 a.m. at Troutdale Police Community Center. Incorporate edible plants into your landscape while conserving water and building fertile soil. Learn about incorporating native species, annual veggies and herbs, perennial berries, and fruit trees into a delicious landscape. Class offered by East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District (EMSWCD). Space is limited, pre-registration required. Go to: <http://emswcd.org/workshops> or call EMSWCD at 503-222-7645.

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Troutdale Historical Society and McMenamins History Pub: Who Killed Chief Paulina? The violent life and mysterious death of a Paiute warrior. This presentation will be an investigation into the life and times of Chief Paulina, a Northern Paiute war leader who violently resisted Euro-American settlement in the Great Basin and for several years orchestrated a successful guerrilla war campaign in the deserts and mountains of eastern Oregon. Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey. Doors open 5 p.m., Program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE. Questions? Call 503-661-2164

APRIL

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Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day, 10 a.m. to 3p.m., a Troutdale Historical Society Event - The Harlow House and the Barn Exhibit Hall will host Museum Day. New displays featuring WWII Nurses uniforms at the Harlow House; Handy Bros. Service history, and historic smelt runs on the Sandy River at the Barn Exhibit Hall. Located at 726 & 732 East Historic Columbia River Highway. Museum Day is presented by Smithsonian magazine. The Museum Day ticket provides **free admission for two people** on Saturday, April 4th. Tickets will be available to download here: <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/museum-day-2020/>

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Spring / Summer Recreation registration begins today, reserve those great summer camps now! (See article Page 6)

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Annual Easter Egg Hunt and Pancake Breakfast, join the Boy Scouts and Kiwanis Club for a morning of good food and fun with the kids! (see article this page)

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Friends & Family Night at McMenamins, 5 p.m. to Close, Bring your family and friends to support the history of Troutdale and its community (see article this page)

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Urban Invasive Weeds – 9-11:30 a.m. at Troutdale Police Community Center Learn about the most common garden and landscape weeds, and find out how they can take over your yard. Get tips that will help you get the upper hand without turning to synthetic herbicides. Space is limited, pre-registration is required. Go to: <http://emswcd.org/workshops> or call EMSWCD at 503-222-7645.

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Troutdale Historical Society Annual Meeting & Program, Fires of Troutdale, 2 p.m. - After a brief meeting and election of the THS Board of Directors for 2020-2021, Sharon Nesbit will present *Fires of Troutdale*. Flames twice ravaged the town, leaving the city to rebuild and improve. One result is the "the concrete block," where home and business owners resolved to rebuild with material that would not burn. Bring your friends and family to the Sam Cox Building at Glenn Otto Park 1102 E Historic Columbia River Highway to this free public event. Refreshments will be served.

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Earth Day 50th Anniversary Event, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (see article on Page 6)

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Troutdale Historical Society and McMenamins History Pub: To Be Determined, check www.troutdalehistory.org for updates. Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey. Doors open 5 p.m., Program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE. Questions? Call 503-661-2164