

# THE TROUTDALE CHAMPION

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## The 47th Annual Troutdale SummerFest is Here!

July 20th • 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. • This year's theme is "Hop It! Hike It! Bike It!"

It's time to hop the bus, hike the trails, and ride your bike! And discover all the beauty our local area has to offer! Join us on Saturday, July 20th, for a day filled with fun for the whole family.

**It's not too late to enter the Parade!** Entry forms are due by July 13th, and awards will be given for "Best Use of Theme".

### Downtown Troutdale:

**7:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.**

Pancake Breakfast at Mason's Lodge  
202 SE Dora Avenue (corner 2nd/SE Dora)

**9:30 a.m.**

Chalk It Up!

In Mayor's Square: SALT Academy &  
Performing Arts-Student Performance

**11 a.m.**

Parade  
Columbia River Highway at Buxton  
to the Troutdale Bridge

### Glenn Otto Park:

**Noon - 4 pm:**

Vendor Booths  
Scrumptious Food & Tasty Drinks  
Free Live Entertainment  
Awards for Best Use of Theme  
Citizen & Youth of the Year  
Kidz Art Zone  
Pony Rides  
Balloon Sculpting  
Face Painting  
Dunk Tank  
Bounce Houses  
...and More!



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Rose City Graphics



Volunteers are needed  
and appreciated!  
Call 503-669-7473

**FREE SHUTTLE ALL  
DAY FROM THE  
COLUMBIA GORGE  
OUTLETS TO EVENT!**

Parade and Vendor forms are available at the Visitor Center, or at City Hall,  
and online at: [www.westcolumbiagorgechamber.com/troutdale-summerfest](http://www.westcolumbiagorgechamber.com/troutdale-summerfest)

A portion of the proceeds benefit the Multnomah County Animal Shelter.

For more information: West Columbia Gorge Chamber of Commerce  
at [info@westcolumbiagorgechamber.com](mailto:info@westcolumbiagorgechamber.com) or 503-669-7473

### Road Closure and Detour Information

**8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.**

East Historic Columbia River Highway, between Buxton and Kibling Avenue, will be closed to cars,  
as well as both Dora and Harlow Avenues (between the Historic Highway and 2nd Street). Detour on 2nd Street.

**11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** During the parade, East Historic Columbia River Highway will be closed from 257th  
to the East side of the Troutdale Bridge just past Glenn Otto Park.

**All roads will open as soon as the parade is over and the streets are safe to reopen.**

Questions? Call 503-739-2463.

## Volunteer Recognition Ice Cream Social July 10th

Mayor Sam Cox and wife Nettie dip ice  
cream at the Sam Cox Building, 1993.  
Courtesy Troutdale Historical Society



The City of Troutdale is excited to  
host a "Volunteer Recognition Ice  
Cream Social" on Wednesday, July  
10th at 6:30 p.m. to honor those of  
you who have volunteered in the  
past or present. There are many  
volunteers who serve our city,  
including the City Council, commit-  
tees, citizens who have served  
faithfully year after year, and those  
who have stepped up to assist with  
special events such as Earth Day  
or the Imagination Station rebuild.

Whether you served previously or  
are currently serving, in any capac-  
ity, we are thankful for you!

Please join us at Columbia Park,  
under the new shelter, to celebrate  
all those who serve our community!  
We are holding a simple presenta-  
tion at 7 p.m. to officially say thank  
you to our volunteers.

Please join us for a sweet treat and  
to give us the opportunity to tell you  
how greatly appreciated you are!  
No RSVP necessary, just come  
with your families and enjoy!

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## Join us in August for Movies in the Park

What's better than a movie night?  
A movie night outside!



Coming this August, the City of Troutdale will  
be hosting two movie nights at Imagination  
Station. The first will take place on Wednes-  
day, August 21st at 6 p.m. And then on  
Wednesday, August 28th, we will be showing  
a double feature – the first at 6 p.m. and the  
second at 8 p.m.

The movies will be shown on a giant LED  
screen so even though there will still be  
daylight, you won't have any problems  
enjoying the film under the late-evening sun.  
Food and drink will be available for purchase  
or you can bring your own picnic. But please  
leave all alcoholic beverages and pets  
at home.

The movie list will be announced later in July!

## VOLUNTEER TO BE ON A CITY COMMITTEE



CITIZENS  
ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE

PARKS  
ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE

HISTORIC  
LANDMARKS  
COMMISSION

PLANNING  
COMMISSION

BUDGET  
COMMITTEE

Application Deadline is 5pm, Monday, September 30, 2019

Applications packets available at:

- City Hall – 219 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy.
- Online at [www.troutdaleoregon.gov](http://www.troutdaleoregon.gov)

## Be engaged! Be a city volunteer!

Looking for a way to not only  
learn about your community,  
but to help shape its future?  
Becoming a volunteer on a  
city committee is a great way  
to learn about Troutdale while  
offering insight and direction  
on how you want your  
community to grow.

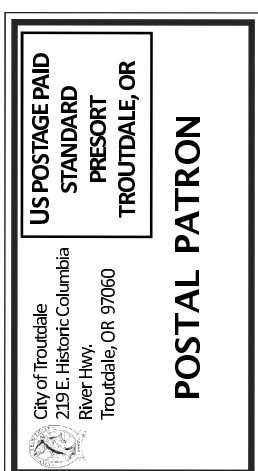
From planning future park  
amenities to reviewing  
applications for new develop-  
ment, Troutdale's commit-  
tees have a variety of  
responsibilities that may  
be of interest to you.

Although the work is impor-  
tant, the time commitment is  
not as drastic as you might  
think, depending on the  
committee or type of work

that's required. Committees  
typically meet in the evening  
once a month with each  
committee staffed by a City  
employee to help out. Com-  
mittee membership offers  
a rewarding chance to meet  
neighbors, learn about  
governance, and to give back  
to the democratic process  
of citizen involvement.

You can learn more about  
these committees by visiting  
the Citizens Advisory Com-  
mittee table at SummerFest  
on Saturday, July 20 in Glenn  
Otto Park. Applications  
to join committees will be  
made available throughout  
the summer!

find us on ...





# Parks Master Plan update to focus on community engagement

Pickleball in Troutdale?  
Splash pads in the Park?  
Give us your input about how our city parks can best serve you!

With our spring and summer season in full gear, and our Parks bustling with children and people relaxing and enjoying their Parks, we'd like to ask all citizens of Troutdale to put on their imagineering caps and start thinking about how they'd like their Parks to look in ten years.

## OUT IN THE PARKS WITH TIM SEERY

The Budget Committee has approved the funds to update our Parks Master Plan which was last published in 2006, and needs updating to reflect the many changes that have taken place over the past 13 years. If you're a parent with children, what suggestions do you have to improve our city parks? What improvements would our senior citizens like to see? Through town halls, surveys, and social media we will be enlisting the community's input on what the city parks should be offering for today and tomorrow's active citizens. Be it a splash pad, a skateboard park, trail maintenance, or pickleball courts, it's important for us to receive your input over the next year as the Parks Advisory Committee works on the new Master Plan.

So, take some time to visit the many Parks we have to offer and start thinking those creative thoughts for the future. Until next time, get out and enjoy your Parks. They do make life better.



Below: Imagination Station Opening, photos by 'At Home Plate Photography'.



Upper left: Weedin Park, located at 1323 SE Beaver Creek Lane, has play equipment, tennis and basketball courts, a picnic table, and large grassy areas.



### Planning a trip to Glenn Otto Park? "Stash the Trash"!

Visitors to Glenn Otto and other Sandy River parks will soon see "Stash the Trash" yellow mesh bags, designed to hold your trash and recycling. The first year of 'Stash the Trash' on the Clackamas River shaved 2 tons of waste from the annual cleanup numbers!

**Stash the Trash needs** community members like you to help reduce trash entering our river! *It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!* Just grab a bag at a park kiosk, then fill the bag with your trash and recycling as you recreate on the Sandy! Finally, bring your bag home, leaving no trace at the park.

*This project is made possible by the Sandy River Watershed Council and the Clackamas River Basin Council, and by a City of Troutdale Community Enhancement Program (CEP) grant.*

## Trimming the Fat from your Drains and Pipes

The leading cause of sanitary sewer overflows is mainly from residential customers pouring substances down their drains, and food service establishments with inadequate grease controls. Fats, oils and grease (FOG) are a byproduct of cooking and are mostly found in the following: meats, cooking oil, lard, shortening, butter and margarine.



Don't let this ...

Our sewer system is not designed to handle or treat these substances in excess. Over time FOG solidifies and forms grease balls. These can range in size from marbles to cantaloupes, and must be removed periodically. When you combine this with other undesirables like baby wipes, dental floss and feminine hygiene products, this combination can lead to major problems in the system. If there are trees or bushes growing on top of customer's laterals, then there's a potential risk of roots invading the lateral, and the grease will build up over time causing a blockage.

Just scraping excess food from your plate to the trash can, or wiping your pots and pans with a paper towel before washing them, will help tremendously. Pouring excess oil or grease into an empty container with a lid and putting it into the trash will also be effective.



...become this.

Without proper disposal, grease in the sewer system can lead to higher maintenance costs which could lead to higher consumer rates. Sewer backups can cost you thousands of dollars for the repair or replacement of your damaged property.

So, with your help, let's keep FOG out of the sewer system and off the streets of our fine city.



### What's Coming Out of Your Tap? Check our Website for the City of Troutdale 2018 Water Quality Report!

This state-required yearly report gives the citizens of Troutdale important facts concerning Troutdale's water supply. **The report is available for viewing on our website at the following URL:** <http://www.troutdale.info/waterquality2018>

To get a printed copy of the report, call 503-674-3300. Printed copies are also available in the City Hall reception area and at the Public Works Shop, located at 342 SW 4th Avenue.

## Reservoir No. 4 Interior Recoating Project Completed

In late 2018, the interior of Reservoir No. 4 (Strebin Road Reservoir) was recoated with a primer and epoxy coating. In general, the reservoir serves areas east of Troutdale Road from Strebin Road and north to Cherry Park Road. In mid-May the reservoir was refilled and sampled for several different contaminants, of which all met or exceeded state and federal standards and the reservoir was placed back in service. Changes in water quality or pressure were expected, but if you have, or are continuing to have, water issues in the area of Reservoir No. 4, please call the Water Department at 503-674-3300.



A Troutdale Public Works employee tests the water quality at Reservoir 4.



## Time for a Summer Garage Sale!

'Tis the season for garage sales, and we hope you have fun and make lots of money! No fee or permit is necessary, but please bear in mind that only one garage sale at a single location is permitted every three months. More than one sale in a three-month period constitutes operation of a business without a license. **When it comes to placing signs, please keep these regulations in mind:**

Do not place signs on public utility or traffic poles, nor on a public sidewalk or in any public street; do not place signs on private property without the permission of the property owner; a maximum of four (4) signs can be displayed for any one sale; signs must be placed on a wooden support stake; maximum sign face area cannot exceed three square feet; signs cannot be displayed for more than 72 hours and must be removed at the end of the final day of the sale.

Questions regarding garage sale signs?  
Call the Community Development Department at 503-674-7230.





# Leaving a Child or Animal in a Car Unattended Can Happen to Anyone

## Don't Let it be You

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



As the year passed into June, Oregon saw yet another incident of someone leaving a child unattended in a vehicle. This news is always sad to hear, and the initial word is that the individual simply forgot about the child because he was so tired. I am not here to prosecute or defend the accused's actions; rather, I feel compelled to remind everyone that there are consequences to your actions, especially if those actions cause harm to another.

There have been countless articles written about the dangers of leaving a child or animal in a car on a hot day. Yet we continue to hear about these situations, even though we know that the temperature in a vehicle

can rise 20 degrees in 10 minutes and 40 degrees in an hour. There have been recorded deaths in a hot car when it is just 70 degrees outside. A child's body is not made for exposure to hot temperatures, especially for long periods. An average of 37 children and over 1,000 animals die annually from being left in hot cars.



Even though the recent Oregon case could have been tragically worse, serious injury was averted this time. It is a good reminder to all of us that it can happen to anyone, anywhere, and at any time of the year. It does not have to be very hot out or take much time to have something tragically happen to the ones we love.

Therefore, what can you do to prevent this type of tragedy? Have a plan to check your car, specifically the back seat, every time you get out. Make it a habit for you and your family. Don't allow kids to play in a car, make sure you keep your car locked when not using it, and don't be in a hurry. Slow down and double check. Spread the word to others.

Leaving a child or animal in a car unattended can happen to anyone. Don't let it be you.

## BRIEFS

### Cooling Spaces, for help when it's hot

Every year Troutdale and other Multnomah County communities face heat waves that can be dangerous for older people or other vulnerable populations. For relief, "cooling spaces" are opened throughout the region, however, many people don't know where to go or how to stay safe. **Please help us spread the word.** To learn more about cooling spaces and to sign up for email alerts, go to <https://multco.us/help-when-its-hot>, or call the HELPLINE at Multnomah County Aging, Disability and Veterans' Services at 503-988-3646 (24/7). When the extreme heat arrives, you'll receive information about locations and times for cooling spaces.

### How to report aggressive or suspicious solicitors

This summer, you're likely to see solicitors selling their products door-to-door along our city streets. These solicitors are required to obtain a Troutdale business license, and must, upon request, present you with a Troutdale-issued business card with their name, the company name, and license number. While the vast majority of solicitors are licensed, some are not, and a few of these have been reported as being overly aggressive or acting in a suspicious manner. If this is your experience, we urge you to call the non-emergency dispatch right away at 503-823-3333 (press 4, then 2 at the prompts). **Be specific.** Give the direction the solicitors are heading, what they're wearing, and the name of the company and product being sold. An officer will be dispatched to the area. Then call us at 503-665-5175 to check if the company has a current and valid business license.

## TROUTDALE RECREATION

### School's out ..and Troutdale Recreation offers fun summer activities for kids!

- ... Keep them moving with Kindertots, Kids Yoga, Kinderdance and Kindercombo
- ... Get in the spirit of this summer's Women's World Cup and sign up for soccer classes
- ... Tap their creative energy with Arts & Crafts Family Time



Find out more and register online at [www.troutdaleoregon.gov/rec](http://www.troutdaleoregon.gov/rec). Contact Mollie King, Recreation Manager at 503-674-7206, or [mollie.king@troutdaleoregon.gov](mailto:mollie.king@troutdaleoregon.gov) if you need assistance with online registration, are interested in a scholarship/sibling discount, or have any other questions/comments.



Bring blankets, chairs, and enjoy popcorn and lemonade on the lawn! Fun for the entire family. And it's free! Questions? Call 503-661-2164

Troutdale Historical Society presents

## Barnyard Concerts

Three FREE concerts, in conjunction with the First Friday Art Walk  
July 5 • August 2 • September 6  
The Barn Exhibit Hall Lawn  
732 East Historic Columbia River Highway

Friday, July 5th, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Micah and Me** is a Portland-based Kindie (kid+indie=kindie) rock band made up of stay-at-home dads who write and play music to inspire, excite and engage kids of all ages and the young at heart! They specialize in working with local venues, museums, city groups and libraries to create upbeat, educational and outright silly shows for children ages 0-7 and their caregivers. They also present ukulele classes and workshops.

Friday, August 2nd, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Barbara Cecil** has been having fun and making people happy for 20-plus years, performing for the past 19 years as the female singer for the Pacific Northwest's Rock n' Roll show band, "Johnny Limbo and the Lugnuts!" As a full-time vocalist, Barbara entertains the retirement community, with her shows combining her love of older country music and nostalgia music from the 50s, 60s, & 70s. She also includes some of the original music she has penned and recorded.

Coming in September!

September 6 – **Three Together**, 3-part harmonies on many songs from the 60s and 70s Folk Pop and Rock. 6 – 8 p.m.



## ART TROUT:

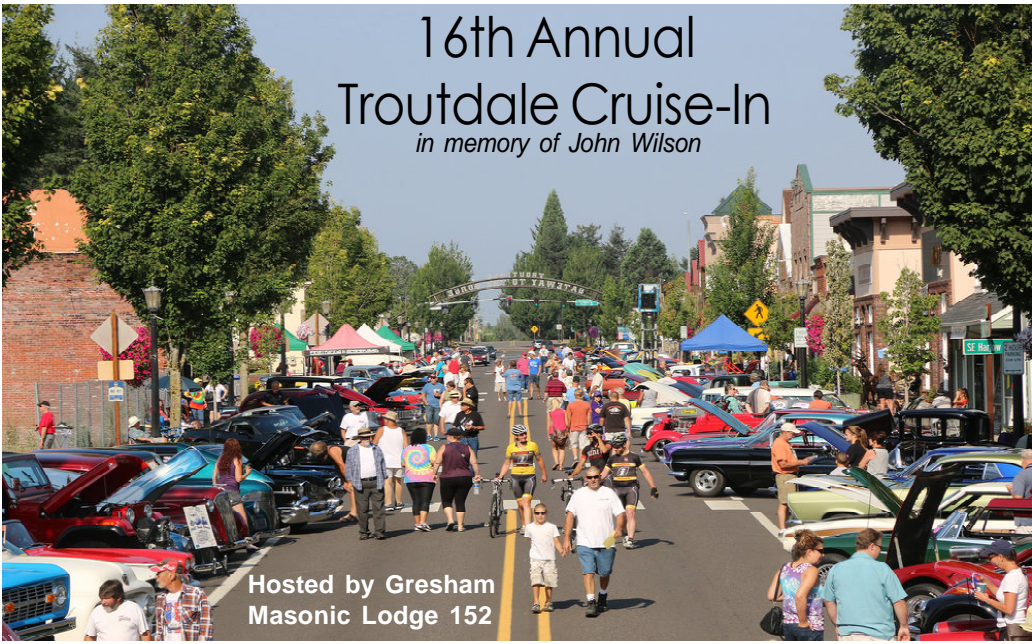
### You become the artist in this community-wide project!

In conjunction with the 20th Anniversary of the Cracked Pots Art Show at Edgefield, and as part of the Community Enhancement Program (CEP) grant, Troutdale artists are sponsoring a summer-long community art project and contest to adopt and decorate personalized "ART TROUT". The "ART TROUT" will be made by Troutdale artists from recycled materials, then the 18-inch trout and 6-inch minnow trout will be sold to the public so that they can personalize their own fish.

Look for us at Mayors Square during the First Friday Art Walks in July, August, and September; at the Cracked Pots Art Show at Edgefield; and at SummerFest to purchase your very own trout and acrylic art kit. People are welcome to paint, add glitter, clothing, jewelry, lace - anything they want to personalize their fish. We encourage folks to name their trout. At the Fall Festival of the Arts in September, judges will select the 'Best Dressed Trout' and 'Best Dressed Minnow'. We'll also have a contest to name the mascot.

Questions? Contact Martha Dunham at [martdunham@gmail.com](mailto:martdunham@gmail.com)





**Sunday, August 4th**  
**9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**Downtown Troutdale**  
**East Historic Columbia River Highway**

From vintage classics to street rods, muscle cars, motorcycles and more, you'll find the coolest wheels at the 16th Annual Troutdale Cruise-In!

- Vendors, Raffle, and Cruisin' Tunes by the KISN Goodguys
- **This event is free for all spectators.**
- For entrants, registration begins at 7 a.m., fee is \$15. All makes, years, models and motorcycles welcome.
- All funds raised from this event go to children's cancer research through the Soulful Giving Foundation and the Shriner's Hospital for Children.

Car Show questions? Call Terry at Troutdale General Store at 503-492-7912. For Vendor Info, call Roger Spaulding at 503-666-8843.

**Road Closure - 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.**  
East Historic Columbia River Highway, between Buxton and SE Kibling Avenue will be closed to cars, as well as both Dora and Harlow Avenues. Detour on 2nd Street.

# The 7th Annual Bite of East County

Come support this family-friendly event! Enjoy great food and drink, be entertained by five local bands, see a great mixture of business and community groups, and art and craft vendors - and lots more, all while supporting a worthwhile and necessary cause. All proceeds will go to benefit Zarephath Kitchen and Pantry.



Zarephath Kitchen and Pantry provided food for over 200,000 meals in 2018, helping low-income families, the elderly and the homeless in Gresham, Troutdale, Wood Village, Fairview and surrounding areas.

**Entry to the Bite is \$5 at the gate, with children under 12 free with an adult. All proceeds will go to benefit Zarephath Kitchen and Pantry.**



**Saturday, July 27th • 11 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.**  
**Columbia Park / 1900 SW Cherry Park Road in Troutdale**

You'll find **great eats** from some of our local East County establishments: The Rock, LaMixteca, The Local Cow, Steam Werkz Hot Dogs, Krazy Kokonut, Z Gourmet BBQ, Z Gourmet Spaniard Paella, Rock Your Palate, Brain Freeze Shave Ice Bar, Kettle Kings (kettle corn), and Beers Plus will offer Beer, Cider and Bubble Tea.

**Five popular local bands** bring a unique mixture of music genre from Jazz to Country: A Minor Referral, Saturated Phats, Gear Drivven, 26 East, Midlyfe Crisis PDX.

A variety of **businesses, community groups, and art and craft vendors** will be on hand to provide information and sell their products.

Plus ...a **Giant Slide, Raffle**, and (new this year) **Car Show!** And **Dave Salesky**, from KATU Weather is back as Honorary Chair!



**Saturday, September 21 • 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.**  
**Sunday, September 22 • 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**2019 Artist of the Year: Donna Erwin!**

Join us at Glenn Otto Park for two days of juried fine art booths, demonstrations, Pacific NW Authors, Kidz Art Zone, food, local beer & wine, live entertainment, silent auction, and more!

For more information: [www.fallfestivalofthearts.com](http://www.fallfestivalofthearts.com)

## JULY

**4 Independence Day**  
**ALL CITY HALL OFFICES CLOSED**  
For Police / Fire emergency - call 9-1-1,  
For Water / Sewer emergency - call 503-251-4163

**5 First Friday Art Walk**, 5-9 p.m., Downtown, Historic Columbia River Highway, 503-491-8407

**5 Troutdale Historical Society presents First Friday Art Walk Barnyard Concert: Micah & Me**, 6:30-8 p.m. (see article Page 3)

**10 Volunteer Recognition Ice Cream Social**, 6:30 p.m. (see article Page 1)

**20 47th Annual SummerFest**, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (see article Page 1)

**27 7th Annual Bite of East County**, 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m. (see article this page)

**30 Troutdale Historical Society & McMenamins present Edgefield History Night – Celilo Falls: Parallel Lives Along N'Chewana**, presented by Ed Edmo and Lani Roberts. Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey, Doors open at 5 p.m., Program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE.



## AUGUST

**2 First Friday Art Walk**, 5-9 p.m., Downtown, Historic Columbia River Highway, 503-491-8407

**2 Troutdale Historical Society presents First Friday Art Walk Barnyard Concert: Barbara Cecil**, 6:30-8 p.m. (see article Page 3)

**4 16th Annual Cruise In**  
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (see article this page)

**21 Movies in the Park**, 6 p.m. (see article Page 1)

**27 Troutdale Historical Society & McMenamins present Edgefield History Night - Crash Course: The Portland Air Disaster that Made History and Changed History**, presented by Julie Whipple, Blackberry Hall, Edgefield, 2126 SW Halsey, Doors open at 5 p.m., program at 6:30 p.m. – arrive early! FREE.

**28 Movies in the Park**, and it's a double-feature! 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. (see article Page 1)

## City Meetings

### City Council Regular Meetings

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.  
July 9, July 23 (if needed)  
August 13 (if needed), August 27  
View Council meetings live on Comcast Channel 30 or Frontier Channel 38 at 7 p.m.; rebroadcasts are Fridays at 4 p.m. and Sunday at 9 p.m.

### Town Center Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room  
July 24 – Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.  
August 28 - Regular Meeting – 7 P.M.

### Planning Commission

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.  
July 17, August 21

### Parks Advisory Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.  
July 10 (canceled), August 14 (canceled)

### Citizens Advisory Committee

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.  
July 10 (meeting at 7:30 P.M.), August 7

### Historic Landmarks Commission

Police Facility Kellogg Room - 7 P.M.  
July 25, August 22

### Urban Renewal Agency

Police Facility Kellogg Room – 7 P.M.  
July 16, (if needed), August 20 (if needed)

Find meeting agendas, Council packets and audio/video of Council meetings at [www.troutdaleoregon.gov](http://www.troutdaleoregon.gov)

## City Offices

City Hall Main Number	503-665-5175
Building Permits	503-674-7229
Building/Parks Rentals	503-674-7297
Business Licensing	503-665-5175
Code Enforcement	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	503-674-7229
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