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Watch Your Mail for the Vision Tabloid

If you haven't had the opportunity to contribute to Milwaukie's future vision, now is your last chance. You will soon receive a special tabloid defining and illustrating the draft Vision Statement. This full color mailer highlights the concepts and ideas for Milwaukie's future growth that have been generated by a citizens' committee over the past year. Since the final vision will be used for planning Milwaukie's future, you are encouraged to review and respond to this important document. When you receive your copy, please read it and

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mail your comments back to the city within 30 days. All comments received during this 30 day review period will be considered for the final vision.

If you have a group and would like more information, someone from the Vision Citizen Policy Committee can attend your meeting to give you an update. They plan on visiting neighborhood meetings, business forums, senior centers, and schools. For more information, or to schedule a speaker for your group, or for more information, call Diana Myrvang at the Community Development Department, 786-7657.

LIGHT RAIL OPEN HOUSE YOU'RE INVITED!

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY AT 6 PM, For Location, call: 786-7653

Do you have questions about Light Rail in Milwaukie? Then come to a Light Rail and Transit Design Clearinghouse. You can find out information about possible alignments, new data, design options and more. These meetings will offer the community a chance to share information and find solutions. Attend the Clearinghouse to give your point of view before the next round of decision-making in April. The meetings are open to everyone.

Dates: March 1st, 15th, and 29th April 12th, 26th May 10th

Questions?
Call Diana Myrvang at 786-7657

Neighborhood Coordinator on Board

As part of our continuing commitment of working in partnership with citizens, the City of Milwaukie has hired Linda Mullen as our first Neighborhood Services Coordinator. Among her tasks, Linda will provide support to organized neighborhoods, assist new neighborhood associations in getting started and work with city staff to offer neighborhood-based programs and services.

"I'm excited about this opportunity," Linda offers. "Everyone I talk to is enthusiastic about the program. Citizens, council and staff are all committed to the success of revitalized neighborhoods. I feel confident we can work as a team to build upon Milwaukie's strengths and sense of community."

Linda has met with neighborhood representatives from Ardenwald, Lake Road and Island Station. She is hoping to develop interest from neighbors in Lewelling into an organized association, and encourages people from all parts of town to get organized. "Citizen participation in local government is the wave of the future. The City of Milwaukie is committed to providing quality, responsive services to its residents. Organized neighborhoods are the way to make sure your voice is heard."

If you have ideas or need help getting your neighborhood organized, call Linda at 786-7545.

Team Up to Clean Up: Down to Earth Day '95

It's time to clean out the garage and basement because Saturday, May 6th is Milwaukie's 11th Annual Down to Earth Day clean up. Each Spring the City of Milwaukie and your local waste haulers team up to clean up our community. City residents are welcome to bring the following materials to the collection day activity: discarded furniture, unmounted tires, scrap metal, yard debris and general trash.

There are small fees to help offset disposal costs.

Unmounted tires	\$1.50
Car load	\$2.00
Station Wagon	\$2.00
Small/Short bed pick-up	\$5.00
Small Trailer	\$5.00
Large Trailer	\$6.00
Standard Pickup	\$6.00
Large Truck	\$8.00

If you have reusable materials, bring them too. Clean, reusable items such as small appliances, furniture, clothes, sports and camping gear will be collected by the Salvation Army. A new feature is Metro's latex paint collection. Bring left-over latex paint and it will be given to Metro for recycling. (No oilbased paints) You can also receive discount coupons for use at Household Hazardous Waste collection facilities.

Sorry, the following materials can not be accepted. Kitchen garbage, oil based paints, motor oil, mounted tires, car bodies, asbestos, animal waste, drums, sod, dirt, stumps, rock, concrete, commercial or industrial waste, large appliances. Other items may be refused. Down to Earth Day collection sites are located in three parts of town.

We have two new sites:

Seth Lewelling School 5325 SE Logus

Rowe Jr. High 3606 SE Lake Road

The other location is:

Linwood Elementary 11909 SE Linwood;

Curbside service for seniors and disabled residents is available on a limited basis. For more information on any Down to Earth Day activities, call JoAnn Herrigel at 786-7508.

Recycle More with Expanded Curbside Program

You asked for it, you got it. Milwaukie's recycling program now collects more materials than ever. The following materials are accepted through the curbside recycling program: empty aerosol cans, scrap paper, plastic milk jugs and paperboard milk cartons.

Please observe the following guidelines for each item.

Empty Aerosol Cans

- Empty aerosol cans through normal use. Remove all labels and the plastic lid unless it is part of the can.
- Leave the spray nozzle on the can.
- Do not puncture or flatten your aerosol cans.
- If you have a new can that can't be emptied because it's broken, return it to the place of purchase.
- If it's an old can, take it to Metro's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site in Oregon City. Call 234-3000 for more information.

Scrap Paper

 Opened junk mail, envelopes, paper egg cartons, wrapping paper, cereal and shoe boxes are acceptable through the curbside program.

 Items we cannot collect include waxed paper or boxes, food containers, napkins, tissue, paper plates, cups and aluminum foil.

Plastic Milk Jugs and Juice Containers

- Milk jugs, or any other Number 2 plastic bottle (with no color) are now collected curbside.
- Rinse them, remove rings and lids, flatten and place jugs in a paper bag.
- It is OK to keep the labels on the plastic jugs.

Paper Milk Cartons and Juice Containers

- Paper milk cartons and other aseptic packages, such as juice boxes, are also accepted.
- Rinse, flatten and place them in a paper bag.

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If you have any questions about Milwaukie's curbside recycling program, please call JoAnn Herrigel at 786-7508.

Compost Happens!

Yes, compost happens. Learn how to make it happen effectively by attending Metro's Spring Home Compost classes. They are held all over the Metro area. The one closest to Milwaukie begins April 1st, at Clackamas Community College in Oregon City. The classes are free, but you must pre-register. Call Metro Recycling Information at 234-3000 for details.

Regional Sewer Service Changes Under Consideration

Due to continued and expected growth in Northern Clackamas County, long-term changes to sanitary sewer service are currently being considered. Eight sewer service agencies, including Milwaukie, have conducted a region-wide study on how to make the current system more efficient. To date, three proposals have been made. These include expanding facilities in Tri-Cities or Oak Lodge and diverting flows from Kellogg Creek to Tri-Cities and building a new plant near 1-205 and Highway 224

On Monday, March 6, a public meeting will be held to discuss these options in detail. The meeting will be from 7 to 9 pm at the Public Safety Building, 3200 Harrison. For more information, please call Greg Drechsler at 786-7605.

Ledding Library March Programs

Pre-school Story time
Every Tuesday from 1:00 to 1:30..
For ages 3 -5 years (Younger children welcomed when accompanied by an adult.)

Spring Break Puppet Show
Thursday, March 23 from 2:00 to 2:45.
Starring Chief Dan Olsen with
Firefighter Fred and the Firehouse Gang

Library hours are:

Monday - Thursday, 12:00 - 8:00

Friday & Saturday, 12:00 - 5:30

Sunday, 1:00 - 5:00

The children's department closes 15 minutes earlier.

Ledding Library 10660 SE 21st Avenue.

For more information about children's programming, please call 786-7580.

The City Has New Phone Numbers
Voice Mail, Directory Improve Customer Service

Phone numbers at the city of Milwaukie changed recently when the office phone system was upgraded to include voice mail. By adding voice mail, we have improved our ability to serve you better because you can call each employee directly. If they are on the phone or not in the office, you can leave a voice mail message or dial "O" to talk to a staff person. Callers always have the option of talking to a

person if they don't want to leave a message.

A city services directory with new listings of frequently-called numbers is now available. Directories can be picked up at City Hall, Ledding Library, Public Safety Building or the Johnson Creek facility or you can call 786-7555 and request a directory be mailed to you.

Traffic Safety Commission Secures Grant

The Traffic Safety Commission, a citizen advisory committee which reports to the City Council, has been awarded a grant to promote safe driving on Milwaukie's streets. The program combines citizen involvement with police department support. Specifically, the grant provides funding for two street banners, radar equipment, volunteer training, police enforcement and program promotion

The neighborhood traffic safety program is a three tiered educational effort aimed at reducing driving speeds. The first tier is educational. The street banners will remind drivers to slow down. Trained neighborhood volunteers will use radar to record the speed of cars. Owners of speeding vehicles will be sent a courtesy letter from the Police Department reminding

them to drive the speed limit. Since this program is educational, no citations will be sent.

The second phase is also educational. The SMART trailer, which features a large digital read-out of motorists' speeds, will be deployed so drivers can see for themselves how fast they are going.

Finally, the Police Department will provide stepped-up enforcement in areas where speeding is a problem.

The grant was funded through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the Oregon Department of Transportation. The Neighborhood Speed Watch Program is expected to be up and running by Spring. People who want to learn more should call Greg Drechsler at 786-7605.

Neighborhood Association Meetings

Ardenwald • Tuesday, March 14 and April 12 • 7 pm Ardenwald Elementary School • Contact Michelle Greely Roberts, 653-2823

> Island Station • Friday, March 3 • 6:30 pm • Grange Hall Contact Kent Fruitiger, 659-6039

Lake Road • Thrusday, March 16 • 7:00 pm • Location TBA Contact Chuck Kersey, 654-9913 MAILING LIST: This newsletter is published by the City of Milwaukie. It is distributed at City Hall, the Milwaukie Center, Johnson Creek Permit Center, Library, Police and Fire Stations. If you would like a copy mailed to you, send a note to Linda Mullen, City Manager's Office, 10722 SE Main, Milwaukie, OR 97222 or call 786-7545.