

City Council 2021-2023 Goals

☒ *Goal 1: Working well together and working with key partners*

- ❖ Maintain focus on regionalism in our efforts to address a range of issues and opportunities.
- ❖ Maintain a strong emphasis on beautification of our community.

☒ *Goal 2: City's Water Quality Infrastructure*

- ❖ Take over the day-to-day operations and maintenance of the City's wastewater utility.
- ❖ Improve the Eastside sludge lagoon access road.
- ❖ Complete engineering designs for the necessary capital improvements of Wastewater Treatment Plant 1 as identified in the WWTP1 Facility Plan (completed in 2011) and as amended by the Facility Plan Amendment (completed in 2018).
- ❖ Upgrade, replace or design the following Pump Stations:
 - Replace Pump Station #6 (S 5th Street & Kruse Avenue).
 - Replace Pump Station #9 (Montana Avenue near Southwest Boulevard).
 - Upgrade Pump Station #12 (2900 Block of Ocean Boulevard).
 - Upgrade Pump Station #13 (2300 Block of Ocean Boulevard).
 - Initiate the design process for Pump Station 27 (Timber Cove Housing Development).
- ❖ Evaluate current and potential policies aimed at improving and maintaining privately-owned business and residential sewer laterals which connect to the wastewater utility. Policies to be evaluated could include but are not limited to:
 - An ordinance for the Council's consideration which if adopted would require sewer lateral inspections and the completion of necessary repairs prior to the transfer of property within City limits.
 - An ordinance for the Council's consideration which if adopted would require commercial businesses to limit fats, oils, and grease from entering into the City's collection system.

☒ *Goal 3: City's Streets, Sidewalks, Parking Lots, and Street Light Infrastructure*

- ❖ City Streets:
 - Complete the capital road revitalization project on 4th Street, between Commercial Avenue and Donnelly Avenue.
 - Stabilize the slope east of Koosbay Blvd between Nutwood Avenue and Pine Drive.
 - Develop design plans to improve the Newmark Avenue / Empire Boulevard intersection.

- Develop a five-year rolling street maintenance and improvement plan.
- Beginning FYE22, provide the Council an annual report listing street maintenance and improvement projects completed, accounting for funds used and list the planned projects for the upcoming fiscal year.
- Work with the Coos Bay Downtown Association to evaluate possible changes to established parking restrictions and additional signage opportunities.
- ❖ City Sidewalks:
 - Using URA funds, continue to replace sections of sidewalks damaged by street trees.
 - Explore updating and increasing street furniture (benches & trash receptacles).
- ❖ City Parking Lots:
 - Develop a parking lot on the property formerly known as the Lockhart building located at S 3rd St. and Central Ave.
 - Develop a parking lot on the property formerly used as a scrap yard located on Front Street between Cedar Avenue and Date Avenue.
 - Redevelop City's parking lot at the northwest corner of S 2nd Street and Curtis Avenue.
 - Redevelop City's parking lot at the northeast corner of S 2nd Street and Curtis Avenue.
 - Explore updating / replacing the shared trash enclosure in the parking lot at the 200 block of S Broadway Avenue.
 - Explore opportunities to install a shared trash enclosure in the parking lot at the 100 block of N 2nd Street.
 - Explore potential maintenance and capital improvement funding options for city owned parking lots.
- ❖ Street Lights:
 - Convert all streetlamps to LED technology.
 - Draft a Street Light policy to establish uniform standards for the placement of streetlights in the City for the Council's consideration.

☒ *Goal 4: Facilities*

- ❖ Build a New Library facility in John Topits Park near Norman Avenue.
 - Undertake the necessary steps to secure project funding from federal, state, granting organizations, donations along with placing a general obligation bond request before the voters.
 - Undertake the process to include the new library site into the Empire Urban Renewal District.
 - Undertake a Traffic Impact Analysis to determine potential required improvements to the Newmark Avenue / Norman Street intersection.
 - Undertake the necessary steps to amend zoning regulations to allow the library use at the location.
- ❖ Begin a long-range planning process / needs assessment to relocate the City Shops facility to a new location outside of the tsunami inundation zone.
- ❖ Begin a long-range planning process / needs assessment to replace the Empire Fire Station.

☒ *Goal 5: Economic development*

- ❖ Explore Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) and its relationship to possible annexation opportunities.
- ❖ Undertake the process to increase the maximum intendedness of the Empire Urban Renewal District with the goal of undertaking needed economic development and capital improvement projects in the district.
- ❖ Explore the benefits of a URA loan program as a tool towards incentivizing redevelopment within the districts.
- ❖ Complete the Front Street Blueprint planning process and consider implementation strategies for identified key improvements.
- ❖ Evaluate existing zoning, design standards, parking district, Hollering Place Master Plan, etc. as applied to the Empire area and consider possible changes to encourage and incentive investment, development and redevelopment in the Empire area.

☒ *Goal 6: Increasing Housing Supply and Addressing Homelessness*

- ❖ Though an agreement with the County, mitigate the contamination, debris and trash on the site of the former Englewood School property to allow for the transfer of the property to ORCCA for supported multi-family housing development.
- ❖ Encourage the development of upper floor housing in vacant and/or underdeveloped upper floor buildings in the Downtown and Empire URA Districts.
- ❖ Through the Homeless Work Group evaluate examples of potential policy approaches aimed at addressing issues related to homelessness in our community.

☒ *Goal 7: Communication Between the City and our Citizens*

- ❖ Consider adoption of a smart phone app designed to let citizens report issues and receive notifications from the City.
- ❖ Update the City's website to make it more user friendly, informative, and searchable.
- ❖ Increase the use of social media, the city's weekly digital newsletter (Friday Update), the livestreaming of public meetings.
- ❖ Increase the distribution list for the city's Friday Update.

☒ *Goal 8: Parks*

- ❖ Resurface the Mingus Park Pool tank.
- ❖ Seek funding to undertake needed improvement projects at Mingus Park to include dredging Mingus pond, installing fishing piers, enhancing the park trails, replacing the park restroom facility and improvements to the children's play area.
- ❖ Consider development of vacant lot in the 100 block of Fulton Avenue into a park.
- ❖ Consider addition of athletic/sports fields.
- ❖ Undertake an update to the 2013 Park's Master Plan.

☒ *Goal 9: Public Safety*

- ❖ Promote the opportunity for reserve officers in the police department and volunteer fire fighters.
- ❖ Promote the goal of 1,200 homes in Coos Bay becoming "two weeks ready" in preparation for disaster.