

# West Linn City Council **2021 City Council Goals**

A West Linn that is for all people...

- Equitable, inclusive and diverse and where all feel a sense of belonging
- Livable and affordable
- Sustainable and supporting a healthy environment
- Thriving and moving forward under community/stakeholder direction

Ensure an equitable, inclusive and diverse community where all feel a sense of belonging

Maintain livability and affordability for all

Support a sustainable and healthy environment for all

Thrive and move forward under community/ stakeholder direction

## Ensure an equitable, inclusive and diverse community where all feel a sense of belonging

#### **Council Initiatives**

- Reflect diversity, equity, and inclusion in our actions and in city staff, public safety staff, and citizen advisory groups through intentional community partnerships, hiring, and appointment practices.
- Request that staff create diversity, equity and inclusion into programming offered by the City.
- Review gaps identified in the DEI audit and implement measures to make improvements.

### Maintain livability and affordability for all



#### **Council Initiatives**

- 1. Maintain ease and safety of movement through
  - a. Advocating against I-205 tolling.
  - b. Pursuing regional, state, and federal funding for Highway 43 and Willamette Falls improvements.
  - c. Continuing 2018 GO Bond projects on safe routes to schools.
- 2. Enhance recreational opportunities
  - a. Move forward Willamette River Waterfront Park and riverside trail.
  - b. Improve indoor spaces for recreation, emergency response, and community gathering.
- 3. Make improvements to the Community Development Code
  - a. Support the Planning Department and Economic Development Committee's work on zoning changes around Highway 43.
  - b. Make decisions in accordance with the HB2001/2003 process to support accessible and affordable housing.
  - c. Amend codes to be clear and objective, in compliance with state law.
  - d. Ensure that Committee for Citizen Involvement has a role in code changes and final plan reviews.
- 4. Examine civic infrastructure needs
  - a. Request a facilities report of the Public Works Operations Center to examine its long-term viability. Indoor spaces for recreation, emergency response and community gathering locations should be considered as part of this.
- 5. Water infrastructure
  - a. Abernethy Bridge water transmission main replacement during I-205 Project.
  - b. Identify grant funding opportunities through South Fork Water Board.
  - c. Continue annual water main improvement projects, including Marylhurst area and portions of Highway 43.

### Support a sustainable and healthy environment for all



#### **Council Initiatives**

- 1. Task the Transportation Advisory Board to explore how to improve public and multi-modal transportation in West Linn, specifically to explore:
  - a. Lobbying Trimet for additional routes in town.
  - b. Considering intracity shuttle options.
  - c. Leveraging funding opportunities to build sidewalks and bike lanes on Highway 43 and Willamette Falls Dr.
  - d. Amending the Transportation System Plan with the updated Willamette Falls Drive Concept Plan.
- 2. Use the CIP to build out the City's electric charging infrastructure and vehicle fleet.
- 3. Adopt a climate action plan in coordination with Clackamas County, other local agencies, community members, and the Sustainability Advisory Board's most recent Appendix update.
- 4. Request that the Sustainability Advisory Board recommend improvements to the Community Development Code.
- 5. Protect riparian and Goal 5 wetland areas when planning the Waterfront development.

## Thrive and move forward under community/stakeholder direction



#### Council Initiatives

- 1. Strengthen partnerships with community members as well as public and private entities.
  - a. Partner with the County to improve access to services (houselessness, healthcare, behavioral health, addiction, women's services, etc.).
  - b. Local nonprofits, tribes, faith-based organizations, school district, environmental agencies and others.
  - c. Perform restorative community building and meet people where they are. Connect with community members through gatherings in the community and via convenient electronic means.
- 2. Support small/local businesses.
  - a. Work with West Linn Chamber, Historic Main Street, and the Economic Development Committee to identify potential code changes and initiatives to create a thriving local business environment (e.g. food trucks, hotel zoning, National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) code review, etc.).
- 3. Continue Waterfront development planning.
  - a. Adopt a Waterfront Master Plan.
  - b. Pursue Tax Increment Financing.
  - c. Support the Cultural Center at Historic City Hall.
- 4. Ensure adequate staffing levels to support services.
  - a. Examine legal services provision