

# Memorandum

Date: January 7, 2016

- To: Members, West Linn City Council
- From: Don Otterman, Interim City Manager

## Subject: Miscellaneous Items

## 1. Schedule

- On Monday, January 11, the audit committee is meeting at 4:00 p.m. to review audit firm RFP responses.
- Your work session begins at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the following items:
  - City Manager Profile
  - White Oak Savanna
  - Tri City Resolution
- Dinner will not be served.
- You have a busy evening scheduled for Monday, January 11 to discuss the following items:
  - o Citizen Advisory Group Appointments
  - Approve City Manager Profile
  - o White Oak Savanna
  - Referring the Question of Banning State Marijuana Businesses to Electors
  - $\circ~$  Policy Direction Relating to the Tri-City Service District
  - Cedaroak Boat Ramp Grant
  - Contract Amendment for Suncrest Drive Public Improvements
- The detailed agenda is online <u>here</u>.

#### 2. City Manager Recruitment Update

- An agenda item in your packet for Monday provides detail on both the city manager profile adoption, as well as the process adoption.
- Please review both in preparation for the discussion, which will be led by Ross Schultz from Prothman and Elissa Preston from West Linn HR.

#### 3. Council Retreat Reminder

• Please be reminded that the council retreat is scheduled for January 15 at 8:00 a.m. at the McLean House.

#### 4. Kazi Ahmed House Update

- The City has filed a second stipulated motion to stay all proceedings in the code enforcement action on the Hillside Drive home (A/K/A "Tyvek house").
- The Defendant has requested additional time to complete certain work agreed upon under the Consent Order.

- This stay does not change the overall schedule for the completion of the required work; it does however, allow more flexibility in terms of the timeline for individual actions to be undertaken.
- With the stay, the Defendant will have until May 5, 2016 to comply with the requirements stipulated in the consent order or the original violations will be reinstated.

## 5. Chris Kerr Update

- On Wednesday, Chris Kerr and I discussed his separation from city employment.
- Chris and I agreed that there were several benefits for all concerned if he separated from the city. It was a very amicable decision.
- Chris's last day will be January 29.
- I know that you join in wishing Chris well in his future endeavors.

#### 6. Cost to Close City Hall & Library on Monday, January 4

- When the city closes its facilities, it is our policy to pay employees for the day, even though they are not in the office.
- The cost to close city hall and the library on Monday was \$24,752:
  - \$18,558 for city hall
  - \$3,210 for the library
  - o \$2,984 in overtime costs for public works
- While the costs for closing are substantial, they were taken into consideration when the decision was made.
- My feeling is that the safety of our employees outweighs the costs.