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Council Sets Goals

At the May 2 Regular Meeting, the Pasco City Council approved its 2016-2017 goals for the City. The goals were developed during the Council's retreat in March, and will serve as the primary work plan for the organization over the next two years.

For over 20 years, the City Council has conducted a biennial retreat in the spring of each even numbered year specifically to consider community, partner agencies, and staff input, and to develop a list of specific and measurable goals to be pursued by the City.

The Council conducted its retreat on March 18 and 19 following the results of the 2015 National Citizens Survey effort; conducting multiple Community Forums in February to collect community advice; and receiving goal statements from the City's governmental partners.

The format for the goals is somewhat different from previous years in that goal statements are more broad and fewer in number. Listed under goals are more specific objectives or projects which are considered of primary relevance, and under the City's purview, toward achieving the goal.

The City's budget and policy recommendations, as well as day to day administrative actions, will all be designed to achieve or make significant progress in achieving goals before the next biennial retreat in spring 2018. "The City Council was very deliberative and listened to what is important to the community via the public forums, surveys, and formal and informal input over the past year or so,"



said City Manager Dave Zabell adding that "...the result of which is a series of goals and objectives that will have a significant positive impact on the overall health of the Pasco community." For the full list of Council goals, please visit www.pasco-wa.gov/councilgoals.

New Water Rescue Boat

The Pasco Fire Department's new Water Rescue Boat, the centerpiece of the Department's new Water Rescue Program, was recently delivered to the City and will be available for use this summer.

The Department has been working on the Water Rescue Program over the last several months with the goal of having the boat ready for the 2016 summer season. After approval from the Pasco City Council earlier this year to proceed with the rescue program, the Fire Department had the new boat constructed.

The goal of the Water Rescue Program is to have staff spend at least half of its time in preparedness activities such as water and boater safety education, public speaking engagements and continued training. The other half of the time would be spent in collaborative “on-water” activities with Franklin County Sheriff’s Office, Columbia Basin Dive Rescue, and other boating

organizations, with the objective of providing an immediate (less than 10 minutes) launch of the rescue boat with qualified personnel for water related emergencies.



While the cost of the boat was absorbed into existing budgets, there is a fundraising effort spearheaded by the Pasco Kiwanis to help support the purchase of the boat. For more information on the fundraising effort, email the Kiwanis Foundation at kiwanis54@gmail.com.

Enjoy family entertainment at the Grand Old 4th of July Celebration!



- Sunday, July 3:** 7:15pm: Dust Devils Baseball Game (GESA Stadium)
- Monday, July 4:** 7:00am: Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast (Memorial Park)
- 8:00am: Camp Patriot Fun Run (Pasco Sporting Complex)
- 9:15am: Pre-Parade Kids Street Dance (Memorial Park, 14th Ave)
- 10am: HAPO’s Grand Old 4th Parade (4th Ave-Sylvester St-14th Ave)
- 12pm: Cardboard Regatta (Memorial Pool)
- 10pm: Grand Old 4th Fireworks (GESA Stadium) (gates open at 8:30pm)

Quality Communities Scholarship



The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Center for Quality Communities has awarded Carson Bergstrom of Pasco one of six \$1,000 scholarships. The Center for Quality Communities Scholarship program supports students who want to attend college or a trade program. Six scholarships (out of 50 applicants) were awarded to high school students across the state who plan to pursue a post-secondary degree.

Carson, a Pasco resident attending Pasco High School, exemplifies the qualities of leadership of not only leading the way, but showing the way. Serving as the student representative on the Pasco School Board, Carson has had the opportunity to weigh in on issues faced by the School Board, bringing a student’s perspective to the issues. Carson has also participated in the Washington State School Directors’ Association

Conference, the annual Legislative Conference in Olympia, where he met with Legislators and Governor Inslee, and has spent time learning from Washington State Supreme Court Justice Steven Gonzalez. Mr. Bergstrom has also helped to host legislators and members of Congress as they have visited schools in the Pasco School District.

Carson’s goal to become a research neurologist and seek a cure for neurodegenerative diseases is driven by his personal passion to help individuals, like his grandfather who has ALS, for whom he is caretaker.

The AWC Center for Quality Communities promotes municipal leadership development and civic engagement. This is the second straight year that the AWC has awarded a scholarship to a Pasco student.

Connect with Pasco

There are several ways to connect with your City electronically! The City’s website, www.pasco-wa.gov, is a great resource to read news from the City, including upcoming meetings, open houses, contact and other City information. You can access many City documents, online complaint and feedback forms. You can also keep up with the City via Pasco City Television (PSC-TV), channel 191 on Charter Cable. Watch live and previous City Council, Planning Commission, and Code Enforcement Board meetings; Pasco Chamber of Commerce meetings and news; Hanford site news and information; and many other programs of interest! You can also watch PSC-TV via the web at www.pasco-wa.gov/psctv.

The City also has Facebook and Twitter accounts (accessible from any page of the website in the lower left corner) to get up-to-date news and information. You can even sign up for email



and text alerts via the “Notify Me” button in the left column of any page of the website. Visit www.pasco-wa.gov and sign up for these services and stay connected!

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HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE

City offices will be closed **Monday, July 4th**, in observance of Independence Day. For more information about the City, visit our website at www.pasco-wa.gov