# 2018 BUDGET PROCESS

Each year the City Council must adopt a budget prior to the beginning of its fiscal year, which begins January 1. The process of development by staff, recommendations by the City Manager and final approval by the Council begins in mid- to late-summer. Working within estimates prepared by the Finance Department and guidelines outlined by the City Manager, the various City departments outline operational spending priorities and needs, as well as one-time or capital-spending proposals.

The timetable and process within which the budget must be prepared and approved are outlined in state law. The Finance Department requests, on or before the second Monday in September, City departments to prepare detailed estimates of revenues and expenditures for 2018. This information must be filed with finance on or before the end of September. These estimates are then presented to the City Manager. The City Manager must distribute to the City Council the proposed preliminary budget showing expenditures by each department and sources of revenues for financial operations "by the first Monday in October."

At least 60 days before the end of the year the City Manager is required to file the preliminary budget and budget message with the City Clerk and City Council. Copies of the document must then be made available to the public by no later than six weeks prior to the beginning of the new budget year.



While staff and Council note through public input via various forms throughout the year, the formal budget process provides additional public opportunities to review and comment on the budget:

- The Council must hold a public hearing on revenue sources for the 2018 budget, including any possible changes to property tax revenues prior to the Council vote on the annual property tax levy which must be done before November 30.
- The Council must also hold a public hearing on the proposed 2018 Operating and Capital Projects Budgets before adoption.
- The City Council is tentatively scheduled to consider adoption of the 2018 budget at its meeting of December 4.

Citizens are encouraged to view the budget proposal at www.pasco-wa.gov/2018budget, attend scheduled public hearings regarding the budget and to contact City Council representatives regarding the development and adoption of this most important document for the City – the 2018 budget.

## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN MAPS FUTURE

The City Council, in the September 5 meeting, approved the 2018-2023 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is a blueprint for major construction/projects for the City in the nearterm future. Planning for such major projects gives residents, Council, and staff the ability to better identify needed projects and funding. Some of the highlighted projects include:

- Argent Road Widening
- Peanuts Park Restoration
- Pasco Specialty Kitchen Upgrades
- Lewis Street Overpass
- New Community Center
- New Community Park
- Trem Community Control
- New Animal Shelter

- New Dog Park
- Existing Park Upgrades
- New Fire Training Center
- Chapel Hill Boulevard Connection
- Oregon Avenue Improvements
- City Hall Remodeling
- East Side Reservoir Storage Tank

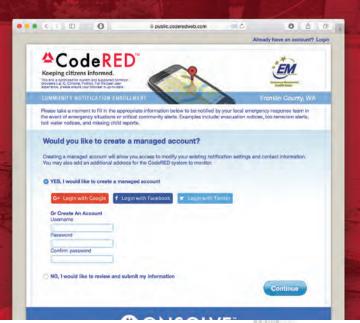




#### STAY INFORMED

Chemical release? Evacuation notice? Other City emergency? How will you be notified? In addition to the conventional methods of communicating to the public, the City and Franklin County Emergency Management use the "CodeRED" telephone emergency

notification service. The CodeRED system gives officials the ability to deliver pre-recorded emergency or informational messages via telephone to targeted areas, or the entire city at a rate of up to 60,000 calls per hour. A system such as this, however, is only as good as the telephone database supporting it. If your phone number is not in the database, you will not be called. This is why CodeRED offers individuals and businesses the ability to add their own phone numbers directly to the system's database. To sign up, or for more information, visit: www.pasco-wa.gov/CodeRED.



**39TH ANNUAL** 

## LAMPSON CABLE BRIDGE RUN

The 39th Lampson Cable Bridge Run is scheduled for Saturday, December 16 and Santa Claus will be starting the run at 9am sharp! This cold weather holiday run attracts thousands of participants and spectators each winter from throughout the

pacific northwest and beyond. As in previous years, there will be three distances to run - 1 mile, 5K, and 10K. Earlybird discounted registration is open now and ends November 30, non-discounted registration runs from December 1-13; with a last chance registration on Friday,

December 15. This is a timed event with awards for the top finishers in each age group. There will be refreshments, give-a-ways, music and even a beer garden as part of the finish line festivities!

For more information on this or the many other activities sponsored by Pasco Parks & Recreation, visit www.pascoparksandrec.com.





## **SOCIAL MEDIA**

#### Reaching More in Pasco (and beyond)

It's no secret that more and more people are using online social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to communicate and get news. The City of Pasco has been part of that move utilizing several social media outlets to share news and events. The most popular has been the Pasco Police Department's Facebook page, with over 41,000 "likes" from all over the world and has even been mentioned on the CBS talk show "The Late Late Show" with James Cordon. These tools allow City staff to communicate directly with residents on current events, issues, and concerns. The City, Police, (soon Fire), Recreation, and Code Enforcement all have at least a Facebook presence; please search for these pages or visit www.pasco-wa.gov and click on "Like Us" or "Follow Us".

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The Pasco City Council meets every Monday at 7pm (except for 5th Mondays) at City Hall, 525 N. 3rd Ave. Watch the Council meetings LIVE on PSC-TV Channel 191 on Charter Cable, or on the web at www.pasco-wa.gov/video.

Comments about the Pasco Pulse? Email to communications@pasco-wa.gov

### November 7

It's your community - state country! Don't forget to send in your vote by November 7!

#### **HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE**

City offices will be closed Friday, November 10, in observance of Veteran's Day. The City wishes to thank all veterans for their service to the nation!

City offices will be closed Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

For more information about the City, visit our website at www.pasco-wa.gov