

Tradin' Crows



November 2025 Edition

City of Rogue River

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City Hall Hours:

9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday - Thursday and Closed to the Public on Fridays.

City Council Meetings:

Held on the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

City Council Workshops:

Held on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

See Calendar (page 2) for other meetings

Mayor: Pam VanArsdale

City Council Members:

- Sharie Davis
- Grace Howell
- Mark Minegar
- Barb Hilty
- Sherrie Moss
- Barb Gregory

Planning Commission Members:

- Dean Stirm
- Jay Chick
- Dee Copley
- Jonna Strauss
- Ed Hudson
- Brandy Lockwood (alternate)

City Administrator: Ryan Nolan

Chief of Police: Dave Rash

Public Works Director: Michael Bollweg





City Council Update



Mayor Pam VanArsdale opened the October meeting, Jim Williams the Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon Chaplain provided the invocation, then the Mayor lead the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. After the City councilors delivered their committee reports they took action on the following agenda items:

1 Approved the September 25th City Council Meeting minutes.

- 2 Heard a presentation from Jim and Lorrie Williams, ECSO Chaplains.
- 3 Denied CUP 25-01, an application to expand Pioneer Mobile Home for failure to meet several criteria.
- 4 Accepted the minutes as submitted for the Tree City Committee meeting on October 9, 2025.



To those in uniform serving today, those who have served in the past, those who will serve in the future, and to their families you are our Heroes.

> WE HONOR YOU TODAY AND EVERY DAY!



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IT'S LEAF PICK-UP TIME AGAIN!!!



Fall is once again upon us and with that leaves are beginning to drop. The City's Leaf Pick-up Program officially starts in November and will continue through December 19, 2025.

REMEMBER:

This is for LEAVES ONLY, no grass, animal droppings, tree limbs, rocks or household garbage will be picked up. If you find that your leaves were not picked up it could be for one of these reasons.

The City has a leaf vacuum and would like to utilize it as much as possible. All piles of leaves should be in an area accessible within the reach of the 6-foot vacuum hose, but not behind fences, on the sidewalk or in the gutter. We have found that raking your leaves onto a tarp and pulling it out to the front of your property works well. Also, WET LEAVES are hard for the vacuum to pick-up, cover them with a tarp or plastic to keep dry.

<u>PLEASE DO NOT RAKE THE LEAVES INTO OPEN DITCHES, GUTTERS OR STORM DRAINS!</u>

The City will pick up leaves in bags, although this is not preferred. Please make sure your bags are at least 1.5 mil thick and no larger than 33-gallon in size.

A sure way to tell if the bag is the right size and not filled too full, if you cannot pick up the bag after you have filled it, it is most likely too heavy for our staff to pick up.

This is another effort the City makes to keep our Storm Drains clear and flowing freely during the winter months.

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Scheduled Events								
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4th	9:00 am	Safety Committee						
6th	10:00 am	City Council/Staff Workshop						
11th	Closed in OBSERVANCE of VETERANS DAY							
11th	10:00 am	Planning Commission Workshop						
13th	11:00 am	Tree City Committee						
20th	10:00 am	City Council/Staff Workshop						
	6:00 pm	City Council Meeting						
25th	6:00 pm	Planning Commission Meeting						
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December 2025								
2nd	9:00 am	Safety Committee						
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PROTECTING YOUR HOME AGAINST FROZEN & BURST PIPES



Prepare today:

Identify the main water shut-off to your home or business and try it before you have to use it. There should be a valve between your building and the water meter at the street. Call City Hall if you need assistance in locating your shutoff. **DO NOT** use the City turn off valve located between the meter and street.

Insulate pipes in your breeze way, crawl spaces and attic. These exposed pipes are the most susceptible to freezing.

Wrap vulnerable pipes with heat tape or thermostatically controlled heat cables. Be sure to use products that are UL-approved, and follow manufacturer's instructions.

Seal leaks with caulk or insulation to keep cold air from coming in near pipes, especially around electrical wiring, dryer vents and pipes.

"Mayor's Corner"

It was an incredible honor to be presented with the James C. Richards Memorial Award for Excellence in Service a few weeks ago at the 100th League of Oregon Cities Annual Conference. I'm only the 3rd person from the Rogue Valley to have been chosen for this award, and the last recipient was the late Candace Bartow, former mayor of Grants Pass who received it in 1992. If it wasn't for our highly functioning City Council and hard-working, dedicated city staff, I couldn't accomplish much for our city so my thanks and gratitude goes to all of them. I am truly blessed to be able to serve this community.

Respectfully Yours, Mayor Pam

I cannot endure to waste anything so precious as autumnal sunshine by staying in the house.—Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-1864)



