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🤻 🧩 A Message From The Mayor 🔻

Last month I covered our City's utilities and introduced you to the current shortfalls in our water system. We need to start thinking about conservation of our precious water supply. As I noted, we currently are using one fully functional well and have another partially functional well. In addition, we have an interties with: Irrigation District 14, Walla Walla University, and the City of Walla Walla. We plan to be able to get through the summer by managing the City's two wells and our interties to provide for your water needs. However, as the summer progresses we may need to initiate water-saving measures to ensure your supply of domestic water for drinking, cooking, bathing, and toileting remains constant. While we have not determined what those measures are at this time, they can include limiting or eliminating car washing and lawn irrigation. Why do I tell you this now? I'd like you to consider limiting your lawn irrigation right from the start, only using the minimal amount of water necessary to keep your landscaping viable. As we progress during the year I'll keep you informed on how we're doing with our water supply and, if necessary, what mandatory measures we'll need to take to ensure your domestic supply of water remains adequate.

What's the status of the installation of our two new wells? As I pen this, Well Number One's drill level is about 200 feet down; that leaves another 700 feet of drilling to go. We're going out for bid in April to connect that well to the City's water system. We expect the well and plumbing to be fully functional in early fall of 2019. Well Two will also go to bid in April; it coming on line in spring to early summer of 2020.

As noted we have three interties with other water systems. That said, the interties have some limitations. Irrigation District 14 only has one functional well at this time, limiting the amount of water we may be able to obtain from District 14. The City of Walla Walla charges us their full domestic water rates if we use their intertie; those rates are significantly higher than ours and is limited to 90 days during an emergency (which can be extended). Walla Walla University can provide some water, but they will need to be able to provide water service for their staff and students, especially before the students leave for the summer and after their return in the fall.

Questions or ideas? Let me know, hcrowder@cpwa.us or 509.529.1200.

College Place Public Schools hires Robert Aguilar as the next College Place High School Principal



College Place Public Schools conducted an extensive search and a very transparent interview process in February that included feedback from all stakeholders. There was a key interview team, student-led tours and interviews, staff lunches with the candidates, a meet and greet with the CPHS Parent Advisory Group, the Superintendent Advisory Team and the School Board members followed by a community forum for parents, students, staff and the community.

Superintendent Payne stated "I was very impressed with the process and received overwhelmingly positive feedback from multiple references for Mr. Aguilar. Robert has a lot of

energy for what we are doing here at College Place High School and we look forward to having him be part of our team."

Mr. Aguilar lived in College Place and graduated from Walla Walla High School in 2001. He attended the University of Washington and graduated in 2003 with a Bachelor of Arts in History. Mr. Aguilar then completed his Masters in Education from the University of Washington and went onto receive his Administrative Credentials from the University of Washington.

Mr. Aguilar is currently a Vice Principal at Heatherwood Middle School with the Everett School District. Prior to that, he was a Vice Principal and Athletic Director at Cascade High School in Everett. Mr. Aguilar also worked for the Lake Washington School District, where he taught US and World History and was the Drama Elective teacher at Redmond Junior High School.

Mr. Aguilar's wife Jessica, also has ties to the area as she attended Whitman College and graduated in 2005. They have two sons, Alexander 4 and William 2, and they are expecting a baby girl in May. In his spare time, Mr. Aguilar enjoys CrossFit or playing with his kids at a local park.

Aguilar states, "I am very excited to be returning to the Walla Walla Valley and look forward to serving the community of College Place, working with our students, staff, and families to prepare our kids to thrive in a 21st-century global economy and contribute to their communities with character and integrity."

Mr. Aguilar will begin his contract with College Place Public Schools on July 1, 2019.

Join the Community Conversation!

College Place Mayor, Harvey Crowder, will lead a discussion about the State of the City, the opportunities ahead, and your priorities.

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019 at 5:00 PM

College Place City Hall: 625 S. College Ave

For more information, please call (509)-394-8511 or

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College Place 2019 Summer Youth Recreation Opportunities

Sponsored by:



Look for more information in next months newsletter or online at http://www.cpwa.us/residents/ summer youth programs/index.php



WANTED

Artisan Foods Flowers Dairy & Eggs Fruits & Berries Fibers Grains Specialty Products
Vegetables

Herbs

Meat, Fish & Fowl

Nuts & Seeds

Miscellaneous Goods

Thursday afternoons 4:00 to 8:00 PM in beautiful Lions Park at the corner of Larch Ave & 8th St.

The 2019 market begins on May 30th and runs through the last Thursday in September.

Find all the details on the City of College Place website at www.cpwa.us

Questions? Call the City Clerk at 509-394-8511

We're looking for producers of Farm & Artisan goods for the 2019 College Place market at Lions Park!



Note From The Administrator

It's hard to believe that Spring is upon us. This means the start of several capital projects. The City will soon begin the reconstruction of C Street from College to Larch Avenues. This project is largely funded by the State Transportation Improvement Board (TIB) and includes new sidewalks, pavement, and utility (water, sewer, storm) infrastructure. The City also received another grant from TIB to resurface Lamperti Street from College to Larch Avenues. This will include replacing heaved sidewalk panels near trees and making sure all sidewalk ramps at intersections are ADA accessible. Both projects will conclude in late Fall. The City's well driller Schneider Drilling Services is busy drilling the replacement for drinking water well #1 out by Christ Community Fellowship Church. This project is behind schedule due to delays getting paperwork approved by the State as well as weather delays from the severe winter. The City is soon commencing the drilling for Well #2 over by the eastside water tanks at Whitman Drive & Maple Street. Both projects are largely funded by State Department of Health Grant/Loan Funds and Legislative Appropriations thanks to our legislators of the 16th District. We will keep you apprised to the progress of drilling both drinking water wells. The City will once again have to chipseal some local roads. This year SE Date from 4th to 12th and SE Scenic View from Central to Larch will be chip sealed. Chip seal extends the life of roads by about a decade.

The City is once again partnering with United Way of Walla Walla County, Campfire, and YWCA to offer a Summer Youth Activities Program. To sign up for the various activities which will take place in the City this Summer, please go to this website: http://www.cpwa.us/residents/summer_youth_programs/index.php Also, the 3rd Season of the College Place Farmer's Market will kick off on Thursday, May 30th. It will run on Thursdays from 4 to 8 PM at Lions Park (SE 8th & Larch) in College Place throughout the Summer. To sign up as a vendor, please go to this website:

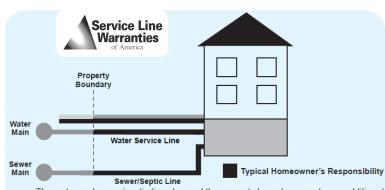
http://www.cpwa.us/residents/events/farmers_and_artisans_market.php (Continued on the next page)

Finally, the City Council voted to create the Utility & Transportation Advisory Commission. It will be a citizen advisory body of five that will provide recommendations on policy related to the city's water, wastewater, stormwater, and short-range transportation system. To apply today for consideration for the five volunteer positions, please visit: http://www.cpwa.us/government/boards and commissions/index.php Thank You!

Optional Coverage Program

Last year the City of College Place authorized Service Line Warranties of America (SLWA) to offer help to eligible

homeowners in College Place to be prepared and have service in the case of an emergency with your water service or sewer/septic line. This is an **OPTIONAL** program that is offered by SLWA and is **not** offered through the City. The diagram below shows the homeowners responsibility versus the City's. If you have any questions on this please feel free to visit their website www.slwofa.com or call 1-844-257-8795.



The water and sewer/septic lines beyond the property boundary may be an additional responsibility of the homeowner and are included in this coverage. Septic tanks, leaching fields, pumps or grinders are not covered.



Community Calendar

April 1st at 5:00 PM – Economic Development, Tourism, and Events Commission

April 2nd at 5:00 PM – State of the City

April 2nd at 5:45 PM – City Council Workshop

April 3rd at 1:00 PM – 2019 Walla Walla Business Summit – Courtyard Marriot in WW

April 9th & 23rd at 7:00 PM - City Council Meeting

April 16th at 7:00 PM – Planning Commission

April 18th at 4:00 PM - Historic Preservation Commission

April 22nd at 4:30 PM – Youth Advisory Commission

April 26th at 7:30 AM – Park, Arbor & Recreation Board

<u>Unless specified all events are at</u> City Hall— 625 S. College Ave

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