

# Community Talk

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## **Blood Drive** **City of King City** **King City Civic Association**

Banquet Room  
15245 SW 116th Ave  
King City, OR 97224

**Saturday, March 30, 2024**  
**9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**



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# CITY MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year!!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season.

King City has received over \$1,200,000 in state and regional grants to help plan for our future. As development starts to occur, we expect to see parks, trails, and other community priorities implemented. Those trails should help connect not just King City neighborhoods, but also our neighboring cities. 2023 was an eventful year that saw the culmination of several years and \$1.2 million dollars' worth of planning come together. Each month King City conducted multiple public hearings on the Kingston Terrace Plan Area. For a summary and update on all of the adopted plans, please see "Shaping King City's Future" on page 12.

A special thanks to all of the City's consultants, partners, and stakeholders along the way: Metro, Washington County, The City of Tigard, 3J Consulting, David Evans & Associates, JLA Public Involvement, SCJ Alliance, Urbsworks, Bainbridge, DKS Associates, DOWL Engineering, OTAK, FCS Group, SWCA, PCD, Peter Watts, LLP, Jordan Ramis LLP, and all of our staff who put in countless hours.

Additionally, I would like to thank our volunteer City Council and Planning Commissioners who participated in multiple public hearings and open houses along the way, reviewing thousands of pages of analytics and legal findings to ensure compliance with local, regional, state, and federal regulations. Planning and engineering is often a very tedious complex exercise with a multitude of moving parts and regulations that must be satisfied. Our Council and Commission spent long hours sitting through public hearings and debating controversial issues trying to determine the best course for the city in the foreseeable future. They were tasked with hard decisions that at times could be contrary to popular opinion but ultimately their decisions preserve



housing and the neighborhood character of King City with particular focus on insulating our seniors and marginalized communities.

Their decisions were based on the professional recommendations of our hired consultants and provided the most balanced solutions to land use in King City. The final plans insulate our marginalized and senior communities from growth impacts, reduce cut through traffic in the King City Civic Association, and mitigate congestion within the Beef Bend corridor. The plan provides over 220 acres of designated parks and natural spaces which will include trails, play fields, park structures, playing courts, dog parks, access to the Tualatin River and much more. The land use designs are intended to build community culture and a sense of place, discourage silo communities and social isolation, foster community cohesion, provide emergency access, and address safety concerns. After over seven years of long-range planning, we look forward to welcoming future residents, businesses, and opportunities to King City.

Survey and planning work has begun on the westside trail segment along the Bonneville/PGE power lines through a Metro Regional Flexible Funding Allocation (RFFA) Grant. Our city surveyors have been on site surveying the easement area and working through the monumentation of the powerline easement. The westside trail is a regional trail intended to extend through Beaverton, Tigard, King City, Tualatin, Sherwood and eventually to Wilsonville, connecting the entire west side of the Metro region. King City is tasked with planning our segment which extends from the Tualatin River to Beef Bend Road.

King City was also granted an additional \$100,000 to conduct a local wetland inventory (LWI) of the Kingston Terrace Planning Area, which was approved by the City Council in January. Following approval of the LWI, the City Council approved the annexation application for approximately 215 acres of the Kingston Terrace plan area. This marks an exciting new era

## City Manager's Message Continued

for King City.

This year King City received \$130,000 from the State Legislature's Christmas Tree Fund to repave the walking trail at King City Park and improve the trail, gazebo area, and install benches. A special thanks goes out to Mayor Fender, Representative Courtney Neron, and their respective staffs for their hard work in securing this funding.

Over the course of the next 6 months, we are expecting significant activity to begin in the Kingston Terrace Area and continue over the course of the next 5-10 years.

Finally, I want to take a moment to thank a couple pillars of our community. First, Former Councilor Micah Paulsen for his service to King City over the years - he has been an integral part of the City Council, serving multiple duties as Council President, Council representative to the Washington County Community Development Block Grant program, Public Advisory Board, Washington County Coordinating Committee, Metro Area Communications Commission, and Metro Policy Advisory Committee. I would also like to thank Commissioner Annie Paulsen who has chaired our Planning Commission for the past several years and has been a wonderful Commissioner and a pleasure to work with. King City will miss you both and your unwavering commitment to the betterment of the City. Thank you for all of your contributions, and we at King City wish you all the best in your new adventures.

Best Wishes and a Happy New Year to All!!

*Michael J Weston, MPA*

City Manager

## Ride Connection Community Shuttle Survey

Ride Connection has received funding to reimagine the existing free King City RideAbout shuttle services and provide new transit service to connect King City and Durham. Ride Connect would like to hear from you regarding how this shuttle can best serve you and your community.

Your confidential survey responses will be used in designing the routes and hours of operation that could better serve your family, neighbors, friends, and co-workers.

Please complete and submit the survey via Google Forms using a computer or smartphone. Go to: <https://bit.ly/KingCity-DurhamCommunityShuttle>

Para español, visite:

<https://bit.ly/KingCityDurhamShuttleSurvey>

Please submit your response as soon as possible.



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# King City Celebrates Completion of 2023 Capital Improvement Projects

The City of King City has proudly announced its successful completion of its 2023 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), marking a significant milestone in the ongoing efforts to maintain and enhance its infrastructure. The program, detailed on the City's Public Projects website, spans a broad spectrum of projects, from significant initiatives like street resurfacing and to smaller-scale endeavors, such as city-owned sidewalk repairs, sign installations, adding speed radars to some city streets, and pothole repair. Among the standout achievements of 2023 CIP is the substantial King City Community Park improvements facilitated by strong partnerships between city officials and community leaders. Mayor Fender, in collaboration with Rep. Courtney Neron, has been pivotal in securing a \$137,000 State grant for resurfacing the King City Community Park pathway and other park enhancements. This achievement is a culmination of years of dedicated effort from Mayor Fender, Representative Neron, City Councilors, and the staff both in Rep Neron's Office and here at King City.

A rigorous evaluation process based on timing, scope, cost, and community benefits helped prioritize the projects to ensure that the most critical needs were addressed first. King City Public Works Office strives to provide services to our public in a timely and safe manner to meet the needs of the city.

The City also completed the following street resurfacing in late Summer 2023, targeting key areas for improvement:

- SW Crown Drive (south section) – From SW Majestic Lane to SW 116th Avenue.
- SW Prince Albert Street – From SW Prince Albert Court to SW King George Drive.
- SW Par 4 – From SW 123rd Avenue to SW King Henry Place.

In addition to these targeted resurfacing projects, the City has embarked on pavement reha-

bilitation efforts across various streets and parks. To ensure public safety, these construction activities necessitated temporary closures of streets, pathways, and sidewalks, with the King City Police Department diligently enforcing parking restrictions and closures. Despite these measures, the City made every effort to minimize inconvenience, ensuring that no street closure lasted more than 12 hours.

The City of King City extends heartfelt thanks to all individuals and teams involved in the CIP's planning and execution. The dedication of Council members, community leaders, city staff, and state representatives has played a crucial role in enhancing King City's infrastructure, significantly improving the community's quality of life.

Residents interested in learning more about the Capital Improvement Projects and other city initiatives are encouraged to visit the City's official projects page for detailed information at [https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/king\\_city\\_projects/index.php](https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/king_city_projects/index.php)



# CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS AT A GLANCE FOR 2024

The Capital Improvement Program is made up of projects that are needed to maintain and improve the City's infrastructure. The CIP includes major projects like street resurfacing, stormwater improvements, park improvements, and smaller projects such as city-owned sidewalk improvements and pothole repairs. Projects are evaluated on their needs for timing, scope, costs, and benefits to determine which one should be done first. All of this information can be found online at the "Public Projects" website. This, at a glance, provides an overview of the CIP's major capital improvement project for 2024, so you have a better understanding of what's going on.

The City of King City will be performing pavement rehabilitation of certain streets and parks within the City. During construction, it will be necessary to close the street, pathways, and sidewalks partially or entirely to pedestrians and vehicular traffic during construction work hours due to safety concerns. No street closure is expected to last more than 12 hours at a time. Street parking will also be restricted. "No Parking" signs will be posted along the street 3 days in advance and will be enforced by King City Police Department. Find a full list of CIPs at [https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/king\\_city\\_projects/index.php](https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/king_city_projects/index.php).

The City hopes to resurface the following areas if funding (taxes, grants, and System Development Charges) allows in late Summer 2024.

- SW Monaco Lane
- SW 126th Ave. from SW Morocco St. to SW King Richard Dr.
- SW King Richard Dr. from SW 126th Ave, to SW 124th Ave, from SW 129th Ave. to SW 126th Ave and from SW Camino Ln to SW Riviera Ln.
- SW King Arthur from SW 123rd Ave to SW Beef Bend Rd.
- SW 123rd Ave.
- SW Royal Ct.

The City will be publishing a Request for Proposals (RFP) around late July 2024 if funding is available. After careful review, the City engineer will recommend awarding the contract to a contractor with the lowest bid.

## Community Events:

All community events can be found at [www.ci.king-city.or.us](http://www.ci.king-city.or.us)

Hosted By City of King City:

- 3/30 Blood Drive - 9:00 to 2:00pm, KCCA 15245 SW 116th Ave, King City.
- 4/6 Community Shred Event - 9:00 am to 12:00 PM at City Hall, 15300 SW 116th Ave, King City.
- 4/15 Movie night at City Hall, 15300 SW 116th Ave, King City.
- 6/15 Blood Drive - 9:00 to 2:00pm, KCCA 15245 SW 116th Ave, King City.
- 6/28 Movie in the Park at the King City Community Park.

King City Council generally meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the King City Hall. To learn more about the type of meetings go to our website at [https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/city\\_council.php](https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/city_council.php)





## LOVE OUR COMMUNITY EVENTS? VOLUNTEER WITH US!

The King City Community Foundation (KCCF) is a local non-profit with the mission to build a sense of community in King City.

### WE NEED HELP ORGANIZING OUR EVENTS!

Send us an email at  
[KCCFOregon@gmail.com](mailto:KCCFOregon@gmail.com)



@KCCFOregon



[www.kccforegon.org](http://www.kccforegon.org)



# Public Safety:

## Chief of Police Message

Greetings and Happy New Year.

The KCPD Team would like to say Happy New Year to all and to also say thank you for all the support during 2023.

We would like to welcome a new officer to the KCPD Family - Officer Wesley Montgomery joins us and is a great addition for our community. Officer Montgomery is a Navy Veteran and a lateral police officer who has previously served as an officer in two different communities. Officer Montgomery fills a vacancy after Officer Jon Huffman left us to cross the highway and join the Tigard Police Department and we wish him well.

We would like to bring a public safety matter to your attention. Please lock your vehicles. We had a rash of car prowls in the last year with almost all vehicles having an unlocked door. We even had two individuals that dumped a stolen car and hid in another vehicle that was unlocked. Though the case ended successfully with their apprehension, I would much rather they not enter your vehicle and keep running. Both subjects were armed with stolen firearms. Although this is an extremely rare occurrence in King City, it just goes to show that it can happen here.



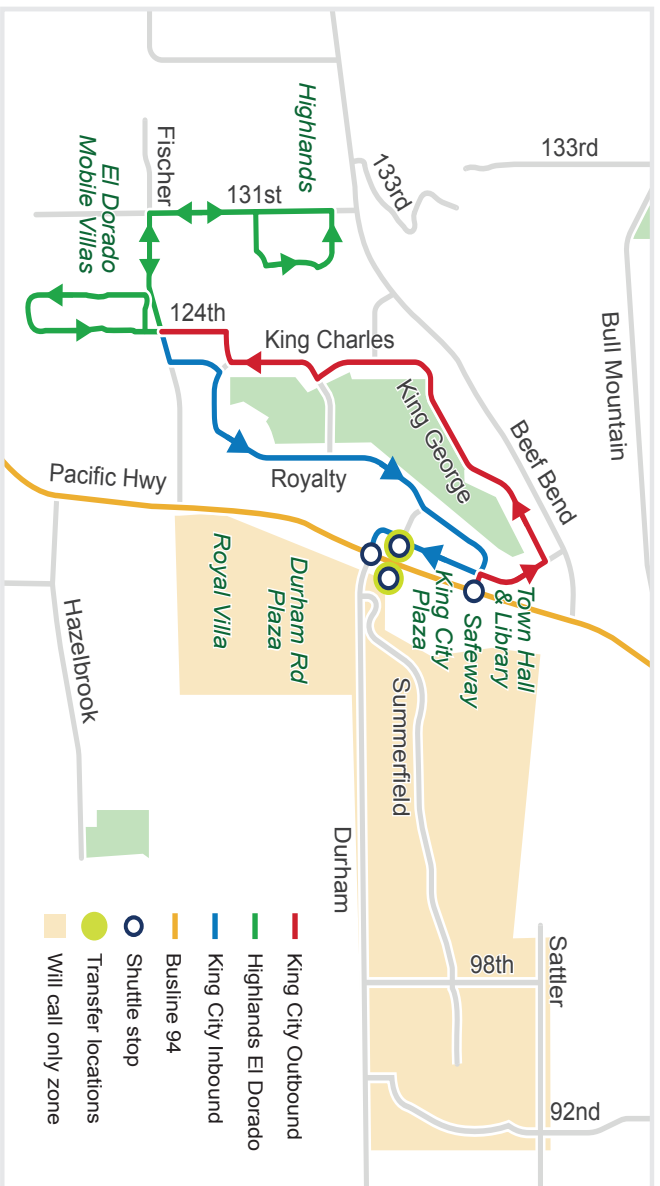
The team here at King City Police Department would also like to ask you if there is a neighborhood issue such as speeding, graffiti, etc., please contact us and let us know. We can provide extra patrol in problem areas as well as our speed sign/data collector as well which provides a lot of information such as volume of cars by the hour and speed.

2024 is going to be a very interesting and busy year. We value your input and look upon all as team members in helping us provide the best public safety service possible.

Best wishes for a safe and happy new year.

Chief Ernie Happala

Be alert. Be aware. Be vigilant.  
Most importantly, be safe.



**CAR SEAT REQUIREMENT**

Rear-facing car seats are required for passengers under two years old.



**HOLIDAY CLOSURES**

Service will not be available on: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day. Limited service on Christmas and New Year's Eve. If a holiday falls on Saturday, there is no service on Friday; if a holiday falls on Sunday, there is no service on Monday. Information about closures available at [rideconnection.org](http://rideconnection.org)

Updated May 2021



**SEVERE WEATHER**

Information about closures available at [rideconnection.org](http://rideconnection.org)



**COVID-19 SAFETY**

All our vehicles and drivers follow CDC protocols for COVID safe practices.



**CONTACT US**

503-226-0700 | TTY: 711  
[info@rideconnection.org](mailto:info@rideconnection.org)

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# King City Schedule

<b>Route A</b>	<b>Route B</b>	<b>El Dorado Mobile Villas</b>	<b>Zone C</b>	<b>King City Plaza Southbound Bus 94</b>	<b>Durham Rd Plaza Northbound Bus 94</b>	<b>Safeway</b>
9:00	9:10	9:20	9:25	9:30	9:40	9:45
11:00	11:10	11:20	11:25	10:30	10:40	10:45
<b>1:00</b>	<b>1:10</b>	<b>1:20</b>	<b>1:25</b>	<b>12:30</b>	<b>12:40</b>	<b>12:45</b>
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PM times in bold

Transfers  TriMet

# King City RoundAbout Shuttle

**BAG LIMIT**  
Riders need to limit their grocery bags to 3 per person.

**FLAG KING CITY ROUNDABOUT SHUTTLE DOWN**



If you are on a residential street along the route, you can “flag” or simply wave using your full arm to signal the King City RoundAbout Shuttle bus driver to stop. Be sure to stand on the correct side of the road.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING**

To allow for social distancing, Ride Connection is allowing only four passengers on the bus at one time. Sorry for the inconvenience.

**DEVIATIONS**

We will deviate off the route to pick you up or drop you off for one leg of your trip. Deviation requests must be called in one day in advance. To call in for a deviation, please call 503-226-0700 between 7:30am and 5pm Monday-Friday. TTY: 711.

Deviations are not reservations. If the shuttle reaches capacity, we will make every effort to accommodate you.

The service operates **Wednesday through Friday** and it's **free**.



# Shaping King City's Future:

*Comprehensive Land Use Innovations, Ordinances and Final Decisions.*

Shaping King City's Future: Comprehensive Land Use Innovations, Ordinances and Final Decisions.

The City of King City, Oregon, is actively shaping its future through innovative land use and planning strategies. These efforts, aligned with Oregon State law and broader regional goals, set a precedent for sustainable urban development.

## **Transportation System Plan: Ordinance O-2023-01**

In a groundbreaking move, King City has adopted their first Transportation System Plan (TSP), marking a significant step in its urban planning journey. The TSP is a visionary document designed to guide the city's transportation infrastructure from the present day through 2040. It addresses existing deficiencies and anticipates future needs, reflecting the community's aspirations. The plan is supported by a strategic financing framework and represents a \$246 million investment over two decades, with King City contributing approximately \$60 million. This monumental effort was solidified with the passing of Ordinance O-2023-01 following public hearings on May 17, 2023, and June 14, 2023.

## **Kingston Terrace Master Plan: Ordinance O-2023-02**

The Kingston Terrace Master Plan (KTMP) is a blueprint for the sustainable development of the 528-acre area adjacent to King City. This master plan is an evolution of the 2018 Concept Plan and offers detailed strategies for managing natural systems, land use, and public utilities. It also integrates funding plans for vital infrastructure. The Council's approval of Ordinance O-2023-02 on June 21, 2023, marked a pivotal moment in realizing this vision. The financial forecast suggests a capital requirement of \$225 million by the 20th year, incorporating \$131 million for transportation improvements.

Furthermore, the City has taken strategic steps to

ensure funding through the adaptation of a System Development Charge methodology adopted by Resolution R-2023-10, which adopted King City Transportation and Parks System Development Charges.

## **Comprehensive Plan Amendment: Ordinance O-2023-03**

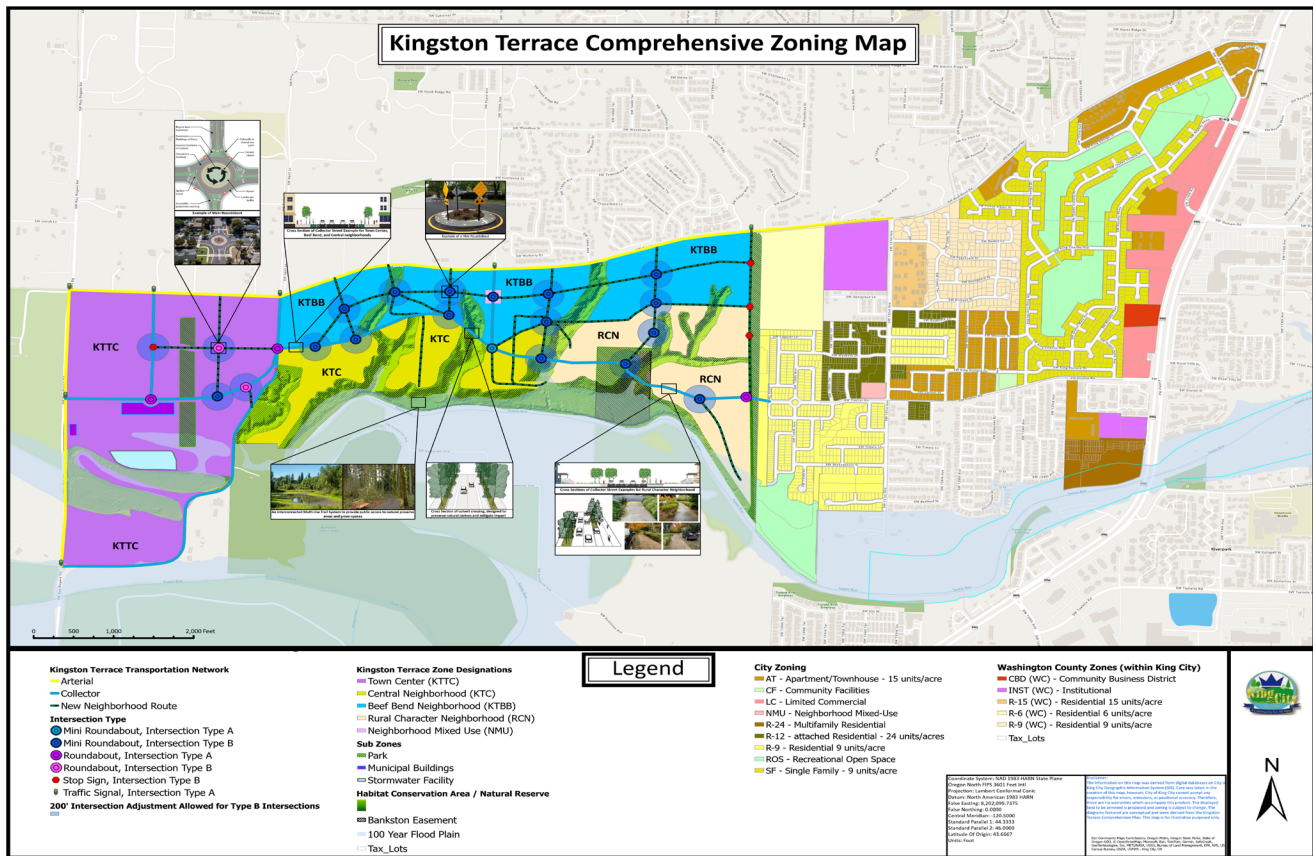
A crucial aspect of King City's urban strategy is the amendment of the Comprehensive Plan. This long-range planning document aligns with Oregon's statewide planning goals and now includes a dedicated section for Kingston Terrace. The amendments, formalized under Ordinance O-2023-03, refine land use definitions and strategies, particularly for the Kingston Terrace Planning Area. This Ordinance was adopted on June 21, 2023.

## **Community Development Code Update: Ordinance O-2023-04**

Ordinance O-2023-04 represents a significant update to the Title 16 Community Development Code, focusing primarily on the Kingston Terrace area. This Ordinance introduces new zoning, density standards, and design guidelines, creating a regulatory framework for sustainable urban growth. These amendments and updates to the Municipal Code were adopted following public hearings on October 4, 2023, and October 18, 2023.

## **Advance Finance Reimbursement System: Ordinance O-2023-05**

In a move to enhance fiscal management and transparency, King City replaced its 2002 reimbursement district ordinance with the new Chapter 3.03 Advance Finance Reimbursement System. This Ordinance, which came into effect 30 days after the Council's approval on October 18, 2023, offers a structured approach for developers to receive reimbursements for public improvements.



**Ordinance O-2023-06** Annexation Application on behalf of New Homes Inc. Submitted by Pacific Community Design.

Focuses on the application seeking annexation approval of approximately 215 acres of land. This also includes the portion of SW Beef Bend Rd right-of-way south of the midline between the current city limits near 137th Ave. and SW Roy Rogers Rd, along with the right-of-ways for SW Roy Rogers Rd. and SW Elsner Rd. adjacent to the properties proposed for annexation. This Ordinance was adopted on January 20, 2024.

**Ordinance 2023-07** Adopts a Local Wetlands Inventory (LWI) for the properties proposed for annexation.

The Department of State Lands has approved the LWI. The adoption includes a new Figure 16.114-10 Kingston Terrace District Locally Significant Wetland Resource Map in Community Development Code Section 16.114.080 along with a minor text amendment regarding wetland

buffer areas in Section 16.114.080 F. 1. f. This Ordinance was adopted on January 20, 2024.

**Balancing Growth and Preservation: King City's Vision for Sustainable Urban Development.**

King City's progressive land use and planning initiatives represent more than just urban growth; they embody a commitment to a holistic and sustainable future. At the heart of this vision lies the careful balance between development and the preservation of natural areas. The master plan dedicates the private easement on the Bankston property as a future public park resource. The city's strategies, evident in the master plan, comprehensive plan and ordinances, demonstrate a deep respect for the environment, ensuring that green spaces and natural habitats are protected amidst urban expansion.

Moreover, a mix of housing remains a central pillar in King City's development plans. The city has actively addressed the growing need for diverse and affordable housing options. The City's commitment not only fosters community diversity but

## Shaping King City's Future Continued:

also supports economic vitality. The ordinances and amendments, particularly those relating to the Kingston Terrace Master Plan, are crafted with the intention of creating a vibrant, inclusive community where housing accessibility and choice are paramount for all.

Importantly, King City's development strategy is underpinned by a strong commitment to protecting existing homes and neighborhoods. This approach ensures that the city's growth does not come at the expense of its current residents. By safeguarding the character of established communities, King City upholds its heritage and character while embracing new growth and opportunities.

King City stands as a beacon of thoughtful and responsible urban planning. Its approach to land use intricately weaves together the needs for transportation, housing, and environmental stewardship, and sets a commendable example for sustainable development. These efforts not only chart a course for the city's future but also offer valuable insights for other municipalities in Oregon and beyond. As King City continues to evolve, its commitment to a balanced, inclusive, and environmentally conscious urban landscape will undoubtedly contribute to a thriving, resilient community for generations to come.

As a final note, it's important to understand the procedural framework that underpins these land use decisions. Once the City Council approves an ordinance, it represents the city's final decision on that matter. Concerned parties have the right to appeal to the State of Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals, as outlined in ORS 197.805 through ORS 197.860. This process ensures that the city's decisions are not only forward-looking but also adhere to the broader legal and regulatory framework of the state, guaranteeing fairness and due process in our journey towards sustainable urban development.

For details on appeals pertaining to land use ordinances, residents and stakeholders are encour-

aged to refer to ORS Chapter 197, which provides comprehensive guidelines on land use appeals and decision-making processes in Oregon.

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## Land Use Board of Appeals Upholds City Council Ordinance: Kingston Terrace Master Plan

The Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) has affirmed the King City Council's decision to pass Ordinance #2023-02. LUBA denied the assignments of error because they found that the petitioner did not adequately support their challenges against the city council's decision. Specifically, LUBA concluded that the decision by the city council was supported by adequate findings and an adequate factual base. The petitioner's arguments did not convince LUBA that a reasonable person could not have reached the same conclusions as the city council did.

Therefore, LUBA determined that the city council's decision-making process was reasonable, balanced various objectives appropriately, and was in compliance with relevant planning goals and regulations. This led LUBA to affirm the city council's decision and deny the petitioner's assignments of error.

This serves as a boon for the City's plan of smart urban growth and is a significant stride towards the City fulfilling its commitments to METRO, Washington County, and the State of Oregon. The City remains committed to a vision for the future of sustainability, Natural Resource access and preservation, affordable housing development, and cultivating a community to be proud of for future generations.

# Navigating the King City Sign Code A Comprehensive Overview

In the picturesque City of King City, Oregon, where the landscape doubles as both a canvas and a communal area, the Sign Code plays a crucial role in defining the city's aesthetic. Chapter 16.148 of the code, a key architectural element, shapes the visual narrative of the city. This piece delves into the finer points of the updated Sign Code, shedding light on its implications for businesses, residents, and the overall visual appeal of the community.

## Vision and Purpose of the Sign Code

The Sign Code transcends a mere set of rules; it is a blueprint for King City's visual identity. Originating from Ordinance 96-4 in 1996, the code aims to preserve public welfare by managing sign creation, placement, and maintenance. Balancing an uncluttered, attractive cityscape with practical business advertising is at the heart of this regulation.

## The Latest Amendment: Lawn Signs

A recent update to the Sign Code, specifically section 16.148.080, introduces guidelines for lawn signs:

- **Size and Height:** Lawn signs can be up to 4 square feet in area and 4 feet in height.
- **Placement:** They must be entirely outside of the right-of-way.
- **Features:** Prohibits illumination, electric signs, and changing image features.
- **Duration:** Limited to 60 days on a site.

This addition underscores the city's adaptive approach to evolving signage needs while maintaining aesthetic standards.

## Core Provisions of the Code

**General Compliance:**

Chapter 16.148.020 underscores the necessity for permits to alter or erect signs, ensuring uniformity across King City.

**Business and Commercial Signage:**

Detailing regulations for various sign types in business districts (Chapter 16.148.030), the code addresses freestanding (not A-frames), directory, wall, and other sign types, emphasizing orderly and visually pleasing commercial zones.

**Residential and Public Signage:**

The provisions for residential (Chapter 16.148.050) and public signs (Chapter 16.148.040) ensure a seamless visual flow across different city areas, enhancing the communal atmosphere.

**Addressing Nonconforming Signs:**

Chapter 16.148.090 offers a structured approach for aligning nonconforming signs with current standards, reflecting a balance between regulation and existing investments.

## Enforcement and Implications

**Nuisance and Prohibited Signs:**

The code strictly defines and prohibits certain signs (Chapters 16.148.100 and 16.148.110), like flashing signs, for public safety and order. Notably, signs in the public right-of-way are not permitted and are subject to removal by the city without notice.

**Penalties and Enforcement:**

With the enforcement framework established in Chapter 16.148.190 and penalties outlined in Chapter 16.148.210, the city manager plays a pivotal role in upholding the code's integrity.

## The Broader Impact on King City

The Sign Code is a reflection of King City's commitment to a harmonious, safe, and visually appealing environment. Businesses must consider their impact on the city's aesthetic, while residents enjoy a clutter-free and safe environment. The code is not just a regulatory document but a testament to the city's dedication to maintaining its unique charm and character.

## Navigating the King City Sign Code Continued:

The King City Sign Code stands as an exemplar for municipalities striving to balance commercial and communal interests in urban aesthetics. It is a model that prioritizes the collective visual experience, demonstrating a profound understanding of the role signage plays in urban life. This code is a living document, evolving with the times while preserving the essence of King City's visual identity.

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## King City: A Hub of Community Services and Support

In the heart of Oregon, the City of King City stands as a beacon of support and service to its community. Recognizing the diverse needs of its residents, King City is committed to offering a wide range of services aimed at enhancing everyone's quality of life. From ensuring safety and security to fostering recreational and social opportunities, the city's offerings are designed to cater to the unique demands of its populace.

- **Passport Services:** King City offers efficient passport services to help guide applicants through the process, ensuring a smooth and hassle-free experience.
- **Parks and Recreation:** Understanding the importance of leisure and outdoor activities, King City boasts an extensive parks and recreation program. These services provide a sanctuary for residents to engage in physical activities, enjoy nature, and participate in community events, enhancing the city's vibrancy and communal spirit.
- **Police Services:** The safety and security of King City's residents are paramount. The city's police department is dedicated to maintaining peace, preventing crime, and ensuring a safe environment for all. Through initiatives

like domestic violence survivor advocacy and crime reporting, the police force works tirelessly to protect and serve the community.

- **Permits and Licensing:** Whether it's for businesses, constructions, or events, King City streamlines the process of obtaining necessary permits and licenses. This service ensures that residents and business owners can easily comply with city regulations, facilitating growth and development.

For residents who wish to learn more about these services or require assistance, King City has made it easy to get in touch. Contact city staff at 503-639-4082 or visit the official website at <https://www.ci.king-city.or.us>. Whether it's through enhancing public safety, providing recreational opportunities, or offering support services, King City continues to demonstrate its dedication to serving and uplifting its community.

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The American Red Cross continues to struggle through a sharp decline in donor turnout. Visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/blood-donor-app.html> to download the American Red Cross app to make an appointment at a location near you. Each donation can impact up to three lives.

Join "City of King City, Oregon" team! Click "Impact" at the bottom right of the screen and "My Team" at the top of the next screen. Search "City of King City, Oregon" or click <https://redcross-blood.app.link/jointeam-65d66aac8456e/64973>

## Would You Like to Volunteer? Join the Heart of King City's Community Efforts

Volunteering is not just an act of service; it's a cornerstone of our community's strength and resilience. It's how we connect, learn, and grow together, ensuring that King City remains a place where compassion and collaboration shine brightly. The City of King City deeply appreciates the enthusiasm and dedication of its volunteers, recognizing that their contributions are crucial in enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

### A Call to Serve: Current Volunteer Opportunities

The City is excited to announce current openings in two areas:

- **Planning Commission:** Currently, there is one open position. The Planning Commission reviews and advises the City Council on applications for development proposals to ensure compliance with the City's comprehensive plan and development code. The Planning Commission typically reviews applications for variances, conditional use permits, home occupations, subdivisions, parcel maps, and design reviews.
- **Budget Committee:** With seven open positions, the Budget Committee's purpose is to review the budget documents as proposed by the budget officer. Once satisfied with the budget, the Committee approves it and forwards it to the City Council for public hearing and adoption. Budget Committee meetings typically occur in May and are noticed as the law requires.

### Why Volunteer?

Volunteering for the City of King City is an enriching experience that benefits both the individual and the community. It's a chance to:

- **Give Back:** Volunteering allows you to contribute to your community in meaningful ways, positively impacting the lives of your neighbors fellow and future residents.

- **Connect:** It's a great way to meet like-minded individuals, build networks, and strengthen community ties.
- **Learn and Grow:** Volunteering can help you develop new skills, gain valuable experience, and broaden your understanding of city governance and community needs.
- **Make a Difference:** Your time, energy, and skills can drive positive change and contribute to the City's vibrancy and vitality.

### How to Get Involved

If you're inspired to take part in shaping the future of King City through volunteering, we encourage you to visit our website for more information and to explore additional volunteer opportunities that may arise. Your service is not just valued; it's essential. Together, we can continue to build a community that reflects our shared values and aspirations.

Volunteering with the City of King City is more than a commitment to service; it's a journey toward creating a more engaged, connected, and vibrant community. We thank all potential and current volunteers for considering lending their time and talents to make King City "A Community for All Ages."



## Meet our New Staff Members.



### Max Carter, City Planner

Hello, my name is Max Carter and I am the new City Planner hired on to help out with land use plans, permitting, and development projects here at King City. I graduated from Portland State University in 2022 with a degree in Geography aimed towards sustainable and environmentally focused urban planning. I am originally from Las Vegas, NV but currently reside in Milwaukie, OR. I have lived in the Pacific Northwest for 6 years and enjoy all of the outdoor activities that are available in Oregon. I'm a big fan of sports, I play on two softball teams, enjoy hanging out with my cats and my family, and love a good barbecue. I'm looking forward to continuing to help the City serve the community and do what's best for all of our residents.

## Diana Velázquez Mayor, Admin. Office Specialist



I am from Colombia (South America). I grew up in a silent home with my deaf parents, so my first language is Colombian Sign Language, and my second language is Spanish. I got my diploma as an Interpreter for deaf & deaf-blind people in Colombia and studied Business Administration, too. Since I have lived in the United States (over 20 years). I have worked in various customer service roles throughout my career, from secretary to warranty administration. I have also developed excellent communication skills in English and American Sign Language.

Thanks to God for my wonderful parents, my education, and my work experience that have given me the skills that enable me to become an A/R Administrative Assistant and Passport Agent for King City. I enjoy working with people and my position at the city allows me to excel in what I love. One of my favorite activities is working with and assisting people in different languages to process their passport applications; it is a great motivation for me and drives me to do my best. I am always looking for an opportunity to do better and achieve greatness. Working in the City of King City is a great blessing from God.

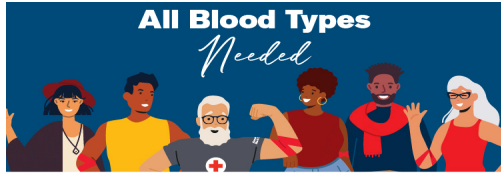
I have dedicated my life to the will of Jehovah God, so most of my free time goes into teaching others the word of God, the Bible. This is something I really enjoy in addition to my secular work. My other hobbies include outdoor activities with my family and friends, eating food from different countries (no spicy food), and one of my favorite hobbies is dancing with my husband.

A promotional poster for the King City Planning Commission. It features the King City logo (a crown over a landscape with trees and water) in the top left. The main text reads "JOIN THE PLANNING COMMISSION" in large, bold, blue letters. Below this is a graphic of a megaphone with the words "VOLUNTEERS NEEDED" written on it. At the bottom, there is a blue button that says "APPLY NOW" and a URL: "Learn More at: https://www.ci.king-city.or.us/planning\_commission.php". The background is a mix of yellow, white, and green.



## City of King City

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### **Blood Drive**

#### **City of King City King City Civic Association**

Banquet Room  
15245 SW 116th Ave  
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**Saturday, March 30, 2024  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

