

What to look for in 2017

Transportation Bond work continues. During the summer of 2017, construction will begin on several of the projects contained in the 2014 Transportation Bond measure. Expected project work will include:

- Alpine Avenue corridor improvements - This project implements the vision in the NE Gateway plan, and will include a pedestrian friendly, festival streetscape between 7th and 11th (work will be completed in 2018);
- Hill Road corridor improvements – Work includes reconstruction of Hill Road between 2nd St and Baker Creek Road, including roundabouts at Wallace Road and Baker Creek Road (work will be completed in 2018);
- 2nd Street improvements – The project will address traffic congestion on 2nd Street at Adams and Baker, and will include widening of 2nd Street to accommodate turn lanes, and new signals at both intersections (work to be completed in 2017);
- Ford Street sidewalk improvements - This project will add a sidewalk along the west side of Ford Street between Washington Street and Cozine Creek (work to be completed in 2017);
- Other Bond measure work – Other project work will include additional street repair and repaving work; sidewalks and pedestrian safety improvements in various areas adjacent to schools and public facilities; and design work on the Old Sheridan Road corridor improvements project.

Updates regarding all of the transportation bond measure projects can be viewed at: <http://mcminnvilletransportationbond.org>

Improvements to the City's wastewater system planned. The City will continue to invest in repairs and upgrades to the wastewater system in 2017. Planned work includes replacement of the 3-mile Lane Pump Station #3; piping repairs and replacement near 4th / Ford; and inflow and infiltration reduction work to pipes near the Cascade Steel Rolling Mill.

Airport runway to be rebuilt. In May, work will begin on the \$6.6 million project to reconstruct the main runway (4-22) at the McMinnville Municipal Airport. The project is being funded via Federal Aviation Administration grant funds (90%) and Connect Oregon grant funds (10%). Work is expected to be completed in October 2017.

Expansion of Fire Department Partnerships. Look for expanding partnerships including the Fire Department testing response times with an ambulance based in Lafayette. This proposed partnership could significantly improve both communities' response capabilities.

City Park Renovation. The City Park Renovation Project, replacing both the lower park footbridge lost to age related damage several years ago as well as the kitchen shelter lost to arson 4 years ago will be completed in late May or early June 2017. This project is

funded in part by a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant, a donation from the Howard Nice Trust, insurance monies to help cover the arson loss, and other monies from the City Park Development Fund. Other related improvements to the lower picnic shelter plaza including security cameras will also be completed.

Improvements to Lower City Park. City Park's four tennis courts will be resurfaced and re-configured. Two existing courts will become six pickleball courts to accommodate the fast growing number of pickleball enthusiasts within the community. Two existing tennis courts will be re-surfaced and remain open for tennis play. This project should be completed in late summer or early fall 2017.

