



City Council
December 16, 2024

6pm

Newberg Public Safety Building 401 E. Third Street
Denise Bacon Community Room

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. IN REMEMBRANCE OF DENISE BACON

(As Councilor Denise Bacon's term would have ended on December 31, 2024, we take this time to honor her contributions to the City of Newberg.)

4.1. Invocation

4.2. Moment of Silence

5. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

5.1. October Statistical Report

i [RCA: City Manager Report](#)

ii [Presentation](#)

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

6.1. [Public Comment from Brian Plett- Buckley Park*](#)

i [GIS Map of Buckley Park*](#)

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1. [Oregon Building Codes Division Support Agreement](#)

i Presentation

7.2. City Manager Evaluation

7.3. Board, Committee, and Commission Interviews and Appointments

i Written Supplementary Interview Questions*

(Answers added to the agenda on Friday the 13th of December.)

ii Interviews

iii Candidate Applications

8. COUNCIL BUSINESS

8.1. **Board, Commission, and Committee Updates**

9. ADJOURNMENT

ADA STATEMENT

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*Indicates supplementary item

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Date Action Requested: (December 16, 2024)

Order <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proclamation <input type="checkbox"/>	
Subject: CM statistics to the end of October 2024	Staff: Will Worthey CM Department: Administration
Work Session <input type="checkbox"/> Business Session <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Order On Agenda: CM report

Is this item state mandated? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please cite the state house bill or order that necessitated this action: NA

Recommendation: NA

Executive Summary: The summary of events conducted by city departments to the end of October 2024.

Fiscal Impact: All were conventionally budgeted items.

Council Goals:

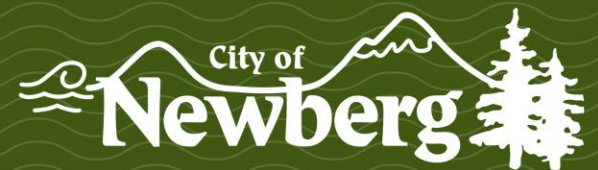
Goal 5: Create and maintain a high level of transparency with our residents in order to build trust.

Effective CM reporting assists with Objective 1:

Expand communication outreach in regard to regular city workflow as represented by its production statistics.

Newberg CM report

Monthly Statistics to the end of October 2024



Planning: combined planning decisions of all sorts*: 8

**Average
2022**

11.67



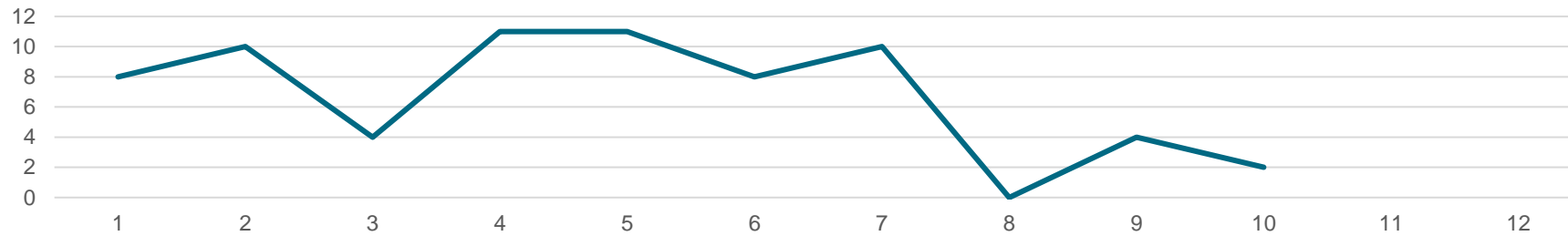
* Combined from the Director, Planning Commission and Council

Planning: building permits for housing units: 2

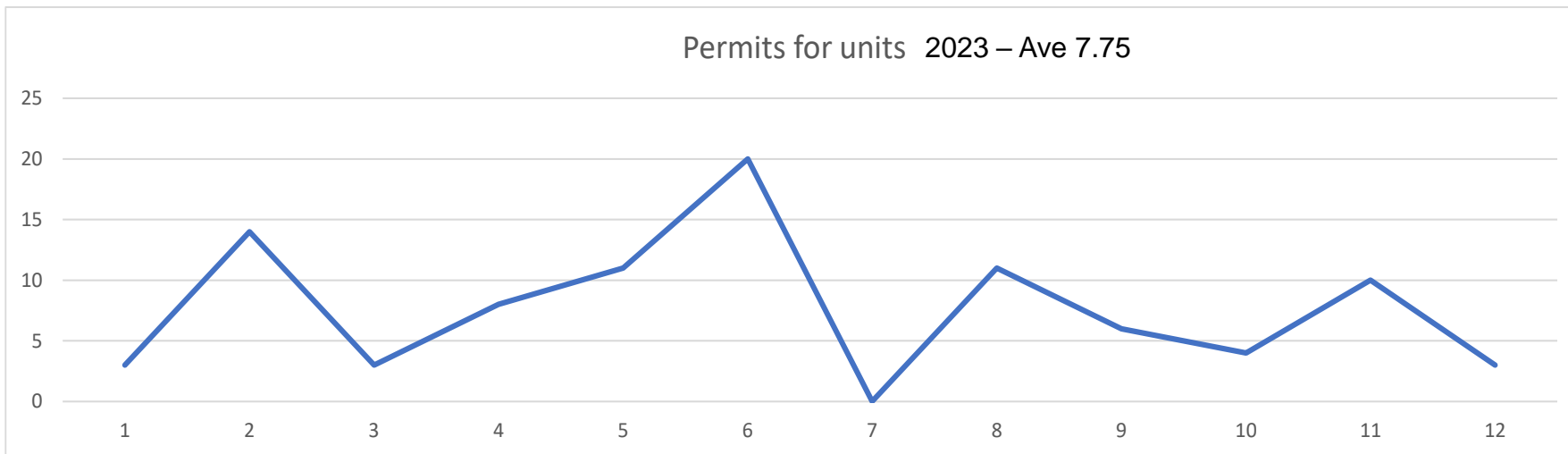
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Permits for units



Permits for units 2023 – Ave 7.75

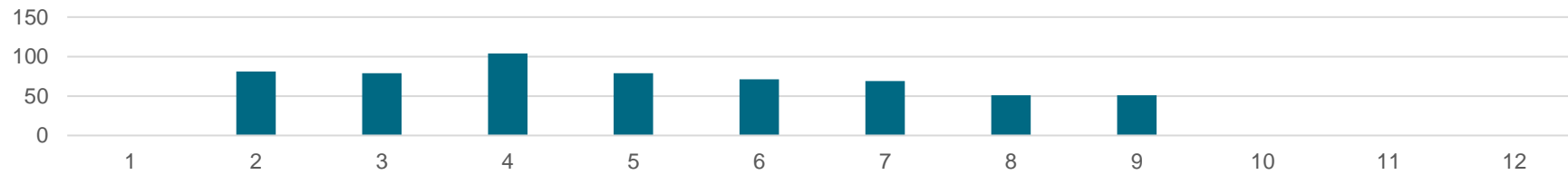


Planning: building permits other types: Nil

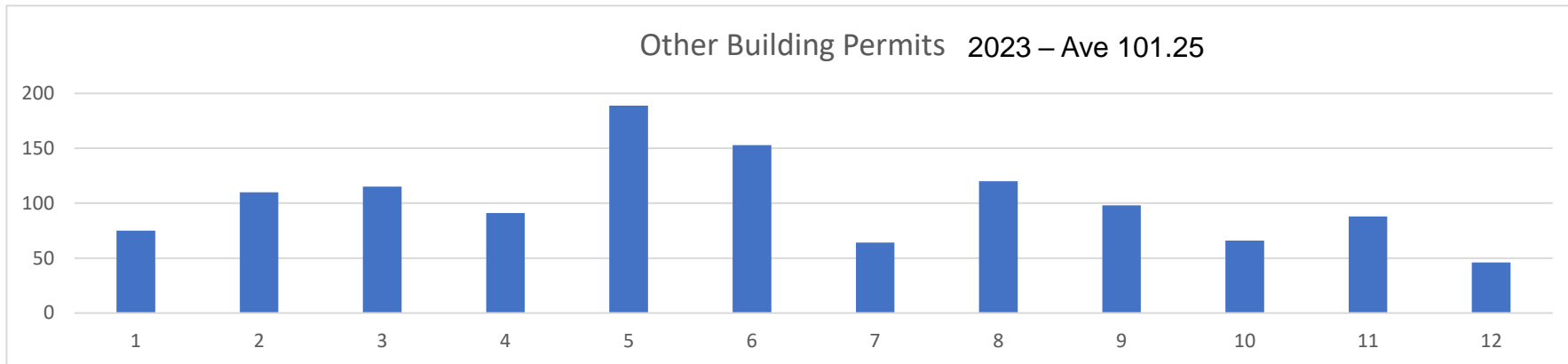
**Average
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122

Other Building Permits



Other Building Permits 2023 – Ave 101.25

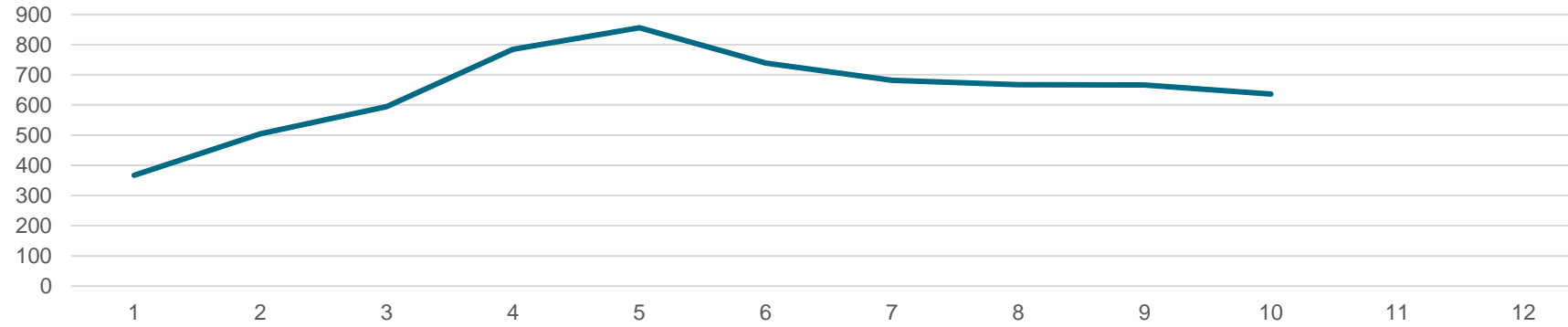


Planning: building inspections: 636

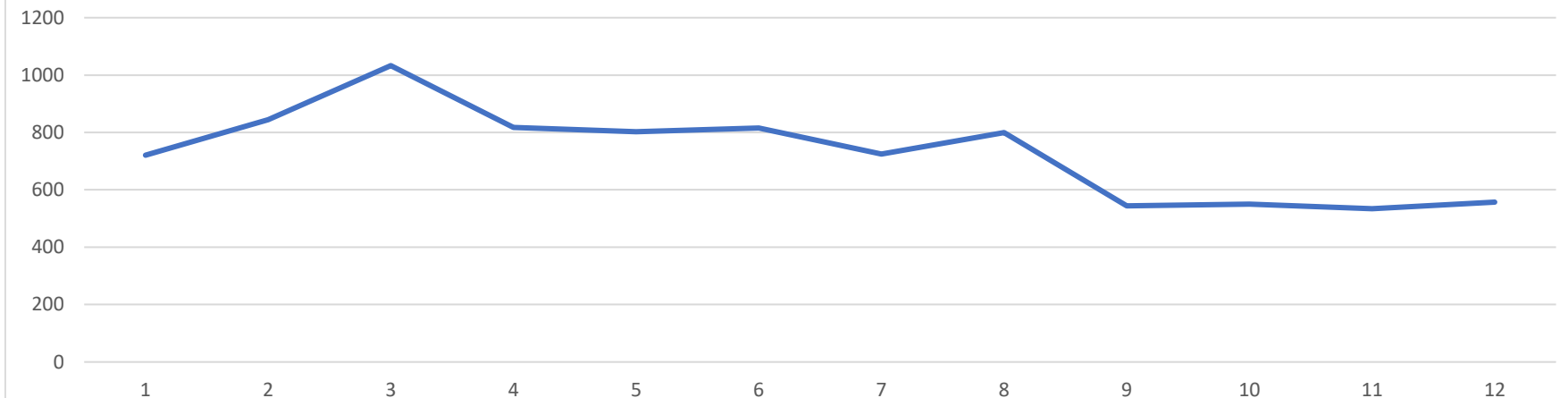
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691

Building Inspections



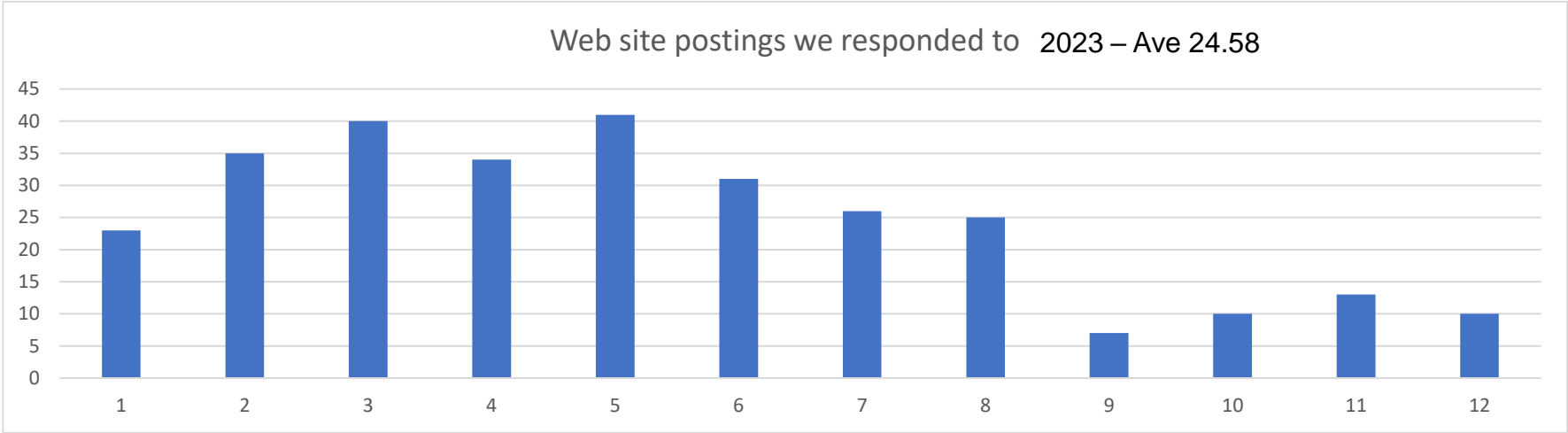
Building Inspections 2023 – Ave 728.42



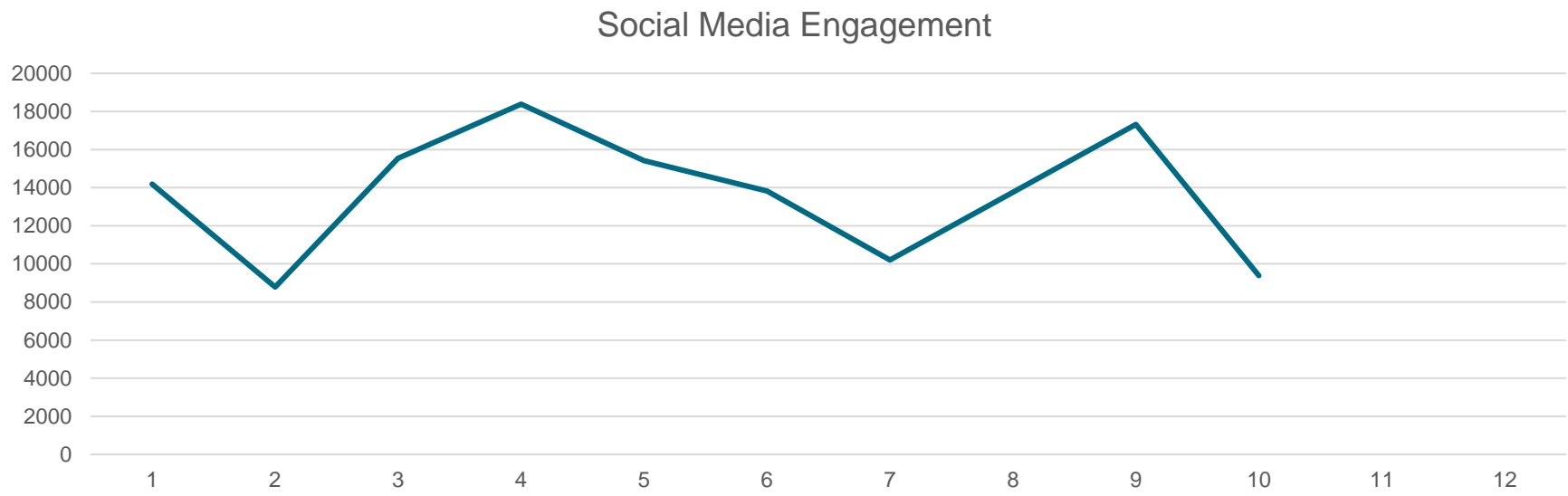
Community Engagement: submission forms through website: 15

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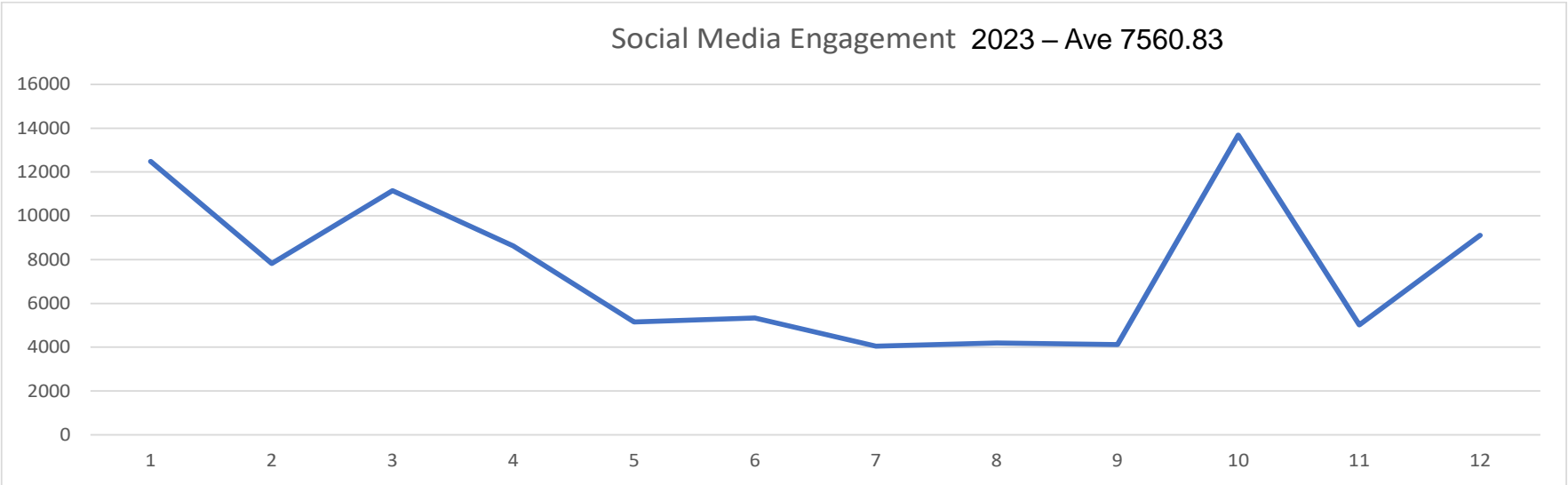
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Community Engagement: social media engagement: 9389

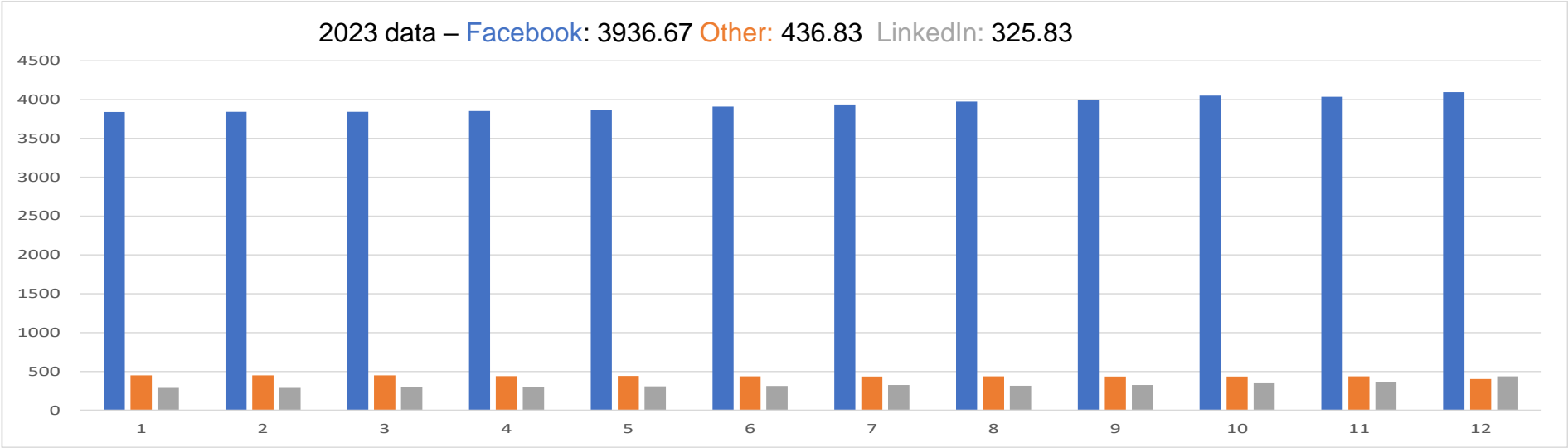
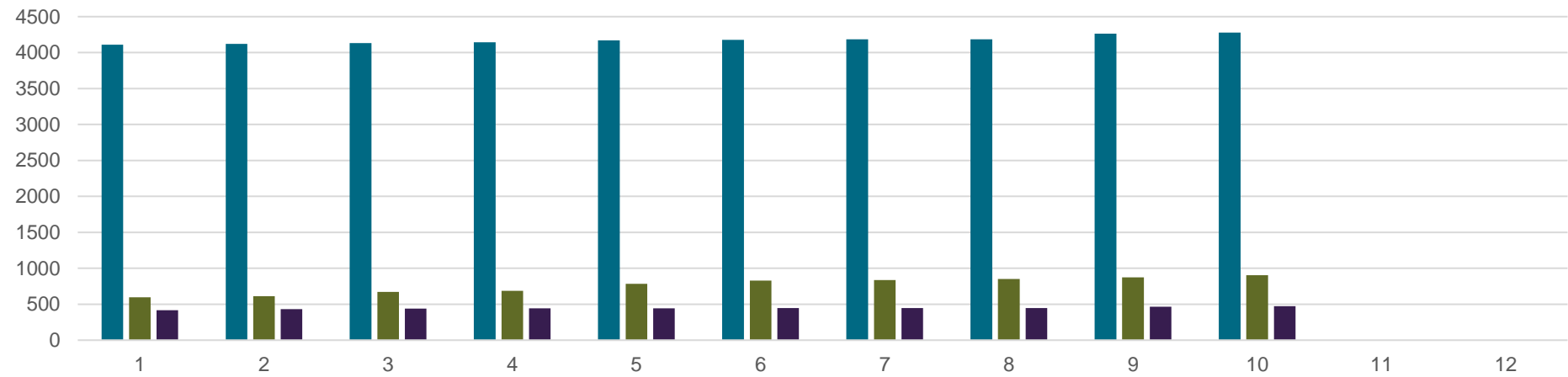


Average
2022
7942.5



Community Engagement: Socials followers FB 4280, Other 903, LinkedIn 471

Facebook, Other, and LinkedIn



Average
2022

Facebook
3746

Twitter
415

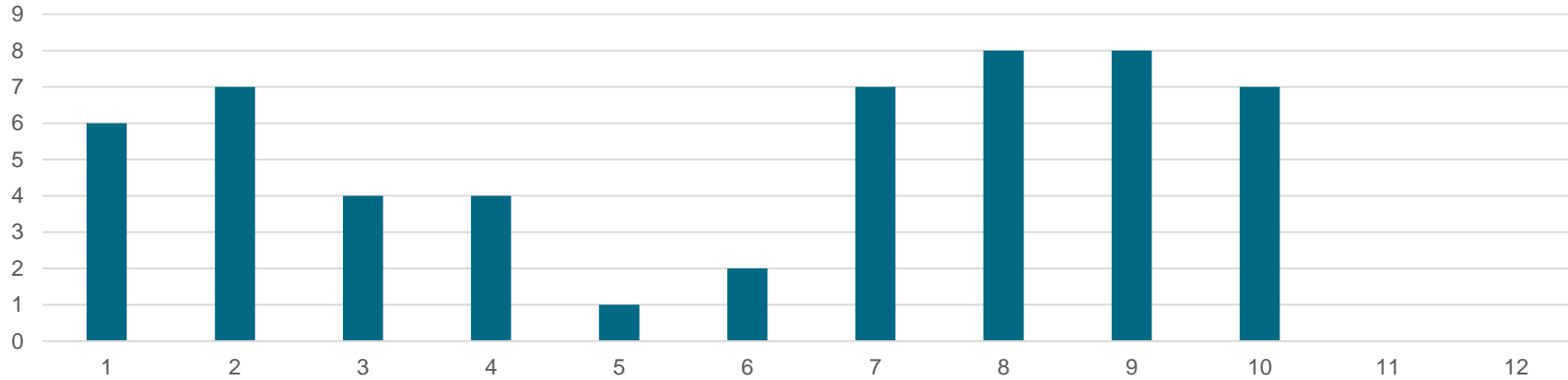
LinkedIn
253.6

City Recorder: Public Records Requests: 7

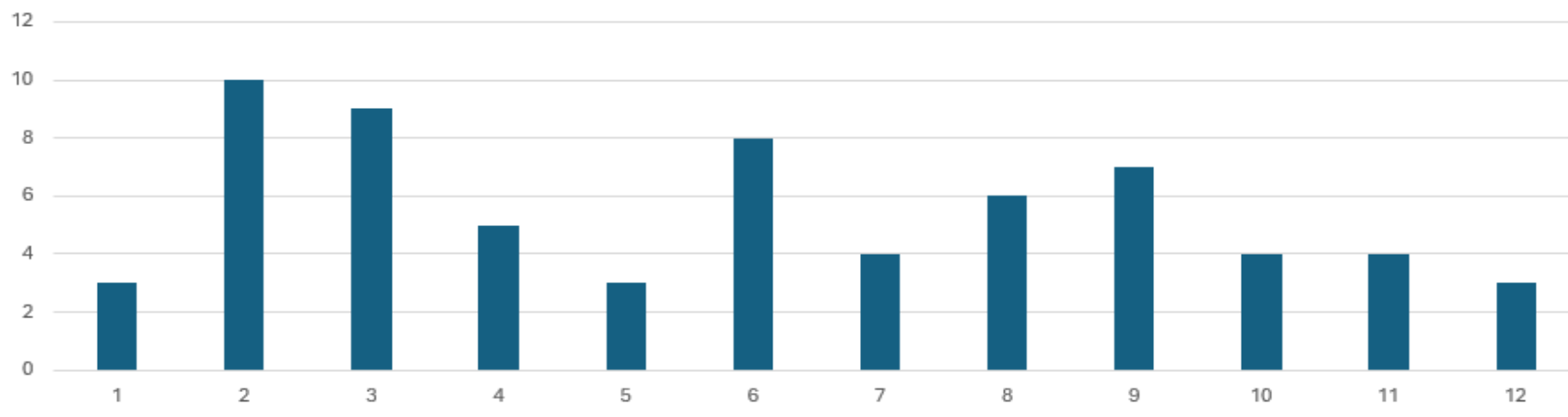
**Average
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4.5

Public Information Requests

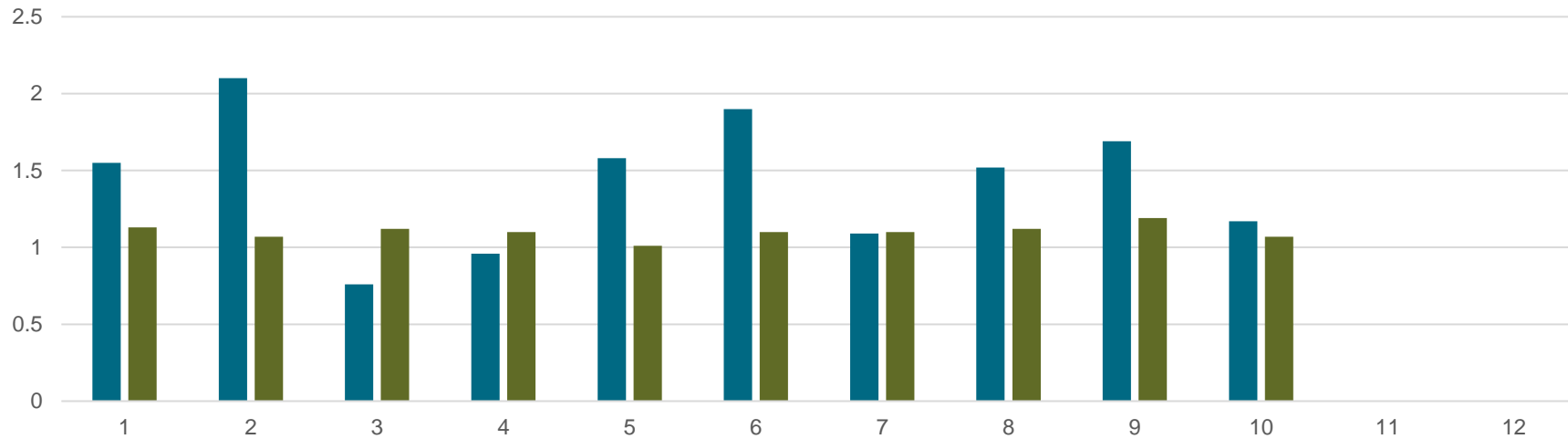


2023 Data, PRR Ave. 5.5



Finance: \$1.17 M of payments to accounts payable & \$1.07 M of payroll

Accounts Payable \$ and Payroll \$



**Average
2022**

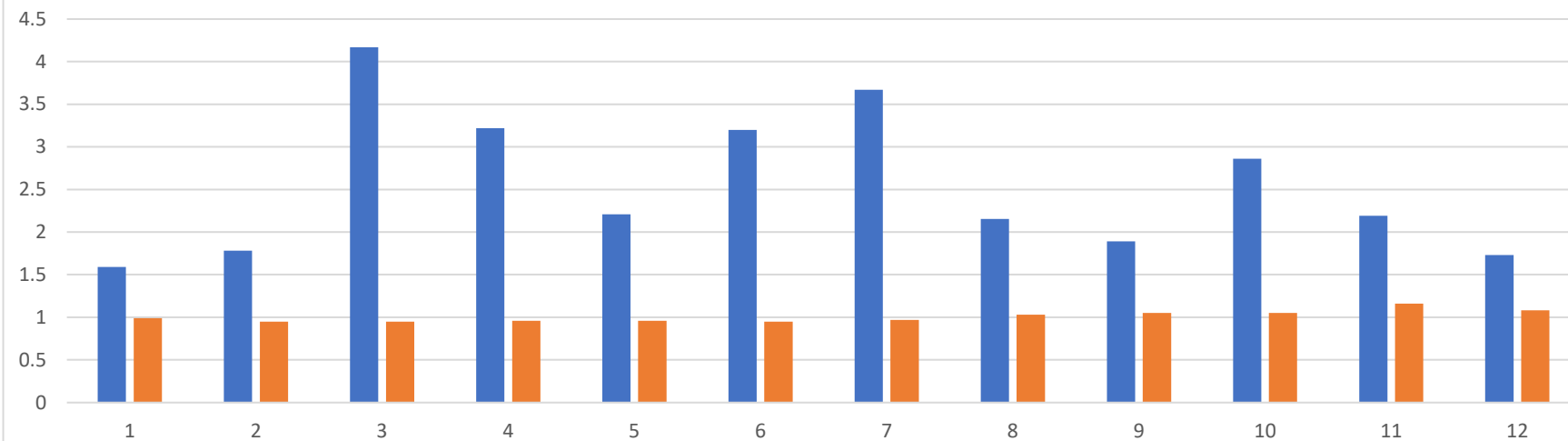
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\$1.75 M

Payroll

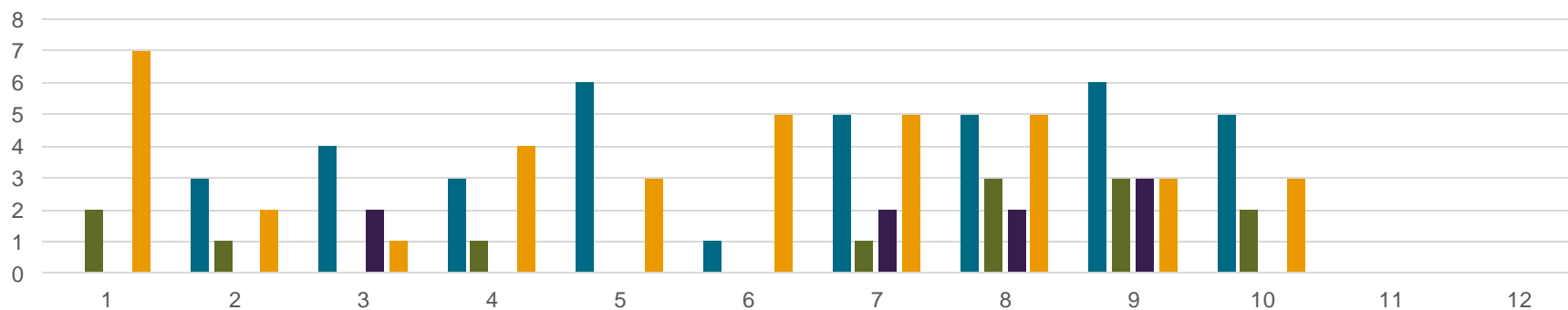
\$0.93 M

2023 Data Accounts Payable Ave \$2.56M and Payroll Ave. \$1.01M

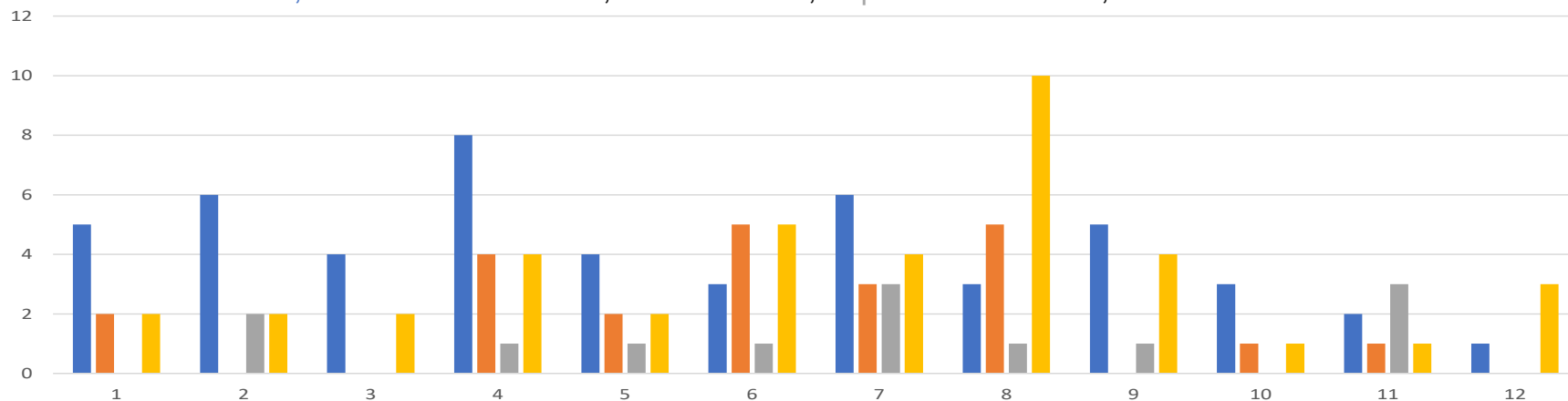


HR activity: Recruitments advertised - 5 Hires: 2 Separations: Nil,
FMLA / ADA / OFLA / workers comp claims: 3

Recruitments, Hires, Separations, Claims



2023 Data, Recruitments Ave 4.17, Hires Ave 1.92, Separations Ave 1.08, Claims Ave 3.33



**Average
2022**

Recruitments

5.6

Hires

1.9

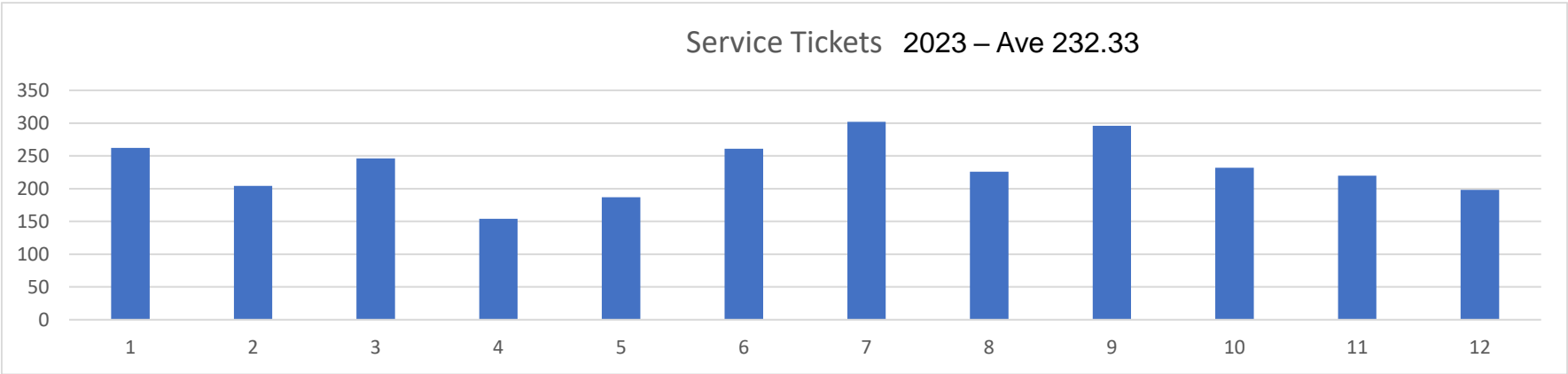
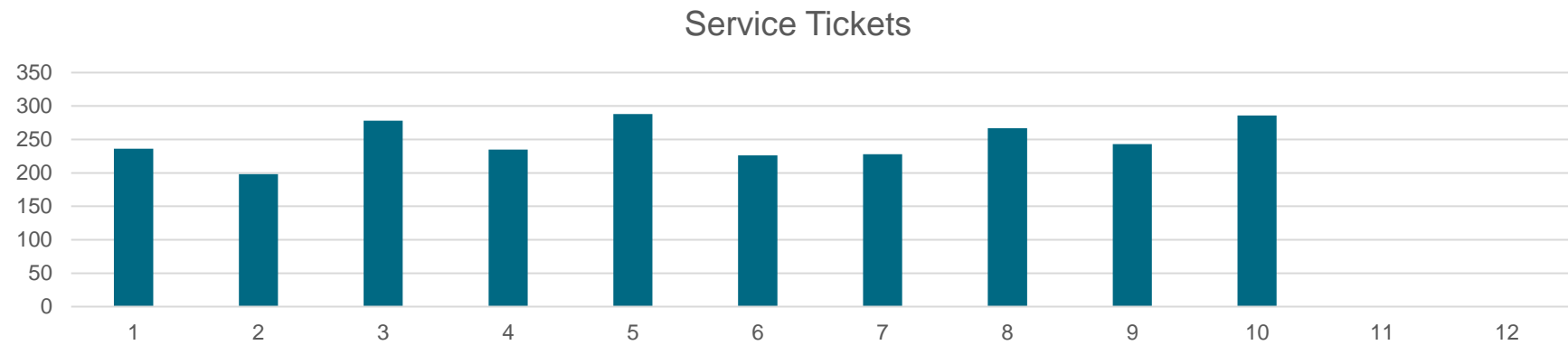
Separations

1.6

Claims

2.6

IT resolved 286 service tickets for the city.



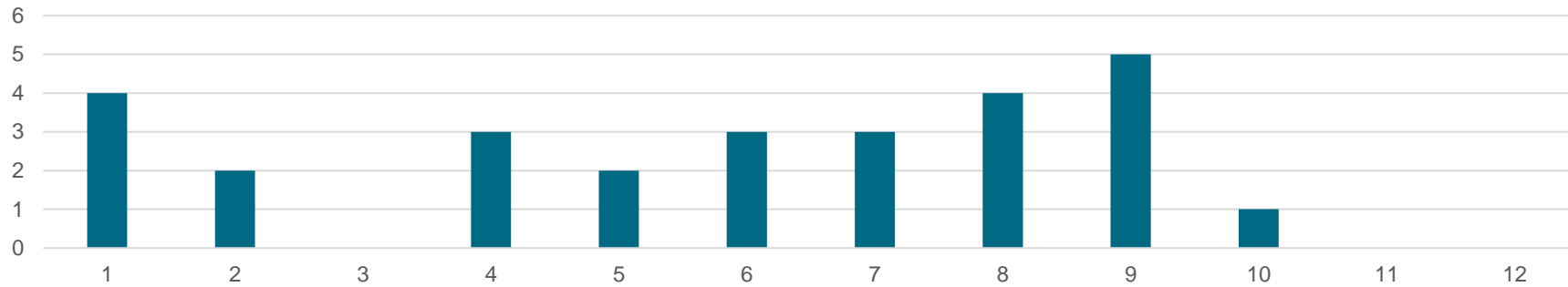
Average
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203.4

IT responded to 1 after hours on-call events.

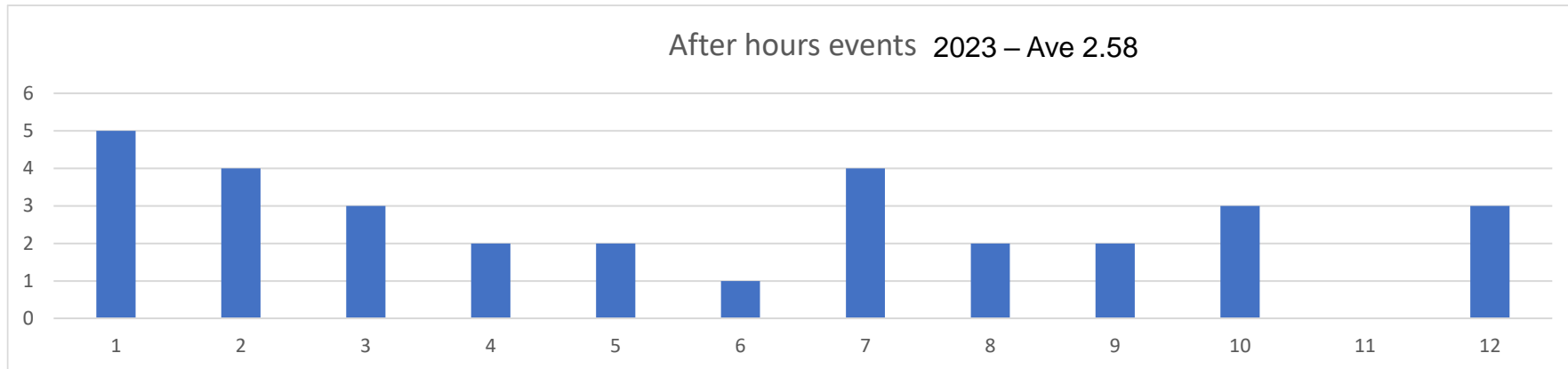
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After hours events

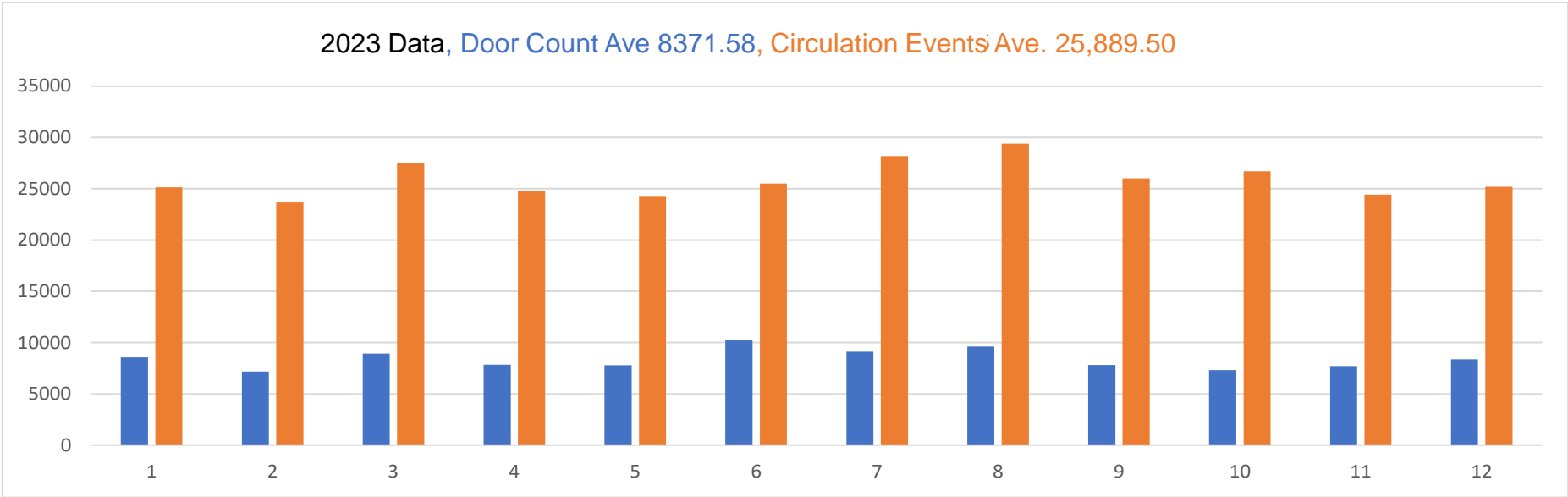
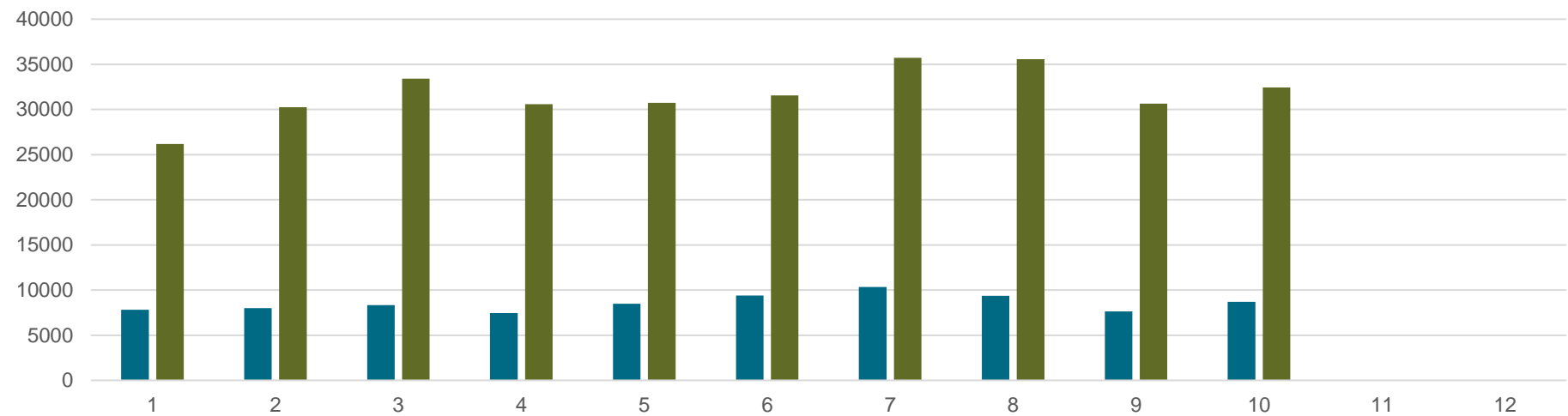


After hours events 2023 – Ave 2.58



Library Activity: Door count 8692, Circulation events 32,443

Door Count, Circulation Events



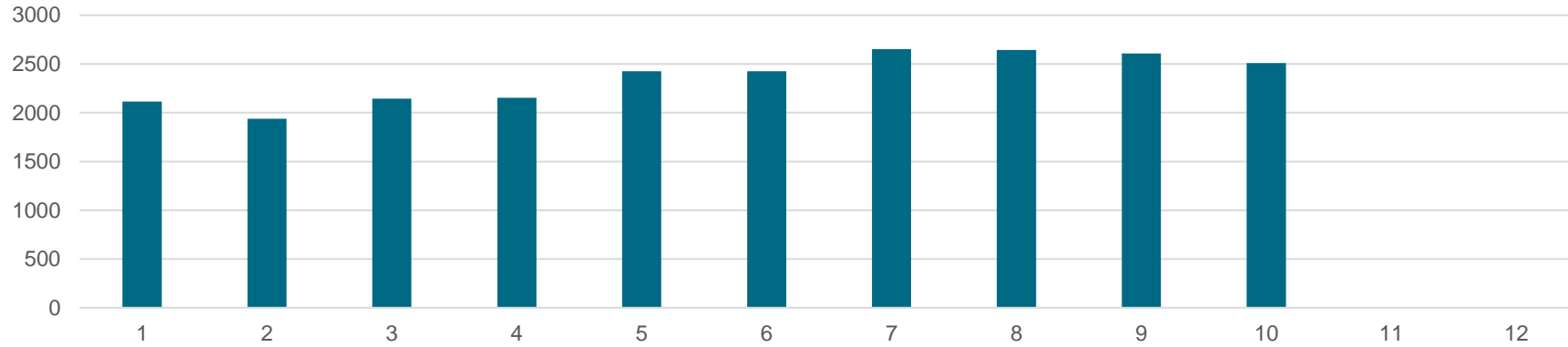
Average
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Door Count
7108

Circulation
Events
23,418

Public Safety: 2508 – calls for service

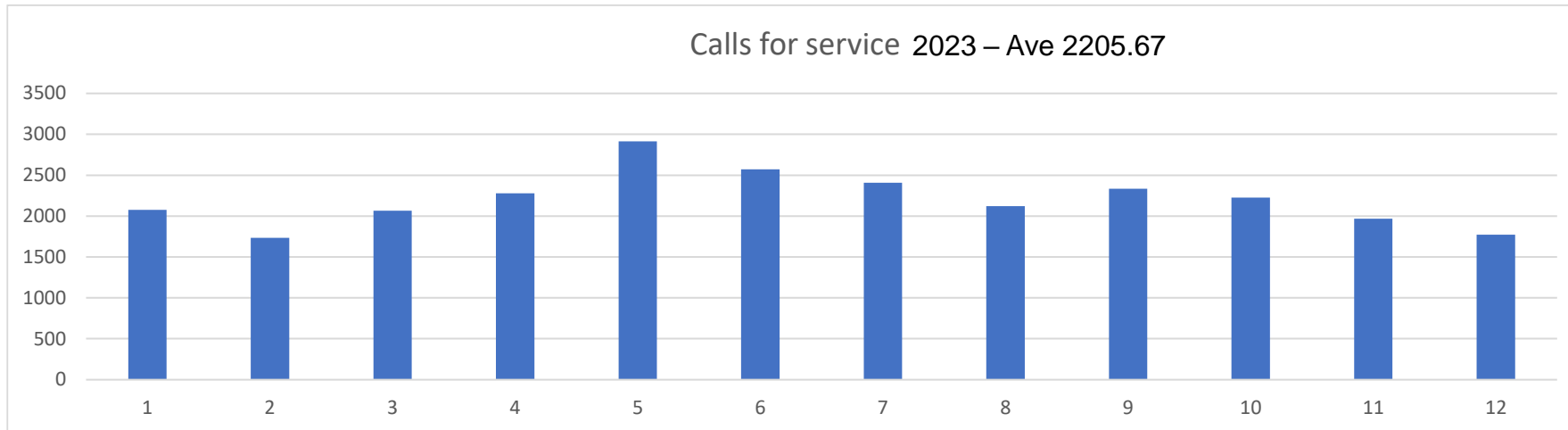
Calls for service



Average
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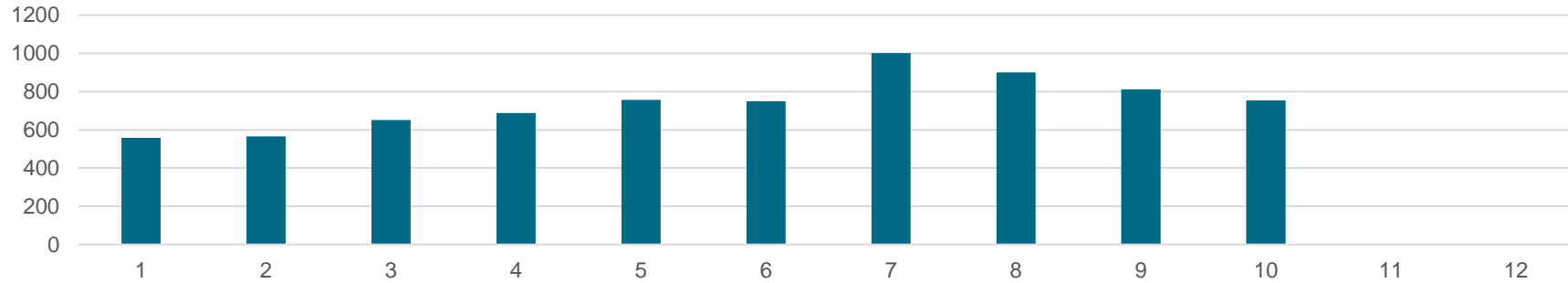
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Calls for service 2023 – Ave 2205.67



Public Safety: 754 – traffic stops

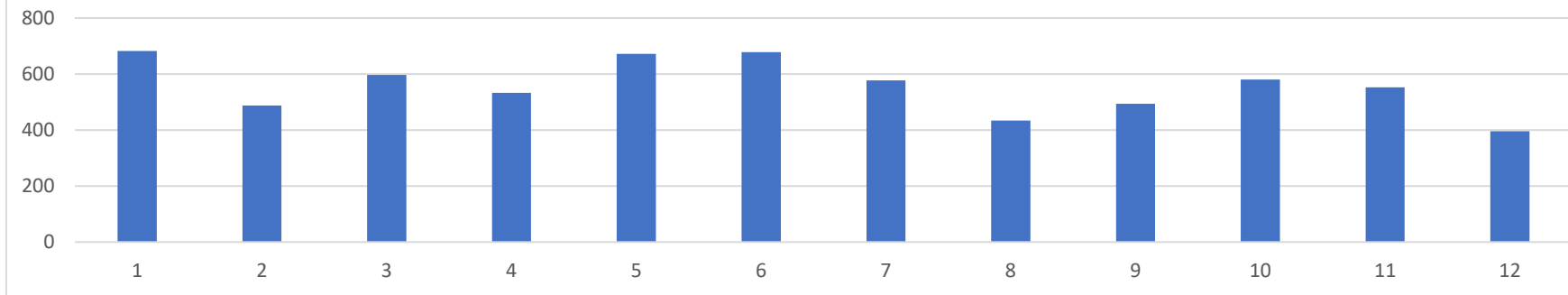
Traffic Stops



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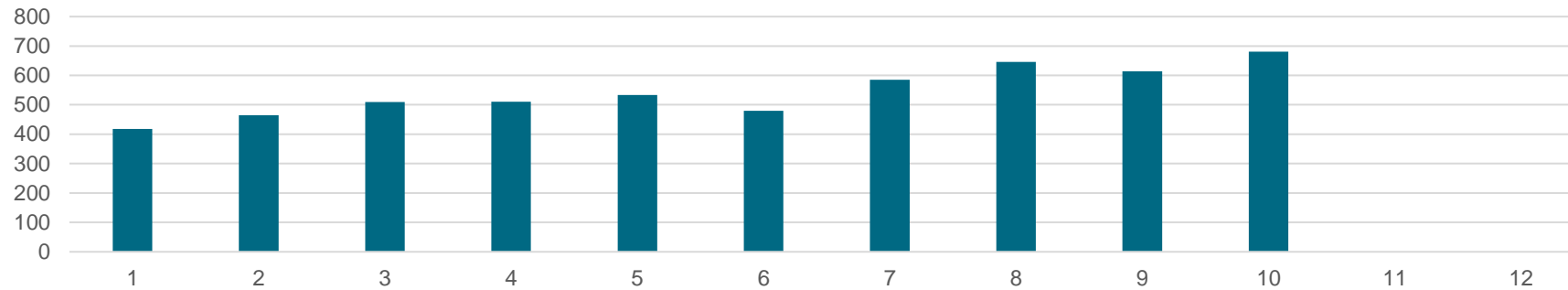
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Traffic Stops 2023 – Ave 557.33



Public Safety: 681 – citations & warnings

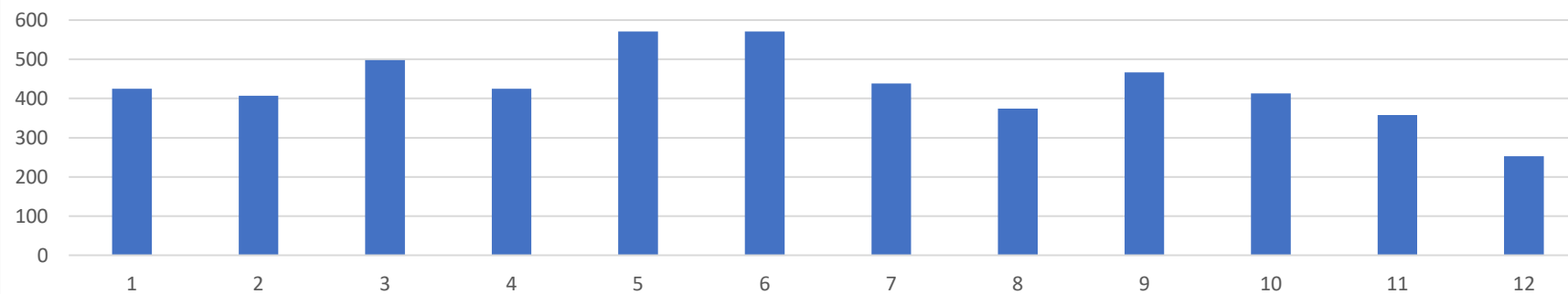
Citations and Warnings



**Average
2022**

428

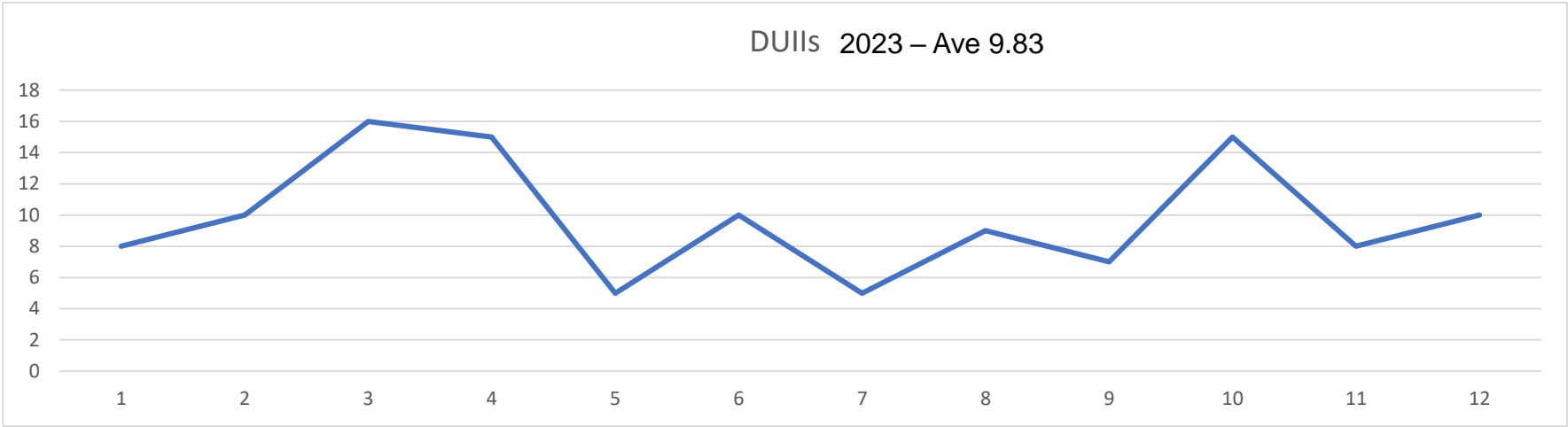
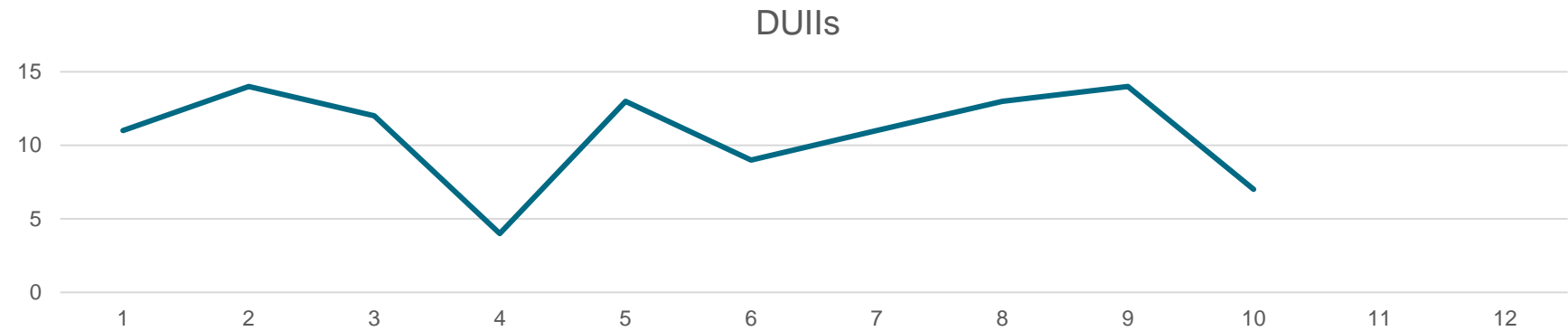
Citations and Warnings 2023 – Ave 433.33



Public Safety: 7 – DUII’s

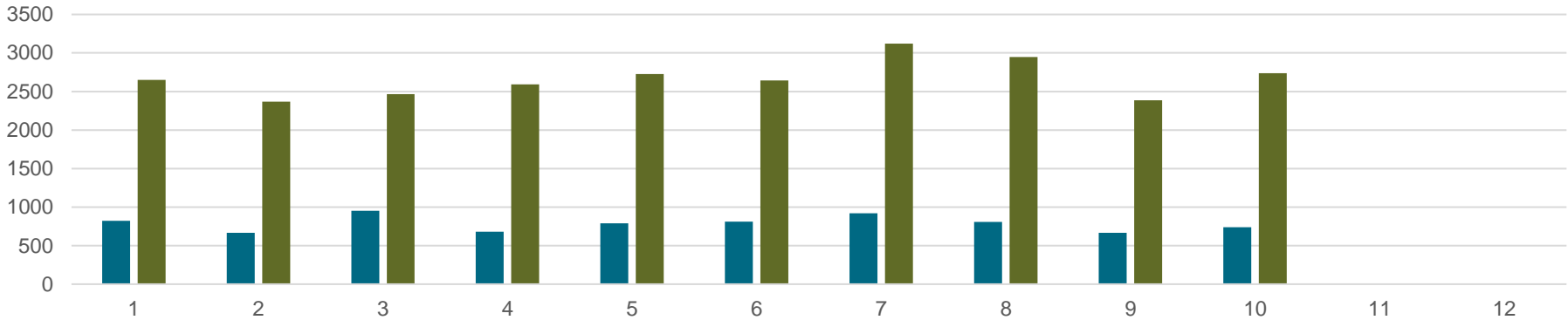
Average
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12.1



Dispatch: 740 “911” calls & 2738 non-emergency calls

911 calls, Non emergency calls



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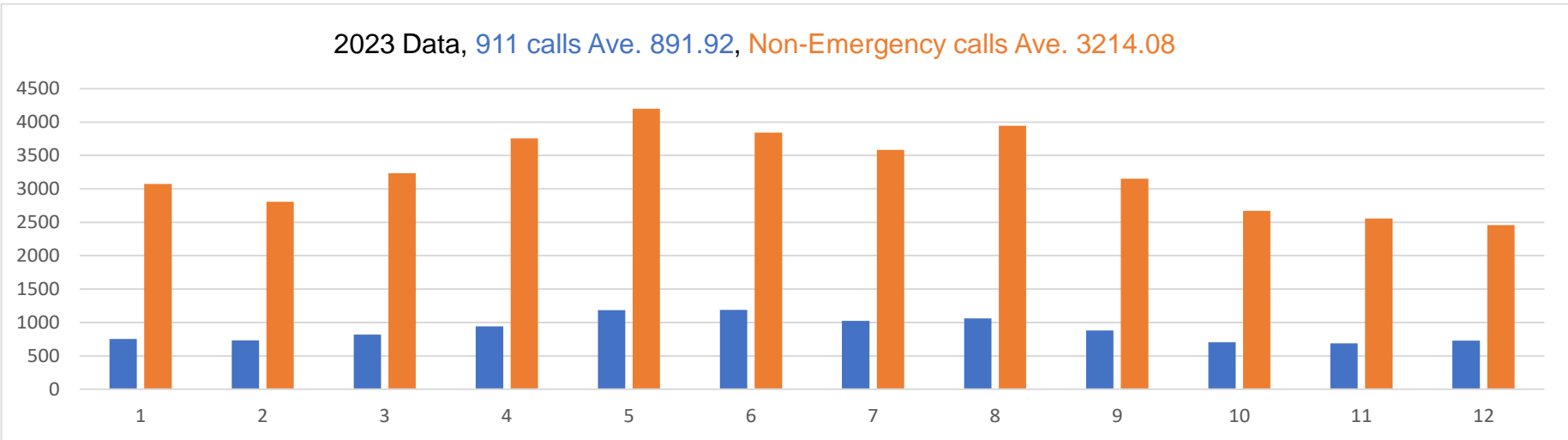
911 Calls

817

**Non-
Emergency
Calls**

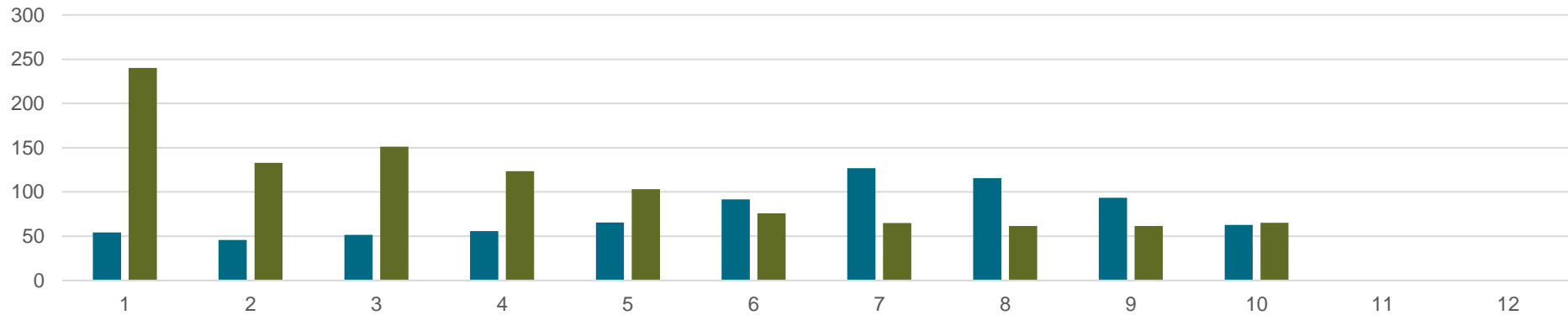
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2023 Data, 911 calls Ave. 891.92, Non-Emergency calls Ave. 3214.08

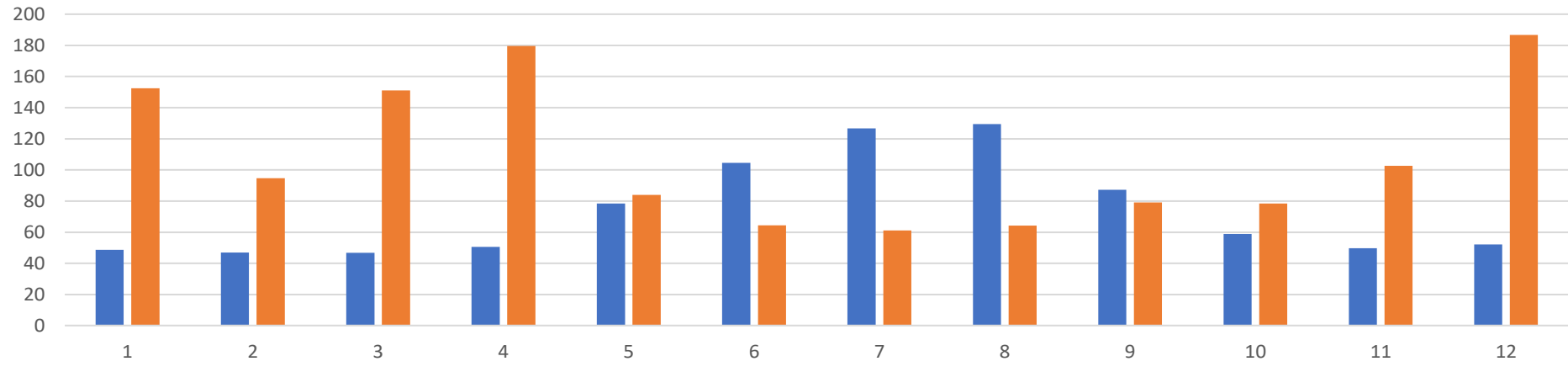


Public Works: water production was 62.7 million gallons, & 65.29 million gallons (MG) were treated

Clean water, Waste Water



2023 Data, Clean Water Ave. 73.33 MG, Waste Water Ave 108.20 MG



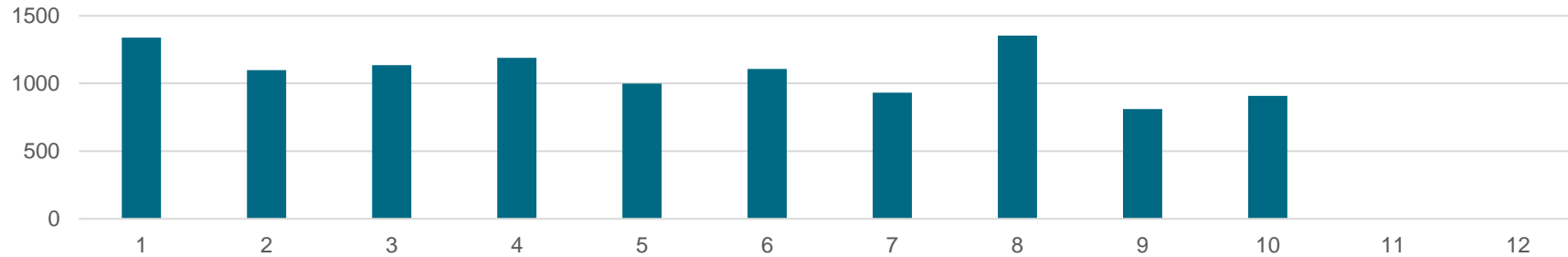
**Average
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**Clean Water
69.45 MG**

**Waste Water
105.46 MG**

Public Works: 1009 work orders completed

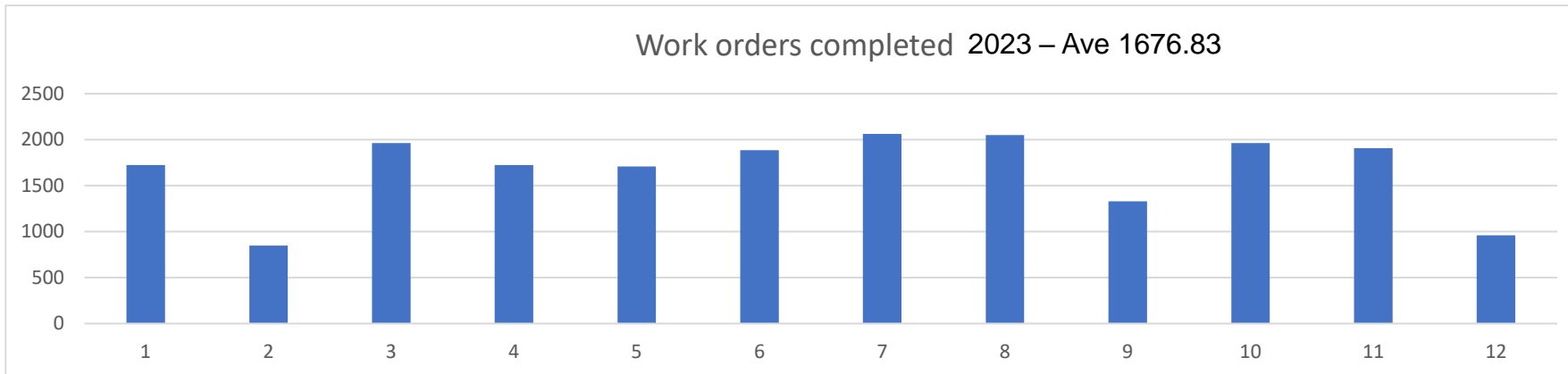
Work orders completed



**Average
2022**

1452.6

Work orders completed 2023 – Ave 1676.83



So that's the totals to the end of October 2024!

Questions?



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Submitted by Visitor (not verified)
Fri, 12/13/2024 - 7:06am
50.39.159.127

Date of the meeting you would like to give public comment at (City Council meetings are held on the first and third Monday of the month)

Mon, 12/16/2024

Please let us know the agenda item you will be speaking on, otherwise it will be submitted as a general comment.

If you do not have a specific agenda item on which to testify/comment, please identify the subject matter you will comment on.

Buckley Park access

Name

Brian Plett

Representing (optional, include if speaking on behalf of a third party)

Phone Number (optional)

Do not release my contact information in a public records request

Yes/Sí

Is this a public hearing?

No/No

Would you like to give written or spoken public comment?

Written/Escrito

If you would like to give written public comment, please write the public comment you would like to give here:

Dear Newberg City Council,

The city of Newberg is planning to let a homeowner take over public land in Buckley Park.

I wanted to bring to the community's attention an important issue at Buckley Park in Newberg. On the north side of the park, there's an access path leading to the cul-de-sac next to the park. This pathway, listed on the original deed and plat of the park, has been neglected, but it is still used by

neighborhood children to access the park.

In October, a homeowner adjacent to this path put up "No Trespassing" signs and confronted children trying to use it. I contacted the Code Enforcement office and the Chehalem Park and Recreation District (CPRD) about this issue. They confirmed that the path is public property, should have a complete sidewalk, and said they would start working on it.

However, this week, I received a response from the code enforcement stating that because the path has been unmaintained for so long, they plan to let the neighboring homeowners take control of it.

This decision is wrong. Adverse possession does not apply to government property, regardless of how long it has been neglected. I urge the council to enforce public property rights of Newberg and CPRD and complete the path, ensuring families can continue to access the park as originally intended.

Respectfully,
Brian Plett

If you would like to include a photo or document with your public comment, please attach it here.

[buckleyparkpath.pdf](#) ^[2]

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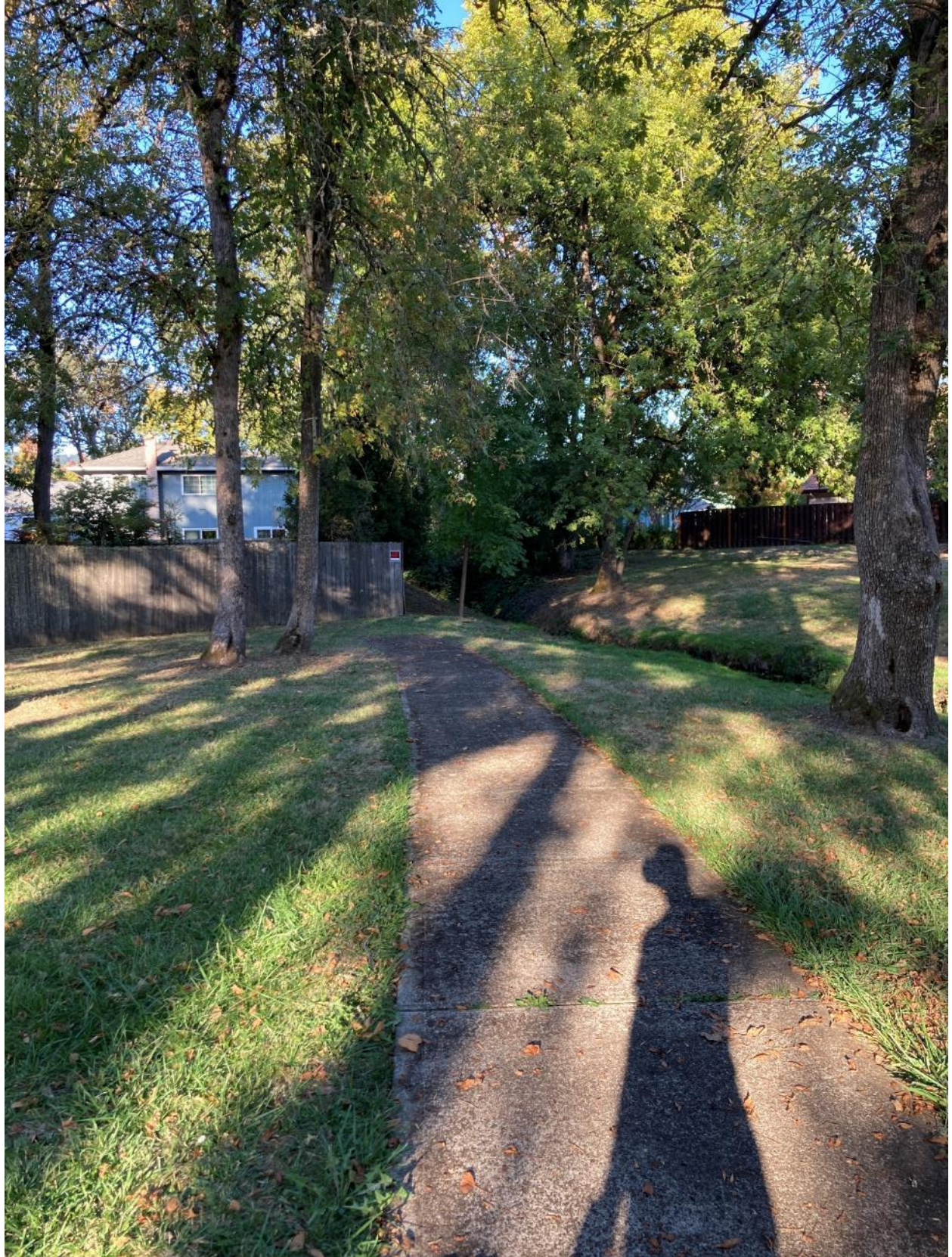
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REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Date Action Requested: December 16, 2024

Order ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☒ Motion ☐ Information ☐ Proclamation ☐
No. 2024-3955

Subject: Oregon Building Codes Division Support Agreement

Staff: Scot Siegel and Brooks Bateman
Department: Community Development-Building

Business Session

Order On Agenda:

Hearing Type: Administrative

Is this item state mandated? Yes ☐ No ☒

Recommendation: Move to approve Resolution 2024-3955 authorizing the City Manager to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Oregon for building evaluation services.

Executive Summary: In response to industry needs for increased resources for building official, plan review, and inspection services, the Oregon Building Codes Division (BCD) has created an intergovernmental agreement that will make it easier for local building departments to share resources directly with each other and with BCD. The Building Evaluation Support Agreement (“BESA”) is a voluntary agreement that jurisdictions may use to request and share Building Official services between building departments, such as plan review and inspection services.

By using BESA, the Requesting Party and the Service Provider (“Joining Parties”) agree to the basic terms outlined in the Agreement (Exhibit A-1). All building departments signatory to the agreement will be able to share with each other as needed and when mutually agreed. BESA promotes efficiency by eliminating the need to negotiate and execute multiple intergovernmental agreements with neighboring jurisdictions and the state. Offering mutual aid allows local building departments to keep their projects moving, while avoiding or minimizing the added expense of unused labor capacity.

Fiscal Impact: Cost-neutral, provides for cost recovery. Standard bill rates for plan review and inspection services are comparable to those charged by contractors the City currently uses for the same services.

Council Goals: *G1: Create and maintain a high level of customer service.*

Exhibits

A. Resolution No. 2024-3955

A-1 Building Evaluation Support Agreement

A-2 Building Evaluation Support Agreement Information Backgrounder

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-3955

A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an intergovernmental agreement with State of Oregon Building Codes Division providing for building evaluation support services.

Recitals:

1. Whereas the City of Newberg provides building plan review and inspection services to Newberg and other Yamhill County communities;
2. Whereas the City of Newberg uses third-party plan review and inspection services from time to time, to maintain service levels during periods of high permitting activity;
3. Whereas the State of Oregon has created the “Building Evaluation Support Agreement,” a mutual aid agreement, to help local governments in Oregon meet the demand for building services;
4. Whereas the City of Newberg from time to time may want to offer its building services to other local jurisdictions to supplement its revenues during periods of low permitting activity locally;
5. Whereas the Building Evaluation Support Agreement provides for cost-recovery for participating jurisdictions;

The City of Newberg Resolves as Follows:

The City Manager is authorized to sign an intergovernmental agreement with State of Oregon Building Codes Division providing for building evaluation support services through June 30, 2024 (Exhibit 1).

Effective Date of this resolution is the day after the adoption date, which is: _____, 2024.

Adopted by the City Council of Newberg, Oregon, this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Rachel Thomas, City Recorder

Attest by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Bill Rosacker, Mayor

EXHIBIT A-1
STATE OF OREGON BUILDING ASSESSMENT
SERVICE AGREEMENT

BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT (FIXED TERM)

MASTER AGREEMENT PO-44000-00039380

This BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT (FIXED TERM) (“**Agreement**”) is entered into by and amongst the Joining Parties, as defined in Section I of this Agreement, in accordance with ORS 190.110 and 455.185.

I. PARTIES; NOTICES

The parties to this Agreement are (A) the Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division (“DCBS”); and (B) each municipality providing building official services, plan review services, or inspection services pursuant to ORS Chapter 455 (and its related rules) that executes an undertaking in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and delivers (by mail or email) such undertaking to the following (or such other address and email address as may be specified in writing by DCBS):

Building Codes Division
Department of Consumer and Business Services
Attn: Dawn Bass
P.O. Box 14470
Salem, OR 97309-0404
Email: Dawn.Bass@dcbs.oregon.gov

Each such executed and delivered undertaking (including the undertaking executed and delivered by DCBS) may be referred to herein as an “**Undertaking**”. Those who become party to this Agreement (including DCBS) may be referred to herein individually as a “**Joining Party**” and collectively as the “**Joining Parties**”. DCBS will maintain on its website, www.oregon.gov/bcd, a list of all Joining Parties, and DCBS will deliver and make available to all Joining Parties each Undertaking executed and delivered in accordance with this Agreement. The Undertaking executed and delivered by DCBS is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

All notices to be given to any Joining Party under this Agreement shall be delivered in accordance with the information set forth on the Undertaking of such Joining Party.

II. PURPOSE

By this Agreement, the Joining Parties intend to provide building official services, plan review services, or inspection services to each other when requested and mutually agreed. For example, any municipality that is a Joining Party may request from and provide services to DCBS and any other municipality that is also a Joining Party.

III. TERM OF AGREEMENT

As to each Joining Party, this Agreement shall become effective on the date on which such Joining Party has executed and delivered its Undertaking in accordance with this Agreement. As to all

Joining Parties, this Agreement shall expire on June 30, 2034, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Section X of this Agreement.

IV. STATEMENT OF WORK

- A. When requesting or receiving services under this Agreement, a Joining Party is a **“Requesting Party”**. When providing or agreeing to provide requested services under this Agreement, a Joining Party is the **“Service Provider”**.
- B. A Requesting Party shall:
 - 1. When services are needed, contact the Building Official of the Service Provider from whom such services are requested;
 - 2. Electronically provide inspection requests to the Building Official of the Service Provider, at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance of any inspection;
 - 3. Send all construction plans for which plan review is requested to the address referenced in the Undertaking of the Service Provider; and
 - 4. Remit payment in accordance with Section V.
- C. If a Service Provider agrees to provide requested services to a Requesting Party, the Service Provider shall:
 - 1. Provide an interim Building Official who is certified to perform Building Official duties during business hours by telephone and onsite, as requested. The interim Building Official shall be an employee of the Service Provider, managed by, reporting within, and subject to the direction and control of the Service Provider;
 - 2. Perform plan review and inspection services, by plan or inspection as requested, consistent with construction codes and standards adopted by the State of Oregon;
 - 3. Perform services using Service Provider staff possessing appropriate certification or designation recognized by the State of Oregon;
 - 4. Complete residential plan reviews within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of complete plans, not including any time the plans are with the customer for correction. Complete commercial Plan reviews within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of complete plans, not including any time the plans are with the customer for correction; and
 - 5. Submit inspection reports to the Requesting Party within forty-eight (48) hours of the inspection.
- D. The only services that will be provided under this Agreement are those requested by the Requesting Party and as Service Provider has available staff to complete the requested work and has agreed to so provide.

V. CONSIDERATION

- A. Each Requesting Party agrees to pay each Service Provider according to one of the following options:
1. Percentage Option:
 - a. Ninety percent (90%) of the plan review fee collected by the Requesting Party for each plan review completed by the Service Provider.
 - b. Ninety percent (90%) of the permit fee collected by the Requesting Party for permitted work where the Service Provider will conduct all associated inspections with the permit.
 - c. Eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) per hour for any work performed by Service Provider that is not identified in (a) or (b).
 - d. For each month that Service Provider provides interim building official services, but no inspection services or plan review services, ten percent (10%) of all building code related fees collected by Requesting Party.
 2. Hourly Option: An hourly rate of eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) per hour for all work performed by the Service Provider.
- B. Each Joining Party certifies that, at the time such Joining Party executes and delivers its Undertaking in accordance with this Agreement, sufficient funds are available and authorized for expenditure to satisfy the financial obligations incurred by such Joining Party under this Agreement.
- C. Requesting Party shall remit payment to Service Provider on a quarterly basis. Quarters will be: January through March, April through June, July through September, and October through December. Payment is due within 60 days of the close of each quarter. Requesting Party shall deliver payment to the address specified in the Undertaking of the Service Provider.
- D. With each payment for work done under this Agreement, Requesting Party shall provide Service Provider with the following for each quarter for which payment is being remitted:
1. Documentation of each plan review performed by Service Provider and the associated fees collected by Requesting Party;
 2. Documentation of each permit inspected by Service Provider and the associated fees collected by Requesting Party;
 3. Documentation of any request for interim building official services made, as well as the month and number of hours Service Provider provided interim building official services;
 4. Documentation of all work performed by Service Provider at the hourly rate under paragraph A.1.c or A.2 of this section, as well as the date and number of hours such

work was performed; and

5. If interim building official services were provided, Requesting Party's accounting of all plan review fees and permit fees collected by Requesting Party, and all payment remitted to Service Provider, for the subject quarter.
- E. Each Requesting Party agrees that it shall provide or make available, if and as requested by a Service Provider, any and all records and information related to this Agreement of which the Requesting Party is custodian, within thirty (30) days of such request by the Service Provider.
- F. Each Joining Party agrees that it shall retain and not destroy any and all documents and records related to this Agreement for a minimum of one year after such document or record is created.

VI. TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES

Requesting Party shall not be responsible to Service Provider for travel or other expenses.

VII. BREACH

No Joining Party shall be in breach of this Agreement until written notice of an unperformed obligation has been given and such obligation remains unperformed after notice for ten (10) days. In the event of a breach, a Joining Party not in breach (a "**Nonbreaching Party**") shall be entitled to seek damages or any other remedy provided by applicable law against the breaching Joining Party (a "**Breaching Party**").

VIII. THIRD PARTY CLAIMS; CONTRIBUTION

If any person who is not a Joining Party ("**Third Party**") makes any claim or brings any action, suit, or proceeding alleging a tort as now or hereafter defined in ORS 30.260 ("**Third Party Claim**") against a Joining Party (the "**Notified Party**") with respect to which any other Joining Party (each, an "**Other Party**") may have liability, the Notified Party must promptly notify each such Other Party in writing of the Third Party Claim and deliver to each such Other Party a copy of the claim, process, and all legal pleadings with respect to the Third Party Claim. The Notified Party and each Other Party is entitled to participate in the defense of a Third Party Claim, and to defend a Third Party Claim with counsel of its own choosing. Receipt by an Other Party of the notice and copies required in this paragraph and the meaningful opportunity for such Other Party to participate in the investigation, defense, and settlement of the Third Party Claim with counsel of its own choosing are conditions precedent to such Other Party's liability with respect to the Third Party Claim.

With respect to any Third Party Claim for which any Joining Party is jointly liable with any of the other Joining Parties (or would be if joined in the Third Party Claim), each such jointly liable Joining Party shall contribute to the amount of expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred and paid or payable by all such jointly liable Joining Parties in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative fault of such jointly liable Joining Party in connection with the events which resulted in such expenses, judgments, fines, or settlement amounts, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative fault of each such jointly liable Joining Party shall be determined by reference to,

among other things, the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information, and opportunity to correct or prevent the circumstances resulting in such expenses, judgments, fines or settlement amounts. In any instance, the contribution amount of each such jointly liable Joining Party is capped to the same extent as it would have been capped under Oregon law if such Joining Party had sole liability in the proceeding.

IX. AMENDMENTS

The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented, or amended except by written instrument signed by all Joining Parties. This Agreement may be extended upon written amendment.

X. TERMINATION

This Agreement may be terminated with respect to all Joining Parties by the written mutual assent of all Joining Parties. Any Joining Party may terminate its status as a party to this Agreement upon thirty (30) days' notice, in writing to DCBS.

XI. FORCE MAJEURE

No Joining Party shall be held responsible for delay or failure to perform when such delay or failure is due to fire, flood, epidemic, strikes, acts of God or the public enemy, unusually severe weather, legal acts of public authorities, or delays or defaults caused by public carriers, which cannot be reasonably foreseen or provided against. In such event, the period for the performance shall be extended for the period of such delay. Upon the cessation of the cause of delay or nonperformance, the affected Joining Party shall resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement. Any Joining Party may terminate its status as a party to this Agreement, effective with the giving of written notice, if it determines that such delays or failure will reasonably prevent successful performance in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

XII. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Joining Parties shall attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute arising out of this Agreement. This may be done at any management level, including at a level higher than persons directly responsible for administration of this Agreement. In addition, the Joining Parties may agree to utilize a jointly selected mediator or arbitrator (for non-binding arbitration) to resolve the dispute short of litigation.

XIII. NONDISCRIMINATION

The Joining Parties shall comply with all applicable requirements of Federal and State civil rights and rehabilitation statutes, rules, and regulations in the performance of this Agreement.

XIV. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS; GOVERNING LAW

The Joining Parties shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws and ordinances applicable to the work to be done under this Agreement. The parties agree that this Agreement shall be administered and construed under the laws of the State of Oregon.

XV. PARTNERSHIP

No Joining Party is, by virtue of this Agreement, a partner of or joint venturer with any other Joining Party in connection with activities carried out under this Agreement, and no Joining Party shall have any obligation with respect to any other Joining Party's debts or any other liability or obligation of any other Joining Party of whatever kind or nature.

XVI. AUDIT

DCBS reserves the right to audit all records of any other Joining Party that may be pertinent to this Agreement, and such other Joining Party shall bear the expense of any such audit.

XVII. NO WAIVER OF CLAIMS

The failure by any Joining Party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver by that party of that provision or of any other provision or provisions of this Agreement.

XVIII. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including all Undertakings executed and delivered by the Joining Parties, constitutes the entire Agreement between the Joining Parties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement and supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous negotiations or agreements between the Joining Parties, or any of them, whether written or oral, concerning the subject matter of this Agreement which is not fully expressed herein. This Agreement may not be modified or amended except by a writing signed by all Joining Parties.

JOINING PARTY SIGNATURES

See various Undertakings, each of which is incorporated into and made part of this Agreement.

EXHIBITS

Ex. 1: Form of Undertaking

Ex. 2: Executed DCBS Undertaking

EXHIBIT 1
BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT
FORM OF UNDERTAKING

The undersigned City of Newberg - Building Division hereby:

1. Enters into and joins that certain BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT (FIXED TERM), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Agreement"), as a Joining Party;
2. Represents that it has read and understands the Agreement and all terms and conditions thereof;
3. Agrees to comply with and be bound by the Agreement and all terms and conditions thereof; and
3. Reaffirms and restates all material assertions, representations, and warranties made by the Joining Parties in the Agreement.

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

The undersigned's Contract Administrator for the Agreement is:*

Name:	<u>Brooks Bateman</u>	Address:	<u>City of Newberg - Building Division</u>
Title:	<u>Building Official</u>		<u>P.O. Box 970 / 414 E First ST</u>
Phone:	<u>537-1209</u>		<u>Newberg, OR 97132</u>
Email:	<u>building@newbergoregon.gov</u>	FEIN:	<u>93-6002221</u>

NOTICES

All notices and deliveries (other than payment) to the undersigned under the Agreement should be directed to:*

Joining Party:	<u>City of Newberg - Building Division</u>
ATTN:	<u>Brooks Bateman, Building Official</u>
Address:	<u>P.O. Box 970 / 414 E First St</u>
	<u>Newberg, OR 97132</u>
Email:	<u>building@newbergoregon.gov</u>

PAYMENTS

All payments to the undersigned under the Agreement should be directed to:*

Joining Party: City of Newberg - Building Division
ATTN: City of Newberg Accounts Payable
Address: P.O. Box 970 / 414 E First St
Newberg, OR 97132
Email: accountspayable@newbergoregon.gov

**Or as may be otherwise designated in writing and delivered to all Joining Parties.*

The undersigned understands and acknowledges that this undertaking shall not take effect unless and until this undertaking is executed and delivered in accordance with Section I of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this undertaking and the Agreement as of the date set forth below.

JOINING PARTY:

City of Newberg - Building Division

Signature: _____
Name: Will Worthey
Title: City Manager
Date: _____

Signature: _____
Name: Scot Siegel
Title: Community Development Director
Date: _____

EXHIBIT 2

BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT

EXECUTED DCBS FORM OF UNDERTAKING

The undersigned, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division hereby:

1. Enters into and joins that certain BUILDING EVALUATION SUPPORT AGREEMENT (FIXED TERM), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the “Agreement”), as a Joining Party;
2. Represents that it has read and understands the Agreement and all terms and conditions thereof;
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CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

The undersigned’s Contract Administrator for the Agreement is:*

Name: Michelle Usselman Address: PO Box 14470
 Financial Operations
Title: Manager Salem, OR 97309-0404
Phone: 503-378-3755 Email: Michelle.M.Usselman@dcbs.oregon.gov

NOTICES

All notices and deliveries (other than payment) to the undersigned under the Agreement should be directed to:*

Joining Party: DCBS – Building Codes Division
ATTN: Statewide Services
Address: PO Box 14470
 Salem, OR 97309-0404
Email: BCD.jurisdictionsupport@dcbs.oregon.gov

PAYMENTS

All payments to the undersigned under the Agreement should be directed to:*

Joining Party: DCBS – Building Codes Division
ATTN: Fiscal Services
Address: PO Box 14470
Salem, OR 97309-0404
Email: Fiscal.BCD@dcbs.oregon.gov

**Or as may be otherwise designated in writing and delivered to all Joining Parties.*

The undersigned understands and acknowledges that this undertaking shall not take effect unless and until this undertaking is executed and delivered in accordance with Section I of the Agreement.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division has executed this undertaking and the Agreement as of the date set forth below.

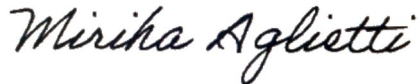
DCBS:

State of Oregon, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Building Codes Division

Reviewed by:

Executed by:

Signature: 
Dawn Bass (Oct 2, 2024 11:55 PDT)
Name: Dawn Bass
Title: Deputy Administrator
Date: 10/02/2024

Signature: 
Name: Miriha Aglietti
Title: Designated Procurement Officer
Date: 10/03/2024

State of Oregon Approvals:

Approved Pursuant to ORS 279A.140
Department of Administrative Services

Approved Pursuant to ORS 291.047
Department of Justice

Signature: Not Required per OAR 125-247-0365(4)
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Signature: Approved via email
Name: Jacob Gill
Title: Assistant Attorney General
Date: 09/09/2024

EXHIBIT A-2
BUILDING ASSESSMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT
STATE OF OREGON BCS BACKGROUNDER



Oregon

Tina Kotek, Governor



Department of Consumer
and Business Services

Date: Oct. 1, 2024

Subject: Building Evaluation Support Agreement Informational Backgrounder

Background:

In response to industry needs for increased resources for building official, plan review and inspection services, the Oregon Building Codes Division (BCD) has created an interagency agreement that will make it easier for jurisdictions to share resources directly with each other. The Building Evaluation Support Agreement (BESA) will be a voluntary, multilateral mutual aid agreement (Multilateral Agreement) that building departments may use to request and share Building Official services between departments, such as plan review and inspection services.

By using BESA, the requesting building department and the service provider department ("Joining Parties") will agree to the basic terms outlined in the Agreement. All building departments signatory to the agreement will be able to share staff resources with each other. BESA promotes efficiency by eliminating the need to negotiate and execute new interagency agreements every time mutual aid is requested or required. Being able to offer mutual aid allows jurisdictions to keep their projects moving, while not having to carry the added expense of unused labor capacity.

Questions:

1. What are the costs for using BESA?
2. How does a building department begin using BESA?
3. How long is the agreement valid for?
4. Is the agreement limited to specific services?

Answers:

1. As stated in section V of the agreement, the requesting party agrees to pay the service provider on a quarterly basis, at a rate that involves one of the following options:
 - a) Ninety percent (90%) of the plan review fee collected by the requesting party for plan reviews completed under this agreement.
 - b) Ninety percent (90%) of the permit fee collected by the requesting party for permitted work where BCD will conduct all associated inspections with the permit.
 - c) Eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) per hour for work not identified in (a) or (b).
 - d) For each month that service provider provides interim building official services, but no inspection or plan review services, 10% of all building code related fees collected by requesting party.



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2. To begin receiving and / or providing services, each party must agree to the terms as outlined in the BESA by executing an “Undertaking to Join” form. BCD will have a current list of joining parties, along with their signed undertakings, publicly available on the BCD website. This will allow for joining parties to communicate directly with each other.
3. Agreements will be valid from the time a joining party executed and delivered it's Undertaking to Join form. Undertakings will expire on June 30, 2034.
4. As described within Section IV “Statement of Work” of the agreement, the only services that will be provided under the agreement are those requested by the requesting party and as service provider has available staff to complete the requested work.

For additional information, please visit the BESA webpage by scanning the QR code:



Oregon Building Evaluation Support Agreement

Resolution No. 2024-3955

December 16, 2024



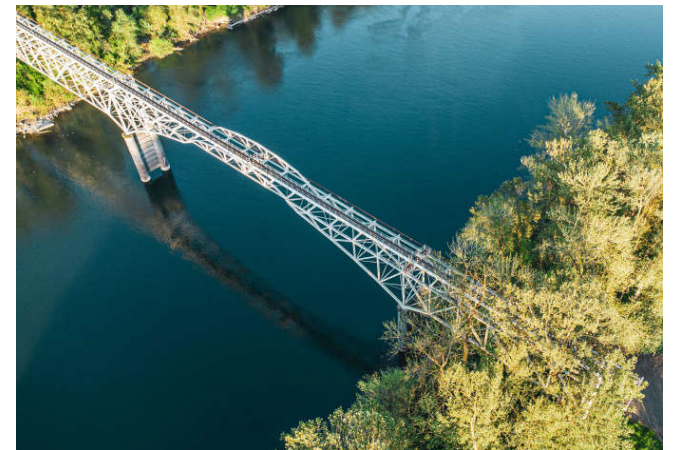
Building Evaluation Support

- Statewide mutual aid
- Voluntary
- Addresses workload imbalances and temporary workforce shortages
- May help Newberg maintain its own building dept.
- Provides for cost-recovery



Agreement

- Requesting Party and the Service Provider (“Joining Parties”) agree to the basic terms.
- All building departments signatory to the agreement will be able to share with each other as needed and when mutually agreed.
- Promotes efficiency by eliminating the need to negotiate and execute multiple intergovernmental agreements.
- Fee schedule



Recommendation

Move to approve Resolution 2024-3955 authorizing the City Manager to sign an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Oregon for building evaluation services.

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Date Action Requested: December 16, 2024

Order <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Information <input type="checkbox"/> Proclamation <input type="checkbox"/>	
No. 2024-3956	
Subject: Annual Evaluation of City Manager, Will Worthey	
Business Session	Order On Agenda: New Business
Hearing Type: Administrative	

Is this item state mandated? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please cite the state house bill or order that necessitated this action:

Recommendation:

Approve Resolution 2024-3956 documenting the annual evaluation of the City Manager Will Worthey.

Executive Summary:

In accordance with the Newberg City Charter, the City Manager is the chief administrative head of the City of Newberg, which reports directly to the Mayor and City Council and is supervised by the governing body. The City has a contract with the City Manager and pursuant to that contract; the City Council will evaluate the City Manager on an annual basis.

A review has hereby been completed by the Council on the following criteria.

The criteria evaluated were:

1. Performance related to management.
2. Performance related to planning goals.
3. Performance related to communications.
4. Performance as a fiscal agent/budget officer.
5. Performance related to customer service.
6. Performance related to intergovernmental relations.
7. Overall performance.

All areas were ranked on a 5 point scale with 1 being the unsatisfactory and 5 being exceeds expectations.

The average scores in all categories fell between excellent performance and exceeds expectations with an average score of 4.57 on overall performance.

Fiscal Impact: N/A Should salary or benefit adjustments be made as a result of this evaluation, they will be conducted by a separate resolution approving a new contract. Accepting this resolution has no fiscal impact.

Council Goals:

This item fulfills council goal G5: Create and maintain a high level of transparency with our residents in order to build trust.



RESOLUTION NO. 2024-3956

A Resolution approving the results of the annual evaluation of the City Manager Will Worthey.

Recitals:

1. In accordance with the Newberg City Charter, the City Manager is the chief administrative head of the City of Newberg, which reports directly to the Mayor and City Council and is supervised by the governing body.
2. The City has a contract with the City Manager and pursuant to that contract; the City Council will evaluate the City Manager on an annual basis.
3. A review has hereby been completed by the Council on the following criteria.
 - Performance related to management.
 - Performance related to planning goals.
 - Performance related to communications.
 - Performance as a fiscal agent/budget officer.
 - Performance related to customer service.
 - Performance related to intergovernmental relations.
 - Overall performance.

The City of Newberg Resolves as Follows:

1. The Council rates the City Manager's performance as excellent to exceeds expectations.
2. The Council would like to thank Mr. Worthey for his service to the city and looks forward to ongoing partnership with the City Manager.

Effective Date of this resolution is the day after the adoption date, which is: December 17, 2024.

Adopted by the City Council of Newberg, Oregon, this 16 day of December 2024.

Rachel Thomas, City Recorder

Attest by the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Bill Rosacker, Mayor

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Date Action Requested: December 16, 2024

Order ☐ Ordinance ☐ Resolution ☐ Motion ☒ Information ☐ Proclamation ☐

Subject: Appointment of Board, Committee and Commission Members

Staff: Rachel Thomas
Department: Administration

Business Session

Order On Agenda: New Business

Hearing Type: Administrative

Is this item state mandated? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, please cite the state house bill or order that necessitated this action:

Recommendation: Motion to ratify appointment of the following candidates to their perspective committees:

Affordable Housing Commission 3-year Terms January 1, 2025-December 31, 2027

- [Casey Banks](#)
- [Randy Rickert](#)
- [Branden Fale-DeBusk](#)-student only serves a one-year term Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2025
- [Samantha Cooley](#)

Budget Committee 4-year Terms January 1, 2025-December 31, 2028

- [Raquel Peregrino de Brito](#) -incumbent
- [Judy Brown](#)-incumbent
- [Theodore Ebor](#) -incumbent
- [Austin Cracraft](#)
- [Elias Semenyuk](#)-student only serves a one-year term Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2025

Historic Preservation Commission 3-year Terms January 1, 2025-December 31, 2027

- [Debbra Buerkle](#)-incumbent
- [Brian Engstrom](#)-student /incumbent only serves a one-year term Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2025
- [Karen Tozer](#)

Planning Commission 3-year Terms January 1, 2025-December 31, 2027

- [Matthew Mansfield](#)
- [Elise Steffen](#)- student only serves a one-year term Jan 1, 2025-Dec 31, 2025
- [Linda Newton-Curtis](#)
- [Jason Dale](#) -incumbent

Traffic Safety Commission 3-year Terms January 1, 2025-December 31, 2027

- [Russell Johnson](#)

Library Board

- [Jessica Hopkins-Hubbard](#)

Executive Summary: These selections will fill the vacancies made by ending terms or resignations over the past year. Recommendations were made by Mayor Bill Rosacker.



Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.
2. What are you most proud of?
3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

I am the pastor of Newberg First United Methodist Church and moved here with my husband and daughter in summer 2020 when my church appointment began. After growing up in southwest rural Missouri, I spent time in North Carolina for graduate school and then Washington for my first church appointments. I was so excited to get appointed to “wine country” and my parishioners have taught me a lot about the local vineyards and hazelnut orchards.

In addition to my local professional work, I also serve as Vice President of the Council on Finance and Administration for the United Methodist churches of Oregon and Idaho and coach other churches on systems to be more effective at their mission by being more efficient with their governance structures. As a mom, I volunteer at Mabel Rush elementary and chauffeur my kiddo to many CPRD gymnastics and soccer events.

2. What are you most proud of?

I’m extremely proud of the influence I have had in developing multiple affordable housing projects. In North Carolina, I launched a series of conversations about the Tiny House movement that inspired congregants and resulted in the formation of a nonprofit that has spent the past 10 years building tiny homes for homeless veterans in Greensboro, NC. I am currently shepherding my Newberg congregation through a project with Newberg Area Habitat for Humanity and Head Start of Yamhill County to develop a multi-use building in Dundee that will offer 4 condominium-style homes for Habitat families and 2 classrooms for Head Start.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

My goal for serving on the Affordable Housing Commission is to be a good steward of the limited resources we have to support housing projects and ask good questions that ensure the projects we support are well-planned and affordable long-term. I have chosen to volunteer my time for a city commission because I passionately believe that local politics change people’s lives and this commission best aligns with my personal interests of housing and supporting low-income residents.

-Rev. Casey Banks

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Braden Fale-DeBusk and I have lived in Newberg for 6 years now. I used to live in Baker City which is in Eastern Oregon but moved here in 2017. Currently I'm at Newberg High School as a Junior and am within the top ten of my class ranking. I participate in many extracurriculars including cross country, track and orchestra all of which I am a core part of. I have been a varsity member of cross country and track for the past two years along with being chamber master of the Newberg Strings Orchestra before moving up to the Chamber Orchestra. Currently I work at the Chehalem Aquatic Center as one of the top Lifeguards and am soon to be promoted to Lead Guard. I have always strived to be at the top of an activity I'm in, in order to get a better understanding of what it takes to be even better at it.

2. What are you most proud of?

I'm proud of overcoming a big medical surgery I experienced over the summer. What I'm proud of it however is how little I let it affect me despite taking me out of my element for several months. To further this is allowed me to be humble and not take the small things in my life such as the sports I run for granted. The surgery showed me how to take experiences for what they are and appreciate whatever I am given no matter how small.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

I want to learn and understand how a community and a city system cooperate and interact with one another from a first hand view. Along the way obviously by being one of those helping and making the decisions, because learning from hands on I believe is the best way. With this I can also support the give back to the community around me which is needed anywhere not just in Newberg. The skills I'll learn and grow from serving on the committee will not only benefit Newberg but also myself later on in life.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Samantha Cooley, I have lived back in Newberg for seven years, but this community has always been home to me. I grew up here, leaving during high school, and spent 23 years living in other Oregon cities, including Salem, Dallas, Ashland, Beaverton, Forest Grove, and Hillsboro. My time away gave me valuable perspective on Newberg's growth, challenges, and opportunities. I was actively involved within the communities that I lived in. From the chamber of commerce to various community engagement organizations.

During that time, I built a diverse career in public service, with roles in investigations, law enforcement, public safety, and security. I've also owned and operated three small businesses, including a franchise, which taught me how to build relationships, solve problems, and create opportunities.

As a mother and grandmother, I understand the importance of fostering a stable, thriving environment for families. I hold multiple certifications, a college degree, and am currently pursuing another. My journey has always been guided by a passion for serving others and contributing to the success of the communities I care about—especially Newberg.

2. What are you most proud of?

One of my proudest accomplishments was lobbying with a nonprofit organization to make strangulation a felony. Strangulation, particularly in the context of domestic violence, is one of the strongest predictors of escalating lethal violence. Advocating for victims, supporting offenders with resources to break cycles of violence, and driving legislative change were deeply meaningful experiences. This work taught me the power of advocacy and reinforced my belief in creating safer communities through collaboration and compassion.

Beyond this achievement, I am most proud of the opportunities I've had to help people during their most difficult moments. Whether guiding someone through trauma, connecting them with resources, or simply being a supportive presence, these moments of service have been incredibly fulfilling.

Helping others gives me a profound sense of purpose. Witnessing their resilience and knowing I played even a small role in their journey toward stability and hope is both humbling and rewarding. For me, this work is more than a career—it's a calling that underscores the importance of community and service.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

My primary goal is to ensure every Newberg resident has access to safe, stable, and affordable housing. Housing is more than a basic need—it is the foundation for stability, opportunity, and well-being.

To achieve this, I will focus on: Engaging the Community: Listening to the voices of residents—especially those most impacted by housing challenges—is essential. I want to foster transparency and inclusivity in decision-making to ensure solutions meet the community’s diverse needs.

Ensuring Effective Resource Allocation: The Newberg Affordable Housing Trust Fund is a vital tool for change. I am committed to evaluating funding proposals carefully and prioritizing projects with measurable outcomes to maximize the fund’s impact.

Collaborative Problem-Solving: I plan to work closely with the commission, city staff, and community partners to develop equitable, practical, and sustainable housing solutions.

Ultimately, housing is the cornerstone of a thriving community. I am passionate about contributing to a future where every Newberg resident has the opportunity to live in a safe and stable home.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

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My name is Raquel Peregrino de Brito, I work in Regulatory Affairs of Medical devices. I have lived in Newberg since 2015. I am married and have two kids. This is my 3rd year in the budget committee

2. What are you most proud of?

Working with people of different backgrounds to improve processes.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

Ask curious questions, to promote explanations that citizens may have about where funds are allocated.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

I have lived in Newberg since 2008. As a teacher at the high school, I moved to the town I was teaching in.

2. What are you most proud of?

My proudest moments are helping student serve others through Kiwanis and other student organizations. Helping other learn to serve was my first priority when coaching or teaching students. Of course, learning the curriculum for students was first but student need to learn to serve others!!!!

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

I'm here to serve with business background as an owner and teacher of business. I look forward to looking at the budget and making Newberg a good place to live and work.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Austin Cracraft. I'm 27 and have been in Newberg for the last 4 years with my fiancé and two dogs. I currently work as the lead accountant for an excavation company in Donald, OR after graduating from Oregon in 2019. In my free time, I enjoy watching spending time with my family, watching sports and running.

2. What are you most proud of?

I am most proud of the life I've built for myself in Newberg. I have surrounded myself with people and things that I care about and that care about me. I've got a job that I enjoy and challenges me. That paired with my prior support systems allows me to tackle any challenges life throws my way.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

My number one goal is to serve my community. I come from a family who has always served their communities and I think it is important to be involved. I hope to lend my expertise to help the committee as well as learn about the city and its priorities.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Deb Buerkle. I was transferred to the area in late 2009 by a division of Danaher Corporation, where I worked as a platform HR Leader. My husband and I chose to live in Newberg because our eldest son, Brandon and his wife Korie, lived here at the time of my transfer. Subsequently, our daughter, Brie, (who is an engineer with Intel) and younger son, Brad, (who now owns Barley & Vine Tavern) also moved to Newberg, so our entire immediate family lives here. I love this community and I love living in Oregon. I am profoundly grateful for the resources available here and enjoy using the Aquatic & Fitness Center, the library, and attending classes at the Chehalem Cultural Center. I am an avid gardener and thrilled to be able to grow just about anything out here – versus having a 2- month summer season where I lived at 7400 feet elevation in Colorado!

Prior to 2009, when I lived in Colorado, I was active in our church and in the SHRM (Society for Human Resource Management) state and local leadership. I served on the advisory board for Goodwill Industries, as well as State Legislative Director for SHRM. After moving to Oregon, I served on the Yamhill County Park & Recreation committee, and facilitated a local HR leaders' professional networking group in Hillsboro, where I worked from April of 2013 until my retirement in mid-2023. Post retirement, I joined the Chehalem Valley Rotary Club, and enjoy participating in service projects.

I love learning new things as well as old. I am a fan of all things history: historical novels, museums, and anything with an interesting story that links past to present, which is why I wanted to volunteer to serve on this commission. I enjoy traveling internationally, and learning about the history of the places I visit.

During my final three years of work as I began to reduce my hours and train my replacement, I decided to pursue learning clinical herbalism, which combines my love of plants with a respect for natural healing methods. After finishing the program, (a month after I retired), I opened a clinical herbalist practice and I enjoy helping clients achieve their health goals with herbs and nutrition.

2. What are you most proud of?

I am proud of some of the things I accomplished in my career that helped make employees' experiences at work more pleasant and productive, including designing and implementing new compensation and benefits plans, helping employees understand and use their benefits, mediating and resolving workplace conflicts, partnering with management to achieve goals through effective hiring, implementing new HR related automation and systems, and creating a Corporate Leadership University for one of my employers.

I am most proud of my family, and my 47-year marriage to my husband, John.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

- a) To learn more about the history of Newberg and to help our community preserve our local history.
- b) To facilitate additional and improved communication and education resources about our local history to create a fluid story that serves to attract and retain businesses and visitors, and to help current members of our community learn more about our past and feel proud to live here.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Brian Engstrom, and I am a 16-year-old homeschooled junior in high school. I live in the eastern part of Newberg. I have a strong interest in local history and photography.

2. What are you most proud of?

I take great pride in the social, political, and professional relationships I have developed during my time living in Newberg over the past year.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

My goal in serving on this committee is to help preserve as much of Newberg, Oregon's history as possible. I am passionate about being involved in community efforts, and I want to ensure that, when I am downtown, our historical buildings are well-maintained and preserved.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

I grew up in Southern California and came to Oregon in 1968 to attend Lewis & Clark College. I lived in Portland for 20 years, working in the international trade and transportation industry, until my job moved me back to California. In addition to my private sector employment, I also worked for the City of Los Angeles for 25 years in various management capacities at the Harbor and Airport departments until I retired in 2016.

In 2022, I returned to Oregon, taking up residence in Friendsview's Springbrook Meadows neighborhood. I chose Newberg because it offers access to arts and culture and has a "small town" environment. Here I can know my neighbors and participate in and contribute to the life of my community.

2. What are you most proud of?

What a broad and challenging question. If I look at my career, I have to say I am most proud of my leadership in obtaining the Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) designation for the Port of Los Angeles in 1994. An FTZ is the United States' version of what are known internationally as free-trade zones. The FTZ program is an economic development tool designed to promote American competitiveness by encouraging companies to maintain and expand their operations in the United States.

The application to establish, operate, and maintain an FTZ is complex, requires approval of Secretaries of Commerce and Treasury, and must be deemed to serve "the public interest." The Port's application was sizable and involved multiple sites throughout greater Southern California and required support from local, regional, and state entities. I managed the complexity of the application process as well as operational oversight after the FTZ designation was granted.

This accomplishment also led to my one-year appointment in 2000 as Director of International Trade under then-Mayor Richard Riordan.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

After living so many years in greater Los Angeles, I am so appreciative of the small-town qualities of Newberg and the surrounding area. I realize that modernization and progress is necessary for City development and growth, but it needs to be done in a thoughtful way, maintaining important historical elements to achieve a balance of the past, present and future. It is the feeling of a "small town with a preserved past" that sets Newberg apart from other communities.

I want to be a part of bringing those strengths forward as we grow and maintain Newberg as the special place it is. I hope you will give me that opportunity.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Elise Steffen i have lived in newberg since i took my first breath! I live to call this town my home and feel so blessed to live here. I have been as involved as you can be for as long as i can remember— I have served on student council since i was in the 7th grade and also i have been on my schools leadership team since 7th grade!! Through these leadership classes is where i thrive, i have been the director of communications and the director of social media!! I have found my passion within these positions and i plan to study communications and minor in public relations when i go to collage next year! I'm also involved in the sports side of the high school with being involved in 3 sports— swim team, golf and i am the captain of the ski team!! I love helping people and serving my community- Last spring i applied and got the position of Princess of the old fashioned festival! This position taught me what it takes to really help and serve a community and i found great joy in helping others!! I love Newberg and i'm so excited to be involved in such a special opportunity!!

2. What are you most proud of?

I am most proud of my relationships with others- i thrive on making and keeping strong relationships. I met some of the most influential people in my life over the summer when i was serving as princess. I love my community and i'm proud of the people that i have met in the time that i have been involved in my community. I love my company and I'm also proud of what i have accomplished in the past year!!!

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

My goals for serving on the committee is to help get a student voice heard in the community! I also want to be more involved and help make decisions in my community so i feel like i made an impact here where i grew up !!

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions: Linda Newton-Curtis

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

I'm English originally. I met my American husband when we were both living in Saudi Arabia and working for Saudia Arabian Airlines. He was a pilot and I was a flight attendant. We came to Newberg in 1991 when the first Gulf War broke out because we were concerned for our three young children being in a war zone. I've now lived in Newberg for over 30 years – longer than I've lived anywhere – including England. I achieved my American citizenship in 2004.

I have a British degree in education and had taught in London but my credentials weren't recognized in the USA so I went back to school and ended up getting a PhD in Systems Science and Developmental Psychology. I now work for a non-profit evaluating programs that have been implemented to support vulnerable children and families. My areas of focus have been children welfare, education and juvenile justice.

2. What are you most proud of?

I'm proud of the work I do for the organization I work for. Specifically, our team's research contributed to a federal funding stream change designed to help support child welfare-involved children living in out-of-home care. We've contributed to a very positive difference on a national level and I'm very proud of that.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

As a member of the Newberg Planning Commission, I want to ensure that as our town continues to grow and evolve, it remains a nurturing, community-oriented environment that supports the well-being and development of children and youth. Newberg has always been a wonderful place for families, and I want that to continue for for future generations.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Jason Dale. My family owns and runs Sportsman Airpark, which was started by my grandfather Sam Whitney in 1946. I've lived in Newberg most of my life, other than my very early life in Tualatin and 5 years in the US Navy where I was overseas. I've been serving on the Newberg planning commission since 2012.

2. What are you most proud of?

I am most proud that myself and my family can continue to operate the Airport in the interests of the public in the face of the ups and downs of the economy over the years that has claimed so many General Aviation airports over the years. Our good relationship with the City of Newberg and the community surrounding us is a major part of us being able to continue on as a provider of aviation services.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

I've been serving on the planning commission for many years and wish to continue to do so. It is my belief that if no one with capacity steps up to fill these positions in city government committees, then that leaves those positions open to being filled by those without the interest or capacity to do the work that needs doing in the interests of the people of Newberg.

My goals are to continue to serve those interests to the best of my ability in order to secure a prosperous future for the people of Newberg through considered application of existing rules and the (hopefully) inspired creation of new legislation to further facilitate the prosperity of Newberg.

Board/Committee/Commission Candidate Supplementary Interview Questions:

1. Give us a brief introduction to you. Please include how long you have lived in Newberg.

My name is Russell Johnson. My wife, Pamela, and I moved from Beaverton to Newberg in 1991. We purchased our home adjacent to Jaquith Park soon after and have lived there ever since. We have no children but we have had the privilege of several pets over the years, including one parrot and several adopted cats. We currently share our home with one kitty named Daca.

I have had a lengthy career in Information Technology, starting in 1984 in what became “Silicon Valley” in the SF Bay Area. I transferred to the Diagnostic Cardiology Division of Hewlett-Packard in McMinnville where I held the position of IT Specialist until 1997, when the division closed. I subsequently hired on at A-dec until I retired from my role as an IT System Administrator in 2023.

2. What are you most proud of?

I have done my best to live according to the “Golden Rule”: Do unto others as you would have them do unto you. In my life and work I have strived to help others be successful, and I am grateful for all the opportunities that have graced my life.

3. What are your goals for serving on this committee?

I’d like to learn more about how Newberg’s City government functions and hopefully make a worthwhile contribution to improving traffic safety and flow as Newberg grows.

City Council Interview Process of Board/Committee/Commission Candidates:

1. Candidates called up in groups by which committee they have been appointed to.
2. Power point to show committee and names of appointees.
3. Each candidate gives a short introduction.
4. Councilors may each ask one extra question of the candidate group.
5. All candidates answer.
6. Group is dismissed and next group is called.



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Affordable Housing Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Affordable Housing Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Traffic Safety Commission

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Affordable Housing Commission, term ending Dec 2024

Name

Casey Banks

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Newberg First United Methodist Church/Clergy

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

In 2023/2024, I have served as Vice Chair and Chair of the Affordable Housing Commission and would like to continue serving as an advisor to the City Council. Housing affordability has been on my radar since 2010 and it is a ministry priority of my congregation.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

With Leanne and Clay being relatively new to our city staff, I highly encourage some continuity of commissioner members as multiple of us have terms ending this December. I have been part of the CET and Trust fund NOFAs and allocation recommendations over the past 3 years, and I would like to be part of the recommendation process related to a legacy project utilizing the remaining \$1 million CET funds.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I see the commission's work as collaborative with the city staff--we are to work together to bring the best possible recommendations to the city council. I have guided the commissioners' processes of offering suggestions to staff-prepared NOFAs, scoring rubrics, and plans for public events which have led to stronger resources.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I would enjoy the opportunity to continue serving my city on the Affordable Housing Commission for another term. In the first box of this questionnaire, it implied you could choose multiple commissions but I did not see how to select multiple. Affordable Housing Commission is certainly my first choice, but I would also be willing to serve on the Planning Commission since their work has some overlap with the AHC's.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

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Affordable Housing Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Affordable Housing Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Affordable Housing Commission

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Affordable Housing Commission - 2023 to current

Name

Randy Rickert

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

Employer/ Occupation

The Springs Living, LLC

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I want to continue to serve on the Affordable Housing Commission to help address housing challenges in the Newberg community. Serving on the commission has allowed me to advocate for policies that make housing more accessible and affordable, especially for lower-income families. I can listen to key stakeholders and community members in guiding housing policies that best serve Newberg. I hope to continue to serve.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I was appointed to the Affordable Housing Commission in 2023 and know a significant amount, but there is much more to learn, so I'd like to continue serving. It has been a pleasure to listen to recommendations and discuss with colleagues how best to distribute financial grants to serve Newberg.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

Fostering collaboration, accountability, and respect helps me effectively collaborate with other commission members to achieve impactful housing solutions for Newberg.

Anything else you would like us to know?

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

If you selected Other, please let us know where you heard about this opportunity.

I currently serve on the affordable housing commission.

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Affordable Housing Commission

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Affordable Housing Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

Yes

Grade & School attending

Junior at Newberg High School

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

I have never served on a committee

Name

Braden Fale-DeBusk

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Lifeguard at CPRD in newberg

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

Affordable housing is a important issue in any city or town and I don't want to see Newberg have those same issues. I want to help the community that has supported many of the programs I have

benefited from and am a part of. I think affordable housing is one of the first steps to strengthening a city from the bottom up, and if I can be a part of that then that's something I want to do.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I don't know a whole lot but I'm willing to learn as much as possible. What I know is decisions are made on how to use the funds given by NAHTF in order to preserve affordable housing within Newberg.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I would take into account all involved perspectives and rationalize them against one other. As much as possible find solutions or actions that can benefit many but always try to take the best course of action I see fit with input from others, and know that all interests should be accounted for.

Anything else you would like us to know?

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Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

If you selected Other, please let us know where you heard about this opportunity.

My friends Mom suggested I look into the affordable housing committee because they needed a student rep.

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- Affordable Housing Commission
- Budget Committee
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Planning Commission
- Traffic Safety Commission
- Newberg Urban Area Management Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Newberg Urban Area Management Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Ad Hoc Committee for N Main St and Illinois Intersection Study

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

N/A

Name

Samantha Cooley

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

[REDACTED]

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Empower/ Master instructor

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

Affordable Housing Commission

Affordable housing is such a critical issue in Newberg, and I would love the opportunity to contribute to solutions that directly impact families and individuals facing housing challenges. Serving on this commission would allow me to help shape policies that make a real, tangible difference in people's lives.

Budget Committee

I enjoy strategizing and working with numbers, so the Budget Committee feels like a great fit. It would give me the chance to help influence how the city's funds are allocated, ensuring resources are used efficiently and effectively to benefit the entire community. Making financially responsible decisions that positively impact everyone would be incredibly rewarding.

Rate Review Committee

Ensuring that essential services remain accessible to everyone is something I'm very passionate about. On the Rate Review Committee, I'd have the opportunity to weigh in on how services like utilities are priced, striking a balance between affordability for residents and the sustainability of those services. I see this as a great way to advocate for fair pricing while supporting long-term community development.

Historic Preservation Commission

Preserving the rich history of our area has always been important to me. Being part of the Historic Preservation Commission would allow me to protect and celebrate Newberg's heritage, ensuring that our historical landmarks and cultural character remain intact for future generations to enjoy.

Planning Commission

The idea of playing a direct role in shaping the future development of our city excites me. The Planning Commission oversees land use policies, which would allow me to influence decisions that impact the growth, infrastructure, and overall livability of Newberg. I'd love to be involved in planning thoughtfully for our future.

Traffic Safety Commission

Public safety is a top priority for me, and I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Traffic Safety Commission. Here, I could advocate for measures that enhance road safety for drivers and pedestrians alike, contributing to solutions that make our community safer for everyone.

Newberg Urban Management Commission

Urban development is something I'm passionate about, and serving on this commission would allow me to help manage renewal projects that improve our city's infrastructure. I'm especially drawn to the opportunity to promote sustainable growth while enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

Newberg Urban Renewal Agency-Citizens Advisory Committee

I see this committee as a great opportunity to get involved in economic development projects that could revitalize areas in need of renewal. Helping to boost the local economy, create jobs, and attract new investments would be incredibly fulfilling and aligns with my commitment to fostering a thriving community.

Each of these committees presents a unique opportunity to make a positive impact, and I'm eager to find where I can contribute most effectively.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

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How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I will thoughtfully evaluate all relevant information and community feedback to assess the best options, ensuring decisions are made that serve the overall well-being and interests of the entire community.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I am considering volunteering and serving on boards because community service has always been important to me. I want to contribute in a way that truly impacts my community, helping to create positive change and ensuring that the needs of all are thoughtfully addressed. Serving in these roles would allow me to give back in a meaningful and lasting way, bringing my passion for service and dedication to the betterment of the community.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

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Budget Committee

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Budget Committee

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Budget committee, 2022, 2023 and 2024

Name

Raquel Peregrino de Brito

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Regulatory Affairs Consultant

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

Support the community

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I have served for 3 years

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

Ask questions on their behalf

Anything else you would like us to know?

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Budget Committee

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Budget Committee

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Budget Committee-2023-2024

Name

Judy Brown

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

retired

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I am wanting to be on the Budget Committee for a second term as I have learn so much about our great community.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I have served on the Budget Committee and understand the committed to being at the meetings and voting for what is best for the community.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

Working with others has always been a strength of mine working in education, I am looking forward to another term.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I have enjoyed my time and look forward to another term on the Budget Committee.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Budget Committee

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Budget Committee

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Budget Committee

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Budget Committee - Currently Serving

Name

theodore ebora

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Finance and Accounting Specialist - Clackamas River Water

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I am interested in continuing my position as a budget committee member. I am a longtime City of Newberg resident (1998) and have over 20 years experience in Finance mainly putting together agency budgets as well as monitoring expenditures against budgeted finances. I have also served as a budget committee member for 4 years without missing any of the budget meetings.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

The budget committee is the committee that oversees the development of the city budget. The committee approves the city budget every year (now moving to a biennial budget) to make sure the city and the departments within the city are carried out with the interest of the city in mind. The committee also makes sure that the city is being fiscally responsible with any spending the city plans or projects to spend in the coming year or years.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I am also a business owner with my daughter in the City of Newberg. My daughter mainly runs the business and between both of us we here citizens issues on a daily and weekly basis. All of this information is taken into consideration when I attend any budget committee meeting.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I have worked in government finance in the last 23 years and have a lot of experience on how the budget process works. I think the budget committee is where I can contribute the most while living in Newberg.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

- Affordable Housing Commission
- Budget Committee
- Traffic Safety Commission
- Newberg Urban Area Management Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Budget Committee

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

- Historic Preservation Commission
- Planning Commission

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

No

Name

Austin Cracraft

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Financial Controller at Valley Pacific Construction, Inc.

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I believe I would provide a unique skillset with my financial background and am a very good listener who can help bring a group to a decision that all can be content with.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

The budget committee helps adhere (and possibly set) to the budget and can help in brainstorming to solve problems concerning the budget.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I've grown up in and around teams and local government who consistently engage with their communities in order to best serve them. I also am easy-going and can communicate effectively with folks of all backgrounds.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I grew up around local service. My mom was the head of the chamber of commerce in our town and is now running for her city's council. My dad was on the planning commission in town as well. I believe with this environment growing up paired with my current professional and personal skillset can make me a valuable member to the town I now call home.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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Prior year applicant.

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

- Budget Committee
- Historic Preservation Commission
- Planning Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Affordable Housing Commission

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

Yes

Grade & School attending

George Fox University, Senior

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

N/A

Name

Elias Semenyuk

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Editor, George Fox Crescent; Business Owner; Student

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I am interested to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission because I believe that preserving Newberg's heritage connects our community to its roots and builds a sense of shared identity. My love for history, especially through reading about historical events and their impact on society, has led me to a passion for safeguarding cultural landmarks that tell the story of a place and its people. I am excited to play a role in protecting these sites so that Newberg's history can be appreciated by current residents and future generations.

Beyond historic preservation, I am also drawn to the Budget and Planning Commissions. With my background in economics, I see these roles as an opportunity to contribute to Newberg's financial stewardship and strategic planning. In the Budget Committee, I would bring an analytical perspective to evaluating expenditures and setting priorities that align with the community's goals. On the Planning Commission, I would focus on development strategies that balance economic growth with the need to preserve its historical and cultural assets.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

The Historic Preservation Commission identifies and preserves historical sites across Newberg, ensuring they remain a valued part of our community landscape. Established under Article VI of NMC 2.15, the commission meets quarterly to discuss key preservation strategies, assess potential historical sites, and raise community awareness about the significance of maintaining these landmarks. The commission works closely with residents to reflect community interests and is open to input from those within the Urban Growth Boundary. This inclusivity brings in varied perspectives, making the preservation effort both meaningful and representative of the whole community.

The Budget Committee, which I am also interested in, provides an important forum for reviewing the city's proposed budget each year, offering a chance for public input and ensuring funds are responsibly allocated. The committee's work is integral to maintaining transparency and ensuring that Newberg's financial resources are used in ways that reflect community priorities. Similarly, the Planning Commission makes critical decisions regarding land use and community development, setting policies and approving plans that shape the city's growth. This commission's decisions influence how Newberg evolves, creating a balance between expanding to meet economic demands and preserving the qualities that make the city unique.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

As a college student at George Fox University, I have a unique position within the Newberg community, connecting with both long-term residents and the student population. This position allows me to bridge perspectives between those deeply rooted in Newberg's history and younger voices who bring fresh ideas and concerns.

For the Historic Preservation Commission, I would work closely with long-time residents, local historians, and preservation advocates to understand which sites hold the greatest cultural and historical value, actively seeking feedback to ensure that preservation efforts reflect the values and heritage of the community. In the Budget and Planning Commissions, I would bring this same collaborative attitude, engaging with both residents and students to ensure that the community's best interests gets represented in the most optimal way. I believe that my background in economics also enables me to frame budgeting and planning discussions in a way that highlights potential benefits and trade-offs, helping the community understand the financial aspects of decisions.

Anything else you would like us to know?

N/A

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Yes

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Other

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Budget Committee

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Historic Preservation Committee 2021-2024

Name

Debbra Buerkle

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Retired HR Director, self-employed clinical herbalist

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I continue to learn about the history of this area and would like to stay on the commission to support and participate in the important work of preserving Newberg's history while promoting the City's economic development goals.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I am familiar with the Board's mission and purpose, and ordinances that govern the commission.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I will continue to work collaboratively with other board members, as well as listen to members of the community when opinions and concerns are shared around preserving and enhancing our City's history.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I am interested in working with the current and future commission members to achieve the goals identified during 2024 planning discussions, including improving education and communication of and about local historic buildings and finding a way to consolidate and share local history in a museum or common access - location.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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I am a current Historic Preservation commission member

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Mon, 10/14/2024 - 9:23am

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

Yes

Grade & School attending

Two way learning academy. Homechooled

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Yes, I have served on the 2024-2025 Historical Preservation Commission

Name

Brian Engstrom

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

N/A

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I am interested in Historical Preservation Commission. I have served on this commission before, and I love the opportunity to preserve local history.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

The Historical Preservation Commission's purpose in the community is to help protect and preserve local history.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I would work collaboratively with community members by teaching them the purpose of our commission, to protect and preserve local history.

Anything else you would like us to know?**If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?**

Yes

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Historic Preservation Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

- Affordable Housing Commission
- Budget Committee
- Planning Commission
- Traffic Safety Commission
- Newberg Urban Area Management Commission
- Newberg Urban Renewal Agency Citizens Advisory Committee

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

No

Name

Karen Tozer

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Retired

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I am new to Newberg and want to see a balance between new and historical buildings. Much of Newberg's charm is its history and I think it's important to maintain that feature to the extent possible.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

After reading the charter (ordinance) for the establishment and operation of the Historical Preservation Committee, it seems aligned with my desire to preserve Newberg's history through its buildings and structures.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I spent 25 years of my career with the City of Los Angeles, working in various senior capacities in two of its proprietary departments -- the Harbor (Port of Los Angeles) and the Airport (Los Angeles International and regional airports). I also worked in the Mayor's Office for one year as the Director of International Trade. As such, I am very familiar with the need and means to work collaboratively with elected officials, business partners and the public to achieve mutual agreements.

Anything else you would like us to know?**If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?**

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

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Tue, 09/10/2024 - 8:57am

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

- Affordable Housing Commission
- Budget Committee
- Planning Commission
- Newberg Urban Area Management Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Planning Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Ad Hoc Committee for N Main St and Illinois Intersection Study

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

I have not

Name

Matthew Mansfield

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Curtiss-Wright/ Project Manager

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

As a member of this community who is committed to raising my family (2 children under 3 years old) here in Newberg I care deeply about how we plan for the future. I believe that how we consider land use matters will affect the livability of our community and it's long term sustainability. Additionally, I want to serve and am interested in volunteering wherever I can.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I have read all the material available on the Newberg website for each commission. I understand that the planning commission works to address land use matters throughout the city.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I am excited to hear the different opinions and strategies of the other board members to collaborate with my thoughts based on my background as a homeowner/landlord and leader of a young family here in town. It is my hope that the other board members bring equally diverse and impactful backgrounds within our community to make sure we address issues holistically.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I am passionate about Newberg and want the best for this town that I hope to live in for the rest of my life. I believe my background as a homeowner, landlord, and father of a young family provides a unique perspective on this town and it's needs.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Planning Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Planning Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Budget Committee

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

Yes

Grade & School attending

Newberg High School

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

I served at the princess of the old fashioned festival this year 2024

Name

Elise Steffen

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

The Allison inn and spa

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I love being involved in my community and helping make our town a better place for everyone to live in. I was involved in the community helping with the old fashioned court and I loved being involved

that way. I went to community events and went to city council meeting which was an amazing way to be involved in the community. I want to serve on the planning committee because I want to make in our town that there are resources for everyone!!!

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I don't know much about my chosen committee but I'm eager to learn about how to be apart and do all I can to help!!

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I am so excited to learn about how the city and the different committees work so I would put my input in as a student and lean from what everyone has to say. I work really well in groups and i believe I take feedback really well.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I want to help my community with the last high school year I have, I'm excited to learn more about our city and the things we do to help it. Im iterated in really any committee that needs a student voice so the one that I put as my preference is not my one committee that I'm interested in. I also in very involved in the high School with being ski team captain, mental heath club president as well as doing social media for the high and helping with planning a school wide donation project!! I really hope you consider me to be your student repersentive!!

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Planning Commission

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Planning Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Budget Committee

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

2022 - 2024: Planning Commission

Name

linda newton-curtis

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Research Scientist: Human Services Research Institute

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I think servicing on the planning commission is an important role in having input and representing local the local community in providing feedback on planning decisions, considering best practices, emerging needs like affordable housing, environmental considerations, and infrastructure.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

The commission's primary role is to review and make decisions on various land use applications, including aspects such as design reviews, variances, conditional use permits, and planned unit developments.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I think it's import to foster a safe, respectful environment where team members feel comfortable sharing ideas, concerns, and feedback. In the work I do professionally as a research scientist working with federal, state, and local community members, my goal is always to keep communication open and encourage transparency to prevent misunderstandings. I will take the same approach on the planning committee.

Anything else you would like us to know?**If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?**

Yes

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Submitted by Emily Salsbury
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50.237.14.226

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Planning Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Planning Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

Planning Commission

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

Yes, Planning Commission 2012 to present

Name

Jason Dale

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

Employer/ Occupation

Owner- Sportsman Airpark

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

My family has owned and operated the Sportsman airport and been a part of the City of Newberg since 1946. Because of my families history and involvement in the City I am passionate about the future of the City and helping it grow smartly towards the future. I feel one way to do that is by being part of the land use process.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

I have been on the Planning Commission as various rolls since 2012, I am currently the Chair. During my time on the commission I have learned a lot about the rolls and responsibilities of Planning commissioners and the land use code. I feel that I bring historical knowledge the current commission and planners.

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I respect everyone's opinion and am willing to hear everyone out. I have no problem asking for clarification on an item if it seems that some of the commissioners are unclear. I treat everyone equally. If I am chair I make sure that all commissioners have had time to voice their concerns or opinion.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I have enjoyed my time on the commission and am looking forward to the upcoming work we will be doing. I feel good about the direction the staff is taking the planning department. Thank you for allowing me to apply after the deadline, I really appreciate it.

If you are not appointed at this time, may we keep your name on file?

Yes

How did you hear about this opportunity?

Other

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Submission information

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Submitted by Visitor (not verified)
Sat, 10/19/2024 - 10:00pm
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Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards on which you would like to be considered.

Traffic Safety Commission

Select the Committee/Commission/Board that is your primary preference

Traffic Safety Commission

Select the Committees/Commissions/Boards that you are not interested in, if any.

If appointed, I acknowledge I must attend at least 75% of meetings to hold my position.

Yes

Are you applying to be a student commissioner?

No

Have you previously served on a City of Newberg committee? Year and committee name.

None

Name

Russell Johnson

Residence Address

[REDACTED]

Mailing Address

Email Address

[REDACTED]

Phone number (optional)

[REDACTED]

Employer/ Occupation

Retired

Briefly describe your interest in serving on your selected committee/commission/board.

I have resided in Newberg since 1990 and have watched our community grow in population density. We have only been able to make a small number of significant safety changes to handle the impact of the increased vehicle, bike and pedestrian traffic not only from within Newberg, but also from the surrounding areas that use Newberg as a passthrough. I'd like to be able to help with that effort. I am quite curious about the safety issues our fellow citizens are experiencing and I would work to come to a consensus on solutions. I have a hunch that these can range from no or low cost simple

fixes to large, expensive projects. We can't always afford the big stuff but sometimes a few smaller steps can be taken that move us forward. I'd like to see a more robust response from the City when folks report their concerns and/or ideas about our roads and byways and this commission could help the Council communicate the work that is actually in-progress and keep a conversation going with the neighborhoods.

Please describe what you know about your selected committee/commission/board.

All that I know at this time is from the city website. I am very interested in learning more. I can fully agree with the mission statement: "To give the citizens of Newberg a forum to voice traffic safety concerns, evaluate related issues, provide a liaison with the City and promote traffic safety within the community."

How would you work collaboratively with community members?

I would support more direct "marketing" of the traffic safety commission to the community. We could ensure that flyers are posted in public places like the Library, Cultural Center, Senior Center, businesses, etc. that let people know the commission exists and is available. I would support having a table at the Wednesday Market and would encourage other committees to do the same, together or separately. I believe that if someone feels they are actually heard then working together can follow.

Anything else you would like us to know?

I hope that all the boards, committees and commissions get fully staffed!

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Jessica Hopkins-Hubbard

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Reading Specialist (Licensed Teacher)

How do you currently use the Newberg Public Library?

I check books out and use the Libby app quite often. I have also used the library as a place to study for grad school classes in the past.

As a Library Board member, explain how you would use your background to advocate for library service in Newberg.

I have been an elementary school classroom teacher since 2008 in Newberg (and one year in Dundee) and have transitioned to being a Reading Specialist. Places that champion literacy and community engagement are desperately needed and should be protected- libraries seem to be some of the last places where everyone is truly welcome and where knowledge and learning are seen as valuable. I grew up going to the library in Bellingham, WA at least once a week, it was a family event. My family had a very small amount of money for fun and the library filled so many spaces for us. There were summer camps and story times, library book sales that filled my shelves with books and free concerts on the lawn. For my community, the library was the hub and the place where everyone came together. I want that to continue to be true for Newberg and my hope is that I can use my time, knowledge and love of books and libraries to help! I have the opportunity to share what is happening at the library with the students I serve and hopefully connect their families to the many wonderful things the library provides. I would love to serve my community in this way and give back to libraries as they were such a central part of my childhood.