



SPRING 2025 NEWSLETTER



CITY OF THE DALLES

CITY OF THE DALLES ANNOUNCES 2025 DOWNTOWN BEAUTIFICATION GRANT

The City of The Dalles Beautification and Tree Committee is offering up to \$300 in reimbursement for projects that enhance storefronts in the downtown commercial zone. Eligible improvements include flowers, planters, and long-lasting features like hanging basket systems. Applications are due by May 1, 2025. Funding is limited, so early submissions are encouraged. Projects must be completed during the 2025 growing season and maintained through the summer.

Learn more and apply at www.thedalles.org/DTGrantBTC. Questions? Contact Abigail Jara at ajara@ci.the-dalles.or.us.

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS UPDATED ANIMAL ORDINANCE

The City of The Dalles adopted General Ordinance No. 25-1411 on March 24th, amending the Municipal Code Chapter 5.16 to clarify definitions, align regulations with community input, and improve enforcement.

Key updates include:

- **Continuous Annoyance**
- **Household Pets**
- **Livestock**
- **Prohibited Animals**
- **Livestock Permits**
- **Public Nuisance**

These changes will take effect on July 1, 2025, with outreach planned for public awareness. Full details are available on the City's website:

<https://ecode360.com/44562588#44562588>

FEDERAL STREET PLAZA UPDATE

On April 9th, the Federal Street Plaza Committee met at City Hall for a final presentation by Walker Macy. The team unveiled the completed design concept, along with detailed 3D renderings that brought the vision for the plaza to life.

The committee reviewed the final design and is now considering a recommendation to the City Council. This marks an exciting step toward transforming Federal Street into a vibrant and welcoming public space!



CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS HOUSING PRODUCTION STRATEGY

The Dalles City Council has officially adopted the Housing Production Strategy (HPS), a state-mandated plan aimed at increasing housing options and improving affordability. Developed through extensive community engagement and expert input, the HPS outlines 19 key actions to be implemented over the next eight years.

This strategy builds on previous housing studies and was funded through a state grant. It focuses on partnerships, policy updates, incentives, investments, and land use improvements to support a diverse range of housing needs, including for seniors, people with disabilities, and those experiencing homelessness.

Following its adoption, the City will submit the HPS for state review and track progress over the coming years. This plan serves as a roadmap for sustainable development and long-term housing solutions in The Dalles. To learn more please visit our website:

<https://www.thedalles.org/HPS>

ANNUAL SPRING COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

811 CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

Putting in a new fence? Installing an underground sprinkler system? Contact the 811 Utility Notification Center before digging more than 12 inches deep on your property. This important first step keeps you and your family safe from hitting an underground utility.



Call 811 before you dig.

Use the QR code to learn more at thedalles.org/call811

The 37th Annual Spring Community Clean Up will take place Saturday, May 2, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This year the event will be held at the Old Wasco County maintenance yard at the corner of West 10th Street and Walnut Street only at this date and time. Bring household yard debris and large items, such as furniture for free disposal.



Use the QR code to learn more at thedalles.org/cleanup

2025 INVESTMENTS IN PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT

The Transportation Division will soon begin this year's pavement preservation projects. Road condition evaluations help determine best-value candidates for street maintenance projects. The City directs its limited resources to help protect and extend the life of the transportation system.



Use the QR code to learn more about the City's 2025 investments in pavement management

SIDEWALK REHAB COST-SHARE PROGRAM

Now Taking Applications for the Sidewalk Rehabilitation Cost-Share Program

City of the Dalles is still taking application for the Residential, Commercial and Commercial Redevelopment Sidewalk Rehabilitation Cost-Share Program. Funds are currently available in fiscal year 2024/2025 for all three project types. New sidewalks required for a new or undeveloped lot are not eligible. Applicants for this program must be the property owner or authorized developer.



Use the QR code to learn more at thedalles.org/sidewalkrehab



CITY REVIEWING UPDATES TO DOG CONTROL ORDINANCE

The City of The Dalles is considering updates to its dog control ordinance (TDMC Chapter 5.20) to support community livability and better reflect current needs. The ordinance hasn't been updated since 2012, and staff from the Police Department, City Attorney's Office, and City Manager's Office have spent the last two years reviewing potential changes with input from the public, local veterinarians, the Columbia Gorge Humane Society, and legal experts. City Council is now being asked to weigh in on several proposed changes, including:

- Implementing a leash law
- Limiting the number of adult dogs per household
- Strengthening dog licensing requirements
- Updating rules around impoundment
- Expanding the definition of public nuisance behaviors

These changes aim to enhance public safety, improve enforcement, and support responsible pet ownership in The Dalles.

This topic will be discussed at the next City Council meeting on April 14th. For more information, please visit our website.

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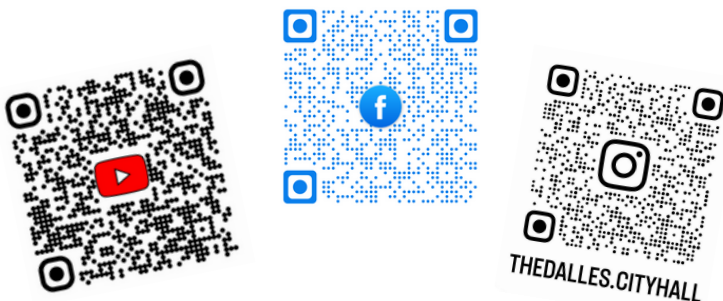


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Check out our video series of What's Happening at City Hall! Our City Manager highlights updates from council, committees, and boards, sharing insight on projects shaping our community. Want more? Point your phone's camera to scan the QR code to watch!



PUBLIC MEETING INFORMATION

To learn more about City Committee, Commission, and Board meetings visit our website where you can view agendas, minutes, and schedules. This is also where you go to find live-streamed meeting links and recorded video.



thedalles.org/agendas



CITY OF THE DALLES EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITES

WE ARE HIRING

POSITIONS:

- ENGINEERING INTERN
- LATERAL POLICE OFFICER
- TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER
- WASTEWATER COLLECTION CERTIFIED OPERATOR

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JOIN THE BEAUTIFICATION & TREE COMMITTEE!

Want to help make The Dalles a more beautiful place? The Beautification & Tree Committee has three openings for community members who are passionate about enhancing public spaces and fostering civic pride.

Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 4:00 PM, with Zoom access available. Apply today and be part of the effort to keep our city thriving! Learn more and submit an application at [The Dalles Boards & Committees Page](#).

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LISTEN TO CITY HALL ON THE RADIO

Stay connected with the City of The Dalles! Tune in to hear the City Manager on KODL radio every 1st Friday of the month and the Mayor every 4th Tuesday at 10:07 AM on the Coffee Break show with Al Wynn. Plus, don't miss the Executive Assistant to the City Manager on Radio Tierra every 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:30 AM for the latest updates and news. Stay informed and engaged!