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An update from City Administration, Planning, Public Works and Police Departments

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Are you interested in joining the City Council?

Applications are now open for City Council Seat 6, be a part of shaping the future of the City of Talent as the newest City Council member!

The City of Talent is seeking applicants for an open City Council position. Normally, councilors are elected by voters, but in cases of unexpected vacancies, the current City Council appoints new members.

To qualify, candidates must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a resident of Talent
2. Be a registered voter

To apply, submit an application to the City Recorder in-person or via email (cityrecorder@cityoftalent.org) by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 13th, 2024. Applications are available by scanning the QR code below, at Talent City Hall, or online at www.cityoftalent.org.



Candidate interviews will take place during the City Council's regular meeting on Wednesday, March 20th, 2024, at 6:45 p.m.

For more information, contact Community Engagement Director Hector Flores at (541) 535-1566 x6 or email hflores@cityoftalent.org.

Open Gallery at Talent City Hall

Step into the heart of Talent's artistry at Open Gallery at Talent City Hall, an arts open house event hosted by the Talent Public Arts Committee on Sunday, March 10, from 12-3pm. This is your jumping off point to dive into our local art community!

Featuring the works of currently exhibiting artists Mitch Aragon (etched granite), Erin Carney Moline (collage), Elizabeth Schrey (photography), Jarrett Rex Davidson (sculpture), Bruce Bayard (sculpture), and Miles Frode (sculpture) in addition to a selection of work from past and future exhibiting artists. Attendees can chat with local creators as well as discover how to get involved in the art scene in Talent and explore opportunities to participate in this growing, vibrant arts community.



All ages and backgrounds are invited to come and enjoy the local art, meet the artists, and learn more about participating in the art community in Talent. Light refreshments will be served. To submit your own art for future showings in City Hall, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/TPACsubmit. For more information as this event approaches, visit the Talent Public Arts Committee's Facebook and Instagram pages @TalentPAC. We can't wait to see you there!

City Welcomes New Community Development Planner

The City of Talent extends a warm welcome to Nick Schubert, our new Community Development Planner at City Hall. Nick brings valuable planning expertise and strong community connections, and we are thrilled to have him as part of our team! During Nick's onboarding process at City Hall, we took the opportunity to ask him a few questions, answers below:

Tell us about yourself!

I was born & raised right here in the Rogue Valley, I grew up in Jacksonville, & currently live in Medford. I attended Southern Oregon University & earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Studies with an Emphasis on Land Use Planning and a Minor in Geography. I moved to San Diego with my wife after graduating and decided to move back to the Rogue Valley as it is a better place to raise a family.

Why did you choose to come to the City of Talent?

I chose to come to the City of Talent because I grew up in a small historical town in southern Oregon (Jacksonville) and went to college locally in Ashland and thought it would be nice to get the best of both worlds here in Talent with its small-town historic atmosphere. I have previously worked for Jackson County in a rural land use setting and thought it would be a pleasure to work for a municipality in a smaller, more tight-knit community.

What is the best part of working in Talent?

So far it has been a pleasure working here and I love the staff here at the city of Talent, everyone has been so accommodating and the community as well seems so vibrant.

Anything you'd like to add?

I am really looking forward to settling down and continuing my career as a planner here.



Nick Schubert, our new Community Development Planner

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Free Trees from Plant Oregon

Plant Oregon and the City of Talent are working together to offer approximately 20 Nordman Fir trees free of charge to residents. These trees are part of Plant Oregon's live Christmas tree program, where residents enjoy a festive tree during the holiday season and then donate them afterward to be planted locally, promoting sustainability. Participation is free for local residents who are willing to water and maintain the tree. Please note that trees will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.



To request a tree, please contact the City Recorder at cityrecorder@cityoftalent.org, providing contact information including name and address for planting location. The sign-up period is from March 1st to March 31st, with plantings to follow thereafter.

City Seeking Public Input on Potential Additions to Chuck Roberts Park

The Talent Parks and Recreation Commission is eager to hear from you regarding the potential revamp of the tennis courts at Chuck Roberts Park. As pickleball gains popularity nationwide, the City of Talent is considering adding pickleball courts to the current layout, which is currently set up for tennis.

We value your input and would greatly appreciate your feedback on this development. Please take a moment to complete a survey by scanning the QR code below and share your thoughts on what you would like to see at

Chuck Roberts Park! The survey is also available on the city website by visiting www.cityoftalent.org. The survey will remain open until March 29th, 2024.

Your comments will help us better understand the community's preferences. If you have suggestions regarding additional park amenities, please feel free to email the Parks and Recreation Commission at parks@cityoftalent.org.



Spring into Recycling to be held on April 13, 2024

Together for Talent is planning a recycling event for Spring 2024 on Saturday April 13, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Spring into Recycling will be held at the Talent City Hall parking lot, 110 East Main Street. All area residents are welcome.

This will be a chance to off-load items you've been meaning to get rid of, but haven't quite gotten around to. What's more, by recycling you won't fill up garbage dumps and you'll help out the rest of the community who can make good use of things you no longer need or want.

While we have not got a final list of what we're able to take, we plan to take:

All clothing—shoes and accessories (such as purses, belts, bags, backpacks, wallets). Also, household items such as kitchenware, small kitchen counter appliances, dish ware, pots & pans, etc.

Electronics—computer, laptops, tablets, printers & monitors, TVs, stereos & record players, toner cartridges, household batteries, Christmas lights, car stereo equipment, chargers, cable and wire, portable electronics, game consoles.

Adventure gear—camping equipment, bicycle and bicycle parts.

Metal—both ferrous and non-ferrous.

We look forward to seeing you in April and making this another fun opportunity to reduce waste and help reuse in the community.

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Together for Talent Chair David Spinney at togetherfortalent@cityoftalent.org.