

The City of Mt. Angel Newsletter



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Council Budget Goals for 2013-14

The Budget Committee met and discussed their goals for the City in February; and the City Council confirmed those goals for this coming year's budget at its March Council meeting.

Here are a few Council livability goals for budget year starting July 1st:

- continue enhancement of the parks,
- replace the bench at Alder and E. College,
- better maintenance of gravel streets
- help fund the School Resource Officer position
- improve/replace public bathrooms near the gazebo
- double funding for the sidewalk repair and sewer lateral repair programs

The Council and Budget Committee also discussed creating a subcommittee to further goals for strategic planning and increasing City revenue. A full list of Council budget goals can be found on our website.

While the City budget is not approved until June, these are the goals that the Budget Officer uses to prepare and present the proposed budget in April.

Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions about the budget by calling 503-845-9291, dropping by City Hall or contacting one of your Councilors.

The new City website is live!

Please check out our new website at: www.ci.mt-angel.or.us. New features include a calendar of City events, news and announcements, an A-Z listing about specific topics, and Council resolutions for 2011 to the present. We will continue to add more information to the website over time, including Council meeting packets. This website was funded as a Council goal to improve communication in the community and we hope it will be useful for citizens, businesses and visitors.

Let us know if you have any questions or comments; there is a link to contact the City on the website, give us a call at 503-845-9291 or stop by City Hall.

City Sign Code Amendment Adopted

The City Council gave the final approval to adopt an amendment to the City's sign code. The process involved several discussions at Council meetings and two public hearings, one before the Planning Commission and one before the City Council. The changes to the sign code:

- apply only to the General Commercial zone (mostly the downtown area)
- increase the maximum number of signs allowed per business frontage from 2 to 3
- excludes one temporary banner *per business frontage* from the limit
- excludes one sandwich board sign *per business* from the limit

The amendment also changes the appointment process for the Design Review Board (which reviews sign permit applications) from Mayor appointed to full Council appointed to be aligned with the process for other board appointments. If you have any questions about the changes please contact Kelsey Lewis at City Hall, 503-845-9291 or email kewis@ci.mt-angel.or.us.

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**Please send your comments and suggestions-
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If I were Mayor...



The Oregon Mayors Association and your city invite you to enter the "If I were Mayor..." contest.

Share your creative ideas about what you would do as mayor!

Local winners are entered into the state contest for a chance to win a **NEW LAPTOP**

CONTEST DEADLINE: 2:30pm on Friday, April 12th

Contest Rules:

GENERAL RULES:

All submissions must be accompanied by a completed entry form. All forms for students under age 18 must be signed by the student's parent or guardian. Entry forms may be photocopied.

Only one submission per student will be accepted at the state level (**MULTIPLE LOCAL ENTRIES OK**).

Submissions will not be returned and will become the property of the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA).

OMA retains the right to publish essays and posters along with the names and likenesses of each student.

Previous local and statewide winners may participate, but they will not be eligible for prizes.

League of Oregon Cities (LOC) employees and dependents are not eligible to enter.

WINNERS:

3 local winners selected to win at each grade level (4th-6th)

1 poster will be used for the cover of the City Budget document (and may not be one of the 9 winners)

1 grand prize winner will be selected from all entries to be entered into the State contest.

POSTERS:

The poster contest is open to students enrolled in elementary school (grades 4-6) or being homeschooled at the same grade level for the 2012-13 school year.

Students are encouraged to be creative and may use any art medium (e.g., poster paints, felt pens, colored pencils, pastels, crayons, etc.). The poster may be in color or black and white.

The student's name and a daytime phone number or email address for their parent or guardian must appear on the back of the poster.

