

City of Shady Cove **INSIDER**



City of Shady Cove *"and a river runs through it!"*

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

The City Council had two discussion items on the agenda. The first was a review of the \$25,000 rider on the standard Business License Fee for the sale of Marijuana and the second was ODOT's revised scope of the project to improve Highway 62.

As you may recall, effective July 1, 2015, the City imposed a \$25,000 rider to the standard Business License Fee. That rider is much like an insurance policy. The Council believed that with the legalization of the sale of marijuana, activities requiring police response would go up significantly, for which the City needed a method to raise the money to pay for that increased response.

Nearly an hour of discussion took place involving both the Council and citizens. In the audience were both the proprietor of the one marijuana sales businesses in our City and the person who has at least six marijuana retail businesses in the State and intends to open the second permitted marijuana sales business in Shady Cove.

The upshot of the discussion was twofold. There has been no increase in activity requiring police response generated by the legal sale of marijuana. Secondly, the combination of sales being far below projection, high State and Federal Taxes and the amount of the City's License Fee rider have created a situation wherein the existing business is barely breaking even and opening of the second business is delayed.

The Council concluded that marijuana related activity will be closely monitored for

the balance of the calendar year. The subject of the Business License rider would be included in their January 7th agenda wherein the fate and amount of that rider for the balance of the fiscal year, would be decided.

Those of you who would like to see the marijuana sales business disappear from the streets of Shady Cove may ask why would the Council even consider the elimination or reduction in the rider fee. Our response is straight forward. The sale of marijuana is the only business in the City to which a rider has been attached to the Business License. As noted above, that rider was included for an anticipated increase in police activity, which hasn't materialized. Secondly, regardless of our personal feelings about the type of business, we encourage business and have no desire to inhibit their success. Quite the contrary, if we are able, our intent is to assist in their success.

On October 19th, the Mayor and City Administrator met with ODOT to determine the extent of changes in scope to the proposed Highway 62 improvements. The change in scope was referenced in a September 16th letter from the ODOT area Manager to the Mayor. The changes were made without the City's input or advance knowledge.

The most significant change is to the area on the West side of the highway from Rogue River Dr. to Chapparral. ODOT does not have right-of-ways or easements from the relative businesses. They contend the cost is not prohibitive. Rather than the intended indentation for parking, the current curb will be replaced with a new curb

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within the existing right-of-ways. The curb placement will vary from the current location up to as much as 5 feet closer to the businesses. Six vehicle access openings will be included with concrete access ramps up from the street. The first 5 feet behind the new curb will be surfaced with asphalt and act as a sidewalk. All area behind the curb will be available for parking.

On the East side of the highway the proposed sidewalk will end about 30 feet North of Chase Bank. Thus the sidewalk and parking indentation across from the Shady Cove Market is eliminated. Parking on that section of the highway will continue to be permitted as it is today.

Two pedestrian crossings are now included. One immediately North of the intersection with Rogue River Dr. and the second approximately in the center of the Chase Bank property. They will be marked on the Highway, having a flashing light on both sides of the highway with lights controlled by pedestrian activation on each side. All side streets will have a marked crosswalk.

An additional right turn lane on Rogue River Dr. at Highway 62 remains in the plan with a sidewalk South to the bridge.

The project is now scheduled to be completed by the end of September 2017, with the possible exception of striping, some finish grading, etc.

The Council is concerned about the inconsistent speed limits through town. We agreed to request a speed study at the completion of the project since the finished highway will have an impact on the study. We are looking for a consistent speed limit from the vicinity of the Fire Station north to Hudspeth.

KSHD RADIO: **KSHD 94.3 FM**

We are attempting to make our city-owned radio station available for everyone to listen. We have put a link on the City of Shady Cove's website that should allow live streaming. You will find it on the right side of the website, under Quick Links, a "button" that says KSHD Radio. Clicking that button should open a media player (or ask you what program to use) that starts the station. Hopefully people will find it useful, as we use the station not only for music and radio shows, but

weather, local community happenings and announcements. We'll continue to work out any bugs over the short term in hopes we can reach an even broader audience.

Also, the City of Shady Cove has a twitter account, https://twitter.com/Shady_Cove which is used for announcements of local community happenings, meeting times, etc. If you're on Twitter, please take the opportunity to follow us.

LEAF DROP OFF

Leaf drop off ends December 2nd. Bring your bags of "**LEAVES ONLY**" to the Shady Cove Public Works Building. We will accept bags of leaves only **no sticks or other yard debris accepted**. The City will have either a trailer parked in front of the building, or have an area designated to drop off your bags.

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LAST DAY of Leaf Drop Off

Wednesday, December 2nd

490 Nork Lane

7:00 AM—3:30 PM



PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission will be having a Public Hearing to address the proposed Riparian Ordinance on Thursday, December 10th beginning at 6:30 PM at the Upper Rogue Community Center. If there are many people wishing to give testimony that evening there may be a need to continue the Public Hearing to Thursday, January 14th, 2016. From this Public Hearing the Planning Commission will formulate a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on the Riparian Ordinance on Thursday, February 4th.

The proposed Riparian Ordinance is posted on the city website ([City of Shady Cove](#)) along with three attachments to the ordinance to clarify points made in the ordinance.

The City has proposed to its website draft revisions to seven elements of the Comprehensive Plan. You may submit to City Hall for the Planning Commission any suggestions, questions, or concerns you have about the proposed revised sections of the Comprehensive Plan and do not have to wait for the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan that will be held in 2016.



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Upcoming Events

November 26th-27th

City Hall—Closed



December 2

City of Shady Cove

Leaf Drop Off—LAST DAY

7:00 AM—3:30 PM

490 Nork Lane

December 5

Shop the Halls

Trolley pick up @ Edgewater Inn

2:00 PM—5:00 PM

For info: Jinny 541-621-6262

December 12

Jackson Co. Fire District 4

8th Annual Children's Christmas Party

Shady Cove School Gym

2:00 PM—4:00 PM

Info: 541-878-2666



December 14

Red Cross Blood Drive

Upper Rogue Community Center

10:30 AM—4:00 PM

Info or to Schedule Appt: 1-800-773-2767

December 24-25

City Hall—Closed