



# City of Canby

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### ***City open to proposals for the 10,961 SF former Library in Downtown Canby***

The city of Canby welcomes creative ideas and development proposals its former Library across from Wait Park. The 10,961 SF building is large and flexible to could accommodate many different businesses or uses. The City Council would like to sell or lease the building so that is in use again, creating jobs, activity and investment in our downtown. Ideally, the winning proposal would met community needs, and create activity during days, evenings and weekends. This large and highly visible property is appraised at \$952,000. It is located at 292 N. Holly Street on 3rd Avenue.

The city is casting a wide net to attract as many creative development ideas as possible. As inspiration, the city had 3D designs and conceptual drawings created for a retail/ public market or creative office space. Developers, buyers and prospective tenants will have over 3 months to develop their ideas. Building tours are available by appointment after August 7<sup>th</sup>. A one page proposal form is available online. Final proposals are due September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Interested developers, buyers and tenants should describe their ideas for the properties, and present their credentials. Options include local businesses looking to buy or lease, a developer that would buy and refurbish the building. Winning proposals will contribute to the revitalization of downtown Canby, demonstrate a proven track record and strong financial resources. Ideally the project will help retain and expand Canby businesses and fill market niches.

The city can assist with the façade improvement program, and staff support in the permitting process. A business friendly, proactive approach helps make development in Canby easy.

Extensive details on this opportunity are available on the city's website at [www.canbyoregon.gov](http://www.canbyoregon.gov) or by contacting Renate Mengelberg at 503-266-0701 or at [mengelberg@ci.canby.or.us](mailto:mengelberg@ci.canby.or.us). (See flyer attached and photos on next page)



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