

DATE: July 25, 2022
TO: Mayor Hodson and Members of the Canby City Council
FROM: Barry Johnson, Chair
Canby Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
SUBJECT: Parks Maintenance Fee Recommendation

At its July 19, 2022, monthly meeting, the Canby Parks & Recreation Board voted unanimously to recommend to you extension of the Parks Maintenance Fee an additional five years, to sunset on December 31st 2027, or an appropriate amount of time until ample information is received from the updated and Council-approved SDC methodology. The Board agreed the monthly Parks Maintenance Fee remain at the current level plus the Consumer Price Index that is adjusted each year. The Parks Maintenance Fee is scheduled to sunset December 31, 2022.

This recommendation is based on the following:

- Continuation of the Parks Maintenance Fee beyond December 31, 2022, will avoid a potential staff reduction in our Parks Department. A staff layoff would drastically affect the maintenance and thus the usability of Canby's Parks.
- The future of Canby Area Parks & Recreation District is not known at this time and how it may or may not affect the future of the Parks Maintenance Fee. Since this is an unknown currently, an extension enables us to further pursue this as an option.
- The outcome of the updated Parks Master Plan will provide better information regarding the Park Maintenance Fee. This could better define what an appropriate amount of the Parks Maintenance Fee including a potential increase over the current amount would look like.

On behalf of the Canby Parks & Recreation Board, we recommend continuation of the Parks Maintenance Fee until December 31st 2027 and ask for your unanimous approval to ensure the exceptional level of Parks maintenance continues.

Barry Johnson, Chair
Canby Parks & Recreation Advisory Board