

North Lancaster Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting

February 1, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Salem, Oregon & via Zoom

1. Call to Order / Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM, followed by introductions of all present in person and anyone present on the Zoom call.

Board Member	Position	Attendance
Deanna Garcia	Chair	Present
Doug Rodgers	Vice-Chair	Absent
Christine Potter	Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Shirlene Gonzalez	Parks Chair	Present
Dennis Will	Land Use Chair	Present (Zoom)
Carl Engstrom	Member at large	Present
Denise Currey	Member at large	Present
Kim Currey	Member at large	Present
Pamela Blake	Member at large	Present
Bobby Ottis	Member at large	Present
Patty Tipton	Member at large	Present
Claudine Shaw	Member at large	Present

Attendees: Sergeant Mike Baskett, City Councilors Jose Gonzalez and Julie Hoy

Neighbors: Adrian Ottis, Tiffany Ottis, Rosa Diaz (Zoom)

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from January 2023 were submitted for Board review on 2/1/2023.

Shirlene Gonzalez motioned to approve. Pamela Blake seconded the motion. The minutes from January 2023 were unanimously approved.

3. Police Report – Sergeant Baskett from Salem Police Department

a. Mobile Crisis Response Team (MCRT)

i. made up of an Officer or a Deputy paired with a Certified Mental Health Professional (CMHP). The teams are dispatched to respond directly to active mental health crisis calls. The specially trained officer or deputy work in conjunction with the Mental Health Professional to provide clients with the services/resources they need, in addition to attempting to prevent incidents from escalating.

ii. In addition to this team, funding was secured to have non-officer personnel specially trained to address mental health issues. Program to be implemented Spring 2023.

iii. 988 is the nationwide number to call or text to reach the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, a network of crisis centers. To learn more, visit

<https://www.fcc.gov/988Lifeline>

b. Hiring, Retention & Recruiting

- i. Ongoing effort to recruit and retain officers to fill authorized positions. Deployable personnel 1.03-1.08 officers per thousand residents. The shortage of officers is a nationwide issue, and recruiting is highly competitive.
- ii. Near term focus on hiring immediately qualified officers including those from other jurisdictions. Also want to attract within community from career pathway programs (i.e. CTEC, criminal justice programs, etc.) Need to hire 22 officers per year over the next 3 years to fill all vacancies and deal with attrition by 2026.

Q – *What is optimal deployable personnel ?* 1.5 per thousand

Q – *What is the status of body cam deployment?* Super users have them, and all will have them by mid-February. They will be issued through in service training over the next couple of weeks.

Q – *Is the ride-along program still active?* Yes. For more information, [see related webpage here](#) To download the [Ride-Along Application](#), use this link.

Homeless encampment reporting portal [HERE](#)

Sergeant Baskett can be reached for questions by email: mbaskett@cityofsalem.net

4. Councilor Report: Councilor Julie Hoy – Ward 6 and Jose Gonzalez – Ward 5
 - a. City Council is meeting in person now (hybrid)
 - b. Councilor Jose Gonzalez:
 - i. is interested to hear concerns of neighborhood so he can report up, as policy can be driven by this feedback. Money is always going to be an issue, city to make hard decisions concerning the funding that will be available and looking to new ways to raise funds. Finance committee meeting scheduled for February 13th at 2:30 PM. [Agenda with youtube link to view meeting can be found here.](#)
 - ii. Recommended that neighbors share their opinions regarding Governor Kotek’s proposed changes with their state representatives. Now is the time.
 - c. Councilor Julie Hoy advised that the plan that is in place today was made years ago. Some general discussion regarding the city’s Strategic Plan followed. To review the [2021-2026 Strategic Plan](#), use this link.

Q – *How did you both vote regarding the commercial air service resolution?* Both voted in favor seeing a benefit to population (nearby travel option), jobs market, emergency services, and ability of city to host events such as conventions and sporting events. To find the [resolution details](#) and [related informational report](#), see these links.

5. Committee Reports & Board Business
 - a. Transit – Doug Rogers ---- visit [Cherriots web page](#) for details.
 - b. Traffic – Deanna Garcia:
 - i. Mayor Hoy and Public Works – Bond funding going towards Fisher Road improvements – [youtube link](#)
 - ii. No response received from NOLA letter objecting to the proposed Hollywood/Sunnyview crossing plan. Deanna to follow up.
 - iii. Utility work is done for the planned signal at Silverton & Hollywood

- iv. Travel Salem grant for mural project – the mural is intended to be painted on the road and be traffic calming. Mural location is still to be determined. Need to identify the location and submit design for approval. An example can be seen at the intersection of Belmont and Cottage Streets NE.



- c. Land Use – Dennis Will: Site plan review dental business near Grocery Outlet. They want to increase tree area and mark pedestrian walkways.
- d. Parks – Shirlene Gonzalez:
 - i. Tree planting February 11th
 - ii. Patty attended Arbor Day meeting where she was asked for a Parks wish list. Lansing Park’s fence needs paint.
 - iii. Parks Committee to meet to discuss Make a Difference Day, National Night Out, Tree Planting, etc; date and time TBD. Contact Shirlene for further information.
- e. Bylaws subcommittee needs to meet
- f. Quarterly Chair Meeting attended by Deanna:
 - i. Salem in Motion transportation plan being updated for city. There are 3 options for consideration (see attachment). Deadline to implement plan is June 2023 unless an extension is approved by the state. Discuss concerns with representative or senator. [Learn about the plan here](#). Virtual public meeting regarding Walkable, Mixed-Use Areas February 23rd noon-1:30PM. Virtual Public Meeting Details
 - **Join by phone:** (669)900-6833 and enter Meeting ID 811 2633 7489
 - **Join by computer or smartphone:** [Click this link](#) or
 - Use this URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81126337489> with Meeting ID 811 2633 7489
 - ii. City’s Customer Service Center to open this summer. It will be a centralized location for customers to apply for permits, pay utility bills and tickets, report concerns, request public records, reserve City of Salem facilities and register for programs. Questions regarding city resources can be directed to 503-588-7272
 - iii. Salem Police Transparency Portal – Initiative to increase trust and legitimacy with the community by openly sharing data, policies, reports and other information that directly impacts the public. [You can find the portal here](#).

- iv. Housing update given at meeting: Yaquina Hall power is up, Sequoia Crossing project ongoing
 - g. Irma working on a toolkit for neighborhood associations. Toolkit items include additional support camera, pucket/speaker, projector, etc. Make note of any other items that will be useful and provide feedback to Irma.
 - h. NOLA needs to plan an event at a park this summer to promote the merger of NOLA and Lansing, funding is set aside for this purpose.
- 6. Open Forum for any discussion
 - a. General discussion about homeless encampments. City staff routinely addresses reported camps, etc every Monday.
 - b. Marion County Foodshare cookbook is available for purchase. Preorders \$15. (see attached flier)
 - c. Farmers' Markets
 - i. Thursday West Salem Market (1260 Edgewater St NW) – May 4 – September 14 ~ 3pm – 7pm (Activities 2nd Thursday of month)
 - ii. Chemeketa Wednesday Farmers Market (Community College Agricultural Building) – May 3 to September 27 ~ 3pm -7pm
 - iii. Downtown Salem Saturday Market (856 Marion St NE) – March 4 to October 28 ~ 9am to 2pm
 - d. Upcoming lectures at Keizer civic center – free to attend (see attached flier)
 - e. Baptist Church on Lansing Avenue after school program looking for volunteers to tutor students after school Tuesdays and Thursdays
 - f. Volunteer opportunity Friends of Trees. [Details here](#)
 - g. Update on Kathleen Ave traffic issue (see minutes Dec 7, 2022). Anthony redirected Rosa Diaz to NOLA regarding the concerns previously addressed by her and neighbors. Deanna to get fully informed on issue and will follow up.
- 7. Close of Meeting / Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Proposed Parking Reform

Climate-Friendly and Equitable Communities Rules

State Mandated Rules

On July 21, 2022, the Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) adopted administrative rules that were developed through a rulemaking project called Climate Friendly and Equitable Communities (CFEC). The [CFEC rules](#) aim to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution from transportation while increasing housing choices and creating more equitable outcomes for Oregonians. These rules came in response to Governor Kate Brown's Executive Order 20-04, which directed State agencies to reduce climate pollution.

There are several components to the new State rules that will require updates to Salem's land use and transportation plans and regulations. Many of the rules align with the work already accomplished through the [Our Salem project](#) as well as the ongoing work to implement the [Climate Action Plan](#). The City is working to implement the rules, which mandate parking reforms.

Parking Reform

The CFEC rules require changes to how the City regulates and manages parking in Salem. The City must implement [one of several parking reform options](#) by June 30, 2023, unless an extension is approved by the State.

Proposal: Eliminate Off-Street Parking Requirements Citywide

Staff plans to bring a code amendment to the City Council that proposes to eliminate all minimum off-street parking requirements citywide in early 2023. This proposal was recommended by the Climate Action Plan Committee on November 7, 2022, following a staff presentation. (Eliminating all minimum parking requirements citywide is considered "option 1" in staff's presentation.)

The proposal (**Option 1**):

- Aligns with **Climate Action Plan Strategy** TL40: *Amend City code to eliminate parking minimums throughout Salem, with priority focus along Cherriots' Core Network*
- Allows the **market** to determine parking amounts (*parking maximums still apply*)
- Can be **implemented** relatively quickly through a code amendment without additional staff or resources
- Allows the City to **voluntarily** explore and implement other parking reforms in the rules (see *"other options" below*)

Other Options

If the City does not eliminate all minimum off-street parking requirements, it must implement other parking reforms, which are summarized below. These other options would require additional staff, resources, and time to implement.

- **Paid parking:** Price at least 10% of all on-street parking (*deadline is Sept. 30, 2025*)
- **Unbundled parking:** Require that the cost of parking for multifamily housing near transit and in walkable, mixed-use areas be separated from the cost of renting or buying a dwelling unit
- **Parking reductions:** Allow for reductions in parking requirements in exchange for solar/wind capacity, car-sharing spaces, electric vehicle charging stations, and accessible dwelling units
- **Reduced parking:** Reduce/eliminate parking requirements in walkable, mixed-use areas

In addition to those reforms listed above, the City would need to implement one of the two options below if it does not eliminate all minimum off-street parking requirements.

- **Option 2:** Pick at least three of the following:
 - Unbundle parking for all multifamily citywide; unbundle parking for all leased commercial developments citywide; require large employers to provide a commute benefit to employees; create a tax on commercial parking lot revenue reduce parking requirements for all multifamily housing to 0.5 spaces per unit.
- **Option 3:** Eliminate minimum off-street parking requirements for many uses and in more locations, including:
 - Transit-oriented/mixed-use development, schools, bars, group quarters, studios/one-bedroom apartments, vacant buildings, change of use/redevelopment, business expansions, historic districts/buildings, small businesses, developments seeking or built under Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design/Reach Code, and all uses within 1/2 mile of walkable, mixed-use areas

Other Mandated Parking Reforms

In addition to the options included in the CFEC, several other parking changes are mandated without any choices. They include revising the maximum amount of off-street parking spaces that are allowed; allowing the redevelopment of existing parking areas for bicycle- and transit-oriented facilities like bus shelters; and allowing and encouraging the redevelopment of underused parking.

Parking Changes Already Implemented

The State rules required early implementation of certain parking reforms. These have been implemented by the City through a code amendment:

- Removing minimum off-street parking spaces for certain uses – such as shelters, residential care facilities, and affordable housing – and in locations near 15-minute transit service.
- Requiring electrical vehicle charging conduit to be installed for 40% of the parking spaces provided on a site for a new multifamily or mixed-use building.

Those changes went into effect on December 28, 2022.



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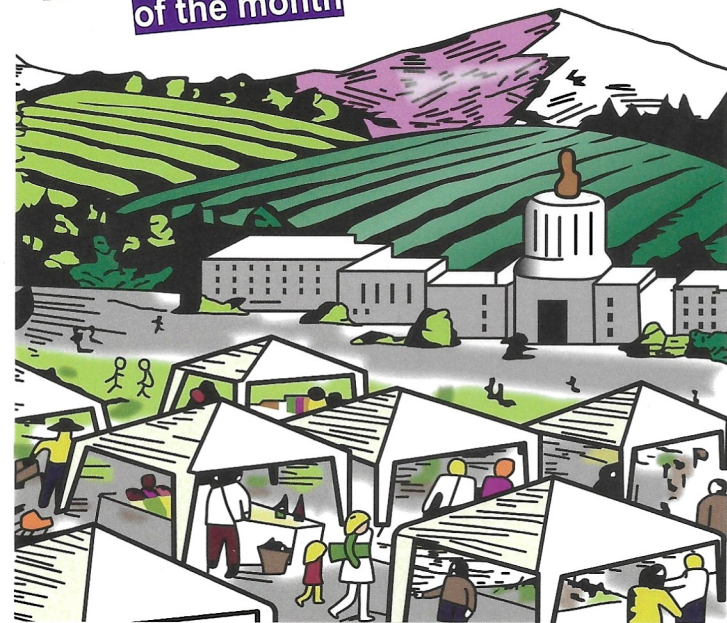
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Salem Community Markets presents...

Thursday West Salem Farmers Market

**Activities 2nd Thursday
of the month**



Explore ~ Discover ~ Experience

Fresh Local Produce ● Flowers ● Dairy ● Meat
Artisan Crafts ● Artisan Foods ● Free Parking
Community Area & Events

Order your copy today!

Your support will help rescue fresh, healthy produce for hungry families throughout the Willamette Valley.

Salem Harvest Community Cookbook

Salem Harvest - a local non-profit that feeds hungry families by harvesting crops that would go to waste - is taking pre-orders for their community cookbook.

Only \$15 per book before February 15, 2023

More than 210 recipes will be included that feature crops grown in the Mid-Willamette Valley. Prices will increase to \$20 after Feb 15th.

**Learn more and order at
salemharvest.org/events.php**

Have questions or want to purchase a bulk order for resale in your store - contact elise@salemharvest.org

MONDAY HOSPITAL MARKET

May thru September ~ 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

WEDNESDAY FARMERS MARKET

May thru mid-September ~ 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

SALEM SATURDAY MARKET

April thru October ~ 9 am to 3 pm

SALEM HOLIDAY MARKET

2nd Weekend in December

THURSDAY FARMERS MARKET

May thru mid-September ~ 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

*Greenway on Edgewater between
Kingwood & Gerth Streets*

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www.salemcommunitymarkets.com

Recipes will feature:

Apples	Green Beans
Aronia Berries	Hazelnuts
Asian Pears	Loganberries
Basil	Leeks
Bell Peppers	Onions
Blueberries	Pears
Boysenberries	Peaches
Broccoli	Plums
Cauliflower	Pumpkins
Cherries	Squash
Corn	(summer & winter)
Eggplant	Strawberries
Garlic	Tomatoes
Grapes	Watermelon

Locations to purchase cookbooks after May 1, 2023:

Willamette Valley Kitchen Co.
Schlechters Farms
Oregon Gardens
South Salem Ace Hardware
Willamette Valley Pie Co.
LifeSource Natural Foods