

North Lancaster Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting

November 1, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Salem, Oregon

1. Call to Order / Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM, followed by introductions of all present in person.

Board Member	Position	Attendance
Deanna Garcia	Chair	Present
Christine Potter	Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Shirlene Gonzalez	Parks Chair	Present
Dennis Will	Land Use Chair	Present
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	Absent
Patty Tipton	Member at large	Present
Claudine Shaw	Member at large	Present
Betheny Crespín	Member at large	Present

Attendees: Sergeant Baskett (SPD), Councilor Julie Hoy

Neighbors: Roger Haase

2. **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from October 2023 were submitted for Board review on 10/27/2023.

Shirlene Gonzalez motioned to approve. Kim Currey seconded the motion. The minutes from October 2023 were unanimously approved.

3. **Police Report** – Sergeant Baskett from Salem Police Department

- a. Behavioral Health Unit made up of certified mental health professional (CMHP) and officer go county-wide to address mental health crisis issues.
- b. During holidays there tends to be an increase in thefts from vehicles, mailboxes and porches. Try to be home for deliveries. When shopping, put bags in trunk or area in vehicle that is not clearly visible. Don't leave valuables such as wallets, purses, guns in a vehicle. It takes moments for those to be found in their typical hiding places. Be aware of surroundings.
- c. Discussion regarding changes in timing of traffic signal lights included the light at Sunnyview/45th which should default to green on Sunnyview, but 45th is currently the priority. Deanna will follow up with Kevin Hopmann to inquire.
- d. Discussion regarding the destruction of a locking mailbox. This is not an uncommon problem, it is city-wide.
 - i. Use informed delivery via USPS which provides an email digest of what will be delivered to the mailbox.

- ii. Mail theft is a felony; officers who catch people with mail belonging to others are trained to make an arrest.
- iii. Some people have counterfeit keys for USPS mailboxes.
- e. 12 year old died from Fentanyl overdose. This drug is primarily being made in China then transported to Mexico and into the US. Decriminalizing these types of drugs has taken away the ability to use the crime as leverage to get people into treatment.

Q – *When you get the reports about mail theft, is it around the time of other events such as the issuance of benefits cards, etc?* Data would need to be reviewed.

Q – *A van was dropped off in front of a home and various people have come to take things out of it. The vehicle was tagged and then someone removed the tag. Who should we contact?* The van is an attractive nuisance until it is towed, but police aren't able to intervene other than to check if the vehicle is reported as stolen. The vehicle is on public property and people have a right to park there and be around it. Code compliance is most able to help.

Q – *With the conflict in Israel/Palestine and all the related hate going on, are you having issues with people related to anti-semitism?* The department has been briefed to be aware, but Sgt Baskett hasn't heard of any such incidents yet in Salem.

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

- a. Councilor Gonzalez spoke at Public Safety town hall event at same time as NOLA's meeting this month.

Q – *Do you have a status update on the city's budget?* This is an interesting time, and Councilor Hoy advised she tends to think outside the box regarding budget priorities and she'd like to see the city take a harder look at spending practices and put public safety first. As the election on payroll tax is upcoming, Councilor Hoy expects that the tax initiative will not pass and the city will need to determine how to meet its needs. During last week's budget discussions some potential solutions were to reduce homeless services and library services. They need to determine what solutions are working and which aren't and stop doing what isn't working. An example is the proposed amendment to the current code regarding the public consumption of alcohol that would include illicit drugs.

Q – *My ballot is missing, where should I go?* County elections office.

Q – *If the payroll tax measure passes, what rulemaking would happen after it is enacted? Who would collect the tax, the city?* There is no established plan yet and implementation of the tax will cost a significant amount.

- b. General discussion regarding voting and vote-by-mail concerns. Of 22,000 registered voters in our ward, only about 2,000 of them actually vote. Neighbors are encouraged to tour the elections office if they have concerns about the process. Elections officials verify all signatures on ballots they receive.
- c. Councilor Hoy's hope for Salem is that city government is more inclusionary and transparent, one issue at a time, and that smart things are done that impress and

include our citizens. Some changes happen when people aren't looking, it's not enough to be made about it, we need to speak common sense into it and ask questions. Julie Hoy works for the people of Salem and sees her responsibility is to ask questions and seek new solutions.

Q – *How much did the city invest in bringing the airline to Salem, and what is the daily cost?* Have to refer to the budget for specific numbers. There was investment in building improvements and the purchase of the Hertz property to develop parking and use office space.

Q – *Are flights full when they arrive and depart Salem's airport?* Flight sales are good.

Q – *Can we get an officer in training or cadet to help with neighborhood watch training?* There is no doubt that neighborhood watch programs work and public safety should be the priority.

Q – *Will you run again?* Don't know.

5. **Executive Board Appointments** – The Vice Chair position is open. The Vice Chair presides over meetings if the Chair is not available and also takes an active role in one of the committees.

MOTION from Shirlene to appoint Betheny Crespin to the position of Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Kim and NOLA unanimously approved the motion.

6. **Committee Reports & Board Business**

- a. Transit – Roger Haase:
 - i. There are 3 vacancies on the statewide transit improvement fund advisory council; applications are available.
 - ii. Cherriots was recognized for excellency in financial reporting
 - iii. The annual customer service survey will kickoff this weekend. Surveys will take place in person on buses.
 - iv. Limited service Veterans Day
 - v. There has been concern about the lack of use of the electric buses. Note that the charging stations are under construction.
---- visit [Cherriots web page](#) for details.
- b. Traffic – Deanna Garcia:
 - i. Silverton/Hollywood signal not on, but construction and traffic limits are cleared. A backordered component is the reason for the delay. Be cautious of the reduced visibility now there because of the junction box.
 - ii. NOLA was updated by city engineer about the pedestrian crossing project on Sunnyview south of Hollywood. They made alterations to the plan and will build new curb ramps but won't have the center curb. An RRFB beacon system will be installed. Construction will begin summer 2025.
 - iii. Deanna will follow up with Mr. Mercado at McKay to ask about any communication to parents regarding traffic issues.
- c. Land Use – Dennis Will:
 - i. Evergreen Avenue plan to divide into two lots are now looking to change to potentially three lots.

Q – *Have you attended the quarterly land use meeting?* Yes, Dennis attends all of them.

- d. Parks – Shirlene Gonzalez
 - i. LOI submitted for Salem park improvement funds to augment the existing request for Lansing. Increase to 8 sports benches and 4 picnic tables. An application was submitted.
 - ii. Brown Rd – Gardening is finished. Shirlene reached out via email to parks ops to put the pylons to eliminate parking there for the season.
 - iii. McKay Park – Visited park last week and will return this weekend to check on status of camping and trash under the bridge. Dennis suggested a light be installed to illuminate the park. Shirlene will inquire about cost, however, lights may not be allowed.
 - iv. Lansing Park – Patty noticed that the park’s light hasn’t been on at night and suggested that Shirlene contact the city to find out what’s going on. The Lansing NA paid 7K for the light.
 - v. Councilor Hoy reported she’s been speaking up about NOLA’s neighborhood park concerns and is seeking solutions while making sure that all areas of the city are being served. For example, prior conversations about opening a library in NE Salem.
- e. 2023 Annual Review completed by Deanna who requested email confirmation of its submission.
- 7. Open Forum for any discussion
 - a. Fall Leaf Haul at Minto Brown Saturday, December 9th 9am-3pm – no volunteers staffing it, so plan to unload yourself. See flyer for info.
 - b. Children in 97301, 97302, 97303, 97351, 97306, 97317 & 97325 can sign up to receive a monthly free book (97305 coming soon!)
 - c. NESCA sock drive – through Nov 17th. See flyer for details.
 - d. Stay connected with city resources <https://www.cityofsalem.net/community/connect-with-us/links>
 - e. Street Safety Reporting Portal is now up and running <http://www.cityofsalem.net/safer-streets> - Propose traffic and pedestrian safety measures here (ex. Speedbumps, speed radar signs, flashing beacons, improved lighthing.)
 - f. Door hangers and yard signs are available. See Deanna.
 - g. Saturday November 11 – Albany Veterans Parade
- 8. Close of Meeting / Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Where are my socks?



New or gently used
SOCKS DRIVE through
November 17th.

Socks will be donated to HOME
Youth & Resource Center

Drop off at 882 Park Ave NE.
Tel: 503-510-6759



North East Salem Community Association

www.cityofsalem.net/nesc | 503-588-6207



Your voice. Your neighborhood. Your community.

¿Dónde están mis calcetines?



Recolección de calcetines

**nuevos o poco usados
hasta el 17 de
noviembre.**

**Los calcetines se donarán al
Centro de Recursos y Juventud
HOME**

Dejar en 882 Park Ave NE.

Teléfono: 503-540-2303



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Salem
Housing
Authority

HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY

8:00AM - 4:30PM

CLOSED BETWEEN

12:00PM - 1:00PM



DONATIONS NEEDED:

Warm Weather Gear

Hats/Beanies

Gloves

Hand and Foot Warmers

Sleeping Bags

Socks

Backpacks

Hygiene Kits

First Aid Kits

Refillable Water Bottles

*we do not accept tents



DONATION DROP OFF SITE:

360 CHURCH ST SE

SALEM, OR 97301

Questions Contact:
squick@salemhousingor.com



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VETERAN'S DAY LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 10TH
@ 11:30 AM

2615 Portlnad Rd NE Salem, OR, 97301

Center 50+

CITY OF SALEM



Fall Leaf Haul

Saturday, December 9, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

CITY OF *Salem*
AT YOUR SERVICE
Public Works Department
APWA ACCREDITED AGENCY



Sponsored by the City of Salem, Marion County Public Works
Environmental Services, Salem garbage/recycling haulers.

Saturday, December 9, 2023
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

This is a self-service event

There will be no volunteers, so please come prepared to unload your own leaves.

Leaves and yard debris are not required to be bagged, but they will need to be emptied if in plastic bags. The use of large paper bags is encouraged because it makes it easier to dispose of directly into the pile without emptying.

Disposal Fees

These fees have been waived by Marion County Public Works, Environmental Services.

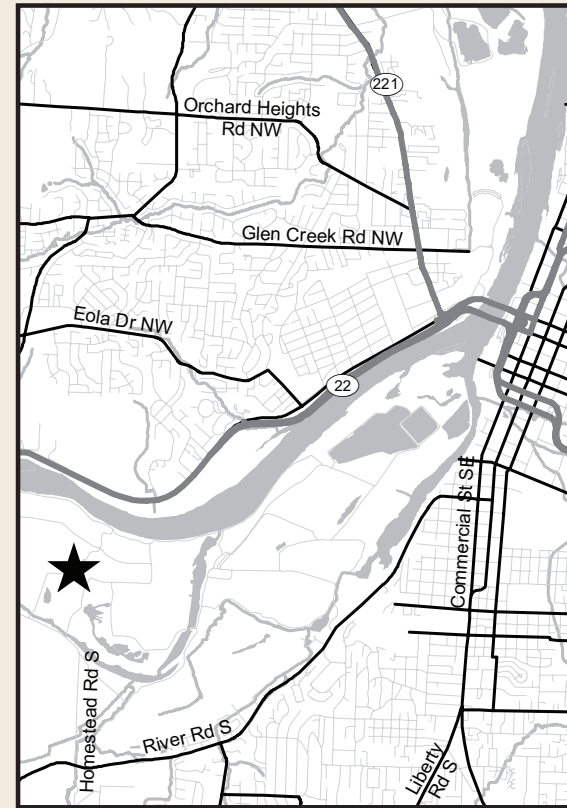
Browns Island Demolition Landfill does not accept leaves or other yard debris from the public, except during the Fall Leaf Haul event sponsored by the City of Salem, Marion County, and your local garbage haulers.

Residential leaves, grass clippings, and tree limbs are accepted.

Commercial landscapers not allowed.

For information regarding disposal and recycling options, please visit
www.mcrecycles.net

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Location

Brown's Island Demolition Landfill
2895 Faragate Street South

For additional information, call
503-589-2195.

Information line recording,
call 503-588-6317.

Thank You:

Marion County Environmental Services and D & O Garbage for your assistance with this event.

Senior citizens or those with disabilities in need of assistance hauling bagged leaves and grass to the collection site may call 503-589-2195 or email cwildman@cityofsalem.net. December 1, 2023, will be the last day to sign up for assistance.

Residents are asked to dispose of their leaves properly:

- Place raked leaves in your yard waste bin. Additional bins can be ordered from your garbage hauler for an additional monthly fee.
- Place raked leaves in your compost bin. For more information on great composting resources, contact Marion County at 503-588-5169.

Raking or blowing leaves into the street is prohibited. Salem Revised Code S.R.C. 76.015



City of Salem
Responsibility
From the Curb.

Property Owner's
Responsibility to the Curb.

Limpieza de Hojas del Otoño

sábado, 9 de Diciembre de 2023

9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

CITY OF *Salem*
AT YOUR SERVICE

Public Works Department

APWA ACCREDITED AGENCY



Patrocinado por la Ciudad de Salem, los Servicios Ambientales de Obras Públicas del Condado de Marion, los transportadores de basura y reciclaje de Salem.

sábado, 9 de diciembre de 2023
9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Este es un evento de autoservicio

No habrá voluntarios, así que venga preparado para descargar sus propias hojas.

No es requerido embolsar hojas y escombros de jardín, pero es necesario vaciarlas si están en bolsas de plástico. El uso de bolsas grandes de papel es sugerido porque es más fácil de disponer directamente en el montón sin tener que vaciar.

Tarifas de eliminación

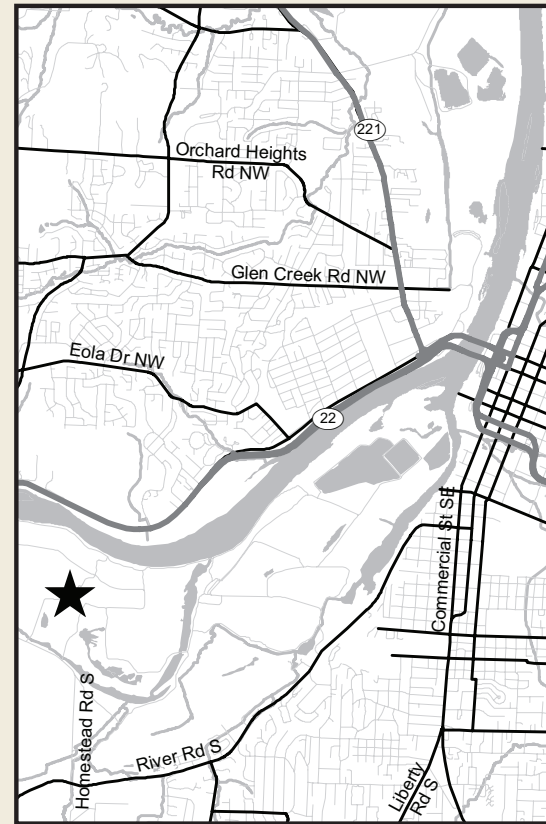
Las Obras Públicas del Condado de Marion, Servicios Ambientales han renunciado a estas tarifas.

Vertedero de demolición de Browns Island no acepta hojas o otros desechos del jardín del público, excepto durante el evento Fall Leaf Haul patrocinado por la ciudad de Salem, el condado de Marion y los transportistas de basura locales.

Hojas, recortes de pasto y ramas de árboles serán aceptadas.

No se permiten paisajistas comerciales.

Para obtener información sobre las opciones de eliminación y reciclaje, visite www.mcrecycles.net



Ubicación

Brown's Island Demolition Landfill
2895 Faragate Street South

Para más información, llame al 503-589-2195.

Línea de información grabada, llame al 503-588-6317.

Gracias:

Servicios Ambientales del Condado de Marion y D & O Garbage por su ayuda con este evento.

Las personas mayores o las personas con discapacidades que necesiten ayuda para transportar hojas y césped en bolsas al sitio de recolección pueden llamar al 503-589-2195 o enviar un correo electrónico a cwildman@cityofsalem.net. El 1 de diciembre de 2023 será el último día para inscribirse para recibir asistencia.

Se les pide a los residentes que desechen sus hojas correctamente:

- Coloque hojas rastrilladas en su cubo de basura del jardín. Compartimientos adicionales se puede pedir a su transportista de basura por un suplemento mensual adicional.
- Coloque hojas rastrilladas en su contenedor de compost. Para más información sobre recursos de compostaje, comuníquese con el Marion County al 503-588-5169

Se prohíbe rastrillar o soplar las hojas en la calle. Salem Revised Code S.R.C. 76.015



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Responsabilidad
desde el Bordillo.

Dueños de la Propiedad
Responsabilidad al Bordillo.

NOCHE DE JUEGOS FAMILIAR DE LOTERÍA

Lotería Family
Game Night

6-7:30 p.m.
miércoles, 1 de
noviembre

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Biblioteca Pública de Salem
585 Liberty St. SE

6-7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 1
Anderson Rooms A&B
Salem Public Library
585 Liberty St. SE

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HELP MAKE SALEM STREETS SAFER!



Maintaining safe and livable communities is a top priority for the City of Salem and its residents. The City of Salem has two ways for residents to help propose traffic and pedestrian safety measures. By using these online tools, you can suggest locations that may need a neighborhood traffic calming measure or an improved pedestrian crossing. Each submission is reviewed by staff based on criteria that prioritize safety. Once funds are identified, the top ranking projects will be selected for construction.



Neighborhood Streets – Example Treatments

- Speed bumps
- Speed radar feedback signs
- 20 MPH speed limits on local streets



Safer Pedestrian Crossings – Example Treatments

- Median islands
- Flashing beacons
- Improved lighting
- Curb extensions

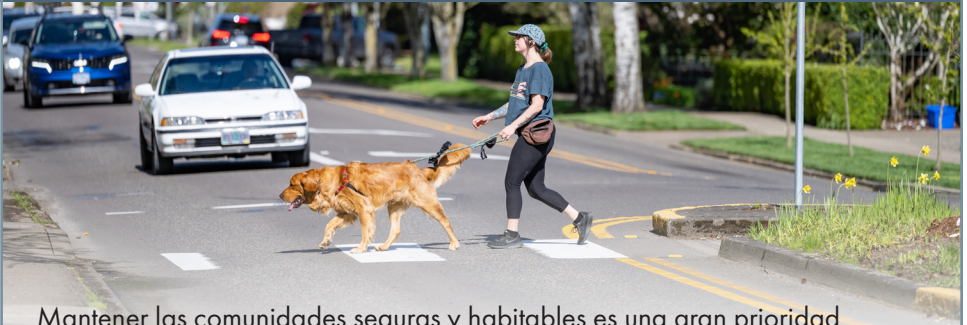
Visit the Safer Streets webpage to learn more and submit your requests!



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¡AYUDE A MEJORAR LA SEGURIDAD DE LAS CALLES DE



Mantener las comunidades seguras y habitables es una gran prioridad para la ciudad de Salem y sus residentes. La ciudad de Salem ofrece dos formas para que los residentes ayuden a proponer medidas de seguridad relativas al tráfico y los peatones. Al utilizar estas herramientas en línea, usted puede sugerir lugares donde se necesiten medidas para moderar el tráfico en los vecindarios o mejorar un cruce peatonal. El personal revisará cada propuesta basándose en criterios que prioricen la seguridad. Después de que se identifiquen los fondos, se seleccionarán los mejores proyectos para la construcción.



Calles vecinales – ejemplos de tratamientos

- Reductores de velocidad
- Indicadores de la velocidad detectada por el radar
- Límites de velocidad de 20 mph en calles locales



Cruces peatonales más seguros – ejemplos de tratamientos

- Medianas (camellones)
- Luces intermitentes
- Mejor iluminación
- Extensiones de la acera

¡Visite la página web de Safer Streets para obtener más información y presentar sus solicitudes!



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