



The Aurora Colony Times

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ALL WELCOME City Meetings for Mar. / Apr.

Meetings in the City
Council Chambers at
7:00pm

Planning Commission

Mar. 2
Apr. 6

City Council

Mar. 9
Apr. 13

Parks Committee

Mar. 16
Apr. 20

Historic Review Board

Mar. 23
Apr. 27

Please confirm dates and
times with City Hall
503-678-1283

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Website

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Mayor's Corner

March roars in like a lion, well I think it came in early this year. It is very clear that most of us were not prepared for this storm and aftermath. Not having experience in this extreme circumstance, the community responded incredibly. Thanks to each of you for your patience and kindness you provided to your neighbors and family. By reaching out to the community as best as we could we managed to conserve enough water until we were able to get some generators in place. Thank you.



Being the Mayor is not an exact science as I will be the first to say. We made some miss steps however we will learn from them and try hard to do it better in the future.

Big shout out to the City Workers, first responders, PGE for long hours and hard work during the ice storm. Thanks.

In the coming weeks a new water line will be installed down highway 99 from the post office past Portland Electric Construction's property. The line, with a larger capacity, will be easier to maintain and will add several new fire hydrants.

With this work the city's water supply will need to be turned off once and at night. You will have ample notice with a door hanger, with instructions for a boil water notice. This information will also be posted on the city's website, "I love Aurora page" and "All things Aurora "

It is always good to remind everyone that the mayor and city council member's as well as all the committee members are Volunteers. Their goal is to improve the community and the quality of life here in Aurora. None of them are paid in any financial way. Just from the heart.

Shake Alert is coming to the west coast. It is Early Warning System that detects significant earthquakes so quickly that alerts can reach many people before shaking arrives. Oregon rolls out delivery of alerts to wireless devices on 3/11/21. Check it out from the USGS.

Thanks,
Mayor Asher

**THE
ENCLOSED
UTILITY BILL IS
DUE ON OR
BEFORE
MARCH 10th**

**Please
remember to
keep grass,
rocks,
vehicles,
bark, etc. off
water
meters!**

Planning for an Exterior Change or Update?

It's the time of the year when outdoor projects for the coming months get "cooked up"! IF you are in the **Historic Overlay zones**, commercial or residential, please check your spiral manual *City of Aurora Design Guide for Historic District Properties* (also online at ci.aurora.or.us). ALL EXTERIOR CHANGES to your buildings require approval either by the Historic Review Board or by administrative process in the office. This is not costly and can actually assist you in making choices that are most appropriate for your property. For more information, ask an HRB member, city staff or read the manual for interesting and helpful tips.



Aurora Community Preparedness is trying to establish a plan for the Aurora community if a major disaster occurs. The recent ice storm and power outage has confirmed that we need a volunteer community that can come together in emergency situations to keep our city safe, fed, and functioning. Please, consider your response over the next couple of weeks and submit your survey on Monday, March 15,

Thank you!

Library News

Just a reminder that the North Marion Community Library is open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the basement of the Aurora Presbyterian Church, 21553 Liberty Street NE. Come and see us, or check our catalog at northmarionlibrary.org and place a hold request, and we'll pull the book and leave it outside the library for pickup. If you can't make it to the library when it's open, you can still get books at the little libraries—one at the Aurora city park near the restrooms, the other near the corner of Walnut and Filbert Streets. The first Saturday of each month, September through May, we'll also have books for sale at the Aurora Colony Flea [Market] at the Legion Hall, 21510 Main Street. Or stop by the White Rabbit and browse the books for sale there.



Emergency and Non-emergency call out information

- If you have an emergency call 911.
- If there is a non-emergency item you would like to report please call 503-588-5032, Marion County non-emergency dispatch.
- If there is a water leak that you would like to report please call City Hall, 503-678-1283. If it is after hours, please report it to Public Works at 971-930-3597 or 503-409-1434 or call the non-emergency dispatch number, 503-588-5032 and they will contact public works
- The City is only responsible for repairs and water leaks in the city right-of-way.

For additional information regarding events and happenings in Aurora, please check out the City of Aurora facebook page at

<https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Aurora-Oregon-1690880117667604/>.

This page will be updated regularly to provide up to date information to anyone who may be interested.



North Marion Community Library

21553 Liberty St. NE., Aurora, OR 97002
Library Hours: Saturday : 10– 4 pm

Colony Museum Hours

Thursday—Saturday 11:00 am—4:00 pm
The Museum is closed for the month of January and all major holidays.



City of Aurora Contact Information

Office: 503-678-1283 Fax: 503-678-2758

Office Hours: 9am-5pm Monday-Thursday
Closed Friday

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You will find additional council and board information on the city website or come by City Hall with any questions.

City of Aurora Website
www.ci.aurora.or.us

Aurora/Marion County Police Department

Anonymous Tip Line: 503-540-8079

Non Emergency: 503-588-5032

Emergency: Dial 911