
April 12, 2024

To: City Council
From: Mayor Gary Vegar
Re: Weekly Report



Upcoming Events approved by the City:

- Prosser Science Expo, Saturday, April 20th at 10am, Prosser City Park, hosted by: Science Exploration and Education.
- Mother Son Dance, Saturday, April 20th from 6pm – 8pm, Prosser KRV Gym, hosted by: Prosser Parks and Recreation.

Recreation:

- Pool: Offers letters have been sent to all pool staff. We have hired a total of 41 lifeguards, 3 lead guards, 2 assistant managers and 5 cashiers. Schedule for certification trainings has been finalized and they will take place the first three weeks in May.
- Events: The last to sign-up for the Mother Son Dance is this Monday, April 15th. Get your tickets today at www.cityofprosser.com/events. Working with the Library (Dia de los Niños event) & Boys and Girls Club (Color Run event). Both events will take place May 3rd at City Park, these are Family Friendly events.
- Sports: All sports have officially begun. We got an amazing resident that volunteered to help paint soccer fields this week at Bethel, her name is Anita Quinn. A lot of flag football games each Saturday at all city parks.

Prosser Rotary Club Bike Ride:

- In promotion of good health and fellowship, on May 18th, the City of Prosser together with Prosser Rotary and the Prosser Boys & Girls Club, will be co-hosting the Inaugural Prosser Rotary Bike Fundraiser event in support of the great-good things Rotary provides for our community.
- The Prosser Rotary is asking for a \$30.00 donation per rider for the Lower Valley Pathway ride starting at Prosser High School and turning around at Palacios Park in Grandview for a total of 14 miles roundtrip, or continue riding to Sunnyside High School and returning for a total of 30 miles roundtrip.
- The Historic Downtown Prosser (HDP) Pony Trail Ride is free for younger students riding with parents or care givers. Join the bike ride linking together the communities of Prosser, Grandview, and Sunnyside or enjoy the free Pony Trail ride led by the Prosser Boys & Girls Club through Historic Downtown Prosser.



**Prosser Rotary Club
May 18 Bike Ride**

(Three ride options for adults and children—Helmets Required)

10:00 AM Register, 11:00 AM Ride

\$30 Donation to Prosser Rotary

(1) Prosser High School turn around Sunnyside High School - 30 miles ...

(2)...or turn around at Grandview Palacios Park - 14 miles

(3) Children, Parents & Care Givers (Free Ride)

11:30 AM Register, 12:30 PM Ride

Prosser High School riding the Historic Downtown Pony Trail

Ride led by Prosser Boys & Girls Club

Helmets required

Information: Gary Vegar, Rotary President (509) 840-0564
Tim Straub, Ride Coordination (509) 881-1223

Public Works:

- Streets/Parks – Current project/tasks include: sweeping schedule, vegetation spraying, mowing, and painting athletic fields at Parks, janitorial at all facilities, alley maintenance.
- Water – Current project/tasks include: city meter replacements, development meter installs, Zone 2.5 waterline extension “Live”, irrigation distribution to city residents.
- Wastewater – Current project/tasks: WWTP maintenance, surplus of steel items to Mayflower, lift station maintenance.
- Zone 2.5 Waterline Extension Project: HMA patching on Roza Vista & Kelandren Dr., punchlist items.
- Lower Valley Pathway Connection to Merlot Project: Award on April 9th to ESF Solutions, Walla Walla, WA.
- Chardonnay/Merlot Sidewalk Improvements Project: Award on April 9th to ESF Solutions, Walla Walla, WA.
- Utility Worker, Water Dept. – New hire, Robert Slack, began work April 3rd.
- Training – Two employees attended the WW Operator Pre-Exam class in Grandview.

City Hall/Police Station Replacement Project Status:

- At the April 9th City Council meeting, Mayor briefed the Council on the April 2nd tour of the Benton County Court House facility. Follow-up discussions with County Administrators and Commissioner Michael Alvarez will be scheduled in the near future.
- Updates have been made to the [Background, Site & Criteria Model](#) as City staff continue to work through the property analysis for each identified potential location. Mayor and staff will bring a comprehensive review of the document to the June 4th City Council Work Session for discussion. All updates will be provided to the public as well.
- For more information regarding the status of the project please visit the City’s website at: [CH/PD Project - City of Prosser, Washington](#)



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For Franklin County text “FCEM” to 99411

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Call your county’s emergency management office, and they can assist you in getting registered.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Benton County Emergency Management (509) 628-2600
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