City of Molalla
City Council - Regular Meeting
Minutes – October 28, 2026

Molalla Civic Center | 315 Kennel Ave. | Molalla, OR

CALL TO ORDER

The Molalla City Council Regular Meeting for October 28, 2026 was called to order by Mayor Scott Keyser at 6:00 pm. *(Flag salute was conducted during the MURA Meeting.)*

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Scott Keyser, Council President Eric Vermillion, Councilor Leota Childress, Councilor Terry Shankle (via telephone), Councilor Doug Gilmer, and Councilor Martin Bartholomew.
Absent: Councilor K.C. Bisenius

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Dan Huff, City Manager; Mac Corthell, Assistant City Manager; Christie Teets, City Recorder; Beka Murcray, Library Director; Seth Kelly, Public Works Operations Manager.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

As presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. City Council Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2026
B. Work Session Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2026

ACTION:
Councilor Childress made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Councilor Gilmer seconded.
Motion passed 6-0.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew, Keyser.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.

PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, CEREMONIES

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

City Recorder Teets shared written testimony received after the meeting packet was posted was distributed to Council via email and a copy was made available prior to the evenings meeting. Recorder Teets confirmed the testimony would be included as part of the meeting minutes.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Resolution No. 2026-27: Concurring with a Public Building Project for the Molalla Urban Renewal Plan

City Manager Huff presented Resolution No. 2026-27, concurring with the Molalla Urban Renewal Agency's amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan to include library-related improvements as eligible public building and facility projects. The amendment included library frontage improvements and recognition of the new library as a permanent public facility benefiting the Urban Renewal Area.

ACTION:
Councilor Gilmer moved to approve Resolution No. 2026-27: Concurring with a Public Building Project for the Molalla Urban Renewal Plan by title only; Council President Vermillion seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew, Keyser.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.

Please refer to the meeting recording available on the City of Molalla's YouTube channel for the full discussion minutes 1:08:56 - 1:11:36

GENERAL BUSINESS:

A. New Molalla Skate Park – Update & Discussion

Assistant City Manager Corthell provided an update on the proposed skate park project and recognized Selena De La Cruz for her leadership and contributions to the community partnership and project coordination efforts. He reviewed the results of a community survey, which received approximately 51 responses, regarding preferred locations for the skate park. The Clark Park

North Annex received 17 responses, followed by Sheets Field with 15 responses. Mr. Corthell discussed considerations for each location, noting that Sheets Field could provide an opportunity to combine the skate park with the existing BMX track, creating a larger recreational area and improving parking availability. Concerns regarding the potential loss of the existing baseball field were also addressed, noting that replacement baseball fields are being considered as part of the Clark Park Sports Facility concept design.

Ms. De La Cruz provided an update on the Timateo De La Cruz Memorial Skate Park Foundation's fundraising, community outreach, and project development efforts. She reported on business and organizational outreach, donated items and services, grant preparation, and plans for additional fundraising. Evergreen Skate Parks agreed to provide a conceptual design at no cost, an estimated value of $5,000–$10,000. The Foundation is seeking a skate park with approximately 12,000–15,000 square feet of skating surface to accommodate future community needs. *(Presentation included in these Meeting Minutes.)*

Mayor Scott Keyser recused himself from the dais, citing bias, prior to Council proceeding with discussion.

Mr. Corthell went on to confirm the proposed site encompasses approximately 50,000–60,000 square feet, which could accommodate a substantial skate park while allowing space for parking. Concerns were raised regarding the potential loss of baseball facilities, parking availability and briefly discussed hours, noting the City parks currently operate from dawn to dusk.

ACTION:
Councilor Childress made a motion to select Sheets Field next to the BMX track as a location for the future Molalla Skate Park, Councilor Bartholomew seconded. Motion passed 5-0-1.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: Keyser.

For the full discussion, see the meeting video on the City's YouTube channel minutes 1:11:33 - 1:31:50

B. Temperature Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Report

Public Works Operations Manager Kelly presented an update on the City's Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Temperature Reduction Replacement Plan, required following the City's designation as a Designated Management Agency (DMA) under the 2025 WAMIT Sub-Basin Water Quality Management Plan. The plan outlines measures to monitor and reduce temperature, bacteria, mercury, pesticides, and metals in stormwater and waterways through best management practices, streamside restoration, public education, monitoring, and pollution prevention. Staff explained that temperature reduction efforts would primarily involve evaluating City-owned streamside properties for opportunities to increase shade through tree planting, with existing DEQ assessments used where available. Potential partnerships and funding opportunities would be explored to help manage implementation costs. Council discussed regulatory requirements, available water temperature data, potential costs, and the extent of improvements required. Staff noted that many of the proposed measures align with existing City practices and that the City's limited streamside property ownership would help minimize implementation efforts.

For the full discussion, see the meeting video on the City's YouTube channel minutes 1:31:55 - 1:46:42

C. Molalla Municipal Code Penalty Structure

Assistant City Manager Corthell presented concerns regarding outdated and inconsistent penalty provisions throughout the Municipal Code. He explained that, following a review by the Code Compliance Officer and Court Clerk, approximately 27–30 penalty provisions were identified for further review and referred to the City Attorney for feedback. He also presented the option of restructuring the City's penalty system into standardized penalty levels (A–E), allowing future adjustments to be made consistently across the code rather than revising individual provisions. Mr. Corthell requested Council direction on whether to pursue a comprehensive overhaul of the penalty structure or address only the currently identified provisions.

ACTION:
Councilor Childress made a motion to direct staff to continue with (MMC Code Penalty Structure) and do an overhaul; Councilor Bartholomew seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew, Keyser.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.

D. Proposed December City Council Calendar

City Recorder Teets presented proposed updates to the November and December meeting calendars. She explained that staff recommended postponing the November 18th Joint meeting with the Planning Commission until after the elections to allow for updated training with the newly seated Council. For December, staff recommended holding City Council meetings on December 9th and December 16th instead of the regularly scheduled second and fourth Wednesdays, as the December 23 meeting would fall immediately before the Christmas holiday.

ACTION:
Councilor Gilmer moved to accept updated calendar presented by staff; Council President Vermillion seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew, Keyser.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.

E. Molalla Public Library Update

Library Director Murcray presented the Library's annual statistics, reporting just over 49,000 visitors, nearly 100,000 physical items borrowed, a 14% increase in digital borrowing, and more than 8,500 program attendees during the past fiscal year. She noted continued growth in library use and emphasized the Library's evolving role as a community hub, with plans to expand programming and provide additional meeting and study spaces in the proposed new Library. Council discussed preliminary Library designs, the balance between collection space and community areas, and the potential impact of digital borrowing on shelving needs. Council also asked about bookmobile participation, which Director Murcray reported remained strong at several community stops.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

- **Library Director Murcray**: no report.
- **Public Works Operations Manager Kelly:** reported completion of repairs in the Big Meadow area following water-related issues, including replacement of underground water infrastructure and restoration of the affected roadway. Mr. Kelly recognized Public Works Section Manager, Adam Shultz and the Public Works crew for their response and teamwork, noting the work resulted in significant cost savings to the City and shared staff are working with the engineering team to develop a permanent solution to recurring stormwater issues in the area.
- **Assistant City Manager Corthell**: provided an update on the Community Development quarterly report and announced the anticipated installation of two new banner holders along North Molalla Avenue.
- **City Recorder Teets:** reminded the public that Election Day was November 3rd and encouraged voters to return ballots.
- **City Manager Huff**: no report.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

- **Councilor Bartholomew:** no report.
- **Councilor Shankle**: no report.
- **Councilor Childress**: Reported attending the annual art show at the Chachalu Cultural Center at Grand Ronde with Roxie Smith, where they met with local artists and the center's director. Also provided an update on the City's manhole cover art project, noting that the artist was working toward completion by the end of the year, with some ODOT coordination. **Additionally Councilor Childress** requested Council reconsider supporting the Flavors Hook Oregon Kids coalition and joining a coalition letter supporting restrictions on flavored tobacco products. Provided information regarding the coalition's membership, youth tobacco use, and actions taken by other jurisdictions. Council discussed the timing of the request, the coalition letter deadline, and the importance of providing public notice and an opportunity for public comment. Following discussion, Council expressed consensus (3:2:1), to authorize the City Manager to submit the coalition letter. Mayor Keyser abstained due to concerns regarding the political process.
- **Council President Vermillion**: reminded the public of Halloween activities scheduled throughout Molalla, including downtown, Police Department, and Fire Department events, and encouraged residents to remain mindful of children's safety.
- **Mayor Keyser**: reminded residents of the upcoming daylight saving time change. Reported attending the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) conference in Salem, highlighting sessions on the Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) process, Planning Manager, Dan Zinder's classes were an absolute success, and sequential housing strategies, as well as opportunities to connect with other elected officials and representatives.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Keyser recessed the regular meeting into executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with legal counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed, at 7:14pm.

RECONVENED

Mayor Keyser reconvened the regular City Council meeting at 7:31pm.

Mayor Keyser shared statement in regards to Ordinance No. 2026-10, adopted by City Council on September 23, 2026, amending the Comprehensive Plan and Urban Growth Boundary Map. Mayor reported that a referendum petition challenging the ordinance was received on September 24, 2026 and rejected based on the City Attorney's interpretation of applicable state

law. The petitioners subsequently filed a legal challenge, and on October 5, 2026 the Clackamas County Circuit Court issued a ruling allowing the petitioners to begin gathering signatures. Staff presented the matter for Council consideration regarding whether to appeal the court's ruling.

ACTION

Mayor Keyser moved to authorize the City Attorney and City Manager to appeal the Circuit Court's decision in Van Gundy et. al vs. Teets, and take any and all steps necessary to implement and prosecute the appeal; Council President Vermillion seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

AYES: Gilmer, Shankle, Childress, Vermillion, Bartholomew, Keyser.
NAYS: None.
ABSTENTIONS: None.

For the complete video account of the City Council Meeting, please go to YouTube
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ADJOURN

Mayor Keyser adjourned the meeting at 7:35pm.

Scott Keyser, Mayor

PREPARED BY:

Crystal Robles, Deputy City Recorder

ATTEST:

Christie Teets, CMC - City Recorder

Meeting Minute Attachments:

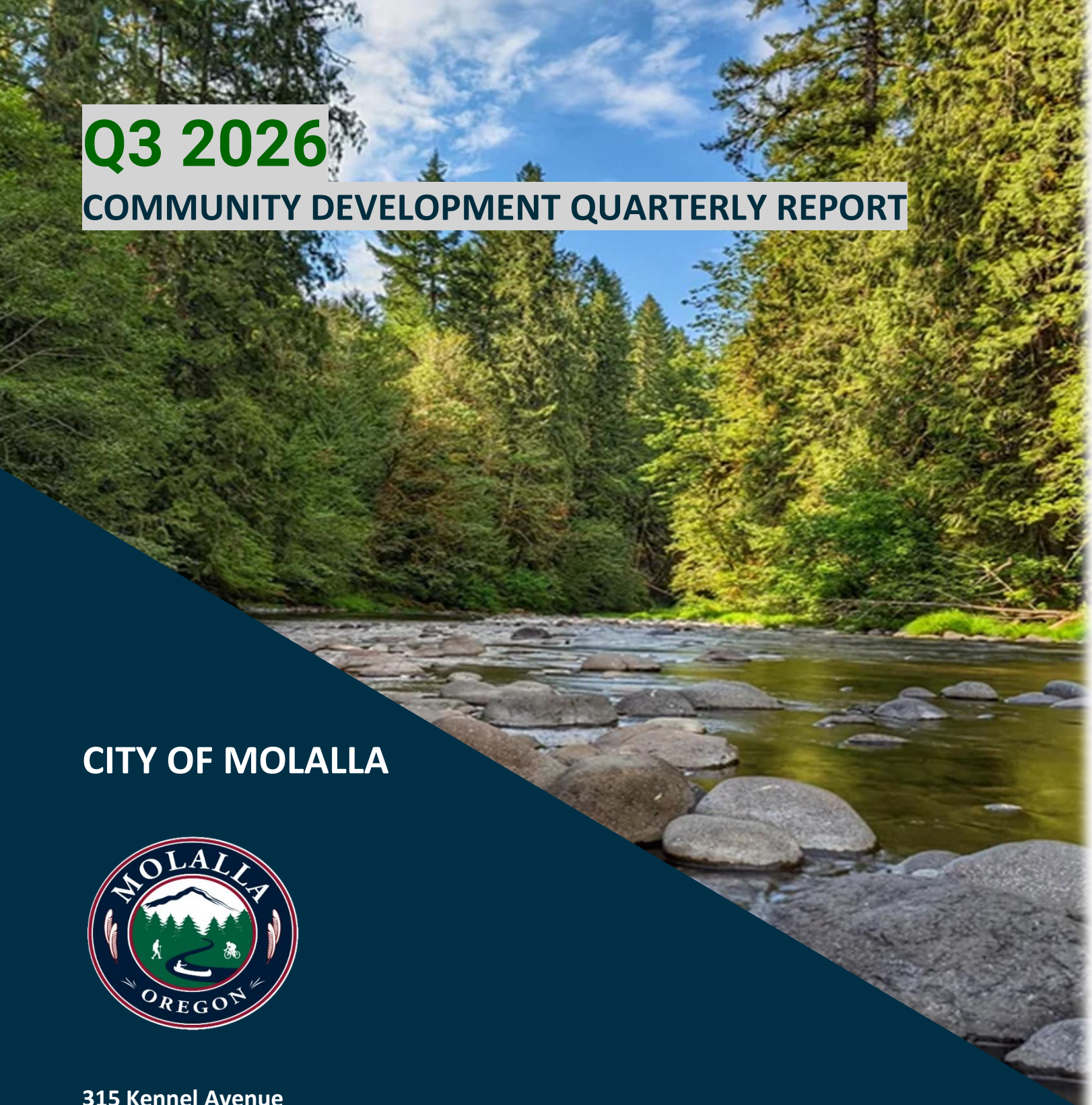
- Public Comment Written Testimony – L. Klyzek
- Community Development Report
- Salena De La Cruz Presentation

From: Laura Klyzek
To: City Recorder
Subject: Public Comment submission 10/28
Date: Wednesday, October 28, 2026 10:58:59 AM
Attachments: LauraKlyzekPublicComment.pdf

Hello Ms. Teets, I have attached the public comment form and the body of my comment is below. Thank you so much.
Laura Klyzek

Good evening Council, thank you for your time and consideration. I'd like to bring your attention to unsafe walking conditions for pedestrians on the newly paved section of Molalla Forest Road accessing Chief Yelkus Park. While the paving is undoubtedly appreciated by drivers accessing the park and the Bear Creek neighborhood, my concern is barring pedestrians before first providing for a safe alternative route to this highly traversed through way. The signage indicating no pedestrians has not deterred the community using the road as essentially the only access to Toliver to and from the Bear Creek neighborhood. The only alternative is walking on 211 to Industrial Way; a choice that many avoid due to the huge log trucks that feel dangerously close and a very isolated area on Industrial Way that does not always feel safe.

Not only do many walk and jog Molalla Forest Road, but they are among the most vulnerable pedestrians: Moms and dads with strollers, the elderly, and children. I recently saw a mom with a stroller plus two very large dogs walking this road and needing most of one of the traffic lanes with no way to move off to the side. I have also seen individuals starting down the road late at night and much of the street is unlit. One distracted driver, one child darting away from their parents, or one person wearing dark clothing in dark conditions I fear are going to lead to terrible outcomes. I would very much appreciate knowing the plan for providing a safe pedestrian route to Toliver and its timeline if possible. I would also like to encourage future paving efforts that limit pedestrians to provide a safe alternative route before paving is completed and not the other way around. I love that we have a beautiful new park for our community, but families with young children are primarily the ones who will be using this and making a "cars only" road discourages healthy activities like taking a walk to the park with your little ones. And it's clear that families and individuals are still making this choice despite the signage. Thank you again for your time and efforts to make Molalla both safe and enjoyable for our community.



Q3 2026

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT

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LAND USE AND PERMITTING

PLANNING DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS – Q3 2026

3rd quarter permits and approvals included:

- Design review approvals for an expansion building for vehicle storage at the Molalla Fire Station
- Conditional use permitting for materials storage on an industrial lot.
- Approvals for 4 new commercial businesses and 4 new home businesses.
- Building Permits for 1 accessory dwelling unit, 3 residential remodels/additions, 3 accessory structures, and enclosed outdoor eating space for an existing restaurant.
- 17 Miscellaneous Approvals, including 14 residential solar installs, 7 tree removals, and 1 sign permit.
- 4 Pre-Application conferences held

❖ PLANNING CODE & POLICY AMENDMENTS - Q3 2026

Molalla City Council passed planning ordinances this quarter to:

- ❖ Permit farmstands and cottage kitchens on residentially zoned properties

  ***Note:** Existing farmstands have until December 1, 2026, to apply for home occupancy permitting prior to code enforcement action. For existing and future farmstands in the City Contact the Community Development Department to begin permitting your farmstands (communityplanner@cityofmolalla.com).*
- ❖ Permit murals on non-residentially zoned process
- ❖ Increase density on medium-high density zoned properties per State requirements
- ❖ Rezone a City owned industrial parcel to PSP for future parkland
- ❖ Vacate a portion of N Hezzie LN and Lynn Ln to reduce the right-of-way to match right-of-way requirements for buildout of these streets in the Transportation Systems Plan
- ❖ In Q4, staff will present a code amendment to potentially prohibit data centers within City limits.

❖ Planning staff will introduce amendments to City Council in late Q4 2026 or Q1 2027 to establish standalone industrial design standards—distinct from non-residential standards—and to implement the City's adopted Housing Production Strategies.

We would love your input!

Take the Industrial Design Standards survey at:

https://current.cityofmolalla.com/nonres-design-standards

LONG RANGE PLANNING HIGHLIGHTS – Q3 2026



The City passed an urban growth boundary amendment on September 23rd, 2026, that brought the City into compliance with HB 2001. In addition to bringing 177.5 acres of land into the Urban Growth Boundary, the City also addressed parkland and employment land deficits by bringing in:

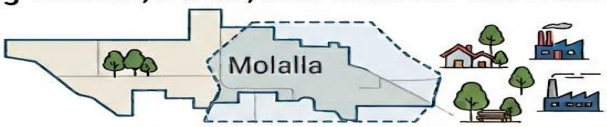
- **77.18** acres of industrial land
- **7.47** acres of commercial land
- **84.75** acres of public land

These additions are intended to help address 20-year land deficits for employment lands identified in the City's adopted Economic Opportunities Analysis and facilitate park and trail development identified in the adopted Parks, Recreation, and Trails Systems plan. The City will be seeking recommendation from the Clackamas County Planning Commission and approvals from the Board of Commissions in Q4 of 2026.

To get more information about the City of Molalla's Urban Growth Boundary and Goal 14 studies, visit our web page at:
Molalla's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) | Molalla Current

Molalla Urban Growth Boundary Expansion

Balancing Growth, Parks, and Jobs for the Next 20 Years



Compliance

- **September 23, 2026:** City of Molalla passed an Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) amendment.
- **State Compliance:** This expansion successfully brings the City into full compliance with Oregon HB 2001.

Total Land Added: 177.5 Acres

The expansion specifically addresses existing public parkland deficits and 20-year employment land deficits.

77.18 Acres

- Industrial Land
- Targeting long-term deficits identified in the Economic Opportunities Analysis.

7.47 Acres

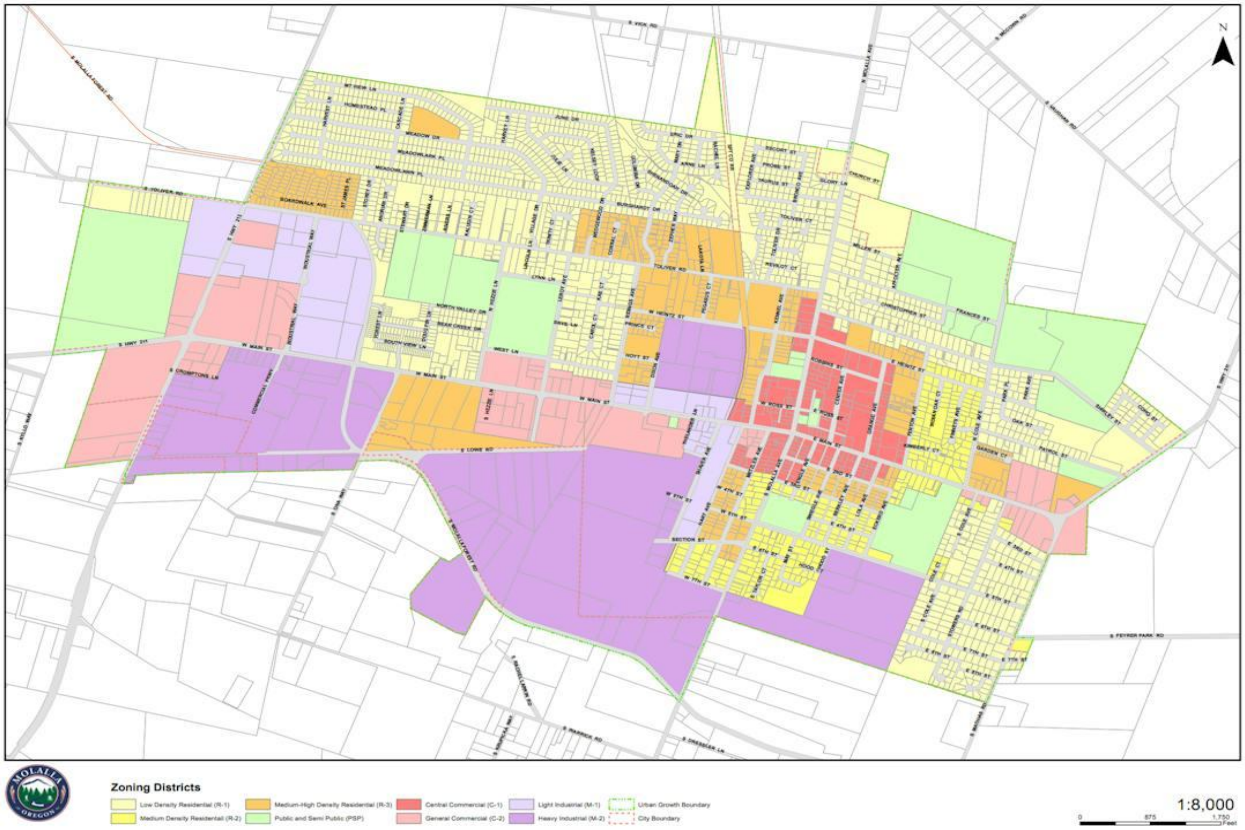
- Commercial Land
- Allocated to boost local businesses and provide jobs within the community.

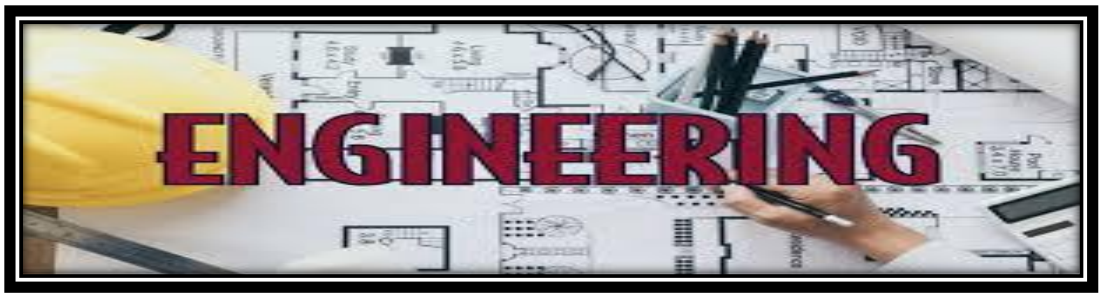
84.75 Acres

- Public Land
- Facilitating future park and trail development outlined in the Parks, Recreation, and Trails Systems plan.

Next Steps & Approvals (Q4 2026)

1. Recommendation: Seeking formal approval from the Clackamas County Planning Commission.
2. Final Authorization: Awaiting final approvals from the Board of Commissioners.





ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT- PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROJECTS Q3 2026

COMPLETED PUBLIC PROJECTS

21-02- Opening Molalla Forest Road: **Chief Yelkus Park to Toliver Rd.** Repaving and striping complete. Speed humps added and road opened to bicycle and vehicle traffic. Phase 2 scheduled for design this winter. Pedestrian and ADA trail from Toliver Road through Sheets Field, to Chief Yelkus Park.
25-02 - Bohlander Crossing Safety and ADA Improvements This project created a pedestrian safe crossing between Bohlander Field and Clark Park and the Buckeroo Grounds for heavy pedestrian traffic during events. Removable bollards added to the roadway to prevent vehicle infiltration, new lighting was added to the right of way adjacent to the crossing, as ADA compliant parking area was hard surfaced and striped. An additional entrance was added on the northwest corner to improve traffic patterns during events.
25-05 – Fox Park Property Acquisition This project brought Fox Park and 4th Street under City ownership and removed the right of way splitting Elementary and Middle School grounds. This cooperative exchange between the City and MRSD resulted in at least $1 million in cost savings for the Middle School Project.
25-06- Shenandoah Emergency Water Repair This was an emergency repair of a water main in the vicinity of Shenandoah Drive.

ENGINEERING - ACTIVE PUBLIC PROJECTS – Q3 2026

Project Description	Project Update
19-10 - Upgrading the City's WWTP to a Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) type treatment process and facility. Removing all biosolids from existing lagoons and converting to clean water holding.	This project is funded in part by $7.5 million in grants. SBR is at 80% completion. 2,000 dry tons of biosolids removed to date. Additional biosolids removal set to start next Spring. City achieved land application approval saving $85 per dry ton removed.
22-04- Expanding Water Treatment Plant Property and addition of a 2.0 mg water reservoir.	Due diligence complete. Purchase option agreement in place. Property line adjustment is process with Clackamas County planning department.
22-12 – Adding a new field to the City's Recycled Water Use Plan.	This project is set to commence upon commissioning of new SBR. (See 19-10)
22-14 - ODOT replacing ADA Ramps along OR-211 to Mathias Rd.	This project is funded and managed by ODOT. Some ramps were installed incorrectly and are being replaced.
22-19 – Perform cost and feasibility study to open Molalla Forest Road from OR-211 to Mathias.	Detailed design level survey completed. Data collection regarding right of way and materials composition is ongoing. This will be a long-term project to relieve traffic on OR-211 and study this road for a possible truck route replacement.
22-22 – Street Surfacing Program	E 2nd, E 3rd, E 5th, E 6th, Swiegle, Engle, Mathias (repair), City Hall Alleyway, Toliver Dr. all complete. Meadow and Harvest to be completed in October. New 5-year paving contract to go out for bids in mid-2027.
22-24 – Adding pressure reducing valves to the City's water system to help prolong system life and prevent syphoning in water emergencies.	Obtaining Right-of-Way dedication from U-Haul on the corner of OR-211 and Dixon. Seeking additional Right-of-Way dedication on Toliver for placement of second set of Pressure Reducing Valves.
22-27 – Upgrading and utilizing on-site irrigation at Wastewater Treatment Plant to help dispose of treated effluent and maintain WWTP property.	Project on hold to avoid conflicts with WWTP Upgrade (19-10)
22-28 - Analyzing wellheads for potential use in Aquifer Storage and recovery System. Providing base level design and cost estimating.	This project is funded by approximately $400k in grants. City shops wellhead determined feasible for use as ASR, subject to OWRD approval. Design to commence upon OWRD review of feasibility report.

22-29 – New Water Intake Structure	This project is funded in part by $1.092 million in grants. Pre-design complete. 30% design complete. 60% design set for review in October. Permitting pre-application complete.
22-31 – Updating Stormwater Master Plan	Final Draft complete and going to Council in October for potential adoption.
22-33 – Creating a sports complex in the non-forested areas of Clark Park.	Landscape Architect Contract going to Council in October for potential adoption. That will begin the concept design phase of the project. Public input will be needed.
24-02 - Complete an updated Emergency Response Plan and Risk/Resiliency Assessment for the new WWTP.	Meeting with technical experts through a free USDA program to discuss the requirement and determine the scope and direction of the updates.
24-07 – Park Cameras-ensuring cameras in City Parks.	Working to add cameras to Odd Fellows Park as time allows.
25-01 – Replacing existing lift station at S Molalla Ave and Bear Creek. Increases capacity and adds SCADA and Generator capabilities.	Design and preliminary permitting complete. Going out to bid in November.
25-06 – Library move to Civic Center and facility upgrade.	Preliminary Design and Cost Estimates complete.
25-10 – Park at Ona Way, Molalla Forest Road and Lowe Rd; Clearing blackberries and other non-natives. Converting to passive nature park.	Blackberry clearing and Spraying in-work. Grubbing to start this year.
25-12 – Remodeling City hall to accommodate full Administrative Staff.	Police moved to new PD facility, Admin Staff moved to 2nd level, HVAC and Windows on 2nd level completed. In work creating/updating offices for Community Development Staff.
25-19 – CTGR Manhole Covers: Adding Native American Artwork to Downtown and Chief Yelkus Park manholes.	Designs approved and locations identified. Awaiting further from Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.
25-20 – Artistic Banner Holder for Cross Street Banners	This project funded $53k in grant funds. Footings for structure being poured week of 10/12, banner holder to be installed by the end of October.
25-22 – Storm & Park SDC's and Storm Rates	Park SDC's updated and adopted. Stormwater rates to be considered after adoption of Stormwater Master Plan. (22-31)
26-01 – TMDL Temp Replacement: Molalla named DMA in Willamette Basin Water Quality master Plan; must compete	Draft plan complete. Presentation to Council scheduled for 10/28.

and implement TMDL Temp Replacement Plan.	
26-02 – N Ona Lane Development: OR-211 to Southview	Project nearly complete with paving scheduled for 10/14/26. Street lighting will be delayed due to PGE Scheduling conflicts, but has been stubbed in.
26-03 - Groundwater Monitoring Plan: City required to drill and monitor groundwater monitoring wells at WWTP to ensure effluent does not compromise groundwater table.	Groundwater Monitoring Plan: City required to drill and monitor groundwater monitoring wells at WWTP to ensure effluent does not compromise groundwater table.
26-08 – Meadowlark Place Main Line Repair	Repaired water main, replaced 30 service connections, paving to begin 10/15/26.

Street Surfacing Program

22-22 On-Call Paving Services FY26/27

City Hall Alleyway



E. 6th Street



Toliver Dr, Reviot & Berwick Court



Molalla River Middle School- Paving of Leroy Avenue



ENGINEERING - ACTIVE PRIVATE PROJECTS – Q3 2026

Project Description	Project Update
24-01 – Leza Estates Subdivision	Project is in work and ongoing. Improvements include Water, Sewer, Stormwater, Streets, and Sidewalks in the vicinity of N Hezzie lane and Lynn Lane.
24-11- Industrial Park Waterline Improvements	Project is complete but not yet accepted. Includes replacement of porous public water main extending from Heintz south to a fire hydrant on-site at 535 W Main Street.
24-13 – ODF Storm Drain Improvements	Project is in work and ongoing. Redirecting storm water from neighboring properties to public system at ODF building.
25-04 – Superior Pool Project	Project is in work and ongoing. Includes frontage and stormwater improvements in the 700 block of W main Street.
25-07 – 535 W Main -Industrial Park	Project is in work and ongoing. Private street and sidewalks complete. Public sidewalks and street overlay are in work. Water, sewer, storm improvements are nearing completion.
25-09 – Dean's Leasing LLC/ Contractor Trade Yard	Project has not yet commenced. Includes frontage improvements and on-site Stormwater facilities.

25-17 – Molalla Senior Center	Project is in work and ongoing. Includes frontage and stormwater improvements along Heintz Street**.**
25-18 – Molalla River Middle School	Project is in work and ongoing. Includes Leroy Ave sidewalks and street overlay. West Land sidewalks, and Lynn Lane sidewalks and street overlay. Also includes stormwater improvements and proportionate share for Leroy/OR-211 Traffic Signal.
25-23 – Heckard Field Improvements	Project is nearing final acceptance. Includes stormwater improvements associated with new field installation.

Heckard Field Improvements- New High School Turf Football Field

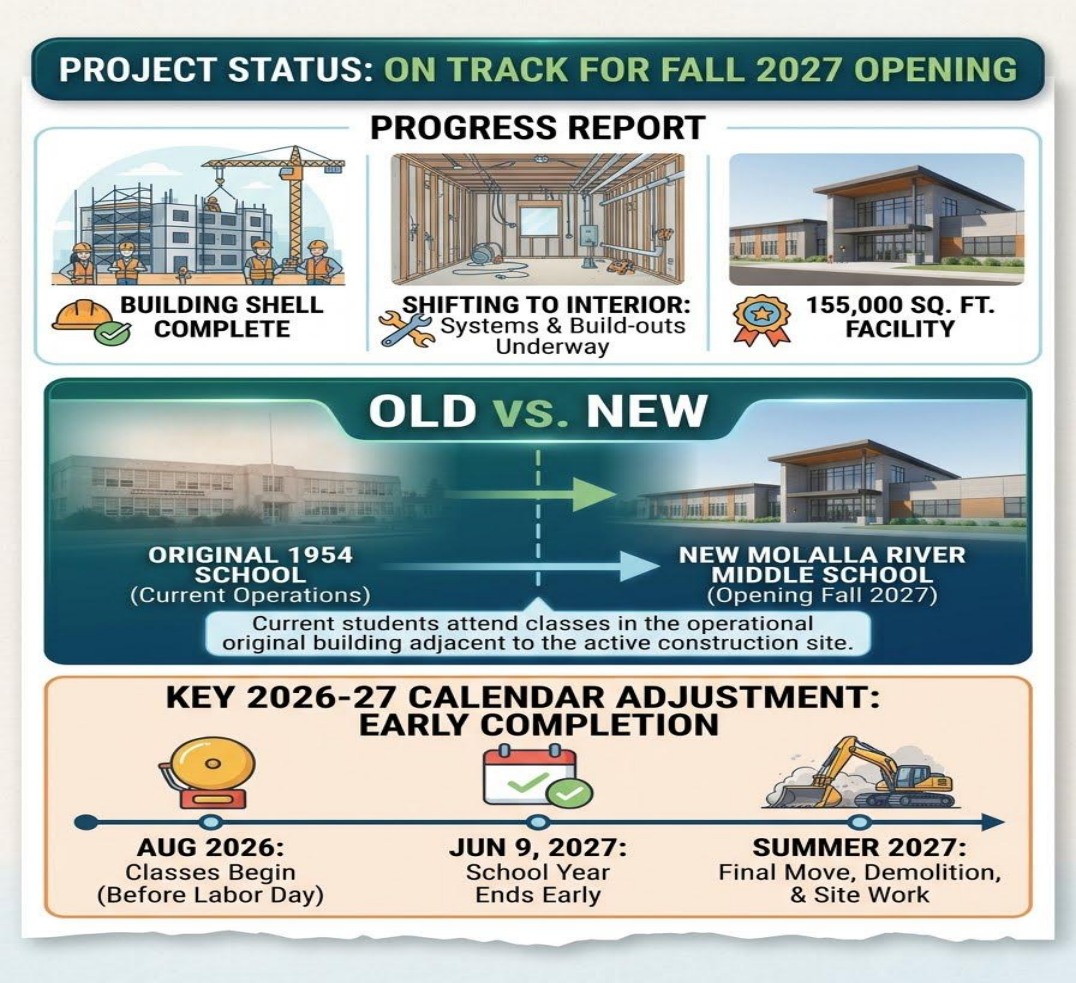


MOLALLA RIVER MIDDLE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Molalla River School District Bond Project is moving forward swiftly!
We are thrilled to share the latest progress on the replacement of **Molalla River Middle School**. Here is everything you need to know about the timeline, budget, and upcoming schedule changes.

Project Status & Progress

- **On Time & On Budget:** Construction remains strictly aligned with our financial goals and project schedules.
- **Shifting to the Interior:** Exterior milestones are wrapping up, and crews are officially transitioning into interior construction this fall focusing on internal systems and buildouts.
- **Grand Opening:** The state-of-the-art 155,000 square-foot facility is scheduled to open its doors to students in Fall 2027.
- **Operations:** Students are continuing to attend classes in the original 70-year-old school building, which remains fully operational next door while the new campus is built adjacent to it.



Molalla River Middle School Build Highlights

Molalla River Middle School progress – Drone captures on September 28, 2026





Molalla River Middle School progress – Drone captures on September 28, 2026







RIGHT OF WAY PERMITS – Q3 2026

104 Active ROW Permits	13 Closed Out ROW Permits

Permits are required for any work in the public right-of-way of City streets. Work in the right-of-way of Hwy 213 & 211 requires a permit from ODOT (Oregon Department of Transportation).

Work in the right-of-way of City roads requires a permit from the City of Molalla.

Contact the City if you are not sure whether a street or road is under ODOT or City jurisdiction.

Anyone doing work "within the right of way that blocks, partially blocks, hinders or impedes the flow of traffic, cyclists, or pedestrians" not already covered by a public works construction permit. These include but not limited to new or replacement of sidewalks, curbs, approaches, or cuts into the road for utilities or blocking the road for tree removal. A permit is also required for a small project, such as a service connection. sidewalk and/or driveway approach and franchise utility work within the City public right-of-way or public easement.

Visit our website at Apply for a ROW or Civil Construction Permit | City of Molalla, OR to apply online.

PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE- Q3 2026

Water	***93***
Sewer	***19***
Storm	***13***
Street	***39***
Fleet	***12***
Parks	***113***
Locates	***192***
Building Maintenance	***13***
General	***5***
After Hours	***17***
TOTAL	***516***



Street Sweeping Report

Miles Swept: 450
Loads: 53

The City of Molalla Public Works department is responsible for the City's Water System, Wastewater System, Stormwater System, Street Maintenance, Parks Maintenance, and Capital Projects.

PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE HIGHTLIGHTS Q3 2026

Banner Install



Ivor Davies Bridge Replacement





Meadowlark Place -Water Line Replacement





Meadowlark Place -Water Line Replacement





Water Line Repair



ASR Shops



WATER QUALITY REPORT- Q3 2026



Molalla's water comes from the Molalla River, several miles upstream of the city, and is treated at the Molalla Wastewater Treatment Plant. The watershed covers about 203 square miles and is considered a clean surface water source.
City of Molalla Annual Water Quality Report: 2025_water-quality-report.pdf

- **Drinking Water Production:** Over the past quarter, the Water Treatment Plant successfully produced approximately **139 million gallons** of high-quality drinking water.

- **Aquifer Storage Reservoir (ASR) Feasibility Study:** Well-testing is officially complete, and all laboratory results have been received. Staff is compiling the findings for an upcoming final presentation to the City, followed by submission to the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) for implementation approval.

- **Intake Pump Station Maintenance:** Pump #2 was successfully replaced in July and is operating smoothly. This restores full mechanical redundancy at the station, ensuring an uninterrupted backup supply during routine maintenance or unexpected pump failures.

- **Intake Design Progress:** The project team is advancing the intake design, with a county pre-application meeting scheduled for early September. The 60% design drawings remain on track for review in early October.

CITY OF MOLALLA - QUARTERLY WATER REPORT

WATER PRODUCTION

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139 MILLION GALLONS

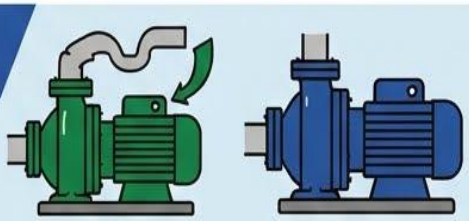
2. AQUAPHOR STORAGE RESERVOIR FEASIBILITY STUDY



Feasibility study continues:
Well-testing completed. Lab results back. Results are being compiled for final presentation to City and then OWRD for approval of implementation.

3. WATER INTAKE PUMP STATION

Pump #2 replaced in July and is operating **smoothly, providing full redundancy** (backup pump for maintenance or failure).



NEW REDUNDANT

4. INTAKE DESIGN PROJECT TIMELINE

BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER
PRE-APPLICATION MEETING with County

EARLY OCTOBER
60% DESIGN DRAWINGS expected for review

WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT UPDATE Q3 2026



On schedule and moving along!

- **Plant Operations:** Over the past quarter, the Wastewater Treatment Plant received **70 million gallons** of wastewater and successfully discharged **68 million gallons** of treated, clean effluent to the recycled water fields.

- **Facility Upgrades:** Construction on the plant upgrade continues on schedule. Leak testing has commenced for the Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR) and Aerobic Digester (AD). Handrail installation is nearing completion, with crews currently mounting electrical and mechanical components. Permanent access stairs have also been installed.

- **SBR & Disinfection Progress:** On the north side of the SBR, the effluent pad has been poured, and the effluent filter and UV channels are securely in place. Structural conduits and pipe conveyances are advancing rapidly. Inside the basins, crews are marking out equipment layouts for imminent installation.

- **Electrical & Interior Finishes:** Electrical contractors are actively pulling wire from the main facility to all auxiliary panels to integrate the existing site with the new

infrastructure ahead of permanent power delivery. Indoors, flooring has been laid out in the new office and laboratory space, clearing the way for final trim and plumbing installations.

- **Biosolids Removal:** Annual biosolids removal wrapped up successfully on September 30. Partnering contractor Synagro efficiently hauled between five and eight truckloads of solids per day since late July. They are currently demobilizing equipment and will return next spring/summer to extract remaining solids from Lagoon #2, prepping the basin for its conversion into a clean effluent storage pond.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Progress Highlights

SBR, Effluent Filters, and UV Channels



Permanent Access



Top of SBR Catwalks



Water Intake Pump #2 Replacement



Air and Effluent Piping



Headworks Forms and Reinforcing



SBR Permanent Stairs



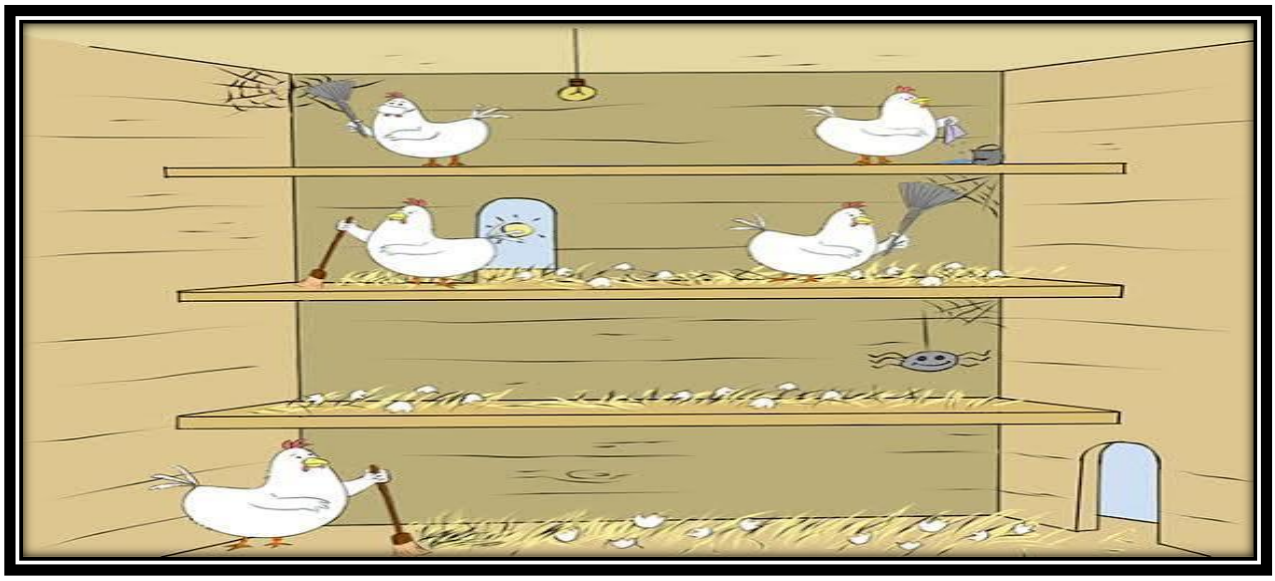


Open Cases	**15**
Closed Cases	**46**
Total Cases	**61**

- Code compliance is currently working on updating city code that details penalties for unpaid parking fines.

- An “Immobilization Order” process was approved by Clackamas County, and we are working on updating the language, implementing a process with Municipal Court, and purchase the devices.

- The November Newsletter will focus on maintaining backyard chicken coops for cleanliness and rat prevention.



Our Code Compliance Division works to maintain and improve Molalla's quality of life by enforcing the City's Municipal Code Ordinances. Compliance keeps our city safe!



Common Violations Enforced: Overgrown vegetation, illegal dumping, graffiti, abandoned/junk vehicles, garbage and accumulation of solid waste, unsafe property conditions, animal regulation issues, illegal businesses, and unpermitted construction.

- **Reporting Concerns**: You can submit a report online via the City of Molalla Citizen Concern Form (anonymous reports are not processed) or leave a voicemail at 503-829-5566 or email code@cityofmolalla.com.
- **Emergencies & Non-Emergencies**: **Dial 911 for emergencies**. For police non-emergencies, noise complaints, or on-street abandoned vehicles, call Clackamas County **Non-Emergency at 503-655-8211**.
- **Zoning & Development**: Regulated under Molalla Municipal Code Title 17, which governs land use, zoning maps, and building standards.

For more information and project updates, please visit: 🌐 **https://current.cityofmolalla.com**

Timateo De La Cruz Memorial Skate Park

City Council Presentation | October 28, 2026

Ride. Remember. Inspire.

Good evening, Mayor and City Council members.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to provide an update on the Molalla Skate Park Rebuild Project and share our recommendation for its future location.

First, I want to thank the City Council, City staff, and especially Mac Corthell for working with us throughout this process. We know a project like this takes time, planning, funding, and teamwork, and we appreciate the City's continued support.

Honoring Timateo's Legacy

For those who may not know our story, my little brother, Timateo De La Cruz, was just 14 years old when he helped lead the effort to bring a skate park to Molalla back in 1997.

That dream became a reality when the original skate park opened on June 24, 2000.

More than 26 years later, that park is still serving our community.

After losing Timateo in April 2022, our family wanted to find a way to honor his memory while continuing something he cared deeply about.

That's how the Timateo De La Cruz Memorial Skate Park Foundation came to life.

Our mission is simple: rebuild Molalla's skate park into a safe, welcoming place where kids, families, and people of all ages can come together.

We want to honor Timateo's legacy while creating something that will serve our community for generations.

What We've Accomplished

Since the City Council gave us the green light to move forward in July, we've been busy.

Our Foundation received its official 501(c)(3) nonprofit approval, allowing us to pursue grants, sponsorships, and charitable donations.

We've hosted fundraisers, sold merchandise, and participated in community events to raise money and awareness.

One of our recent fundraisers, Tamales for Timateo, was a wonderful example of community support. Together, we prepared and sold 624 tamales.

We've also created a coloring and activity book, with proceeds supporting the skate park rebuild.

We've worked with the City to gather community feedback about possible locations, and we're planning virtual community engagement sessions in November so residents can help shape the design of the future park.

We're also planning a skate competition for June 26, 2027, to bring the skating community together, raise awareness, and continue fundraising.

These efforts may seem small compared to the overall cost of building a skate park, but each one helps us move forward.

Building Partnerships and Community Support

One of the biggest things we've been working on is building relationships with businesses and organizations that may be able to help.

We've reached out to dozens of companies, both locally and nationally, requesting financial support, donated materials, professional services, and items for fundraising events.

Our outreach includes companies such as **Columbia Sportswear, Alaska Airlines, Red Bull, Vans, Powell-Peralta, Santa Cruz Skateboards, and the Portland Trail Blazers.**

We've also contacted companies in the skating industry, including **Rollerblade and K2**, because rollerblading was such an important part of Timateo's life.

And we've reached out to professional skate park designers, including **Evergreen Skate Parks, Grindline, and Dreamland**, to explore what it would take to build a modern park designed to last.

We've contacted local contractors and construction-related businesses, including **Knife River, Cascade NW Construction, and C&V Roofing**, to explore possible support with materials and services.

We're also thinking outside the box.

We've contacted companies like **xTool** about equipment that could help us create merchandise and raise additional funds.

We've even started reaching out to entertainers and professional sports organizations to help spread the word about our project.

Not every request will turn into a donation, but every conversation is another opportunity to tell Timateo's story and bring attention to Molalla.

And we're already seeing results.

Commonwealth Skate Shop donated three complete skateboards.

Topgolf, Lan Su Chinese Garden, Oso Spanish & Mediterranean, and Portland Center Stage have donated gift certificates, tickets, and experiences that can help us raise money through future fundraising events.

We've also received positive responses from other businesses and continue to follow up on requests.

We're grateful to every business and individual who has taken the time to support us.

Exciting Funding and Partnership Updates

We also have some exciting news to share.

According to Assistant City Manager Mac Corthell, **Molalla Communications has verbally committed $100,000 toward the skate park rebuild.**

We are currently waiting for the formal letter of commitment, but this is an encouraging step forward for our project.

We've also been working with Evergreen Skate Parks, which has discussed providing a preliminary concept design at no cost.

We're estimating the potential in-kind value of that design service at approximately **$5,000**, pending confirmation.

Together, these represent approximately **$105,000 in potential financial and in-kind support** for the project.

To be clear, these amounts are not yet fully documented or received, but they represent meaningful progress.

We know we still have significant fundraising ahead of us. We're continuing to pursue grants, corporate sponsorships, local donations, and opportunities to reduce costs through donated materials and services.

We're not expecting the City to do all the work or carry the entire financial responsibility.

Our Foundation is committed to doing its part to help make this project a reality.

Planning for a Park That Will Last

As we've researched skate park design and talked with professionals, one thing has become clear.

We don't want to simply replace what we have today. We want to plan for what Molalla will need in the future.

Our existing skate park is approximately 3,600 square feet.

Molalla now has more than 10,000 residents, and we want a park that can serve children, teenagers, adults, beginners, and experienced riders.

Based on our research and conversations with skate park professionals, **we would like to request 12,000 to 15,000 square feet of skateable concrete.**

That means the actual skating surface, not the total amount of land needed.

We would also need additional space for a covered structure, seating, lighting, ADA access, landscaping, and other improvements.

A larger park would allow for a better mix of features, more room for different skill levels, and a safer experience for everyone.

We also want to consider long-term maintenance, existing infrastructure, and future growth.

Our goal is to build a park that will last for decades, just as the original park has.

Our Location Recommendation

That brings us to the reason we're here tonight.

After reviewing the available locations, considering community feedback, and looking at the long-term needs of this project, **the Timateo De La Cruz Memorial Skate Park Foundation recommends Sheets Field, next to the existing BMX track, as the preferred location for the new skate park.**

We believe this location offers several important benefits.

First, existing infrastructure.

The area already has amenities such as bathrooms and a snack bar. Depending on the final design and site needs, these could help reduce some development costs.

Second, shared recreation opportunities.

Being next to the BMX track creates an opportunity to bring different recreational activities together in one area.

Families could enjoy multiple activities in one location, and the skate park and BMX communities could support one another through events and activities.

Third, room for a long-term investment.

We believe this location offers the potential to build a larger, modern skate park with the amenities our community needs, rather than being limited by the size of the current location.

We understand the City will need to consider existing sports uses, site conditions, utilities, costs, and long-term maintenance before making a final commitment.

We respect that process and want to work together to find the best solution.

Closing

Timateo helped make Molalla's original skate park possible because he believed kids in our community deserved a place of their own.

Today, we have the opportunity to carry that dream forward.

This project is about more than concrete, ramps, and rails.

It's about giving kids a safe place to go, creating opportunities for families, and showing young people that their ideas matter.

Tonight, we respectfully ask City Council to consider Sheets Field as the preferred location for the new skate park and support planning for 12,000 to 15,000 square feet of skateable concrete, along with the additional land needed for a covered structure and other amenities.

We know there is still a lot of work ahead, but our Foundation is committed to seeing this project through.

Thank you for your time, your partnership, and your continued support.

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