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## Development Director Jeff Adams Convenes New Regional Housing Task Force

Of the over 1,300 jobs in Cannon Beach, only 75 are filled by workers who live in the city.

Community Development Director Jeff Adams is one of those 75.

Adams is also a renter, who, during his time in Cannon Beach, has been forced to relocate—something that, due to a lack of capacity and access, can be extremely difficult, if not impossible.

"I understand the panic of trying to find a home," Adams says.

But with Adams, the personal is also the professional, as he has long been working to tackle housing supply and affordability.

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#### THIS MONTH'S AGENDA

City Council - 8/2
City Council Work Session - 8/9
Coffee With Councilors - 8/15
Parks & Community Services - 8/18
Design Review Board - 8/18
Tourism & Arts - 8/22
Planning Commission - 8/25
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### **Development Director Convenes Regional Housing Task Force**

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Prior to accepting the job in Cannon Beach, Adams worked in Blaine County, Idaho, home to desirable—and expensive—vacation communities like Sun Valley, where supply is gobbled up by second homes and short term rentals.

It's with that experience Adams seeks to address the lack of available housing not only in Cannon Beach, but the region at large—because the problem is too widespread for one jurisdiction to solve by itself.

A presentation to city council birthed exploratory conversations in Seaside and elsewhere and led to Adams convening the Clatsop Regional Housing Task Force on July 20th.

The inaugural meeting Included elected officials and city staff from Astoria, Warrenton, Gearhart, Seaside and Cannon Beach, as well as representatives from Clatsop County and large employers such as Providence Hospital, regional school districts and other interested organizations.

The task force, which will meet quarterly, began exploring basic goals, problems, and getting to know one another.

There will not be one silver bullet, Adams says but rather the implementation of a wide range of policies to increase housing availability countywide, including: inclusionary housing ordinances like density bonuses, deed restrictions, transfer development rights and more.

Thanks to the experience and successes of some mountain towns, who Adams says have been working on these issues since the 1980's, the Clatsop Regional Task Force need not re-invent the wheel.

According to Adams, due to their policy innovations and concerted effort, some mountain towns have reached workforce housing levels totaling 20% of the available supply. In Clatsop County, Adams says, the level of workforce housing is currently just 4%.

The first step, Adams says, is bringing everyone to the table.

"I'm excited that so many communities are wanting to come together and solve this as a regional issue," Adams says. "I think so often that we do these reports and we run back to our jurisdictions and each try to do what we can. But a lot of these problems are too big to solve for any one community."

# City Welcomes New Administrative Assistant to Public Works Team

The City of Cannon Beach welcomes Tessa Schutt, the team's newly hired Public Works Admin Assistant.

One year removed from graduating with dual majors in International Relations and Political Science (with minors in French and German) from Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Schutt moved to Cannon Beach last September to assist her father in launching the Gatsby's Oceanside Speakeasy & Steakhouse restaurant.



After helping get Gatsby's on its feet, the public works position with the city afforded Schutt the opportunity to put her degrees—and interests--to work.

At Aquinas, Schutt completed a three-year thesis on the water crisis in Flint, Michigan.

"That's what got me interested in public works," Schutt says. "It got me thinking about local governments and how they impact people."

Public Works Director Karen La Bonte was impressed not only with Schutt's educational credentials, but her interest and understanding of various technological systems.

As public works relies on numerous technologies--such as GIS mapping and other industry specific tools--as well as complex financial reporting requirements, La Bonte was confident that Schutt was right for the position.

"Her degree and background allow her to understand very complex documents," La Bonte says. "I thought, somebody like her is not going to be scared away from these very complex loan documents."

And those loan documents are a big part of the position--an aspect of the job that's new to the administrative assistant portfolio.

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"The position has now morphed into a significant administrative role," La Bonte says. "We have applied for \$17 million in federal loans and the documents for those loan applications require a tremendous amount of upfront paperwork. And once secured, reporting to the feds about the project status is just as complicated."

Loan administration is in addition to the position's regular duties of processing payables, overseeing payroll and supporting La Bonte, Assistant Public Works Director Trevor Mount and the rest of the team.

La Bonte was also encourage by Schutt's knowledge of Cannon Beach. Schutt says she visited for the first time when she was three years old.

"I loved the ocean growing up," she says. "I was convinced I was going to be a marine biologist."

But, eventually, politics took hold. In her free time, Schutt volunteers with the American Model United Nations organization in Chicago which hosts simulations with up to 2,000 students.

She enjoys reading in her spare time and calls herself "an avid knitter."

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, AUGUST, 2<sup>ND</sup> 2022 5PM-7PM

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7TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

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## How to Run for Mayor or City Council

This November, the mayor and two city council positions will be on the ballot in Cannon Beach.

The Council positions are 'at large' as Cannon Beach is not divided into precincts or wards. Council members and the Mayor are allowed to serve two consecutive 4-year terms.

If you are interested in becoming a candidate for a City Council position please read the information below and contact the City Elections Officer, Jennifer Barrett.



Call Jennifer at (503) 436-8052 or email recorder@ci.cannon-beach.or.us. Jennifer will discuss the process with you and assist you with the initial paperwork. Candidates are provided with a notebook of useful and pertinent information to help you understand the Council-Manager form of government we utilize, and what is expected of government officials.

Important supporting documents can be found at the city's website.

#### Some important dates to remember are:

- <u>August 15, 2022</u> Recommended date for candidates to submit their petition signature sheets (SEL 121) to the City Elections Official BEFORE the actual candidate filing deadline of August 30th, in order to allow sufficient time for County Elections Office to verify the signatures, and also to allow time for candidates to obtain more signatures if needed.
- <u>August 30, 2022</u> Last day for local (city) candidate to file declaration of candidacy (SEL 101) and candidate signature sheets (SEL 121) with City Elections Official for offices filled at general election.
- September 2, 2022- Last day for city candidates to file withdrawal of candidacy. (SEL 150)
- <u>September 12, 2022</u> Last day for local candidate who files candidacy with County Clerk to file candidate statement for County Voters' Pamphlet with County Clerk's office. (\$50.00 fee)
- November 8, 2022 Election Day!

You may also visit the Oregon Secretary of State website for information and forms https://sos.oregon.gov and follow the prompts to elections OR visit the Clatsop County website for information and forms www.co.clatsop.or.us, under Services select Clerk/Elections.

## **News in Brief**



## CITY COUNCIL TO WEIGH ELECTRIC SCOOTER RENTAL BAN

At the August 2nd City Council meeting, councilors will debate and potentially vote on a drafted ordinance banning the commercial rental of electric scooters.

Should the ban go into effect, private owners of their own scooters--or other electric transportation devices--would still be allowed to operate them in the city.

#### **HRAP SEEKS VOLUNTEERS**

Help protect the vibrant inter-tidal ecosystem at Haystack Rock by volunteering with HRAP.

Learn more at:

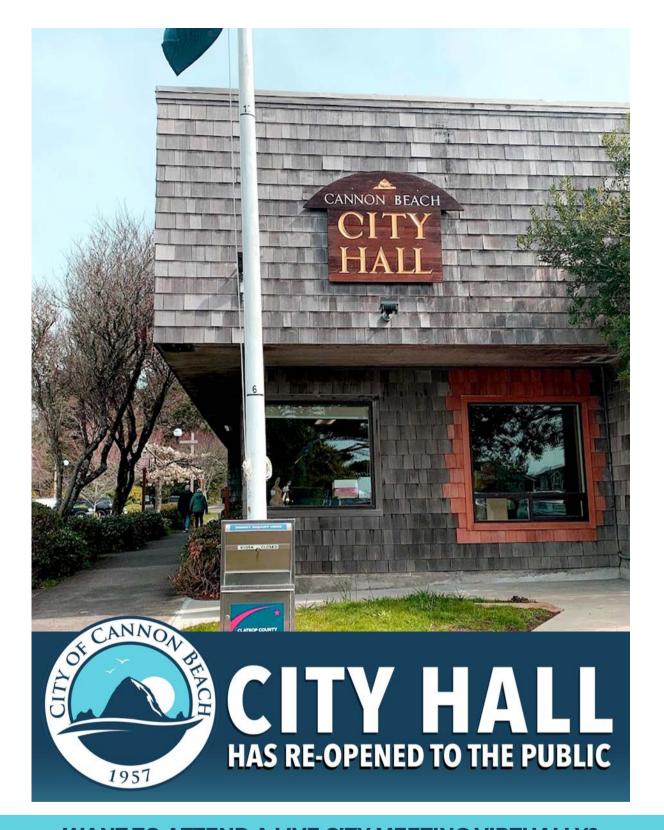
haystackrockawareness.com/volunteer

#### WAYFINDING WEDNESDAY

The next Wayfinding Wednesday, an exercise led by Emergency Manager Rick Hudson, is August 3rd at 5:30PM.

Citizens are encouraged to walk their evacuation route to their closest Tsunami Assembly Area.

For maps and more, visit:
<a href="https://www.ci.cannon-">https://www.ci.cannon-</a>
<a href="beach.or.us/emergencymgmt/page/tsunami-wayfinding-wednesdays">https://www.ci.cannon-</a>
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#### WANT TO ATTEND A LIVE CITY MEETING VIRTUALLY?



- 1. Click Agenda and Minutes from the City's Website.
- 2. Find your meeting and click View Details.
- 3. Click on the Zoom link.

https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us/meetings

#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT**



Did you know the City has a Code Enforcement Complaint Form on their website?

- 1. Find Services from the menu on the City's Website.
- 2. Click Code Enforcement Complaint under Police Department.
- 3. Complete the form to submit your complaint.

https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us/police/webform/code-enforcement-complaint-form

#### **COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION LIST SIGNUP**

Want to receive emergency or important notifications from the City? Click the link below to be added to the Community Notification List.

https://www.ci.cannon-beach.or.us/emergencymgmt/webform/sign-community-notification-list

#### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN SIGNUP**

Sign up here to get the Community Bulletin delivered to your Inbox

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#### **CLATSOP ALERTS**



Clatsop Emergency Notification & Community Information BE IN THE KNOW... We can't alert you if we can't reach YOU!

Community members and visitors can **CHOOSE UP TO 3** ways to receive emergency notifications and community information from Public Safety, City, Tribal and County Officials for Clatsop County, Oregon.

- 1. Residential and business landline numbers are automatically included in the emergency contact list and do not require any action.
- 2. Address specific numbers such as mobile numbers, mobile texts, e-mail, and fax numbers are not included in the emergency contact list and require a manual sign-up.

SIGN UP at <a href="https://www.co.clatsop.or.us/em/page/clatsopalerts">https://www.co.clatsop.or.us/em/page/clatsopalerts</a>