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SHORT TERM RENTAL RULES BEING CONSIDERED

The City Council is seeking public comments on draft legislation which will improve and more clearly define regulations on short term rentals. The Council began this process last spring by holding several meetings with various groups to get a number of perspectives on what is right and what is wrong with the current regulations. The Council emphasizes that these proposed rules will not affect the limit to the number of short term rentals.

Some of the areas covered by the draft proposals include physical identification of short term rentals with signage, periodic re-inspection of all short term rentals for health and safety issues, and responsibilities for the identified contact person.

A series of meetings with specific groups and general community meetings are planned in the near future to encourage a broad public discussion of these proposals. The Council has set a target date of May, 2010 to consider adoption of a final draft of the regulations. The first drafts are now available on the City website (ci.manzanita.or.us) for review, and the Council welcomes your comments.

IMPROVED CITY WEBSITE UP AND RUNNING

If you haven't visited the City of Manzanita website lately, you will quickly see that some great improvements have been made. After months of fine tuning, the improved website was launched a few weeks ago. The new site is easier to navigate and has more useful information. New features such as

"Find It Fast" make it easier to direct people to the information they want. Most City staff members have an email address on the website so that contacting the right person is easier.

Visit ci.manzanita.or.us for updated information on City issues, programs and services.

CITY COUNCIL SETS GOALS FOR 2010-11

Short term rental regulation and planning for long range capital needs are at the top of the list of goals the City Council has set for itself for the upcoming two years. The Council recently met to determine which of its previous goals had been reached, what still needed doing, and what could be accomplished reasonably in the next year. The other goals making the list were developing a process for looking at citywide parking needs and issues, and developing and implementing a plan for better bicycle and pedestrian access between Nehalem Bay State Park and the downtown area. The complete list of City Council Goals for 2010-11 can be seen on the City website.

AMBULANCE SUPPORT IS A "TEAM" EFFORT

Want to eliminate your out of pocket expenses for ambulance services and improve ambulance services to the Tillamook County area at the same time? The answer is a Tillamook Emergency Ambulance Membership (TEAM) offered by Tillamook County General Hospital. Should a TEAM member or anyone in their household need an ambulance, the amount paid by the member's insurance is accepted as payment in full by the ambulance service. TEAM has joined forces

with FireMed to offer the same coverage in many parts of Oregon that members enjoy in Tillamook County. Membership fees collected are used to provide training for Paramedics and EMTs and to acquire state-of-the-art emergency medical equipment.

For more information on this program and to obtain an application for TEAM membership, contact the Tillamook County General Hospital Ambulance office at 503-815-7575.

CITY WEBSITE:
CI.MANZANITA.OR.US

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Garry R. Bullard, Mayor
Leila Salmon, City Council President
Councilors:
Linda Kozlowski, Ray Scales, and Mike Scott

HOLIDAYS:

January 1, 2010	New Year's Day
January 18, 2010	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 15, 2010	Presidents' Day

(City offices will be closed.)



The City of Manzanita is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer.

WHAT DO YOU THINK? The Manzanita City Council and staff are interested in your comments on City programs and issues. Please send us a note or use this form as you wish: City of Manzanita, PO Box 129, Manzanita, OR 97130-0129; fax to 1-503-368-4145; or email to: cityhall@ci.manzanita.or.us.

TO: MANZANITA CITY COUNCIL: Here is what I think about _____

Name

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