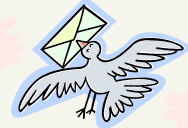


# The Mill City Messenger



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## PUBLIC HEARING—MINOR PARTITION

The City has received a land use application from Donald Jensen, Jensen Consulting & Development, LLC to divide a 1.11-acre parcel into two lots. The 1.11-acre parcel is Lot 1 of the Village at Santiam Pointe Subdivision. It is located at the corner of NE Wall & NE Santiam Pointe Loop.

In 2020 a new home was built on the east half of the parcel. If the partition is approved, Mr. Jensen intends to build a new single-family home on the proposed Parcel 2, on the west half of the 1.11-acre site. The property is zoned Special Planned Development. CC&Rs for the Village at Santiam Pointe subdivision limit the use of the property to single family homes. Marion County Assessor's Map 9S 3E 29CC, Tax Lot 04900.

A public hearing concerning the matter will be held before the Planning Commission on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall at 444 1st Avenue in Mill City. The Planning Commission will make its decision based on decision criteria found in the Mill City Municipal Code, Title 16 - Subdivision Code, Section 16.32 "Partitions". The Searchable City Code can be viewed under "Documents" at the City of Mill City website: <http://www.ci.mill-city.or.us/>

The application, decision criteria and staff report will be available at City Hall seven days prior to the hearing.

The Planning Commission may either approve, deny or approve the application with conditions or modifications. Any person wishing to provide testimony must address the decision criteria. Failure to raise an issue precludes appeal and failure to specify to which criterion the comment is directed precludes appeal based on that criterion. City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. Please call City Hall (503.897.2302) by noon the day before the meeting if you need an interpreter for the hearing impaired or any other special accommodation or if you have any questions related to the application.

## CLEAN UP DAY CANCELLED

We are sorry to announce that the City of Mill City's annual spring clean up day has been cancelled for 2021. The site at which this has historically been held has been leased to FEMA to place housing for those displaced by the September wildfires.

We apologize for the inconvenience but know our citizens understand the need to provide this land for our friends and neighbors.

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DEA NATIONAL <sup>Rx</sup>  
**TAKEBACK**



**If you don't properly  
 dispose of the unused  
 or expired prescription  
 drugs in your home, they  
 might find a new one.**

Visit [DEATakeBack.com](http://DEATakeBack.com) for  
 a collection site near you.

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**TAKEBACK**

Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.

Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.

The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America.

The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family and friends — and the home medicine cabinet.

Unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply. Proper disposal of unused drugs saves lives and protects the environment.

Take-back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. But if a program is not available:

- Take the meds out of their bottles;
- Mix them with something unappealing like used kitty litter or coffee grounds;
- Seal them in a bag or disposable container, and throw that away.

For more information on prescription drug abuse, go to:

- [www.DEA.gov](http://www.DEA.gov)
- [www.GetSmartAboutDrugs.com](http://www.GetSmartAboutDrugs.com)
- [www.JustThinkTwice.com](http://www.JustThinkTwice.com)

## DEA ANNOUNCES 20TH TAKE BACK DAY

With opioid overdose deaths increasing during the pandemic, the Drug Enforcement Administration announces its 20th Take Back Day is scheduled for April 24th. At its last Take Back Day in October, DEA collected a record-high amount of expired, unwanted, and unused prescription medications, with the public turning in close to 500 tons of unwanted drugs. Over the 10-year span of Take Back Day, DEA has brought in more than 6,800 tons of prescription drugs. With studies indicating a majority of abused prescription drugs come from family and friends, including from home medicine cabinets, clearing out unused medicine is essential.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. has seen an increase in overdose deaths during the COVID-19 pandemic, with 83,544 Americans overdosing during the 12-month period ending July 1, 2020, the most ever recorded in a 12-month period. The increase in drug overdose deaths appeared to begin prior to the COVID-19 health emergency, but accelerated significantly during the first months of the pandemic.

The public can drop off potentially dangerous prescription medications

at collection sites which will adhere to local COVID-19 guidelines and regulations in order to maintain the safety of all participants and local law enforcement.

DEA and its partners will collect tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs. Liquids (including intravenous solutions), syringes and other sharps, and illegal drugs will not be accepted. DEA will continue to accept vaping devices and cartridges at its drop off locations provided lithium batteries are removed.

Helping people dispose of potentially harmful prescription drugs is just one way DEA is working to reduce addiction and stem overdose deaths.

Learn more about the event at [www.deatakeback.com](http://www.deatakeback.com), or by calling 800-882-9539.

The local event, organized by the Linn County Sheriff's Office will be on April 24th, 2021. Officers will be in the following locations throughout the day. We will also be posting information around the county once we receive it from the DEA.

\* Mill City 9:00-10:00 am, City Hall, 444 S. 1st Ave

\* Scio 10:30-11:30 am, Fire Hall,

38975 SW 6th Ave

\* Halsey 1:00-2:00 pm, City Hall, 100 Halsey St

\* Harrisburg 2:30-3:30 pm, City Hall, 120 Smith St

A RX drop box is also available in the lobby of the Sheriff's Office that is an option for people to drop off their medications.

**The purpose of our lives is to be happy.**



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## MILL CITY 4TH OF JULY COMMITTEE TENTATIVELY PLANNING 2021 CELEBRATION

The Mill City 4th of July Committee is in the preliminary stages of a tentative plan for holding a 2021 Independence Day Celebration. While this is wonderful news as we all need a little bit of normalcy and celebration of this great country in which we live, the timing is short. If

the celebration comes to fruition, it will take a village, as they say, to make it happen. The 4th of July Committee has put a call out on social media for assistance from anyone willing and able to help put on this year's event.

For more information, to contact a

committee member, or to follow the updates as to if the celebration will be occurring visit the Mill City 4th of July Celebration or Mill City Fourth of July Committee facebook pages.

Thank you to the members and others who are dedicated to celebrating our Independence!



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**OFFICE HOURS: M-F 8AM TO 5PM**

**COUNCIL MEETINGS, SECOND AND FOURTH  
TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 6:30PM**

**PLANNING MEETINGS, THIRD FRIDAY OF  
EACH MONTH, 9:00AM—HEARINGS; THIRD  
TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, 6:30PM**

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**MILL CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF VACANCY**

The City of Mill City has three (3) vacancies on the Mill City Planning Commission, as of June 30, 2021. Interested residents must submit an application outlining their interest in the position by May 14, 2021.

The basic eligibility requirement is residence within the city limits or within two (2) miles of City limits. The Planning Commission meets once per month on the 3rd Friday of the month at 9:00a.m. In the case of a public hearing the meetings are changed to the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30p.m. Meetings are held at City Hall; 444 S 1st Avenue. Additional work sessions are scheduled as needed. The Planning Commission reviews all land use applications and develop-

ment proposals. They also consider amendments and updates to the city's zoning ordinance and comprehensive plan. Applications are available at City Hall or on our website: [www.ci.mill-city.or.us](http://www.ci.mill-city.or.us).

Letters of application should be addressed to:  
Stacie Cook, MMC  
City Recorder  
City of Mill City  
P. O. Box 256  
Mill City, OR 97360

Questions may be directed to City Recorder Stacie Cook, MMC at (503) 897-2302.

**BRIDGE/ROAD CLOSURE  
UPDATES**

The work on the vehicle bridge is nearing its end, however the rehabilitation of the Historic Railroad Bridge will keep the bridge closed to one lane traffic until the end of October 2021. Pedestrians will need to use the sidewalk on the vehicle bridge as the Railroad Bridge is under construction.

As most are aware, the work on SW Broadway Street has begun. The road is expected to be closed until the beginning of September. Residents in the area should contact the contractor, North Santiam Paving, or Linn County with questions about access or deliveries.

Thank you for your patience! The end result will be worth the wait.