

Public Written Comments
May 16th thru June 5th, 2023

- Ross Day – Keizer – Proposed Ordinance – Regulating Dogs at Large
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Davis, Tracy

From: Cathy Clark
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2023 11:57 AM
To: Ross Day; Davis, Tracy
Cc: Laura Reid; Shaney Starr; Kyle Juran; Daniel Kohler; Robert Husseman; Soraida Cross
Subject: Re: Proposed Ordinance - Regulating Dogs at Large

Hello Ross,
Your email is being forwarded to Tracy Davis to be included in public comment.
Warm regards,
Cathy

Cathy Clark
Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 5, 2023, at 11:51 AM, Ross Day <ross@daylawpc.com> wrote:

Madam Mayor and City Councilors-

I am writing to you today concerning the ordinance under consideration tonight which purports to “regulate dogs at large”.

As the ordinance is currently written, I would ask you to oppose the ordinance.

The ordinance purports to ban dogs, off the premises of the dog’s owner, while not in “complete control of the owner or custodian” by “a hand-held leash or chain not exceeding 10 feet in length.”

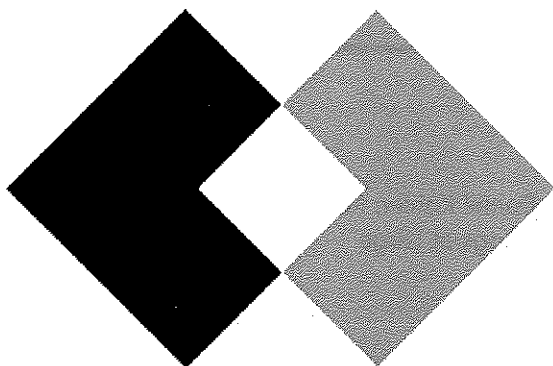
As many of you know, my oldest son is disabled and uses a wheelchair for mobility. My son also has a service dog who assists him with his activities of daily living (called “ADLs”) such as opening doors, turning handles, etc.. His dog – Bella – is not on a leash when she is working. This is because a leash will get tangled up in the wheels of my son’s power chair. Requiring my son to hold Bella on a leash while out in public is not feasible when he is in his wheelchair.

When my son uses his reverse-walker, he cannot hold on to a leash because he has to hold on to his walker. Again, requiring my son to hold Bella on a leash while out in public and using his reverse-walker is not feasible.

This ordinance would make it virtually impossible for my son to go out in public with Bella. I believe the ordinance – as written – likely violates the Americans with Disabilities Act. The ordinance should make an accommodation for individuals with disabilities who rely upon trained service animals to assist with ADLs.

Thank you.

Ross Day



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To whom it may concern;

I am writing to you as president of Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association. We have shared this information with our online forums and within the Association as a whole, by sending out a newsletter and posting the information. I have been asked by 357 families to share a letter of support for the Lava Dome project.

The families have asked me to share a few reasons why they are in support of this project. Communities operate better when we know how to work together to achieve bigger things that we can achieve alone. Sports can help youth develop important life skills such as teamwork, communication, leadership, among families and our children. Other responses I have heard are as follows; Activity-Friendly Routes to Everyday Destinations; School and Youth Programs; Social Supports; Prompts to Encourage Physical Activity ; Access to Places for Physical Activity; Community-Wide Campaigns (cancer awareness, as well as other ways to raise funds and knowledge) ;Individual Supports; and Equitable and Inclusive Access.

Sport creates sportsmanship - it brings people with differences together. As well as sport can support nation building by providing Infrastructure for the economy and fans consist of a variety of different people - sport enables them to come together and agree on something. Regular exercise can have a profoundly positive impact on depression, anxiety, and ADHD. It also relieves stress, improves memory, helps you sleep better, and boosts your overall mood as looking at another health impact. These are just a few reasons why we are choosing to support the lava dome project.

Thank you,

Tammy Kunz (President of GNEKNA)

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Report on outreach and asking questions to see how we as a CDE group can impact my community.

Keizer little league update; May 7th 2023 Time to give a huge shout out to our local Lowe's of Keizer and Salem. They donated all the material and volunteers to rebuild the dugouts and scorekeepers booth on field 2 of Keizer Little League Park. Thank you Clint for working together to accomplish this task, the kids really enjoyed the fresh new look. Let's Go Keizer Little League! Director of Baseball; Joseph Demainew

Keizer Chamber; just a couple of highlights

May 25th Keizer Chambers K.N.O.W and the Percey Auction

Keizer Chamber; And Claggett Creek water shed Council partnership.

Soggy Day at the park event; May 27th Event at Keizer Rapids Park!!! First-come first-served Boat Tours on the River; Hands-on Backhoe Operation with Keizer PW Inflatable Slide and Obstacle Course for Kids; FREE Tacos from Sancho's Tacos and Grill while they last! FREE Treats from Gracie's Sweets & Treats! Face Painting! Amazing Booths and Fun for the entire Family!

City of Keizer Greeters will meet June 13th at 8; 30 am at the Civic Center.

The Salem-Keizer Area Transportation Study is going to be hosting an in person Open House on April 11th from 4; 30 to 6pm at 100 High Str. SE Salem Oregon 97301

Kennedy Elementary update;

Parent club is Partnering with Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council for 2 events on Bingo Bi-lingo with English and Spanish; Pizza for bingo Parents club (25 pizzas on the April 13, and 17) a banner will be displayed sponsored by KNFC. People from the council will add support by being there to serve. This was a huge success!

Summit Update for school Year 20222/ 2023
24, 2023

May

Presented by Tammy Kunz and Jacqueline Green

Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council provides support for the program to that serves Kennedy Elementary for the after school care program. We have been able to add other schools to help provide afterschool care for families in our community. In the last few months we have added Cummings Elementary and Washington Elementary schools as they reached out for support. We run this program on Tuesday's only right now. The hours are from 2;30 to 5;30 we have free play, snack, lesson time, art, and organized activities'.

In the month of March we helped provide for Operation Encourage for Kennedy Elementary staff as we provided lunch for the staff. We were only able to do this with added support from the Church on the Hill other missions we have offer with the church. This was a great partnership,

We had the pleasure of hosting Salem Harvest to assist with a farm to table experience for 6 weeks long. In this we have learned about the bees and how they helped to pollenate, bugs and their purpose, the planting and growing process. We used gloves and watched seeds develop roots and then took them to the garden plot and planted them. Nancy and Elise were

amazing and provided a lot of educational information for the kids on our program. (April)

One of the other ways our support was proven helpful, is we took a field trip to the rec around Easter for about 2 and half hours. We ate food (Pizza, chicken, fries, tots and drinks) and bowled and got to take a look in the back to see how the lanes work behind the scenes. Another time and special thank you for the Rec Staff and the amazing support, the kids really enjoyed riding on the bus for this field trip and we sang lots of song to and from the Rec.

The week of the 13th we are planning a trip to Marion/ Polk food share to learn how food makes it there, put food boxes together for families in need. Then we have our summer kick off with the whole church coming out to support us and help give the kiddos a nice summer send off. We will be doing some grilling and games and just a fun Family time evening.

We hope to grow our program more in the following as we hope to serve another year. I want to say thank you to Tammy and Jacqueline for the support of showing up and adding the support through the council it has proven to be a blessing for our families. The money was used to help provide support for families who are hurting and needed the extra support for families, while working and caring for those loves ones in our care. Our amazing volunteers and staff such As Alfonso, Joy, Nicole and 7 other supports from our community and the church have worked hard on being able to meet the needs of each family entrusted in our care, Thank you for such a fabulous time!

Kennedy Elementary school; has been building partnership with business partner is Keizer Starbucks. Maps Credit Union is the district's Premier Partner.

They have allowed For Kennedy Neighborhood family council to host events for holiday celebrations as well as some educational community café,

The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) has an urgent need for sports officials throughout the state, including Salem-Keizer. Those 18 and older who enjoy being part of the game, supporting their community, and setting their own schedule as an independent contractor are ideal candidates for these flexible positions.

Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council update;

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Hallman Elementary Family Council has agreed to partner with Kennedy Family Council for Fun Friday

1st, 2nd, Hallman Family Council will do these two fun Fridays for July of 2023 more to follow with the dates.

3rd, 4th, Kennedy Neighborhood Family Council will do these two Fun Friday's both One in July the other in August the dates are as follows for right now; July 28th and Aug 4th. Place the event will be held is 5303 River Road N Keizer We are seeking support from the community and hoping we will be able to count on the CDE committee to help serve and spend time talking to folks and learning about the needs in this part of the community.

Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association update;

We have been running a sign contest which ends at the end of May for a new Neighborhood Association sign. We have 13 entries right now and

waiting for more. We have chosen 3 of the 13 designs one is becoming our new logo for the Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association which was design by 13 year old Monic F.

We have been working on gaining more community support by hanging 650 flyers around the community and are planning on doing another 350 in the month of April. We have new people reaching out online and are gaining more and more support with the online community. These flyers were to share who we are as well as invite Keizer families to our 40th Birthday Celebration of Keizer.

We have been talking to families while making invites and asking questions.

What is Diversity? How can we support you better and here is some of the responses.

When I think about this topic I think we need to look at some of the following; the first is diversity of thought we do not have to think alike or even hold the same beliefs. Diversity is differences in racial and ethnic, socioeconomic, geographic, and academic/professional backgrounds. People with different opinions, backgrounds (degrees and social experience), religious beliefs, political beliefs, sexual orientations, heritage, and life experience. All pf these help to create who we are and how we think even how we may feel in some cases.

We each bring different factors of these items to the table, we want to engage in our communities but some people are fearful to have the conversations that may be harder to deal with. This is from my Point of view a topic that will change each day with new families having children and schools who teach our children and Grandkids. So does this mean it

is unlimited and evolving for me yes, as people change the way they think or feel so does how we look through the lens of diversity. I believe it should, can you understand what it like to be homeless if you have never been there, no. Unless we walk in the shoes of many we just can't understand the way this works for each person. I think if we use what we know and put knowledge into action we can create an enrichness in our work places, communities and build a stronger community. Our collaborations will enhance our experiences and take ourselves out the picture for the greater good, as it not about me, but what I can do to make a difference in the teams we build, the community and impact we can have on this city in which we live and love. We learn skills, talents; I think this can help build more reliance's as we work to develop a deeper understanding on how these mindsets affect or effect how people think and feel.

I am scared to let my child go to school but fear I do not have a choice as she is not getting the education my family wants for her. She is not making many friends and kids pick on her because she doesn't have nice things we do the best we can. Living in my car as I cannot pay rent it got to high and I don't make enough money. Tammy brings me and my family food boxes, Jacque helps her with this and they bring school supplies for my daughter. I just want a safe home for the 2 of us and wish the system cared more.

These stories go on and on and break my heart but I am only one person it takes us all and I promised I would not share personal information, I ask you to pray for this family of 2.

Cognitive disabilities, also known as intellectual functioning, are recognized but label my son with ADHD and my daughter with being a troubled child. I assure you they are not but I am working 3 jobs and look to my neighbors for help. I have 3 people to count on and then Tammy and Jacque knocked on my door with a flyer Wow what a blessing she says. I will share more of her story now, She now works 2 jobs and has a childcare provider covered with some state funding, her son has a mentor with the boys and girls club and the daughter has a teen that stays with them for 4 day a week while mom is working to help with homework, reading and other life challenges but the best part of all is mom shared she does not want to die anymore. This is a win and we have more family's stories to share over time. I assure you, we make a difference and when looking at how we can help it is bringing the resources to them. And just being here!

Different functioning may affect an individual's memory, problem-solving abilities, attention, communication, linguistics, as well as verbal, reading, math and visual comprehension. However, having an intellectual disability does not mean the person is not capable of great success as an employee.

Other things I would add for diversity are Physical abilities, mental health, neurodiversity, behavioral and or ethno-diversity, Personality and thought process, there are so many ways we can see diversity in the world today, I see it thought the family down the road as they learn to live with a child who has downs, and another who has a child who has autism. I see the love as they go through the life struggles of learning

how to live the new normal. I have not even touched on family status, and the effect it has on how those people view the world today. I asked 4 of our High school kids in our community what diversity looks like to them and here is what they said. "*Diversity* refers to all of the ways in which people differ, including primary characteristics, such as age, race, gender, ethnicity, mental and physical abilities, and sexual orientation; and secondary characteristics, such as nationality, education, income, religion, work experience, language skills, geographic location, family status, communication style, military experience, learning style, economic background, and work style." All of which they see each day at the schools and in the communities they live in.

When I asked how they felt about this they were open and said it is sad that too many times people look at how we dress or talk and judge us from that. One has 11 brothers and sisters and never gets new items; it shows in how they shared the sadness. They told me Mom has too many kids and we all have to go with out to make; now rent has increased and we are scared to live on the street because she struggles already. They went on to say they are grateful for food boxes and clothe pantries or they would be lost. Here how we make a difference. Talk about the hard stuff how do we engage in our community. Outreach meets me where I live I can go for resources, I am in school trying not to fail plus, being a parent to my siblings. I think I have earned respect.

In this I have learned from those I have spoken to diversity can be measured by the difference, we make. This happen by listening to the needs and using the needs to represent each other independently

through the inclusion and diversity work as it relates breaking the meritocracy in the system. How we can effect and affect changes in breaking the barriers either intention or unintentional. The one diversity the people in our community are seeing is in the 6 main dimensions; culture/ ethnicity, race, age, ableness and gender/sexual orientation.

Inclosing this was an eye opener for me, when I have time to talk to our kids and members of the community which I live and serve, and here these results. I see the work we do is important but I also think it time to talk about the hard topics and realize this work is not for the faint of heart but for those who truly want to make a difference and help support those who are looking for support and places to fit in. I think we should invest in the workbook and do the work and not wait for someone to walk us through, but to take action so we can do the work and advise the council of matter like this. Making a difference is why I am here!

Church on the Hill;

They have a number of programs available to share with the community.

Summer family kick off June 13th at the Keizer campus time about 5; 30 pm for cook out and having a great time of fellowship

July is a mission trip to build homes and new church for Mexico with the youth group.

The most Excellent way is a new recovery group that meets Sunday at 11 am in the Keizer campus. Just a way to add support for those who need a little support.

Men of Power; Pacific Northwest Conference (PNWMC) Salem
Army June 10th 9:30 to 4pm Registration required

GUPSER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Registration time for Kindergarten has started. They are working on the end of the year items and getting ready for student graduation and during the year they have worked on building stronger partnership with the box tops for education, as well as the Label Redemption Program – <https://norpac.com> ; Tyson Project A+ <http://projectaplus.tyson.com> Collect Tyson project A+ labels – Gubser earns 24 cents per label sent in.

These are just a couple; they are looking to build more for the upcoming year. Last day of school is June 14th 2023.

Keizer Community Bulletin Board;

SAT, JUN 10 AT 12 PM

Many of you have seen Arnold Williams GoFundMe Account. He plays with JFK all over Salem and Keizer. His insurance will not cover 50k. HE needs this surgery. Let's make this huge.

Here's the scoop. June 10th 12-6 p.m. Car wash \$10.00, food truck, T-shirt and stickers for sale. We will be having a raffle \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00 and several prizes. There will be a motorcycle fly by at 2 p.m.

- SOB will be hosting at 2027 25th Street SE Salem. 12-6 p.m. We need cars and helpers.
- June 10th, meet at Walmart on Turner rd north end. KSU 1:50. FLY by at approx. 2 of SOB Brewery and our carwash. Follow your leader for a ride and come back around for another fly by and eat at the food cart. We are asking 10.00 a person to ride and fly by. This is a fund raiser for Arnold. They play awesome music at Keizer Fest and

Keizer Amphitheater. THEY fill the house always. Arnold plays the Bass guitar. He needs this surgery to keep on doing what he loves, music, and his granddaughter those smiles at him, and life. There will be a leader to give all cash to. I can't ride my motorcycle, I will be washing cars. PLEASE let's make this big. Put the date down. Tell your fellow riders. Thank you for your time.

JUNE 13TH AT 10AM UNTIL 2 PM; Native Plants and their pollinators Home school day Hosted by Marion Soil and water Conservation District

June 24th 3 pm At Keizer Library; Books and beyond let's make some noise

Wednesday July 5th Marion county Fair begins

Thursday Aug 10th through the 13th Keizer chamber Keizerfest will be Keizer Rapids Park

Lakepoint Community Church New location 2765 Broadway str. NE Salem Oregon

Countryside Christian Church; Nothing to report will update soon

Keizer Church of Christ; Nothing to report

Simonka House; meeting set up no word yet

Notes; I am working on having bridges to change come in and share with us it looks like we can make this happen in July if this is okay with everyone.

- I will ask Debbie to include the Minute for Traffic Safety/ Bikeways and Peds as well as Parks and planning from the meeting in May.

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I am writing to you as President of Greater Northeast Keizer Neighborhood Association, during last month's meeting for TRAFFIC SAFETY/BIKEWAYS/PEDESTRIAN COMMITTEE; Neighborhood Associations voiced opposition to the requirement in the Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan for door-to-door solicitation of signatures. I am concerned this could become a problem for us as Neighborhood Associations to address safety concerns.

Next is we are looking to add a traffic calming devise in the Greater Northeast Neighborhood Association for Kennedy Elementary school and are looking for this to be placed around may street. As Verda crossing goes in we are looking at the growth and development of the children who will be housed in this community and will also be attending the school. We would like to see a flashing beacon light to allow for safely crossing Verda road to get to the school.

During this meeting Carol Doerfler, Keizer, expressed concern about the safety of pedestrians crossing Verda Lane between Chemawa and Dearborn and requested that the speed limit be lowered to 25 miles per hour . I have been looking at the online conversations around this topic and have spoken with about 45 people who feel the same way, I ask you to submit a letter to the Traffic Safety / Bikeway/ Peds committee in support of making this a site for the flashing light that allows our children to cross to and from school safely.

Part of this process was too be added for the southeast Neighborhood Association Jamie Davis moved that the Traffic Safety/Bikeways/Pedestrian Committee recommend Council approval of a flashing pedestrian beacon on Brooks and Alder where the current crosswalk is. Hersch Sangster seconded. Motion passed unanimously as follows: Davis, Saldivar, Dempster, Lamb, Sangster, DeBlasi and Kuehn in favor. Which we have all been asking for now for about 6 months to a year at least and we just got this part of the process done. I feel like this is a huge step in the right direction to help keep the children safe going to and from school.

The last item I would like to share is BIKE LANE/BUFFER STRIPING: Mike DeBlasi suggested that if there were an opportunity to put in a bike lane with buffer striping at an intersection, he would like to see one at the Lockhaven/River Road intersection to Trill. He added that he was aware that an engineering study would be required, but he wanted to bring it up as an idea for a possible future request to Council or the Budget Committee and that this would make the intersection safer for cyclists. We have shared this information with our families and as our biking community is growing we feel like this is going to be helpful. I think we should consider doing this in our communities to help ensure the safety of our

families while we move towards walkable friendly climate communities. This is a great beginning, to this transition. The response is good we have 45 families on board so far.

Thank you for your time and consideration on these matters;

Tammy Kunz

Spanish;

Me dirijo a usted como presidente de la Asociación de Vecinos de Keizer del Gran Noreste, durante la reunión del mes pasado del COMITÉ DE SEGURIDAD DEL TRÁFICO/CARRILES PARA BICICLETAS/PEATONES; Las Asociaciones de Vecinos expresaron su oposición al requisito del Plan de Gestión del Tráfico Vecinal para la solicitud de firmas de puerta en puerta. Me preocupa que esto pueda convertirse en un problema para nosotros como Asociaciones de Vecinos para abordar las preocupaciones de seguridad.

Lo siguiente es agregar un dispositivo para calmar el tráfico en la Asociación de Vecinos del Gran Noreste para la escuela primaria Kennedy y estamos buscando colocarlo alrededor de la calle May. A medida que avanza el cruce de Verda, observamos el crecimiento y desarrollo de los niños que se alojarán en esta comunidad y también asistirán a la escuela. Nos gustaría ver una luz de baliza intermitente para permitir cruzar con seguridad la calle Verda para llegar a la escuela.

Durante esta reunión, Carol Doerfler, Keizer, expresó su preocupación por la seguridad de los peatones que cruzan Verda Lane entre Chemawa y Dearborn y solicitó que el límite de velocidad se reduzca a 25 millas por hora. He estado mirando las conversaciones en línea sobre este tema y he hablado con unas 45 personas que piensan de la misma manera. Le pido que envíe una carta al comité de seguridad vial, ciclovías y peatones para apoyar que este sea un sitio para el flasheo. luz que permite a nuestros niños cruzar hacia y desde la escuela de manera segura.

También se agregó parte de este proceso para la Asociación de Vecinos del sureste. Jamie Davis propuso que el Comité de Peatones/Bicicletas/Seguridad del Tránsito recomiende la aprobación del Concejo de una baliza intermitente para peatones en Brooks y Alder, donde se encuentra el cruce peatonal actual. Hersch Sangster lo secundó. La moción fue aprobada por unanimidad de la siguiente manera: Davis, Saldivar, Dempster, Lamb, Sangster, DeBlasi y Kuehn a favor. Lo que todos hemos estado pidiendo ahora durante aproximadamente 6 meses a un año como mínimo y acabamos de terminar esta parte del proceso. Siento que este es un gran paso en la dirección correcta para ayudar a mantener a los niños seguros yendo y viniendo de la escuela.

El último elemento que me gustaría compartir es CARRIL PARA BICICLETAS/FRANJAS DE BÚSQUEDA: Mike DeBlasi sugirió que si hubiera una oportunidad de instalar un carril para bicicletas con franjas de protección en una intersección, le gustaría ver una en la intersección de Lockhaven/River Road. seguir. Agregó que sabía que se requeriría un estudio de ingeniería, pero quería traerlo como una idea para una posible solicitud futura al Consejo o al Comité de Presupuesto y que esto haría que la intersección fuera más segura para los ciclistas. Hemos compartido esta información con nuestras familias y, a medida que

crece nuestra comunidad de ciclistas, creemos que esto será útil. Creo que deberíamos considerar hacer esto en nuestras comunidades para ayudar a garantizar la seguridad de nuestras familias mientras avanzamos hacia comunidades climáticas amigables para caminar. Este es un gran comienzo, para esta transición. La respuesta es buena, tenemos 45 familias a bordo hasta ahora.

Gracias por su tiempo y consideración en estos asuntos;

Tammy Kunz

