



# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

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I hope everyone had a very nice Labor Day. I had a great time with my grandkids and 5 of my 6 kids, which is pretty rare now, to have most of them together. Next week our daughter goes back to college and our son leaves on his mission in 5 weeks. Then it will be a very quiet home!

## **Community Engagement**

I attended Chamber greeters this week and I will be working the concession stand with Keizer Rotary Club tonight. Keizer greeters was hosted at Keizer Rapids Park Amphitheatre. The Chamber held a member forum to talk about how they could serve their customers better.

**Keizer Community Fields (KCF)**– Nike has asked KCF to use our facility to film their products over night. The lights would be on overnight, but there should be undetectable noise from the neighborhood. They said their microphones don't even pick up the sound of their generators because they are so quiet. It's a very cool opportunity for us and good revenue for KCF which ultimately helps us. We will be communicating with the neighborhood associations to let them know what's going on.

The dance party that was held by the church youth group two weeks ago on the turf fields went well. We did not receive any complaints. We worked closely with West Keizer Neighborhood Association (WKNA) to alert the neighborhood.

I did a reach out to a local business for raising funds. In the process of searching for our ribbon cutting video I stumbled on this video on YouTube that was posted just 9 days ago. It's very cool to see the fields used by such a broad group of people and for businesses to sponsor events like this. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hslw6lR7oBU>

**Economic Development Activity** – Wow! It's been a week. Lots of activity around the Keizer Station properties. We met with a prospect who is very motivated to be in Keizer.

That meeting connected us to another big brand who we met with by video two days later. We will be helping them figure out how to get into Keizer.

A good deal of my time was spent on economic development this week. Lots of time on the phone as well as in person meetings. We have had lots of moving and shaking on all the Keizer Station Properties.

**Strategic Plan** – We should be ready to have the meeting of the strategic plan soon. I'll work with Councilor Christopher to schedule it. I spent some time this week wrapping up a draft for us to start on.

**Keizer Iyo Sister City Agreement** – I communicated to the Mayor and staff in Iyo that the Council approved the sister city agreement unanimously. They are planning to take it to the council in September.

## **Planning**

Building permits were applied for this week for the shell building next to REI in Keizer station Area A. No tenants have been identified yet, but the building is designed as a multi-tenant space.

An 11 unit apartment complex is proposed on Pleasant View Drive and is currently being reviewed.

Code enforcement has continued to be busy and staff had done a great job of juggling issues in the midst of some scheduling and staffing issues. We were able to get rid of a problem trailer that has been dumped in a neighborhood this week with some creative solutions and help from Loren's sanitation.

Staff has been busy working on land use decisions this week. Specifically, for the middle housing land divisions that are proposed on Oppek, and getting the packet out for planning commission next week, which will hold a public hearing on a proposed variance.

## **Police**

### Community Events

The Keizer Police Department hosted our "End your summer with a BLAST BBQ" on August 30, 2025. The event went well, and it was great interacting with community members!

### Patrol Division

An officer investigated a reported restraining order violation. After investigating, the officer determined there was a valid restraining order that a male violated. Officers were able to locate the male, took him into custody, and later transported him to the Marion County Jail for violation of a restraining order.

An officer located a vehicle after it was reportedly swerving while driving down the road. The officer conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle, contacted the driver, and conducted a DUII investigation. The driver was ultimately taken into custody and later issued a criminal citation for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

On Saturday, August 30, 2025, at around 4:30 PM, Keizer Police were called to a report of a person lying in the bicycle lane on River Rd N near Meadow Ridge St N. Officers arrived to a semi-conscious female who was bleeding from the head. The 28-year-old Salem resident was transported to the Salem Hospital Emergency Department with potentially life-threatening

injuries, but was later released. Through our investigation, it was determined the female was a passenger in a car and had fallen out while the car was in motion. Witnesses observed the female hanging out of the car or sitting on a window just before the incident. The 34-year-old male driver failed to stop and render assistance to the female. On September 2, 2025, Keizer officers arrested the male as he was observed exiting a business. The male was later transported to the Marion County Jail and charged with failing to perform the duties of a driver when a person is injured and reckless endangering.

While on routine patrol, an officer observed two individuals exiting a business and developed reasonable suspicion of theft. The officer was able to take one of the individuals into custody as they exited the business, but the second individual fled on foot. Officers began checking the area for the individual. Officers later received information that the individual was in the backyard of a residence. Officers located the individual and determined he was injured as he jumped over a chain link fence. Both individuals were charged with theft in the first degree.

An officer investigated a reported stalking protective order violation. After investigating, the officer determined there was a valid stalking protective order in place that a female violated. The female was located and was later transported to the Marion County Jail.

Officers responded to an apartment complex due to the report of individuals possibly committing thefts from vehicles in the area. Officers were able to make contact with two individuals involved, but did not develop probable cause a crime occurred.

Officers responded to a reported disturbance at a residence. While investigating, officers learned a female involved was listed as a protected party in a restraining order. Officers developed probable cause a male involved, who had left the area before officers' arrival violated the restraining order. This investigation is ongoing.

On August 31, 2025, an officer investigated a reported domestic disturbance. The officer developed probable cause to arrest the involved male. Later in the day, an officer was able to locate the male, who was taken into custody. The male was later transported to the Marion County Jail for assault in the fourth degree.

Officers responded to a business due to the report of a male having smashed a door window with a rock. Officers later located the male, who was taken into custody, transported to the Salem Hospital for a mental health evaluation, and issued a criminal citation for criminal mischief.

Officers responded to a business due to a report of an intoxicated driver being in the drive-thru. Officers made contact with the driver, conducted a DUI investigation, and the driver was taken into custody. Officers located a firearm inside the vehicle with an altered identification number. The male was later transported to the Marion County Jail and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants and altering a firearm identification number.

Officers responded to a reported disturbance at a residence. After investigating, a male was taken into custody and later transported to the Marion County Jail for assault in the third degree.

### Criminal Investigation Division (CID):

Detectives began the week with community engagement, participating in the “End your summer with a BLAST BBQ” event. Later that afternoon, detectives shifted gears to assist with the investigation mentioned above involving the 28-year-old Salem resident who was a passenger in a car and had fallen out while the car was in motion. Detectives worked continuously through the weekend, and their investigation concluded on Tuesday with the arrest of the driver for failing to perform the duties of a driver when a person is injured and reckless endangering. On Wednesday, detectives transitioned to follow-up work that included a domestic violence case outside of Keizer, an investigative lead from the Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) task force, and the processing of recent gun-related seizures for forensic testing. The school detectives reported a smooth start to the new academic year as they have shifted back into their multidisciplinary teams, focusing on proactive efforts to mitigate and prevent incidents of school violence.