



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Peggy Hawker

541.574.0613

**CITY OF NEWPORT
ANNOUNCES VACANCIES ON THE
VISION 2040 ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The City of Newport is seeking applications from citizens interested in serving on the newly created Vision 2040 Advisory Committee. The Committee will be comprised of 16 members who either reside in the greater Newport area (*the greater Newport area consists of the City of Newport and areas outside the city for which Newport is the hub of employment, services, and other activities, extending to Otter Rock to the north, Toledo to the east, and Seal Rock to the south.*), own property in the city limits, own a business in the city limits, or work in the city limits.

The Committee membership will consist of five citizens at-large, with at least one representative from the Latino community; five members of existing city committees one of which will be a member of the Planning Commission; and six members from stakeholder/partner organizations with one representative from the health community, one representative from the education community, one representative from Lincoln County government, and other stakeholder/partner organizations as identified through the appointment process.

The Committee is advisory, and will have the following duties:

1. Informing the annual City Council goalsetting and budgetary processes by linking planned projects with vision statements and strategies;
2. Tracking implementation of key strategies, developing metrics for measuring progress, and preparing annual progress reports;

3. Engaging city committees, staff, and partner organizations to facilitate implementation of strategies;
4. Recommending periodic updates to the vision and strategic plan to reflect changes in the community; and
5. Promoting the vision and strategic plan, increasing public awareness of the vision statements and strategies, and supporting community engagement efforts to achieve desired outcomes.

Committee appointments will be made for a term of five years or until successors are appointed. Initial appointees will serve staggered terms.

Anyone interested in serving on this committee should apply using the city's committee application, which is found on the city website at www.newportoregon.gov; click on "City;" then on "Committees;" and then on "Application for Committee/Commission." The completed form can be submitted electronically. Paper copies of the committee application form can also be obtained by contacting Peggy Hawker, at p.hawker@newportoregon.gov, or by telephone at 541.574.0613. The application deadline is December 22, 2017.

Committee appointments will be made by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. It is anticipated that appointments will be made at the City Council meeting of January 2, 2018.

#####