HALSEY HAPPENINGS

NOVEMBER | 2026

WEST H PROJECT BEGINS THIS MONTH

The City of Halsey's West H Street improvement project is scheduled to begin on November 4, 2026, between West 3rd and West 5th Streets. Improvements include road widening and paving, new sidewalks, storm drainage installation, and storm drain pipe repairs. The project is estimated to be completed by December 2, 2026.

Residents and nearby community members should expect construction noise, road closures, and temporary access restrictions during the project. Residents along the affected route may temporarily lose vehicle access to their homes during excavation and paving. Vehicles, trailers, RVs, boats, and other personal property must be removed from the public right-of-way within the project area before construction.

Project updates will be posted on the City's website at www.Halseyor.gov. Affected residents will receive notice of specific access restrictions as details become available.

The City of Halsey extends thanks to the State of Oregon Small City Allotment Program for their generous grant award to fund this project to maintain and improve our streets. The City appreciates the community's patience and cooperation as these improvements are completed. For questions, contact Halsey City Hall at (541) 369-2522.



MAYOR'S CORNER

As we enter November, we find ourselves in a season of change. The days are getting shorter, the weather is turning cooler, and the leaves remind us that every season brings its own beauty and opportunities. November is also a time to reflect on the things we are thankful for and to appreciate what makes Halsey such a special place to call home.

One of the greatest strengths of Halsey is our people. We are a small community, but we have something that cannot be measured by population numbers alone: neighbors who care about one another, residents who volunteer their time, and families who take pride in where they live. Whether it is lending a helping hand, supporting a local event, checking on an elderly neighbor, or simply taking the time to say hello, these everyday acts of kindness are what keep our community strong.

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this month, I encourage everyone to take a moment to recognize the good things happening around us. We may not always agree on every issue, and we may have different ideas about how to improve our city, but we share a common interest in keeping Halsey a welcoming, safe, and thriving community. Listening to one another, treating each other with respect, and working together will always be important parts of our success.

November also brings a few seasonal reminders. With more rain, wet leaves, and darker mornings and evenings, please take extra care when driving through town.Watch for pedestrians and bicyclists, allow additional stopping distance on wet roads, and remember to come to a complete stop at stop signs. As the weather gets colder, check that outdoor hoses are disconnected when appropriate, protect exposed pipes, and make sure heating equipment and smoke alarms are working properly.

As we approach the holiday season, please remember that not everyone experiences this time of year in the same way. A friendly conversation, an invitation to share a meal, or a small gesture of generosity can mean a great deal to someone who may be facing a difficult time. We do not need to make grand gestures to make a difference; often, the simplest acts of kindness have the greatest impact.

Halsey has a proud history and a bright future, and both depend on the people who call this community home. Every resident has something valuable to contribute, whether through volunteering, participating in City Council meetings, supporting community activities, or helping keep our neighborhoods clean and welcoming.

As your mayor, I am grateful for the opportunity to serve this community and for the many residents who continue to show their commitment to Halsey. Thank you for the time, care, and pride you bring to our city throughout the year.

From my family to yours, I wish everyone a safe, peaceful, and happy Thanksgiving. May this November bring us opportunities to appreciate our neighbors, strengthen our friendships, and remember just how fortunate we are to be part of this community.

As always, I remain your Mayor. The Council and I work for you, so please let us know what you think.

Respectfully,

-Jerry Lachenbruch

EVENT CALENDAR

NOV 03	**Election Day**	City Hall Open 7am - 8 pm
NOV 10	**City Council Meeting**	City Hall, 7 pm
NOV 11	**Veterans Day**	City Hall & Library Closed
NOV 12	**Blood Drive**	City Hall, 10 am - 3 pm
NOV 19	**Parks & Library Committee**	Library, 5:30 pm
NOV 25	**Utility Payments Due**	City Hall
NOV 26	**Thanksgiving Day**	City Hall & Library Closed
NOV 27	**Holiday Closure**	City Hall & Library Closed





PROTECT OUR PIPES: WHAT NOT TO FLUSH

A message from Halsey Public Works

The City recently had to perform significant maintenance on both pumps at the wastewater lift station (located in a 30 foot deep dry well) after they became severely clogged with material that appears to be adult diapers or other incontinence products. This type of material can cause serious problems for our wastewater system and lead to costly, preventable repairs.

Despite what the packaging may claim, flushable wipes do not break down like toilet paper. They can travel through household plumbing and into the City's sewer system, where they can tangle around pump components, accumulate with other debris and cause severe clogs. Diapers and other incontinence products are especially problematic because they absorb liquid and are not designed to break apart in wastewater.

What should you never flush?

Please dispose of the following items in the trash or through appropriate disposal methods rather than flushing them down the toilet:

ALL Wipes (including "flushable" wipes, baby wipes, personal hygiene wipes and cleaning wipes); Diapers and incontinence products; Sanitary pads and other personal care products; Paper towels and facial tissues; Cotton balls, cotton swabs and dental floss; Hair (including hair collected from brushes or shower drains);Cat litter; Cigarette butts; Food scraps (including rice, noodles, pasta, corn and other leftover foods); Cooking grease, fats and oils; Medications and household chemicals (require appropriate disposal rather than flushing or pouring down drains).

Remember: Only Flush Toilet Paper and Human Waste!

FALL LEAVES

As fall leaves begin to accumulate, the City of Halsey reminds residents to properly dispose of leaves on their properties and keep streets and public rights-of-way clear.

Halsey has a small Public Works crew with limited staff and time available and is therefore unable to provide leaf pickup service. To avoid creating hazardous conditions and/or increased flooding risks, do not place your leaves in streets, gutters, or ditches.

Leaf Disposal Methods:

Yard Debris Bin- Sweet Home Sanitation provides weekly yard debris pick-up in November; Compost- Leaves make excellent compost for gardens and landscaping. Shred or break up leaves to help them decompose faster,; Haul Away- If you have more leaves than your bin or compost pile can accommodate, arrange to transport them to an appropriate yard debris disposal facility.

Thank you for doing your part to keep Halsey safe, clean, and ready for the rainy season!