

Development moratorium at NE 134th Avenue corridor could be lifted within a year

The development moratorium in the NE 134th Avenue corridor could be lifted within a year, Clark County Commission chairwoman **Betty Sue Morris** said today.

The moratorium called by the full board Tuesday actually followed a de-facto moratorium that existed after the county quit issuing new building permits in the area last spring.

Commissioners will review their decision at a special meeting at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 18. That meeting, however, will not be a public hearing.

The moratorium applies to all construction for which permits have not been issued, including single family residences. The Salmon Creek area includes the confluence of Interstates 5 and 205, NE 134th Avenue, NE 20th Street and Highway 99.

It is the busiest traffic hub in Clark County and serves the campus of Washington State University Vancouver and Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital.

The effect of traffic to be generated by the hospital, which opens in mid-August, was computed when the commissioners made their decision.

Morris says that state and federal funding in the pipeline will help make transportation improvements that can lead to lifting the moratorium in a year. She adds that increases in transportation impact fees, which have remained unchanged in the past ten years, will be required to sustain lifting the moratorium.

But also involved is state funding promised by the 2005 state legislature's gasoline tax act. That source of funding is in peril due to Initiative 912, to be on the ballot this fall, that could eliminate the gasoline tax hike.

Leadership Clark County offering \$30,000 a year for head honcho

Leadership Clark County, the community's leading leadership training experience, is seeking an executive director to succeed retiring **Kathryn Smith**. The pay for the part-time job is \$30,000 a year.

Leadership Clark County, now in its 12th year, is also accepting applicants for the class of 2005-2006, which begins in September.

Candidates for the director's position are expected to be computer literate, possess excellent oral and written communication skills, have good project management and organizational skills, and have a working knowledge of Leadership Clark County.

Deadline for applying is noon, Monday, Aug. 8. Applicants must submit a current resume, a list of three professional references, and a cover letter stating qualifications and knowledge of the program and the executive director position. Applications are to be send as a Microsoft Word attachment to **icc@tjandassociates.com**.

For further information on taking the nine-month course or the executive director's position, call **Gail Spolar, 750-7500**, extension 175.

Firstenburg Community Center get donation from Asghar Sadri

The Firstenburg Community Center, under construction in east Vancouver, has received a \$165,000 donation from the **Asghar Sadri** family to be used to build a climbing wall.

The center, to be completed this fall, was already the beneficiary of a \$3 million donation from First Independent Bank chairman **Ed Firstenburg** and his wife, **Mary**.

The 80,000-square-foot center, north of Mill Plain Boulevard on the west side of 136th Avenue, will combine recreational and community services. It is principally financed by the city's real estate excise tax.

Individual contributors may buy commemorate paving stones to be placed on the grounds for \$100 each.

For further information, call **David Judd, 619-1109**.

Discount fair tickets still available

Savings of 25 percent on Clark County Fair admission tickets and up to 50 percent on carnival ride tickets are being offered through Thursday, Aug. 4, at most credit unions in Clark County, according to fair spokesperson **Jill Yates**. In addition, discount tickets are available from Riverview Community Bank and First Independent Bank. A complete listing of discount sales outlets can be found by going to **www.clarkcofair.com**.

The ten-day Clark County Fair opens Friday, Aug. 5, with the fair's traditional free breakfast provided from

8 to 11 a.m. Coupons for the free breakfast must be acquired from Fred Meyer stores.

Free C-TRAN bus transportation to the breakfast is being offered by C-TRAN from shuttle service locations at the Vancouver Mall, Battle Ground, Fisher's Landing, Salmon Creek and the downtown Vancouver transit station. Shuttle bus service for the rest of the fair is \$1 roundtrip.

Discount sports physicals again offered by SWMC

Southwest Washington Medical Center's Family Medicine of Southwest Washington is offering discount sports physicals to Vancouver school athletes from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12. The fee for school sports physicals is \$15, cash only.

Family Medicine of Southwest Washington is at 8716 E Mill Plain Boulevard. For further information, call **514-7550**.

Calendar

Motley Crue performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 31, at the Amphitheater at Clark County. For further information, go to www.clarkcountyp.com.

Friday headlines from at home and around the world:

[Port of Vancouver's Columbia Gateway changing direction--Columbian, **Kathie Durbin**](#)

[U.S. Transportation Act has money for Portland's Delta Park bottleneck, but construction still three years away--Columbian, **Don Jenkins**](#)

[Pat Campbell files against city councilwoman Pat Jollota--Columbian, **Erin Middlewood**](#)

[Oregon software engineering company opens headquarters building in Camas Meadows--Columbian, **Gretchen Fehrenbacher**](#)

[Cinetopia opening in Vancouver this evening--Oregonian](#)

[No one hurt in early morning house fire at 27th and F Streets --KATU](#)

Friday on the air

Cleveland at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFX

Omaha at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD

Animal Control Hearings (7/13)—7 p.m. CVTV

The Buzz—9:30 p.m. CVTV

Clark county Planning Commission (7/21)—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Jocie Braaksma accepting good news in stride. ☞ **Ken Cole** polishing new skills. ☞ **Tim Welch** helping fill ark. ☞ **Polly Jobe's** celebration includes birthday trio. ☞ **Sharon Pesut** offering nomination forms. ☞ **Friday**, mostly sunny but some light clouds drift in, 86. **Saturday**, sunshine continues to prevail, 86. **Sunday**, all blue sky, 86.