

# CPO 12C Cornelius & West Dairy Creek

## 10-3-24 Meeting Minutes

*CPO 12C meetings are held to inform citizens on current issues & topics of interest in their community & help them participate in their government. Meetings provide a forum to interact directly with city staff and other public officials. You are invited to join your neighbors. Meetings are scheduled the first Thursday of each month September thru June at 6:30 pm in the Cornelius Library, 1370 N Adair Street, Walters Community Room. If you have a few hours each month & would like to improve your neighborhood & community & their interaction with your government, consider serving on your CPO.*

CPO program page <https://washingtoncountyor.gov/oeice/community-participation-organizations>

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### 1. WELCOME & OPENING COMMENTS (Joseph Auth, Chair CPO 12C)

If you have topics you would like the CPO to consider adding to an agenda, please contact Joseph Auth

### 2. PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE with brief Q&A (Cornelius Police Dept.)

Holidays are prime time for package theft. The Police Dept. uses a package bait program to try to catch package thieves. You can also help stop them by using motion activated security cameras and by tracking your packages so you can be home when the package is delivered. If you cannot be home, consider asking a friend or neighbor to pick up your package and hold it for you.

A page was handed out summarizing the types of calls the Washington County Sheriff's Office received January through September 2024. See next page.

Information was provided on various programs, including the Family Justice Center of Washington County, October's "Coffee with a Cop" and the Washington County Sheriff's Office Open House. See following pages.

### 3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS –check the Cornelius City website for information on upcoming events <https://www.corneliusor.gov/calendar>

### 4. FIRST PRESENTATION – WHAT IS NEW IN CORNELIUS (Peter Brandom, Cornelius City Manager)

Peter talked about a variety of projects, such as housing developments (affordable housing, large multi-family housing, other) and new business construction under way or coming (bobcat dealership, UHaul facility, Chipotle & Wendy's). The owner of the Western State's Fire Apparatus building has sold it to a developer. The City of Cornelius purchased the vacated gas station at Baseline & 10<sup>th</sup> and has plans to clean up the property in the next couple of years. Cornelius is working on their Community Vision Plan, Parks Master Plan and Concept Plan for the Cornelius Elementary School located on Adair & N 14<sup>th</sup>. Council Creek Trail is planned to open 2028 or 2029.

**5. SECOND PRESENTATION – CPO and CCI Modernization** (*Amanda Garcia-Snell, Deputy Chief Equity and Inclusion Officer, Washington County*)

Amanda spoke about Washington County's plans to modernize CPOs and CCIs within Washington County. She began with some history of the programs and how they have developed, then talked about their plans for modernization. Refer to her handout below. Please contact her if you have questions or would like to have input.