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Southwest community divided over park fee increase

By Lee Perlman
 The Southwest Portland Post

The Portland City Council last month heard three hours of public testimony for and against a proposed increase in park-related development fees. Southwest community activists were represented on both sides of the issue.

The Portland Bureau of Parks and Recreation proposes to increase the Systems Development Charges (SDCs) that it imposes on new development from an average of \$3117 per unit to \$8632 per unit in the central city. The fee would increase to \$7,879 elsewhere.

They would also impose a new SDC charge for commercial development or expansion at a rate of \$410 per employee. Currently, the bureau says, the fees pay 26 percent of the cost of the new parks that increased development, and the population it brings, needs. The rate ranks 12th among 14 state jurisdictions that have such fees.

The increase would make Portland's rates the highest in the central city, and second highest to Sherwood elsewhere. They would pay for 75 percent of the cost of needed new parks.

"We all have our favorite parks, we all treasure our parks, and (since 1998) they are recognized as part of our infrastructure," Commissioner Dan Saltzman, who oversees the Parks Bureau, told the City Council.

According to Saltzman, "Access to parks is extremely important. (Developers) pay for the impact of growth, which is a fair way to pay for the infrastructure that's needed for growth. The business community has consistently supported our parks. Livability is consistently at the top of the list when businesses decide where to locate and relocate."

While no one questioned the need for park development, business groups complained that the amount of the increase was excessive, and would seriously hinder housing and business development.

Representatives of the Portland Business Alliance, Building Owners and

Managers Association, National Association of Industrial Office Properties, Home Builders Association, Columbia Corridor Association, Small Business Advisory Council and Commercial Real Estate Economic Coalition all made this argument.

Beverly Bookin of the Commercial Real Estate Coalition said the City Council needs to look not just at this increase, but also at the cumulative impact of all fees and charges on development. Jim McCauley of the Home Builders suggested that instead of traditional park development the city utilize "surplus lands" owned by government jurisdictions or dual uses of open spaces such as the grounds of "Jackson and Stephenson schools."

Jim Thayer, president of the Southwest Hills Residential League, took this position. He agreed that parks are important, and said that in business he has recruited firms to come to Portland "often on the basis of our splendid park system."

However, he said, with an economic downturn looming and two new bond measures being proposed, the proposed increase is "too dramatic too fast." He also complained that he received notice of the proposal for the first time on November 2. "The process needs to be fixed," he said.

Don Baack, chair of the Hillsdale Neighborhood Association and the Southwest Neighborhoods, Inc. Trails Committee, agreed with this last assertion. "This is not citizen involvement," he said. He also aired some long-standing grievances with the Parks Bureau.

According to Baack, SWNI had recommended developing new park land in the Collins View neighborhood, "and parks instead, for their own reasons, added land to Gabriel Park." When he began to develop the southwest trail network, he said, "Everyone I talked to said don't go through the Park Bureau. It will take too long and cost twice as much."

Margot Barnett of West Portland Park took issue with Baack and Thayer on t

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This classic buckboard carriage is pulled by two draft horses as a part of the Holiday Gala in the Village, December 8. Sponsored by the Multnomah Village Business Association, the ride starts and ends at Key Bank on Southwest 35th Avenue and Troy Street. (Post photo by Don Snedecor)

Southwest Trails committee plans system of bicycle boulevards

By Lee Perlman
 The Southwest Portland Post

The Southwest Trails Committee has prepared a draft recommendation to the city for official bikeways through southwest Portland, many of them low-cost bicycle boulevards.

Both Trails Committee chair Don Baack and city transportation planner Greg Raisman credit volunteer Keith Liden for spearheading the effort.

The Portland Office of Transportation sent out notice earlier this year that it was upgrading its official bicycle route map, "and we realized we in Southwest hadn't done nearly as much work as other areas in identifying good routes," Liden told The Post.

Moreover, the plan in existence needs updating. "It emphasizes putting bike lanes on big streets like Dosch, Sunset and Taylors Ferry," Liden said.

"They're all expensive and difficult to do. We could wait for Santa Claus to come bring us a bag of money, but we decided it was better to take advantage of the streets we do have."

Their method of doing so was to propose a system of bike boulevards. These are designated routes on streets where the traffic volume is low enough that bikes and cars can safely share the road without the use of lanes designated exclusively for bikes.

Liden's effort started with "some folks sitting around a table with a map and magic markers." The group took six rides to "investigate what works."

People said things like, 'Oh, Jesus, this is steep!' and 'We'd need to do something about that intersection.' We

whittled down what we had to at least a draft list."

This was aired at an early December open house at the Multnomah Center attended by about 50 people. Liden and his committee were still processing the feedback they have received.

Examples of proposed boulevards are Southwest Boundary Street and Fairmount Boulevard. They also have identified a route utilizing several local streets between Gabriel and Kelly parks.

For these routes the committee is calling principally for directional signage, but also some improvements to aid in the safe crossing of busy streets.

They are asking for bike lanes on some particularly steep uphill areas where bikes must slow to a few miles an hour. They are also calling for some new bike lanes to complete partial routes, such as a lane along Southwest Vermont Street between Capitol Highway and Gabriel Park, and on lower Dosch Road between Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway and Boundary Street.

"We probably have more routes now than we really need," Liden said, but this could give the city a range of choice if one of the routes proves problematic. For instance, they have several routes that cross Southwest Taylors Ferry Road.

There are few places where there are traditional intersections on the road, and "Taylors Ferry is not a street you want to ride a bike on any further than you have to," he said.

At press time the subcommittee was set to air its proposals at a second open house on December 29. It can be viewed at swni.org, or at bikeportland.org.

Tuba Christmas



More than 200 tubas (including a number of Sousaphones) performing songs of the season as well as a crowd sing-along, at the 17th Annual Tuba Christmas, December 15 at Pioneer Courthouse Square. Like last minute shopping, for many the tuba concert has become a holiday tradition. (Post photo by Don Snedecor)

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No one should impose his or her animals on another person

I am responding to the article "DOG PARK WARS" in the November 2007 issue of the Southwest Portland Post. I am a dog lover and have been all my life.

When I was growing up my Dad would bring home stray dogs and cats. We always had five or six dogs and lots of cats on the farm, along with all kinds of other farm animals.

My husband and I have a dog that we rescued a year ago. We all love animals, but...

My belief is that no one should impose his or her animals on another person.

My husband and I travel a lot in our motor home. The rules of the RV park are 10:00 p.m. 'til 8:00 a.m. is quiet time for everyone and everything. If someone breaks these rules and continues to do so, they are asked to leave the RV park.

Even in a residential neighborhood quiet time is 10:00 p.m. 'til 8:00 a.m. This is a common courtesy to our friends and neighbors that we live with.

If a person (or persons) is making a lot of noise and the police are called, they will respond. Noise is noise, no matter who or what is making it. The dog park should not be off limits to these rules.

I drove over to the dog park and I was really surprised to see and hear all the dogs in the park. There were even dogs off-leash out of the fenced area.

There is a sign leading into (Gabriel Park), "Pets on Leash Only." The people (who ignore this sign) are breaking the law. I am so grateful I don't live next to the dog park.

Barbara
Southwest 35th Avenue

Limiting park hours for dogs not the solution

Regarding "DOG PARK WARS," November 2007. As a 30-year user of Gabriel Park, a dog lover, and one who cherishes the peace and serenity of the park I have watched the controversy about the dog park with great interest.

The park is a community space for all to enjoy and use according to their needs. Its users are a family and all need to respect and value the needs of all.

Closing the park for even brief periods would be a tragedy. Instead I offer the following solutions:

Barking dogs are annoying at any time of day. Please train your dog not to bark.


Early morning and late night users to any of the areas (not just the dog park) should be quiet and respectful. Try a meditative walk during those times. Large gatherings, loud music, partying and noisy dogs are fine during mid-day times.

We are a community. Talk to those you believe are creating a nuisance. Take each others perspective. Value the needs of others, just as you would in the shared living areas of your own home.

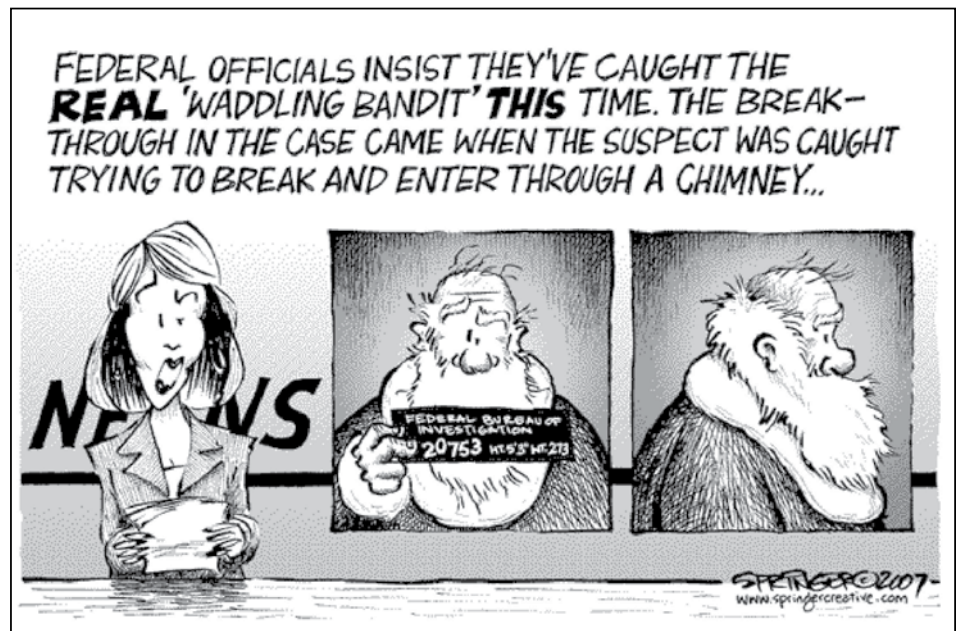
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St. Luke's plans construction of new and larger church

By Mark Ellis
The Southwest Portland Post

St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Southwest Portland has plans for change on the drawing board. At December's meeting of the Maplewood Neighborhood Association, Jon Erickson offered up details of St. Luke's building expansion and street-vacating plan for the corner of Southwest Vermont Street and 45th Avenue.

The church has purchased the house formerly owned by the Lehr family, and plans ultimately to tear it down to provide room for expansion. Currently the church is having trouble getting its congregation parked and then to Sunday morning services.

The new plan would create parking by either partially or wholly vacating two ancillary Portland streets, Southwest 46th Avenue and Southwest Florida Street.

The demolition of the Lehr house would presage the construction of a new and larger church. Erickson shared photos of the cramped conditions in the present building, with essential storage items clogging up usable floor space. "We are looking to develop a contiguous campus," he said.

Several questions from neighborhood association members highlighted neighborhood concerns about the plan. Land use chair Chris Mays wanted to insure continued pedestrian access

through church grounds. Co-chair Jill Gaddis had concerns about a tributary creek, which runs through the property.

Association co-chairperson Anne-Marie Fischer directed that a letter be drafted by the association to the effect that the provision for a trail or some other pedestrian access element had been put forth by St. Luke's.

Erickson noted that the church "was open to public access, quite open." Revealing St. Luke's plan to christen the low ravine around the creek a peace park, he assured the association that "we are committed to protecting the habitat and environment of the creek."

Next on the run-down Gaddis gave a brief SWNI report. Notable was her mention of how certain courtyard style housing developments could create insular "villages."

According to Gaddis, "These little courtyards could become neighborhoods unto themselves." "How do we reach these groups," Gaddis asked, "and bring them into the neighborhood as a whole?"

Gaddis also spoke about the association's citizen-initiated plan to revitalize and protect April Hill Park. Apparently city coffers will not be opening up for this endeavor any time soon.

Work party generated ivy pulls, plans for the construction of boardwalks, and requests for a full-time portable toilet are all part of the strategy to protect creek, habitat and trails.

Parks chairperson Bill Rector

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brought discussion of a new development fee proposal to the agenda. Currently developers pay 25 percent of expected impact costs of anything they build.

The new proposal calls for this amount to be increased to 75 percent, and stipulates that monies collected by the fee would be dedicated as to the neighborhood where the impact was felt. "Developers don't like it," Rector summated.

When the inevitable subject of outreach came up, transportation chair Vern Krist suggested a door-to-door poll to ascertain community concerns with regard to the proposed halo local improvement district.

Krist said that once tax issues make it onto public radar he'll "have no trouble getting folks interested."

Maplewood School liaison Alexander Ben-Israel reported on two ongoing fundraising efforts, Portland Roast coffee drive and SCRIP. "Our goal is to raise forty-five thousand dollars," said Ben-Israel, "for music, libraries and computers."

Fischer convened the meeting with a thought about getting more folks from Maplewood to come to the meetings and get involved, "People need to understand that we do have the power to make change." Contact: www.maplewoodna.com

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the process question. "There has been a significant amount of outreach on this issue," she said. "It's time for better equity" in the placement of parks.

Clearly businesses benefit from parks. I ask that we not choose between affordable housing and parks. I don't want us to increase the deficit we already have. We need a healthy park system for all Portlanders."

Linda Laviolette, chair of the Portland Parks Foundation, called the increase

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 "a rare opportunity to use an appropriate funding mechanism. It's a way for development to pay for its own impact."

The new Holly Farm Park in West Portland Park "is a great example of the use of SDCs, and the need for an increase." SDC funds paid for 50 percent of the cost of the park's development. "We saved the only piece of undeveloped and almost flat land in a neighborhood of 4,000 people, where 1,000 live in apartment complexes. The need (for additional parks) is much greater than current resources can support."

West Portland Park activist Amanda Fritz, who played a key role in the Holly Farm Park development, argued, "If we don't have enough money for new streets, we can always build them later. If we don't have enough money to purchase park land, by the time we have it it's gone and we can never get it back. Parks provide joy to city residents, and every citizen deserves access to parks." She thanked Saltzman, whom she tried to unseat in the last election, for bringing the proposed increase forward.

Commissioner Randy Leonard was the strongest critic of the proposed charges. "I support SDCs, and have

supported them in the past, but they need to be affordable and defensible." Regarding comparisons to other cities' fee schedules he said, "I don't think we should be at the bottom of the list, and it's inexcusable that businesses should be paying nothing, but I don't think we should be at the top. The best tax is the one someone else pays. The fairest tax is the one everyone pays. This is the least painful to existing Portlanders, but is it the fairest?" Echoing Manning, he said that he had created five new "hydro-parks" on surplus Water Bureau property, including one in Multnomah.

Leonard was also upset about an exemption, available to home buyers earning 100 percent or less of median household income (about \$66,000 a year), that allows them to escape paying any SDCs. "I appreciate all the hard work that's been done, but this needs to be more balanced before I can support this," he said.

In earlier testimony, Sam Chase of the Community Development Network had defended the exemption, saying, "Sadly, this is necessary to provide housing for people who have to choose between paying their rent and paying for food and medicine."



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Sellwood Bridge type deemed less important than location, width

By Lee Perlman
The Southwest Portland Post

The Sellwood Bridge Community Task Force completed its work, at least temporarily, last month. Having made their recommendations as to "bridge type" for a proposed new Sellwood Bridge, outreach coordinator Elaine Cogan said, the group would cease to meet while project staff analyzed and developed the options selected for further study.

These include refurbishing of the existing span, building a new bridge in the same location, or building a new bridge that would swing to the north, avoiding some housing developments in Sellwood and accessing the west side at the location of Staff Jennings

marina.

One option also calls for a separate, smaller bridge exclusively for bicycles and pedestrians. The Task Force would begin meeting again in the spring to review this work.

As its last task, the group recommended "bridge types" that could be used with each of the proposed options.

A week later the Project Advisory Committee, composed of representatives of participating jurisdictions, recommended box girder and delta frame designs as "moderate cost" options, deck arch and through arch for higher cost, and cable stayed and stress ribbon for the bicyclist and pedestrian bridge.

Multnomah County public affairs coordinator Mike Pullen reported that

the subject had been aired at a public open house in November, and in an e-mail survey. The strongest vote getter was the through arch design, with a deck arch second. For the bike-ped bridge, "a suspension type was by far the first preference," Pullen said. However, he added, "It was by far the lowest turnout of our open houses."

There were 69 people in attendance, 80 percent of them from Sellwood, as opposed to 230 at an earlier session at Sellwood School. "Even those who came indicated they weren't particularly interested in bridge type," Pullen said. "I think we engaged people so much on where the bridge should go, and how wide it should be, that they're focused on that."

More than 1,000 people took the e-mail survey, where they favored a



The old Sellwood Bridge as seen from the east bank of the Willamette River in June, 2007. (Post file photo by Don Snedecor)

delta frame design. Even here, however, they indicated that the bridge's durability and other issues were more important than its design.

Many of the Task Force members had a similar view. Barbara Barber later told *The Post*, "I'd like to see a pretty bridge here; who wouldn't. But it's a luxury issue."

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Kick up your heels and join in the fun for the monthly **Family Dance put on by Portland Country Dance Community**. Sherry Nevins will provide calling and live music for children and adults of all ages.

The family dances are the second Saturday of each month at Fulton Park Community Center, 68 SW Miles, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner afterwards. \$6 for adults, \$5 for children, babies are free, maximum of \$20 per family. For more information call 503-249-5070 or 503-981-2179.

It doesn't just build community among local Native Americans, but the Portland community as a whole. That is what the ninth annual **Portland Community**

College Traditional Winter Powwow (Wacipi) will attempt to accomplish this January at PCC.

The Winter Powwow, which attracts more than 1,000 visitors each year, runs from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 19, in the HT Building at the P.C.C. Sylvania Campus, 12000 S.W. 49th Ave. The event is free and open to the public. Parking also is free.

"It's a really important community event," said student coordinator Crystal Rogers, who is a member of the Tlingit Tribe in Northwest Alaska. "I think it is a great opportunity for Native Americans and the community to enjoy a cultural event. It shows what it means to be Native American because each group represented will have their own heritage and backgrounds on display. It's an opportunity for the community to come and enjoy a rich cultural event."

The main staples of the event include grand entries at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., a col-

lege fair from noon to 4 p.m. and community dinner at 5:30 p.m. The powwow will feature master of ceremonies David West (Potawatomi, Miami and Kickapoo nations), arena director Ed Goodell (Confederated Tribes of Siletz).

Plus Northwest Indian Veterans Association Color Guard, Native American merchandise vendors, and Native American food like fry bread and tacos. For more information about the powwow, call the Multicultural Center at (503) 977-4112.

The Multnomah Historical Association is busy planning for **Multnomah Village's 100th birthday party**, to be held August 8-17. All communities, organizations, businesses, schools, and libraries of the Southwest Community are encouraged to take part in the "Multnomah Centennial" celebration.

Among the activities scheduled so far are a kickoff Wine & Cheese event at the Multnomah Arts Center Gallery, a bridge lighting ceremony, a showing of



Actors dressed as "Star Wars" characters entertained shoppers in front of Macy's downtown on December 15. Donations were accepted to benefit the Salvation Army charities. (Post photo by Don Snedecor)

the Multnomah School All-Class Reunion DVD, and the annual Multnomah Days Festival and Parade.

The Multnomah Historical Association meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Multnomah Center. For more information, visit www.multnomahhistorical.com. Volunteers are needed! Contact Patti Waitman-Ingebretsen at pattitwirler@comcast.net or 503-244-6540, or 503-341-0039.

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Compromise on Lake Oswego to Portland transit proposed

By Lee Perlman
The Southwest Portland Post

Staff to the Lake Oswego to Portland Transit Corridor Project believe they have a workable compromise on matters to study. The transit project, likely to extend the Portland Streetcar line to Lake Oswego, has been under study for two years by several different groups.

Those groups included a Steering Committee composed of officials from participating public agencies, and the Lake Oswego to Portland Advisory Committee (LOPAC), the latter composed of citizens from Lake Oswego, the South Portland neighborhood, and the unincorporated Dunthorpe community between them.

After considerable debate, last fall LOPAC advised further study of two proposals – extending the streetcar line to Willamette Park, with “enhanced” bus service to Lake Oswego, or a streetcar extension to Lake Oswego.

The group explicitly did not recom-

mend any consideration of a streetcar route through the Willamette Shore Line right of way, a former trolley and current sightseeing route that comes close to many homes.

“It was a compromise between three groups that didn’t always agree,” South Portland Neighborhood Association’s Bill Danneman said.

The Steering Committee called for study of a Willamette Shore route, rejected enhanced bus service as an option, and was willing to consider a Willamette Park terminus only as a temporary measure.

“The steering committee felt they didn’t have enough information to take all these options off the table,” City transportation planner Mauricio LeClerc told the South Portland Neighborhood Association last month.

LOPAC members were angry not only at the content of the Steering Committee recommendations, but also at what they regarded as a brush-off of their own input. Project staff put

the project on hold, rather than bring it before the Portland City and Metro councils with their own advisory committee attacking them.

“It seemed simple – the steering committee was putting more options on the table – but the LOPAC recommendations were a consensus package that was not meant to be torn apart,” LOPAC vice-chair Verne Rifer told the Portland Planning Commission last month.

“People in Johns Landing and Dunthorpe feel very strongly against using Willamette Shore. You’d have trains going by less than 10 feet from people’s bedrooms at 40 miles per hour.”

Last month LeClerc unveiled a compromise. Before doing anything else, planners would do a “refinement study” to consider the effect on private property of a Willamette Shore streetcar line. They would also add a permanent Willamette Park terminus to the study alternatives.

“LOPAC is willing to consider a

study of a Willamette Shore route if there is a side-by-side study of its effects and of a limited line,” Rifer said. “It’s an admirable position by people who have nothing to gain and everything to lose by this project. It’s a credit to them that they saw the larger public benefit.”

One thing that both the steering committee and a majority of LOPAC members want is a pedestrian and bike trail on the Willamette Shore right of way. However, this is somewhat problematic. In some places, the right of way across private property is valid only for rail transportation.

In other places, notably the route’s Elk Rock Tunnel, there isn’t enough room for both rail and trail. However, Planning Commission member Catherine Ciarlo, a member of the Bicycle Transportation Alliance, said that a good trail connection from Portland to Lake Oswego doesn’t currently exist, and failing to provide one here would be “a real missed opportunity.”

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City Council approves Corbett Avenue traffic calming

By Lee Perlman
The Southwest Portland Post

The Portland City Council last month unanimously approved a \$150,000 package of traffic calming improvements for Southwest Corbett Avenue between Grover and Hamilton streets last month. The city had previously installed similar improvements on the street to the south.

Project manager Elizabeth Mahon said that although the street is officially classified as a local service street, it is in fact a through route that attracts 4,500 car trips a day, many of them traveling at high speeds.

"We hope that this will return this to a local street where people can walk about safely," South Portland Neighborhood Association chair Ken Love told the City Council.

South Portland's Lee Buehler said that many people in the neighborhood would be tempted to walk or bike to downtown, leaving their cars behind, if they thought it was safe. Of the process to develop the specific proposal he said, "Everyone

who wanted to have a say had a say."

South Portland board member and Corbett resident Chris Dorn agreed, "The city worked very well with us. This is a very eclectic neighborhood, but there was unanimous support for this." He noted, "This is the neighborhood under the tram."

Commissioner Erik Sten picked up


on this, noting that the project was partial mitigation for the impacts of the Oregon Health and Sciences University's aerial tram. "It's hard to mitigate for a tram," Sten said.

"If you didn't like it before, you still won't like it. But it's good to do things like this, and we're not done yet." Sten mentioned a proposed pe-

destrian bridge from Lair Hill to the South Waterfront.

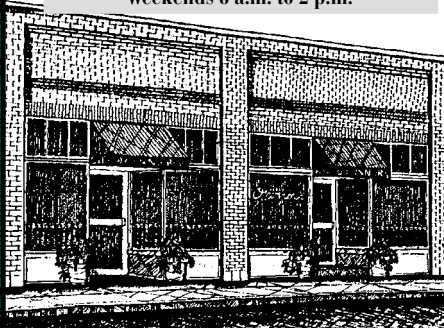
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Mahon said the project should be completed by July.



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