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Looking Forward to 2021

A Message from Mayor Pohlman

It is easy to reflect on all the problems and turmoil that 2020 brought to our community. We have dealt with a pandemic, a shuttered economy, major construction projects, home schooling our children, yet another major windstorm, a divisive election, and all of this occurred while we dealt with the aftershocks of an earthquake that seemed to last for months. Notwithstanding all these challenges, I have witnessed the goodness of the people in our community many times over. The examples of service are countless; I would like to highlight a few anonymous examples.

Late last year, as we were trying to finalize the new playground at Nicholls Park, an anonymous resident sent a substantial donation to help pay for the playground and surrounding sidewalks. Because of this donation, we were able to enhance the amount of work done in the area. A few weeks later, another resident purchased a large number of trees and donated them to the City to provide shade for the area.

In the wake of yet another windstorm, we were all left to deal with hundreds of toppled trees and thousands of broken tree limbs strewn across personal property as well as city infrastructure. So many people donated time and means to haul out broken trees. I know of one individual who donated the fuel and time to take over 25 loads to the dump with his large dual axle dump trailer. This is just one example of many.

A couple of weeks ago, as this tumultuous year was coming to an end, another resident contacted the City and asked for the amount of outstanding residential utility bills that were currently past-due. He offered to gather donations from neighbors and business associates to help cover the costs of all those residents struggling to pay their monthly utility bills. The generosity and kindness will be felt by many residents who may believe the City's accounting system just made a mistake next month.

Thank you to everyone! With this foundation of goodness, I look forward to 2021 as we work together to build a City of Good Neighbors.