

The Daily Insider

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County Treasurer's office first to open in new Community Service Center next Wednesday

The Clark County Treasurer's office will be the first to be open for business at the new Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, next Wednesday.

By the end of January the Clark County Treasurer, Assessor and Auditor collectively will staff a one-stop counter on the second floor of the \$22.4 million building, designed by architects Barrentine.Bates.Lee.AIA, Vancouver.

"This is a *public service building*," county administrator **Bill Barron** declared at the beginning of a press tour of the six-story, 161,000-square-foot structure. "It's not an administrative building. It's design and purpose is to provide public service."

"In addition to providing combined services of the Treasurer, Assessor and Auditor on the second floor, the county's Community Development Department's permit center is located just off the first floor main main entrance.

"The county and Vancouver environmental services and solid waste offices share space on the first floor. County, city and regional transportation offices are combined, utilizing the entire fourth floor."

The Public Service Center and courthouse remodeling, which begins later this month, is part of a long-term way of fixing some of the county's most severe problems: adequate housing for public services, according to **Craig Pridemore**, chair of the county board of commissioners.

It is cost-effective, too, Pridemore said. Total cost of the new building, county courthouse and Franklin Center upgrades and 504-space parking structure is \$40.9 million.

"This building will save the county \$46 million in rent over the next 25 years," Pridemore says.

The remodeled courthouse just south of the Public Service Center on Franklin Street will house additional superior judges and court rooms. The county prosecuting attorney's offices will be housed in the Franklin Center, 1013 Franklin Street.

The 1408 Franklin Street building is also being remodeled and will house the elections department and automobile licensing space.

The new building solves one of county government's most vexing problems: providing adequate space for audiences at commissioners' and other agencies' public hearings.



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The Public Service Center's 6th floor hearing room seats 115 people and can be expanded to provide space for up to 200.

The sound quality is also much better, according to a brochure describing the center. "You can actually hear the

commissioners talking."

Grant House, Augustino's and Diamond Jim's not returning phone calls

The Grant House Restaurant on Officers Row closed Jan. 1. Key Property Services, which manages Officers Row property for the city, is reported looking for a new restaurant operator.

Neither Augustino's Restaurant in downtown Vancouver or Diamond Jim's Restaurant in the Town Plaza, under single ownership, were serving customers or answering telephone calls today.

Thursday electronic events

Animal Control Hearings (live)—3:30 p.m. CVTV
Portland State at Montana State (live)—6 p.m. KKS
 Clark County Close Up—6 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Land Use Hearings (live)—7 p.m. CVTV
 Denny Heck's Inside Olympia—7 and 11 p.m. TVW
San Antonio at Portland Trail Blazers (live)—7 p.m. TNT, KXL
Oregon State at Stanford (live)—7 p.m. KEX
Oregon at California (live)—7 p.m. KOTK
Pepperdine at Portland (live)—7 p.m. KPAM
Washington State at Arizona (live)—7:30 p.m. FSN

Stocks of northwest interest at 4 p.m. EST, Thursday, Jan 9, 2002

Alaska Air Group	23.78	+0.22	Microsoft	55.81	+1.57
Alcoa	22.50	+0.65	Nautilus	16.10	+0.03
Amazon.com	21.45	+0.43	Nike	47.20	+1.18
Bank of America	72.00	+0.93	Nordstrom	19.44	+0.64
Bemis	49.67	+0.38	PepsiCo	43.14	+0.44
Boeing	33.90	+0.40	Precision Cast	26.38	+0.34
Boise Cascade	26.38	+1.01	RLRN	19.65	+0.32
CenturyTel	31.17	+0.35	Starbucks	20.80	+0.01
Costco	29.30	+0.25	TSM	7.75	+0.40
Expeditors Intl.	30.60	+1.30	Tektronix	19.13	+0.72
Georgia Pacific	17.25	+0.86	UPS	64.13	+0.58
HPQ	20.48	+0.98	US Bancorp	22.85	+0.50
Intel	17.06	+0.38	Wash. Mutual	36.50	+0.60
Kyocera	58.20	+1.09	W. Coast Bancorp	15.90	+0.23
Linear Technology	29.50	+0.76	Weyerhaeuser	51.44	+0.52

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Town Tabloids and The Weather

John Erickson telling it like it is. ■■■■	Acapulco	88/72
Bob Bates returning for another look.	Athens	59/53
■■■■ John Aschim not making any predictions. ■■■■ Dale Denny still delivering commercials. ■■■■ Mary Denny taking high road. ■■■■ Lianne Forney seeing justice triumph. ■■■■	Chicago	36/18
Thursday , thin, patchy clouds, windy, but no precipitation, 46. Friday , mostly cloudy, 48. Saturday , gray skies, good chance of rain, 46.	Dallas	64/33
	Hong Kong	68/57
	Los Angeles	67/50
	London	36/30
	New Orleans	70/52
	New York	50/35
	Orlando	72/54
	Paris	24/17
	Phoenix	72/50
	Rome	50/28
	Seattle	50/34
	Sydney	73/55
	Tokyo	49/34
	Washington	60/34