

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: June 29, 2018

Yard of the Week

This week the Yard of the Week is located at 116 Andrew Drive. The yard is a beautiful display of color and decoration. We have some really great nominations. Even with the great nominations keep submitting more. Remember the Yard of the Week winning yards can be viewed by following the link on the City's webpage.

Youth Advisory Council Training

Members of the Cottage Grove Youth Advisory Council were trained today by representatives from Lane County Public Health's Tobacco Prevention on how to perform retail checks on the local retailers. The trained youth will be going to local retailers and completing a survey regarding the placement of tobacco, alcohol and lottery products and advertising in local businesses.

Youth Advisory Council Summer Meetings

Now that summer is officially here the YAC members are busy with all kinds of summer fun and it is hard to get a quorum in attendance. As a result, the YAC members reviewed their summer schedules and determined that they will only meet on Monday, July 2nd and Monday, August 6th. Their meetings start at 7:00 pm.

Oregon Scenic Bikeway Survey

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is soliciting public input on the 17 Oregon Scenic Bikeways. Individuals that have ridden any of the bikeways are encouraged to share their experiences via a short online survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PHPCFFL>. OPRD will use the survey results to guide bikeway improvement plans. The Oregon Scenic Bikeways Program was started in 2009 and is overseen by OPRD. Anyone that has ridden any of the bikeways is urged to complete the survey. It is only 9 short questions. We need responses from the Covered Bridges Scenic Bikeway.

Information about the 17 designated Scenic Bikeways—printable maps, GPS and route descriptions—is online at www.oregonscenicbikeways.org or by following the links on the City's webpage.

Scenic Bikeway Advisory Committee Meeting and Bikeway Review

The City Manager attended an Oregon Scenic Bikeway Advisory Committee meeting and 5-year review of the Grande Tour Scenic Bikeway out of La Grande. The committee rode portions of the 134 mile bikeway and met with proponents and local stakeholders as a part of the review of the bikeway.

Eugene Symphony is Coming

Don't forget the Eugene Symphony is coming to Cottage Grove again on Monday, July 23rd for their annual performance in Bohemia Park. Be sure to plan to attend this amazing event. The fun starts at 5:30 pm with the Instrument Petting Zoo. The Cottage Grove Community Band will perform at 6:30 pm and the Eugene Symphony will begin their performance, under the direction of Francesco Lecce-Chong, at 7:30 pm. You won't want to miss this great event.

Kickin It With Cops

The 2018 Kickin It With Cops was a great success. We served 250 hot dogs, macaroni salad, potato salad, and watermelon. Face painting, balloon twisting, and cotton candy all made for a fun time. The dunk tank was particularly busy this year with Chief Scott Shepherd, Councilor Mike Fleck, and Mayor Jeff Gowing getting dunked too many times to count. Thank you to all the sponsors who made this event a success: Jack Sprats, The Village Green, The Cottage Theatre, Safeway, Brad's Chevrolet, Big Stuff Barbecue, Weyerhaeuser, The Brew Station, Simon's Specialties Custom Woodworking, and Urban Kitchen.

In addition to great sponsors, we had awesome volunteers. Amy Slay devoted time and effort in making this event possible. Also helping were youth from the Youth Advisory Council, Cottage Grove High School athletes, members of the Cottage Grove Brewer's Guild, and friends and family.

Thank you to all that helped with this year's event and all who attended. See you next year.

Airport Master Plan Project Public Meeting and Open House

The Oregon Department of Aviation (ODA) hosted a public meeting and open house on Wednesday, June 27th at City Hall. The afternoon began with a formal presentation by the ODA and their consultants to the Public Advisory Committee and other members of the public from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. The presentation, which was on the current status of the Master Plan effort and development alternatives, was followed by an informal question and answer period. At 5:30, the public was invited to an open house to see the same information. ODA will now take the comments provided by the Committee and the public into consideration to develop the final draft of the Cottage Grove Airport Master Plan. The Public Works & Development Department will provide updates as more products become available for review or additional meetings are scheduled.

Lane Transit District – Transit Tomorrow

What is Transit Tomorrow?

Transit Tomorrow is Lane Transit District's (LTD) effort to find out how we can better move the people we serve to the destinations that are important to them.

Transit Tomorrow will take a deep look at LTD's current bus system and ask two important questions:

How can LTD help people get to where they are going?

What shape should LTD's services take in the future?

LTD Is Asking You, The Community, To Help Shape The Answers To These Questions.

Engage Online: Share your opinions and learn more about the project from your phone or computer. Provide feedback through our [transit choices survey tool](#).

Participants are eligible to win a gift certificate to local businesses or free bus passes.

Attend a Community Listening Session: Join LTD staff to discuss transit system design choices, and to share your opinions and insight. You are experts in your communities, organizations, and neighborhoods. Help LTD understand the choices and priorities that are most important to you.

UPCOMING LISTENING SESSIONS:

[Wednesday July 11, 2018 12-1pm](#) at the LTD Next Stop Center, Downtown Eugene

[Monday July 16, 2018 6-7:30pm](#) at the City of Springfield Library Meeting Room

[Tuesday July 17, 2018 12-1pm](#) at the **Community Meeting Room at EL Tapatio Mexican Restaurant & Cantina in Cottage Grove**

[Thursday July 19, 2018 6-7:30PM](#) at the Elks Lodge in West Eugene

Schedule a Presentation: Invite project staff to your neighborhood association, community group, or agency to talk about the Transit Tomorrow project, and to discuss transit design choices. Email LTD @ transit-tomorrow@ltd.org to book a presentation today.

Quote of the Week

“O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain, For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain! America! America! God shed His grace on thee, And crown thy good with brotherhood From sea to shining sea!”

~America the Beautiful 1904 Version~