

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: July 2, 2020

Yard of the Week

This week's Yard of the Week is a beautiful small yard that is filled with color. The Yard is located at 1311 South 6th Street. Remember that pictures of the Yard of the Week winners can be seen in the Cottage Grove Sentinel and also on the City's webpage.

Safe Routes to School & Fillmore Stormwater Outfall Project

Part of the Wildish Construction crew concentrated doing finish work in and around the water quality swale such as installing the sedimentation manhole upstream of the swale and access road and parking area around the swale. Next week this crew will be bringing the 27 inch storm drainage line towards Fillmore Avenue.

Street excavation continued this week on South 4th Street near Fillmore Avenue and Triangle Park. After the street excavation near the school entrance was completed, it was determined two more trees will need to be removed on the school property. A water service was hit near Triangle Park and City crews repair it. Street excavation hit a bell section of the sanitary sewer pipe. Wildish had to order a part and will repair this section next week. Wildish crews will be finishing street excavation around the park and the bus barn next week.

Crews started laying out the water line with some pothole of water services. Next week the crew will begin laying water the main line from Grant heading towards Fillmore Avenue. Local residents can expect some inconveniences and are asked to proceed with care.

Later in the week, crews will begin laying sanitary sewer line and new sanitary sewer laterals to the residents from Fillmore south towards Grant Avenue.

Staff continues to talk with residents in the construction about various issues, utility companies to ensure their work will not delay the progress of the contractor and the contractor to keep the project moving ahead.

Northwest Natural Gas will continue to be working on relocating/upgrading their facilities. The gas company hit a water service and City crews had to repair the line today

Safe Disposal of Fireworks

Disposing of fireworks safely is as important as using them safely. Fireworks can be fire hazards even after the Fourth of July celebrations end.

“Sparklers can burn at up to 1800 degrees, so throwing fireworks away before they’re completely cool is a fire hazard,” said Lane County Waste Management Supervisor Don Strunk. “Not only can it cause a fire at your home, it could also smolder and cause a truck or landfill fire later. Making sure your fireworks are completely out before disposal is an important safety step.”

To safely dispose of your fireworks and reduce the risk of fire, be sure to follow these steps:

- Pick up all debris and soak used fireworks in water for at least 15 minutes, but preferably overnight.
- Do not douse fireworks in lakes, rivers or other waterways. The chemicals they contain can be harmful.
- Wrap soaked fireworks in plastic and dispose of them as solid waste.
- Fireworks are not recyclable and should not be included in coming recycling bins.

Unused fireworks should not be thrown away because they pose a fire hazard, especially for compactor trucks and landfill equipment. Unused fireworks are accepted free of charge at Lane County Waste Management’s Hazardous Waste Collection Center at the Glenwood Transfer Station (3100 E. 17th Ave., Eugene). Call (541)682-4120 to make an appointment or visit www.lanecounty.org/hazwaste for more information.

Happy 4th of July

City Offices will be closed for Friday, July 3, 2020 for the 4th of July holiday.

Quote of the Week

“The best of minds would be volunteers.”

~Harold Washington~