#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: September 4, 2020

#### **Labor Day**

City Offices will be closed for Labor Day. As we celebrate Labor Day this weekend, please remember to stay safe, practice social distancing and wear a mask if you can't maintain a safe distance, stay local, don't travel far and support our local businesses, and stay small and keep groups you meet with small, meet outdoors, keep a safe distance and wear a face covering.

# Yard of the Week

This week the Yard of the Week is a beautiful yard located at 1425 W. Harrison. The small yard has an amazing array of meticulously maintained plants. Only three weeks left in the 2020 Yard of the Week season, so if you see any yards that deserve the recognition and glory that the Yard of the Week brings, please get the nomination in. Nominations can be made by contacting the Chamber of Commerce or the City Manager's office.

### **Water Treatment Expansion Project**

The expansion of the City's Water Treatment Plant is nearing completion, which primarily includes the installation of a new membrane filter rack by Pacific Excavation and their subcontractor, Harvey & Price. Once completed and operational by the end of October, 2020, this project will expand the City's ability to produce 6 million gallons of water per day at the Water Treatment Plant.

# **Recycled Water Storage and Pump Station Project**

R&G Excavation is expected to complete the construction of the storage pond and liner by the end of September. The wastewater plant will then be able to begin storing treated effluent by mid-October. The remaining portion of the project, including construction of effluent and recycled water pump stations, will be completed by end of January, 2021.

Millions of gallons of treated effluent will be stored because discharge to the Willamette River is extremely limited during the warm months of the year. During these months of storage the City will also have greater capacity to pump the treated water to the City's golf course, ODOT's I-5 interchange and various City parks. The construction work for these transmission pipes will begin in spring, 2021.

### **August 2020 Building Inspection Services Report**

For the month of August the Building Division of the Public Works & Development Department issued 45 permits, one for a new single family dwelling, and performed 197 inspections in Cottage Grove. In Creswell 21 permits were issued, one for a new single family dwelling, and 36 inspections were performed. In Veneta, 29 permits were issued, one for a new single family dwelling and 55 inspections were performed. In Cobourg 6 permits were issued and 22 inspections were performed. Staff reviewed and approved 18 plan sets in August and an additional 17 plan sets are in review or on hold for additional information.

# Safe Routes to School/Fillmore Stormwater Outfall Project Update Week of September 7th

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Wildish crews poured most of curb and gutter in this portion of the project. The concrete crew will be on site for two days next week. They will focusing on "tie-ins". This is the space between the existing curb and gutter and the new curb in gutter. This work will be hand formed and poured.





A subcontractor began replacing the fence at Lincoln Middle School. Work will continue next week with installing the cyclone fencing material.

Other work scheduled for next week will be placing conduit for Pacific Power and Light as well as Charter communications and preparing sidewalk subgrade and driveway approaches to residents.

Also another crew was constructing the 27-inch storm drainage system on Fillmore Avenue from South 5<sup>th</sup> and South 6<sup>th</sup> Streets. As the work approached South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, the crew discovered the 8 inch water line in South 6<sup>th</sup> Street was about 9 inches into the pipe.

So on Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a water line shutdown. It will affect residents along South 6<sup>th</sup> from Taylor Avenue to Lincoln Avenue and residents along Fillmore Avenue from South 5<sup>th</sup> to South 7<sup>th</sup> for a day. Wildish's crew will lower the water line so it is out of the

way of the storm drain line. Once this is completed, the City crew will begin turning water back on to the residents. Reminder: If there are concerns, questions and/or complaints, please contact Zach Ireland or Ron Bradsby at (541) 942-3349.

Quote of the Week:

"As we celebrate Labor Day, we honor the men and women who fought tirelessly for workers' rights, which are so critical to our strong and successful labor force."

~Elizabeth Esty~