#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

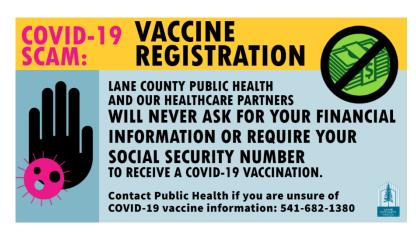
FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: January 22, 2021

## **Vaccine Scam Alert**

The County is sharing information about scams that are occurring relating to vaccine registration. Please be aware that Lane County Public Health and Healthcare partners will not ask for personal financial information or require a Social Security Number to get on a vaccine list or receive a vaccination. If you have any questions contact Lane County Public Health at (541)682-1380.



# Lane County Public Health Vaccine Town Hall

On Thursday evening Lane County Public Health held a Lane County Vaccine Town Hall. If you missed the Town Hall last night you can view the virtual Town Hall on demand by visiting: <a href="http://www.lanecountyor.gov/coronavirus">http://www.lanecountyor.gov/coronavirus</a>. The Town Hall provided valuable information from experts and stakeholders about the current situation and the plan to vaccinate Lane County.

#### **Beeper**

The City Manager will be on KNND's Beeper Show on Monday, January 25, 2021 from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

#### **Cottage Grove High School Advocacy Award**

Cottage Grove High School is seeking nominations of students, South Lane District staff or community members for the CGHS Advocacy Award. The Advocacy Award recognizes the efforts and attitudes that students, staff or community members make the Cottage Grove community a more equitable space. Nominees should demonstrate key characteristics of advocacy for others. These characteristics could include but are not limited to selflessness, kindness, intelligence, courage, honesty, integrity, bravery, and positivity. They should also be inspired by key leaders we have had throughout history like Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela, Gandhi, Susan B Anthony, and Cesar Chavez. The goal of this award is to recognize equity work in the community and demonstrate to the student body and community the focus and dedication to equity at Cottage Grove High School.

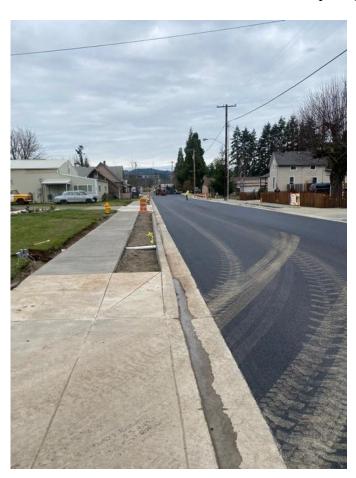
Nominations will close Tuesday, February 2, 2021. Nominations can be made online at: <a href="https://forms.gle/6nbHMYLJGkte5mQR7">https://forms.gle/6nbHMYLJGkte5mQR7</a>. On February 3<sup>rd</sup> the Cottage Grove High School Student Council and Administration team will look over the submissions and make the final decisions for who will be awarded this distinguished award. The number of winners may vary based on the number of qualified submissions.

#### **City Hall to Reopen**

Cottage Grove City Hall will reopen to the public on Monday, January 25, 2021. Everyone visiting City Hall will be required to wear a facial covering and maintain the appropriate distance. The building will not be open for any meetings outside limited capacity official City meetings. The restriction of only one visitor at a time in the Police Department foyer will continue. To ensure the appropriate staff and space is available please contact staff a head of time to set up appointments.

# Safe Routes to School & Fillmore Stormwater Outfall Project Update

The project hit a couple of milestones this week. On Wednesday and Thursday of this week, Wildish Construction place the base lift and top lift of asphalt on South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, so the entire length of South 4<sup>th</sup> Street is paved. Besides some asphalt patching and paving Taylor Avenue between South 4<sup>th</sup> Street and South 6<sup>th</sup> Street, asphalt paving is completed.





The other milestone achieved this is all the City utility infrastructure on the project is completed and in operation except for a new catch basin at the intersection of South 7<sup>th</sup> Street and Taylor Avenue. Thursday, City crews made the tie in of a new 12 inch water main into the existing

infrastructure. A few hours after the tie in was completed, City crews were called back out due to a water leak appeared at the same location. Crews discover that an existing valve was not properly restrained. The gate valve and the existing pipe had separated. The proper repairs were made.





Beginning today, Wildish is concentrating on two areas. The first area is preparing Taylor Avenue for placing curb, gutter, sidewalk, driveway approaches and asphalt. The second is Grant Avenue between South 4<sup>th</sup> Street and South 6<sup>th</sup> Street. This work on Grant Avenue is replacing driveway approaches and sections of sidewalk to meet the current ADA standards.

Pacific Power, Spectrum (formerly Charter) and Lumen (formerly Centurylink) have been contacted by City staff to schedule their work beginning January 27<sup>th</sup>. Their work involves rerouting their facilities from overheard to underground and remove/move some utility poles.

Reminder: If there are concerns, questions, complaints or need assistance through the construction, please contact Daniel Haynes or Ron Bradsby at 541-942-3349.

### Weekly Update # 14 Southmayd Family (by Jason Bush)

(Just a reminder, in the October 2, 2020 Friday Update – 14 weeks ago – we introduced the Southmayd Home project. Cottage Grove's Building Official, Jason Bush, has undertaken the project to work with the Veteran and his family – the Southmayds - in Creswell to improve their current recently remodeled home. The home was originally damaged in the 2019 snow storm and repairs were made by a contractor that left the home in a dangerous and substandard

condition. The family does not have the resources to complete the necessary repairs to make the home livable. This is the continuing update of this community project documenting the progress of getting the Southmayd family into a safe home.)

I stopped by River Bend on Tuesday and checked in with Sarah and Kara on the procedures of requesting a donation on the concrete for the footings and stem walls. I completed a quick application and Kara submitted it to the board they have set up to review these types of requests. I heard back from both Sarah and Kara on Thursday and the board has already approved 40 yards of concrete. Thanks to Sarah, Kara, and the River Bend Team. I will be checking in with Dave Lyons of Knife River for the flatwork concrete.

I have been in contact with Tim at Conrad Forest Products, located in North Bend, Oregon in order to check on the pressure treated plate material for the job. I heard back that they will be able to do something, but is unsure until he is able to put together a cost analysis. He should have more information by Monday.

I also contacted Farwest Steel's Reinforcing Division and spoke to the Branch Manager, Perry Vos, who has tentatively indicated that they have a "boneyard" of materials that he thinks might have the rebar we need. It may be some coated rebar that they typically use on highways, bridges, and overpasses that is defective for those projects, but fine for ours. They also make the tie wire used to tie up rebar.

Mike Blankenship, owner of the Blankenship Corporation is diligently working on our exterior siding, Tyvek, and sticky flashing. Mike has been involved on some huge apartment residing projects recently, and has been buying truckloads of lap siding directly from the supplier. Thank you Mike.

Ewing Jenks of Blue Star Gas has taken it upon himself to obtain a Rinnai RU199IP instantaneous gas water heater from the manufacturer, and his Division Manager, Mike Hurst informed me on January 13<sup>th</sup> that Blue Star Gas will donate a tank, the line set to the home, and a 100 gallons of LPG. He also offered up LPG consulting services. Thanks to the team at Blue Star Gas.

Marc Pratt, Sales Manager for Eagle Plywood Specialties, has confirmed a donation of 125 Sheets of 5 ply ½" plywood that is needed for the exterior walls. Marc will need a two-week advanced notice, as they are filling orders on a daily basis. Another big thanks to Eagle Plywood Specialties! I will be contacting a couple other plywood mills ASAP to try and secure the remaining 225 Sheets of plywood for the roof.

Gemini Concrete Pumping owner Adam Achepohl has discussed the project with me and has assured us that he will give us a very special price, but it is hard to determine a bare cost at this time, so we will just have to wait and see. A big thank you to him and Gemini.

Jared Pratt of Masco Masons Supply Company has given us a bid on some of the supplies that our concrete foundation team, L and L Foundations will need. Shad Lowman, the Owner, and Shelly, his Office Manager have been instrumental in helping me with the products and services they will need to do our foundation. Jared informed me that the steel industry is experiencing the same price jump as the lumber industry, and doubted that they could help with the rebar, which is why I decided to move up the ladder and contact Farwest Steel. They are running the anchor bolts, rebar chairs, and a box of duplex nails up their chain of command to see about donating them.

As I was approaching a project to inform them that they will need permits for the work they were conducting, I ran into a salesman also approaching the project. Come to find out, it was the Sherwin Williams paint Store Manager, Erik Clawson. They have opened a new store at 3306 Gateway Street in Springfield. We discussed the Southmayd project, and he subsequently sent me an application to complete and indicated that he will see what they can do to help. I also contacted High Cascade Painting and Construction, who called me a few months ago to indicate they are onboard for interior & exterior painting. I'm relying on them to help with the amounts of paint needed. Thanks to the High Cascade Painting Team.

JBE Engineering's Robert Johnson is tentatively scheduled to visit the site next week to start the evaluation of the structural issues associated with the existing home.

I am still waiting on HD Fowler to see if they will be able to supply the drain field supplies, as that is still one of our highest priorities right now. I'm still hoping that McKenzie Excavating and Paving will be able to schedule the tank and drain field installation within their existing work schedules.

Hopefully, I did not forget something, or fail to recognize everyone, as this would not be happening without you.

Quote of the Week:

"Remember, it's your attitude that will determine the altitude you'll achieve.

~Annah Stretton, Wise Heart~