

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: April 23, 2021

### **Beeper**

The City Manager will be on KNND's Beeper Show on Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 10:00 am.

### **Small Business Utility Grant Program**

The City of Cottage Grove Small Business Grant program is still taking applications for grants to reimburse City Utility costs for businesses closed, restricted or impacted by COVID-19. Local small businesses are encouraged to visit the Community Lending Works webpage at: <https://communitylendingworks.org/emergency-grants-cottage-grove/>. Applications for the grant program will be accepted through Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **If I Were Mayor Contest**

The City received six entries (3-posters; 1 essay; and 2 videos) for the If I Were Mayor contest. The City Council will be judging the entries and presenting the awards for the contest at the Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting. The top entries will be submitted to the Oregon Mayors Association to participate in the statewide competition.

### **Senator Merkley Lane County Virtual Town Hall**

Oregon Senator Jeff Merkley will be holding a Lane County Town Hall on Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. The Town Hall can be joined on a computer, smartphone or tablet: [click here to join the Zoom meeting](#) or on a phone dial: 669-254-5252, Enter Meeting ID: 160 396 1144#, enter Participant ID: #, Enter Passcode: 49605324#. To learn more about this town hall or any future events, please visit the Senator's website at [merkley.senate.gov](http://merkley.senate.gov)

### **Possible Shift to Extreme Risk**

We have been informed that Governor Brown may move Lane County to the "Extreme Risk" level as soon as Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> with no warning week if cases and hospitalizations continue to climb. The Governor will look at the case data and may announce the decision on Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

### **South Valley Farmers Market**

The South Valley Farmers Market 2021 season will begin on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>. The Farmers Market is making the move to Saturdays between 11:00 am to 3:00 pm during 2021. They will

continue to hold the market on South 7<sup>th</sup> Street between Main and Washington. Be sure to stop by and check out what the market has to offer every Friday from May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Yard of the Week is Coming**

The 24<sup>th</sup> season of Yard of the Week will begin on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Be on the lookout for the local residents that take that extra care to make their yard stand out in the community. The Yard of the Week program recognizes those single family residences that work to make the community a better place. If you see or know of a yard that deserves recognition, contact the City Manager's office or the Chamber of Commerce to nominate the yard for Yard of the Week.

### *Quote of the Week*

*"If you focus on results, you will never change. If you focus on change, you will get results."*

*~Jack Dixon~*