

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike Sauerwein, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: May 2, 2025

Tree Branch Pick-Up Program

This year's Annual Tree Branch Pickup is scheduled to take place from Monday, May 5, 2025, to Friday, May 9, 2025. A second round will occur from May 19, 2025, to May 23, 2025. The City will only pick up tree limbs and branches; no other items or materials will be collected.

For guidelines, please visit: <https://www.cottagegroveor.gov/publicworks/page/tree-branch-pickup-program> or call the Public Works Department at 541-942-5501.

May is Bike Month in Lane County



2025 marks the 12th year of Bike Month celebrations in Lane County!

Save the dates for a month filled with free, fun events and rides suitable for all ages and abilities. Bike Month has been celebrated nationally since 1956 and locally since 2014.

The Cottage Grove Library will be giving away smart cycling guides, stickers, and bike bells while supplies last.

Join us downtown for the Saturday Stroll Event

May 3rd from 2 pm to 4 pm
Saturday Stroll – Hop Scotch & Shop (and Dine)

Come together for friendly competition, shopping, and community spirit in a fun-filled atmosphere. Enjoy a day of games and deals in the historic downtown Cottage Grove.

Free FUN family event!



EDA Main Street Revitalization Project



Excavation work has begun on the street and sidewalk on the south side. Please drive with caution in the construction area. A speed limit of 10 mph has been established, and lane widths have been reduced. It is crucial to lower your speed and stay vigilant for pedestrians and workers in the area. Please be aware that traffic violation fines are doubled in construction zones.

The new fire hydrants have arrived and are being installed. City staff has completed three out of the four new water line attachments. The final attachments will take place on Monday, the 6th, from 8:30 am to 4 pm. During this time, there will be interruptions to water service. All affected businesses and residents have been notified.

The storm drain work will take place on Main Street between 5th Street and 6th Street. During this time, traffic and parking will be directed to the south side of the street.

Your patience is appreciated as we navigate this project. Schedule changes are inevitable. The City will provide information as soon as it is available.

Cleveland Street Infrastructure Project

Progress continues in connecting 4th Street to Cleveland Street. Water lines have been installed on 4th Street to Kathleen. On Monday, April 28, crews will begin installing a new water main down Cleveland.

Starting May 1, work will resume on the sanitary sewer line located east of 4th Street.



All downtown Businesses are OPEN during construction!

Drawings are every Friday on Facebook Live. Check the Chamber site below for more details.



Did you know you can win \$500 in gift cards for shopping or eating at downtown businesses?

The City of Cottage Grove has partnered with the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce to offer a promotional stamp card. Shop in Historic Downtown Cottage Grove, collect six stamps, and submit your card at the Chamber of Commerce (located at 836 E. Main Street) for a chance to win \$500 each week in local gift cards.

For more details, visit: <https://www.cgchamber.com/shop local/>

FEMA Preliminary Floodplain Map Update

After the successful appeal of the Preliminary Flood Maps, FEMA has released the revised Preliminary Flood Maps for the City of Cottage Grove. These revised maps are available for review in the Community Development office or online at cottagegroveor.gov/cd/page/central-lane-county-flood-map-update.

These new flood maps, officially known as a Flood Insurance Rate Map, identify areas of flood risk (high, moderate, low). These maps will influence financial, planning, investment, and development decisions. Owners of structures in high-risk areas will be required to have flood insurance for loans from federally regulated or insured lenders. We encourage everyone to be aware of their flood risk and purchase flood insurance.

If you would like to review the revised maps with city staff, or if you have questions or concerns, please contact Leni Crow, Floodplain Manager at Lcrow@cottagegrove.org or 541-942-5501.

South Valley Farmers Market

Farmers Market season starts this Saturday, May 3rd!

10 am to 2 pm, every Saturday, May through October
7th & Main Street, Cottage Grove, OR



Quote of the Week

“Look for something positive in each day, even if some days you have to look a little harder.”

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