

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: June 9, 2023

### **Yard of the Week**

This week the Yard of the Week is located at 652 South R Street. The yard is another great nomination that was submitted. Yard of the Week winners receive a credit for water on their utility bill, a gift certificate from the Chamber of Commerce and a 13 week subscription to the Cottage Grove Sentinel.

### **Wings & Wheels**

The Oregon Aviation Historical Society will be hosting the annual Wings & Wheels car show and fly-in on Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Wings & Wheels is your chance to venture inside a general aviation airport and admire amazing airplanes, autos, and motorcycles up close. Enter a raffle, enjoy Abshere Concessions food truck, see a fire truck, and celebrate aviation's past and present. This ninth annual event is sponsored by Starfire Lumber and Parsons Financial Advisors. Admission is \$5 for adults and free for children 12 and older. Please leave pets at home to protect their paws from the hot blacktop. Learn more at [www.OregonAviation.org](http://www.OregonAviation.org).

### **Eugene Symphony**

Mark your calendars and plan to spend the evening of Monday, July 24<sup>th</sup> with your friends and neighbors as we enjoy the annual visit of the Eugene Symphony in Bohemia Park. This year's program is shaping up to be very amazing. The Eugene Symphony will be under the direction of Daniel Cho this year when they visit Cottage Grove.

### **Lane County Community & Economic Development Visit**

Jenna Cusimano with Lane County Community & Economic Development visited with the City Manager on Friday. They discussed the current and upcoming projects throughout the community and even took the opportunity to visit some of the projects. They discussed opportunities for coordination among the City and County on Economic Development

### **Yard Sales Listing**

To reduce the need to put up Yard Sale signs the City has made available an online listing of Yard Sales. Anyone holding a Yard Sale in the City can submit information about their sale at <https://www.cottagegroveor.gov/community/webform/yard-sales>. You can view the list of



current and upcoming Yard Sales at <https://www.cottagegroveor.gov/community/page/yard-sales> or stop into City Hall for a printed version.

### **2023 Fire Season Starts Tonight**

In conjunction with the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) the South Lane County Fire & Rescue District will be entering fire season at 12:01 am June 9, 2023. The Fire District will be updating their website with the fire danger level and regulated use information. The Fire Department has placed a Fire Danger board at Station 201 in Cottage Grove and is working to locate boards in Saginaw and Creswell. As usual, the Fire District will maintain the same fire danger level as ODF throughout fire season. As a reminder, open burning is closed.

### **Enterprise Zone Re-Designated**

This week Business Oregon approved re-designation of the Cottage Grove, Creswell and South Lane Enterprise Zone for up to an additional 10 years. The current enterprise zone expires on June 30, 2023 as enterprise zones are authorized for 10 year periods. City staff submitted the re-designation application in May of this year in hopes of renewing the zone for an additional 10 years. At the present time Oregon Statute allowing for enterprise zones to sunset in 2025. Currently there is a bill before the Oregon Senate to extend the sunset an additional 5 year to 2030. Currently the re-designation will expire in 2025 unless the Oregon Legislature extends the enterprise zone sunset. From 2021-2022 the enterprise zone has seen 108 new jobs created in Cottage Grove.

### **Storm Manhole and Water Valve Cover Repairs**

Pacific Excavation started saw cutting today for 10 manhole and 2 water valve cover repairs around town. The manholes and valve covers are failing and need to be replaced. Please use caution when traveling in areas they are working. The work zones will be marked and flaggers will be directing traffic. Pacific Excavation plans to have all the repairs made by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Quote of the Week:***

*“The worst enemy to creativity is self-doubt.”*

*~ Sylvia Plath*