

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: June 3, 2016

Yard of the Week

This week the Yard of the Week is a lovely yard on a quiet street located at 1036 South 11th Street. This week the Yard of the Week Prize Patrol had a new prize to provide the winners of the Yard of the Week. The Cottage Grove Sentinel is a strong supporter of the program and has been printing the photo of the Yard of the Week. They have joined the prize package by awarding a year subscription to winners of the Yard of the Week. Now the prize package includes: free water for a month, a gift certificate from the Chamber of Commerce that can be redeemed at businesses in the community and a year subscription to the Sentinel. Thank you to the Sentinel and their staff.

Gran Fondo

Sunday, June 5th at 8:00 am nearly 500 cyclists will begin the grueling trek either 71 or 117 miles from downtown Cottage Grove. Come cheer them as they embark on their quest or welcome them home at about 1:15 pm as the first riders of the 117 mile Gran will be sprinting to the finish line.

Tis the Season

It is the season of summer special events. This week really kicks off the Special Event season. The Gran Fondo is the first big event but other events in the coming week are: the Community Baby Shower hosted by Parent Partnership on Saturday, June 4th; Spring Fling Carnival hosted by BMD in Bohemia Park June 9th -13th; Hemp History Week in All-America City Park on Tuesday, June 7th from 5:00 to 8:30 pm; and the Farmers Market on Thursday (every Thursday) June 9th from 3:00 to 8:00 pm on South 7th Street and in All-America City Park. The parks are filling with reservations for birthday parties, weddings and reunions. Watch for more information about upcoming events.

Business After Hours

The City of Cottage Grove and Middlefield Golf Course will be hosting the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours on Thursday, June 16th at Middlefield Golf Course from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. The Business After Hours at the Golf Course is always fun with a putting competition and prizes.

Concerts in the Park

The Chamber of Commerce annual Concert in the Park schedule will begin on Wednesday, June 22nd. The concerts run from 6:30 to 8:00 pm at the Bohemia Park Amphitheater. Check out the schedule of performances on the Chamber of Commerce website at www.cgchamber.com.

Eugene Symphony

The Eugene Symphony is returning to Cottage Grove on Monday, July 18th. Plans are underway to have a local musical performance prior to the symphony taking the stage. The local entertainment will begin at about 6:30 pm and the Eugene Symphony will take the stage at 7:30 pm. Mark your calendars and make plans now to attend this spectacular event. Last year's performance was amazing and everyone that attended had a great time and this year will be even better.

Youth Advisory Council

The Cottage Grove Youth Advisory Council will be meeting on Monday, June 6th from 6:15 to 7:30 pm.

Flower Basket Ribbon Cutting and Anniversary Celebration

The Flower Basket and Gift Boutique is celebrating 32 years in business with a ribbon cutting at 5:00 pm on Friday, June 10th. Join Carol Reeves and her staff to celebrate their anniversary. Carol has added some new products and updated the storefront so come on down and check out their new look.

Library Adventure Camp Sign-Up Now

Now is the time to stop by the Cottage Grove Public Library to register youth 3-6 year old, 7-12 year old, or 13-17 year old for one of our amazing Summer Adventure Field Trips. On these trips we go hiking, kayaking, swimming, sand boarding, rafting, and learn about the ecology of native Oregon habitats, study native plants, learn about local geology, explore field biology and more. Please stop by the Library soon to enroll for one of our awesome free Summer Adventures.

Summer Reading Kick-Off Event Coming Soon

June 22nd is Summer Reading Kick-Off Day with a celebratory event at 2:30 pm at the Cottage Grove Public Library. Summer Reading programs this year are for kids, teens and adults. In addition to the Kick-Off Event, we'll have something fun happening every Wednesday at 2:30 pm related to Summer Reading. Please join us on June 22nd and throughout the Summer for some exciting Summer Reading Adventures.

Public Hearing Scheduled

City Council will consider an application from Mary Harting, 2055 S. 6th Street and the City of Cottage Grove, for 33 properties on S. 6th Street, Kathleen Drive, Patrick Loop and Patrick Court, including 2055 S. 6th Street and all properties within the Kathleen Views Subdivision. The application is to amend the Comprehensive Plan Map and Land Use Map designation from H High Density Residential/R-3 High Density Multifamily Residential District to L Low Density Residential/R-1 Single Family Residential Rezone. The public hearing is scheduled for the regular meeting on Monday, June 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm in Council Chambers. The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the matter on June 15th and forward a recommendation for Council's consideration. The staff report, public hearing minutes and proposed ordinance will be provided with agenda prior to the public hearing. Any questions should be directed to the Community Development Department at (541) 942-3340.

Online Bill Pay is Live

As of June 1st all City utility customers are able to access their utility account online. There are several options for payment online as well as the ability to look up the account history since 2013. You can even request your bill be emailed to you. The utility account information is accessible straight off the [City's web page](#).

If anyone needs assistance accessing their account information or need more information about the system, please call the Finance Department at City Hall, (541) 942-3346, or come in and we will be happy to help you use this new service. For our customer's convenience we have created a Kiosk that you can use to sign-up while at the office.

During the first two and a half days of implementation we have had 60 accounts make payments online, it's easy and convenient.

Do you want to save paper?
Do you want to pay with your debit or credit card?

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- Save postage
- Save checks
- See usage history
- Custom auto pay options
- Sign up for E-bills

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Quote of the Week

“The reason why people give up so fast is because they tend to look at how far they still have to go, instead of how far they have gotten.”

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