MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Meyers, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: September 15, 2017

Yard of the Week
This week the Yard of the Week is located at 1130 Holly Avenue. Thank you for this wonderful nomination. Only two more weeks to get the nominations in for the 2017 Yard of the Week season.

Youth Advisory Council
School is back in session and it is that time of year again to recruit members for the Cottage Grove Youth Advisory Council (YAC). The YAC had a great year last year with the passage of their nitrous oxide legislation and opportunities to meet legislators, the Governor and Senator Wyden. Who knows what this year holds in store for the YAC. A number of long time members of the YAC graduated and are now off around the country at college. A few outstanding YAC members remain but more are needed to make another successful year.

Any youth in the community 7th through 12th grade age are invited to apply. Youth can be home schooled or attend charter, private or public schools - they just need to live within the South Lane School District. More information and applications are available at City Hall or on the City’s webpage at www.cottagegrove.org/yac.

The remaining members of the YAC will be meeting on Monday, September 18th from 7:00 to 7:45 pm. Anyone interested in learning about the youth is invited to attend.

Join the Oregon Drive Less Challenge Sept. 16 – 30 & WIN
Discover healthy, green travel options for work, school, errands and play—join the Oregon Drive Less Challenge September 16th -30th. Burn calories instead of gas by biking to work, or walking to the store. Divide the ride and the cost by carpooling or vanpooling. Take the bus and let someone else do the driving so you can listen to music, or read that page-turning book. Every trip counts in the 2017 Oregon Drive Less Challenge for better health, happiness and livable communities.

Plus, the more trips you log during the challenge the greater your changes are to win weekly prizes like Hydro Flasks, Dutch Bros coffee, KEEN shoes and REI and Black Star Bags gift
cards. And, you can win a grand prize GenZe electric bike valued at $1,500, or $500 cash card, too. Over 55 prizes will be awarded.


**Marijuana Advertising - If You See Something, Say Something**

Lane County Public Health provided the following information about marijuana advertising. Did you know that marijuana advertising must contain three warning statements? If you see any marijuana advertisement that is out of compliance, say something. Snap a picture of the advertisement, provide the name and address of the marijuana dispensary with a short description of the advertisement and where it was found and email it to marijuana@oregon.gov

According to Oregon State Law ORS 845-025-8040 “A licensee must include the following statement on all print, billboard, television, radio, and internet advertising in font size legible to the viewer:

a) Do not operate a vehicle or machinery under the influence of this drug

b) For use only by adults twenty-one years of age and older

c) Keep out of reach of children

Marijuana advertising may not:

1. Make claims that recreational marijuana has curative or therapeutic effects;
2. Contain statements that are deceptive, false, or misleading;
3. Display consumption of marijuana items;
4. Contain material that encourages the use of marijuana because of its intoxicating effect;
5. Specifically encourages the transportation of marijuana items across state lines;
6. Contain material that encourages excessive or rapid consumption;
7. Contain any content that can reasonably be considered to target individuals under the age of 21, including but not limited to images of minors, cartoon characters, toys, or similar images and items typically marketed towards minors, or references to products that are commonly associated with minors or marketed by minors;
8. Assert that marijuana items are safe because they are regulated by the Commission or have been tested by a certified laboratory or otherwise make claims that any government agency endorses or supports marijuana.

A licensee may not make any deceptive, false, or misleading assertions or statements on any informational material, any sign, or any document provided to a consumer.

ORS 645-025-8060 also states that, “The Commission prohibits advertising through handbills that are posted or passed out in public areas such as parking lots and publicly owned property.”

Thank you for preventing addiction and making Lane County healthy and safe.

**Identity Theft**

With the recent announcement of the data breach at Equifax it may be wise for citizens to review their actions to protect their personal information and prevent identity theft. Identity theft typically occurs when a victim’s social security number or other personal information is stolen and used to obtain credit cards, loans or commit another form of fraud in the victim’s name. Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in the country. The Oregon State Attorney General’s webpage has some excellent information on how to protect your personal information.
at: [www.doj.state.or.us/consumer-protection/id-theft-data-breaches/identity-theft/](http://www.doj.state.or.us/consumer-protection/id-theft-data-breaches/identity-theft/). Check it out and make sure you are following the tips to prevent the misuse of your personal information.

**Great Willamette River Clean-Up**
The Great Willamette River Clean Up will have a Cottage Grove based site this year. Come join the Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council (CFWWC) at Prospector Park on Saturday, October 7, 2017 from 9:00 am to Noon for a land-based stewardship project to save trees and protect water quality. The projects for the day will be to improve the Coast Fork Willamette River riparian zone next to Prospector Park by removing invasive English ivy, Himalayan blackberry and trash. If left unchecked, English ivy will climb and kill trees. Trees along river and streambanks are essential to water quality and a healthy riparian zone. The CFWWC will provide tools, water, snacks and work gloves. Bring your refillable water bottle, wear sturdy shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. This event is rain or shine. Afterwards, volunteers are encouraged to carpool to Eugene for the Volunteer Thank You Party hosted by Ninkasi for a free pizza lunch, beverages, music, raffle and more. Please contact maggie@coastfork.org with any questions or to RSVP. For more information about the Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council visit [www.coastfork.org](http://www.coastfork.org). Further details on the volunteer party will be provided to volunteers on the day of the clean-up.

**Behind the Pages**
The next meeting of the Cottage Grove Public Library's Book Club, “Behind the Pages” is Saturday, September 16th from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. The Book Club will be discussing *Wonder*, by R. J. Palacio. The Book Club is for 6th through 8th graders and meets on the 3rd Saturday of every month.

**Bilingual Story Time at the Library**
Every Monday evening at 6:30 pm, Bilingual Story Time is at the Cottage Grove Public Library. This is an informal fun family experience with Spanish and English stories and creative activities for all ages. Also, our other Story Time is every Friday morning at 10:30 am and everyone is welcome.

**Rhyme and Romp at the Library**
Families with a new baby are encouraged to join Rhyme and Romp, a fun experience of stories, songs, action rhymes and more for babies ages 0-18 months. Families are encouraged to bring one adult per child and learn about early literacy, meet other parents, and have fun exploring the world of reading with your baby. Rhyme and Romp is on Tuesdays at 11:30 am at the Cottage Grove Public Library.

**Quote of the Week**

“Don't be afraid to give up the good and go for the great.”

~ Steve Prefontaine~