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City Council Newsletter



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The latest issue of Clean Water Connections features articles about the safety of drinking water, how the regional wastewater plant processes water, the challenges of underground springs and how Amazon Creek is getting some protection from oil spills.



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Native bee habitat— it's in your yard

Spring is here and along with it, planning for vegetable gardens and colorful blooms to liven up planters, landscape beds and entire yards. You can boost habitat for a wide range of native bees, conserve biodiversity, and improve pollination at home with a few simple choices.

Oregon is home to over 500 species of native bees, with 150-250 species in the Willamette Valley. Bumblebees, metallic green sweat bees, mason bees, and miner bees are some of the common types you could find in an urban yard in Eugene with good native bee habitat.

Tips for promoting native bees

- Choose plants with a variety of flower shapes, plan for blooms to last throughout spring into late summer, and plant the same species in clusters.
- Keep spots of bare ground open for ground nesters – our native bees cannot dig through bark mulch. Dead wood, pithy stems, and brush piles make good above-ground nest sites. Thoroughly clean and maintain nest blocks to prevent disease.
- Avoid the use of fungicides and pesticides, especially neonicotinoid pesticides or plants grown with neonicotinoid pesticides. Ask for details before you buy!

Eugene became an official Bee City USA in 2018, declaring our community's commitment to pollinators, native habitats, and sustainability. Learn more at: eugene-or.gov/bee-city and <https://xerces.org/broughtbacktopollinators/>

Check the product label if you use chemical pesticides. Avoid neonicotinoids, pyrethroids and dimethoates. Learn more at the national pesticide information center: www.npic.orst.edu



Salmon dig Eugene parks!

In the summer of 2017, Salmon-Safe → leading U.S.



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Aspiring and seasoned gardeners can read about ways to grow pet and bee-friendly gardens and the many benefits of trees. Residents wondering how stormwater fees are used can learn about some of the services provided by the City's Public Works Department in their efforts to keep water in our rivers clean and healthy.

The focus of Clean Water Connections is educating and informing community members about stormwater pollution and ways to protect our local waterways. Articles typically address seasonal or current issues and include one article of interest for our younger citizens.

Copies of the [newsletter](#) are now available electronically at www.happyrivers.org

Eugene residents can also expect to receive the newsletter delivered via mail over the next few weeks. For more information contact Kathy Eva, Public Information Specialist for the Stormwater Management Program, at 541-682-2739 or keva@eugene-or.gov.

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**CITY OF EUGENE
PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR
FOR THE WEEK OF September 10, 2017**

All meeting locations are wheelchair accessible. For the hearing impaired, an interpreter can be provided with 48 hours' notice prior to the meeting. To arrange for these services, contact the telephone number or email address listed for the meeting.

**SUNDAY, September 10, 2017
NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED**

MONDAY, September 11, 2017

City Council Work Session

Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Lane County Public Service Building, 125 East 8th Avenue, Harris Hall
Agenda: 1. Committee Reports and Items of Interest from Mayor, City Council, and City Manager
2. Work Session: Process Session
Contact: Beth Forrest, 541-682-5892, beth.forest@ci.eugene.or.us

Friendly Area Neighbors Board Meeting

Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: Washington Recreation Center, 2025 Washington Street
Agenda: 1. Neighborhood Issues
Contact: Margie James, margie57@gmail.com

River Road Community Organization Meeting

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: River Road Park Annex, 1855 River Road
Agenda: 1. Neighborhood Issues
Contact: Jon Bolcher, jbolcher@ria.org

South University Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Edison Elementary School, 1320 East 22nd Avenue
Agenda: 1. Neighborhood Issues
Contact: Bill Aspegren, aspegren@comcast.net

PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR
For the week of September 10, 2017

City Council Tentative Agenda

Meeting Location: Harris Hall, 125 E 8th Avenue, unless otherwise noted

September-2017					
Date	Time	Topic	Length (in min)	Staff Contact	
28 Sep	Wednesday	12pm	Monthly Reporting Program (Public Session)	30	Michael West, PIO
		1pm	Recycling Plans Meeting (Work Session)	60	Mia Carls, CMO

Expected absence for 9/26: Steve

25 Sep	Monday	5:30pm	Committee Reports and Items of Interest (Public Session)	30	Renee Grabe, LRES
		6pm	Baker's Exam - Economic Cartography (Public Session)	30	Aimee Gildea, PEI
		7:30pm	Public Forum		
		7:30pm	Approval of Schedule Amendment (A17-7) (Consent Calendar)		Irish Berg-Johnson, PIO
		7:30pm	Supplemental Budget (Public Reporting Act)		Troy Miller, CS

Expected absence for 9/25: Steve

27 Sep	Wednesday	12pm	Executive Session - Payment to OES 192,854,730	45	
		12pm	Police Officer Annual Performance Review (Public Session)	45	Aimee Holmes, CS

Expected absence for 9/27: Steve

October-2017					
Date	Time	Topic	Length (in min)	Staff Contact	
9-Oct	Monday	5:30pm	Committee Reports and Items of Interest (Public Session)	30	
		6pm	Police Commission Hearing (Public Session)	45	Carter Rowley, PIO
		6pm	Public Meeting		
		7:30pm	Consent Calendar		
		7:30pm	Public Forum		
		7:30pm	Approval of Budget Amendment (A17-8) (Consent Calendar)		Jillina Sullivan, PIO

Expected absence on Oct 20/17: Steve

11-Oct	Wednesday	12pm	Fireworks (Public Session)	90	Jon Zaluski, PIO
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Expected absence for 10/11: Steve

16-Oct	Monday	7:45pm	TRD (Public Meeting)		
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Expected absence for 10/16: Councilor Alina Zelenska

18-Oct	Wednesday	12pm	TRD (Public Session)		
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Expected absence for 10/18: Councilor Alina Zelenska