### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike Sauerwein, City Manager

SUBJECT: Friday Update

DATE: July 26, 2024

## **Eugene Symphony**

It was another beautiful night of music and community when the Eugene Symphony visited Bohemia Park on Monday for the 2024 Concert in the Park series. The City extends a special thank you to Dr. Jonathan Backer and his team at Backer Family Dental. Without these generous sponsors, this wonderful event would not be possible.



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### **Upcoming Library Events**

*Food and Folktales: Separation and Belonging:* Tuesday, July 30th at 5:00 pm in the Shepherd Room. Sharing our stories, journeys, adventures, and migrations through the lens of fairytale themes around the world. Food, group discussion, and activities for children in the library. Sponsored by Oregon Humanities, RISE of the Umpqua and Willamette Valleys, and Friends of the CG Public Library

*Worms: Nature's Recyclers:* Wednesday, July 31st at 2:30 pm in the Shepherd Room. Join us as BRING teaches us about worms' role in vermicomposting. There will be hands-on activities as part of this learning opportunity.

*Lego Club:* Thursday, August 1st at 2:30 pm in the Shepherd Room. Join us for our monthly Lego Club for kids! Children and their caretakers gather, build their own lego creations, and display them all month in our Lego Club case by the Children's Area of the library.

Friday Matinee: We Bought a Zoo (PG), Friday, August 2nd at 3:00 pm in the Shepherd Room. "Following his wife's untimely death, Los Angeles journalist Benjamin Mee (Matt Damon) decides to make a fresh start by quitting his job and moving his children (Colin Ford, Maggie Elizabeth Jones) to an 18-acre property containing the Rosemoor Wildlife Park. Though closed for years, Rosemoor is still home to many animals, cared for by Kelly Foster (Scarlett Johansson) and her small staff. Mee opens his heart and his checkbook as he, Kelly and the others work to renovate and reopen the zoo." All ages welcome | free fresh popcorn for attendees

Classic Movie: Jaws (PG), Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in the Shepherd Room. "When a young woman is killed by a shark while skinny-dipping near the New England tourist town of Amity Island, police chief Martin Brody (Roy Scheider) wants to close the beaches, but mayor Larry Vaughn (Murray Hamilton) overrules him, fearing that the loss of tourist revenue will cripple the town. Ichthyologist Matt Hooper (Richard Dreyfuss) and grizzled ship captain Quint (Robert Shaw) offer to help Brody capture the killer beast, and the trio engage in an epic battle of man vs. nature."

#### **TextMyGov**

City staff is working with TextMyGov to set up a text messaging system to communicate information to Cottage Grove residents. We will be able to provide text messages informing subscribers of items of importance taking place in the City such as, concerts, events, road work, water and sewer line repairs, emergency notices, just to name a few of the potential text messages that could be sent. If you are interested in receiving this information via text message, please go to cottagegrove.org and sign up using the widget in the lower right hand side of the City's homepage. TextMyGov has been very successful in improving communications and providing information to residents in other Cities. We are excited to provide the new service and additional way to communicate information to residents in Cottage Grove and the surrounding area.

### **Resiliency Hub Grant Award**

Lane County received great news today that their joint application to the EPA Community Change program to fund SIX renovation projects across the county has been fully funded. One of the six projects is upgrading the Cottage Grove Community Center to be a resiliency hub for providing emergency sheltering during natural disasters. The grant will fund a new heating and cooling system for the Community Center and Library, install an emergency backup generator, and purchase supplies to operate the resiliency hub up to 10 days while providing shelter.