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# City Council Newsletter



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## Emergency Management at Public Works Day

In an effort to generate more public involvement in hazard mitigation, Risk Services emergency management staff, with guidance from Oregon Emergency Management and FEMA mitigation experts, switched tactics for the 2020 Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan (NHMP) update and their efforts were featured in the Regional FEMA [newsletter](#)!

The new outreach began at Eugene's annual Public Works Day, a fast-paced, hands on, and busy event with thousands of people in attendance. In



recognition that today's children will manage and influence the plan in five, ten, or fifteen years staff developed an activity both children and adults could participate in and understand, while helping guide efforts to recognize gaps between children and adult understanding of local hazards. Participants ranked the natural hazards they thought were the most important to "be strong against."

One surprising conclusion was how comparable the public's view of our risk was to the NHMP Project Team's risk assessment for the City. Many of the children seemed to have a realistic grasp of the hazards. Interestingly, very few children placed their vote on winter storms while several adults did. Staff



believe this is due to adults remembering the devastating Ice Storm of 2016. In contrast to adults, children hope for "snow days," because they get to stay home and play. Making NHMP outreach more engaging and hands-on proved successful and far surpassed the expectations of staff.

The next large event will be a "Disaster Movie in the Park" on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Eugene Water and Electric Board (EWEB) and the City of Eugene, along with support from the City of Springfield, Rainbow Water District, and Springfield Utility Board (SUB), will be partnering to host this event. The format will be similar to the Public Works Day NHMP outreach. Attendees will be asked to vote on specific mitigation action items they would like to see completed followed by an interactive disaster movie.

For more information contact Emergency Management Program Manager, [Kevin Holman](#), at (541)682-5664.

## Neighbors Identify Priorities for River Road - Santa Clara Plan

In early June, nearly 300 residents attended two community events held at North Eugene High School. In small groups, neighbors discussed how streets should be improved, where to accommodate new homes and how the park system should be developed, among other topics. The input they provided will help neighborhood volunteers and staff draft goals and policies, and prioritize actions as we move into the next phase of the planning process.

A [questionnaire](#) is available online that mirrors the small group activity done at these workshops. People who live and work in the neighborhood are encouraged to fill out the questionnaire and share it with other people who might be interested. The questionnaire will remain open until mid-August.



You can learn more about the neighborhood plan on the [project website](#) or contact Senior Planner, [Zach Galloway](#), at 541-682-5485.

## Apply for the Envision Eugene Technical Advisory Committee!

Work is currently underway to implement Envision Eugene, our community's vision for managing future growth.

Recruitment has just begun for the Envision Eugene Technical Advisory Committee (EETAC). This group will provide guidance to staff on two Envision Eugene implementation projects—working first on [urban reserves](#) planning and then on the City's new [growth monitoring](#) program. Members will represent a range of community voices, with interests in areas such as community planning, land use, housing, economic development, sustainability, active transportation, and parks and natural resources. Terms are for four years, and the EETAC will meet monthly starting in September 2018.



Anyone with an interest in shaping the community's long-term growth is encouraged to apply. The deadline for EETAC applications is July 15<sup>th</sup>.

More information and the online application are available [here](#) or by contacting Planning Analyst, [Audrey Stuart](#), at 541-682-5461.

## Free Education Kit Offered to Address Rat Concerns

Rats have become a growing concern in many areas of Eugene. In order to enable residents, neighborhood associations, and community groups to spread information about rat prevention and control the City now has an online Rat Education Kit available for free at [eugene-or.gov/rats](http://eugene-or.gov/rats). The kit includes easy to use education tools including text for newsletters or emails, downloadable posters and brochures to share or print and even graphics created for Facebook and Twitter including text for the post.



Our goal is to make it as easy as possible for community members to educate each other about rat prevention and control. No permission is needed to use these but staff would like to hear where and how you use them to track our educational outreach efforts.

Suggestions to help eliminate rodent problems and stop them before they begin include:

- Keeping yards free of debris that could harbor rodents
- Preventing access to structures by sealing cracks and holes
- Removing sources of food, which includes following proper composting methods and keeping pet food contained.

More information is available on the [website](#), including how to identify if you have a rat problem and how to eliminate them if you do. For questions related to community outreach on this issue contact, Communications Analyst, [Lindsay Selser](#) at (541)682-6021.

## Links to Eugene City Council Resources

[Mayor & City Council Webpage](#)



# Public Meetings Calendar

# Tentative Council Agenda



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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:** 8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Lane County Public Service Building, 125 East 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
**Admin:** 1. Committee Reports and Items of Interest from Mayor, City Council, and City Manager  
2. Work Session - Process Timeline  
**Contact:** Patsy Forevert, 541-602-2092, [PatForevert@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:PatForevert@ci.eugene.or.us)

### Friendly Area Neighbors Board Meeting

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Washington Recreation Center, 2025 Washington Street  
**Admin:** 1. Neighborhood Issues  
**Contact:** Mergie James, [mergiej@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:mergiej@ci.eugene.or.us)

### River Road Community Organization Meeting

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** River Road Park Annex, 1055 River Road  
**Admin:** 1. Neighborhood Issues  
**Contact:** Josh Becker, [jbecker@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:jbecker@ci.eugene.or.us)

### South University Neighborhood Association Board Meeting

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Location:** I Debra Elementary School, 1328 East 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
**Admin:** 1. Neighborhood Issues  
**Contact:** Jill Applegate, [japplegate@ci.eugene.or.us](mailto:japplegate@ci.eugene.or.us)

PUBLIC MEETINGS CALENDAR  
FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

## City Council Tentative Agenda

Meeting Location: Council Chamber, 125 East 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Eugene, OR 97401

Date	Time	Topic	Length (in min)	Staff Contact
10-09	Monday	8:30pm Mentioned in Reporting Financial Planning 2017-2018	30	Mark Gault, CFO
10-09	Monday	9:00pm City Council Meeting 1. Committee Reports and Items of Interest 2. Public Forum 3. Approval of Budget (2017-2018) (Regular Calendar) 4. Approval of Budget (2017-2018) (Special Calendar)	60	Mark Gault, CFO
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10-09	Monday	5:30pm City Council Meeting 1. Committee Reports and Items of Interest 2. Public Forum 3. Approval of Budget (2017-2018) (Regular Calendar) 4. Approval of Budget (2017-2018) (Special Calendar)	60	Mark Gault, CFO
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