

**Loan** *from A1*

funding to date.

Businesses are also required to use the proceeds for any business-related operating expenses, particularly to support businesses that were closed as they move into the first phase of statewide reopening.

The pre-registration deadline expired July 13. Eligible businesses who pre-registered will be entered into a random lottery and selected until funding runs out.

Among other stipulations, the grant requires that "historically disadvantaged business owners" are given first opportunity to apply for the loans, which the state defines as Asian, Black, Native American, Hispanic and women business owners.

The City of Cottage Grove has also partnered with Community Lending Works to launch an emergency loan fund for small businesses located within Cottage Grove city limits.

The city has dedicated nearly \$75,000 for the Cottage Grove Emer-

gency Business Loan program and loans are available until the fund is fully committed.

"If we have more applications than funding, then there will be a lottery," said Meyers. "If we have more money than

emergency plan which outlines plans for areas such as budgeting, staffing and marketing.

Loan amounts of up to \$10,000 will be awarded at a 2 percent interest rate for up to 60-month terms and mandatory

paid monthly.

When Cottage Grove city councilors gave the green light to establish the program in May, the question of conflicts of interest among the City Council arose.

During a May 11 City Council meeting, councilors Mike Fleck, Greg Ervin and Candace Solesbee declared conflicts of interest as their organizations or businesses could hypothetically qualify for the loan program.

Though Fleck said he had no intention of applying for the program, Solesbee said her businesses would.

City Attorney Carrie Connelly weighed in at the time: "I actually believe that Councilor Solesbee has a 'potential' conflict of interest because even if she's planning to apply, there's no guarantee that she would be awarded. Therefore, I believe that it's fine that she's participating [in the discussion]," she said.

Meyers has also explained that third-par-

ty stewardship over the funds by Community Lending Works removes bias from the program.

Chrissy Chapman, part-owner of the newly-established business Covered Bridge Brewing Group, hopes to utilize the program to help her business right itself amid the economic uncertainty.

"I think [the program] is imperative to our small businesses making it during a pandemic. Everyone has felt lower sales," she said. "If we want to keep our small businesses in our small town, we should probably support them in any way that we can."

Applications are being taken now on the Community Lending Works webpage. For questions or assistance, email [seth@communitylendingworks.org](mailto:seth@communitylendingworks.org).

The loan application and information about the program is available on the organization's website at [communitylendingworks.org](http://communitylendingworks.org).

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we have applications, then those will get funded and we'll go back out and ask for more."

Eligible business to this program must have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 crisis and generally stable prior to the crisis, though there is no restriction for those who have received CARES Act aid.

Businesses are also required to present an

monthly business check-ins will occur during the zero-payment period.

This period, in which principal and interest are deferred, makes up the first six months.

From months seven to 12 of the loan term, the principal may also be deferred while interest-only payments are made.

For the remainder of the term, both principal and interest must be

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priorities.

Cottage Grove city councilors reviewed the LOC's list of 26 issues and voted for their own top four during Monday's session.

After tallying votes, the four issues of mental health service delivery, infrastructure financing and resilience, long-term transportation infrastructure funding and state highway funds formula emerged as the councilors' priorities.

"The big thing for me is housing," said Councilor Mike Fleck, who voted for the issue of housing and services investment. "I think it's a big issue towards homelessness, which is another great issue that we have – and funds are usually short and far between, but I think we're okay to go along this route."

Other topics council-

ors voted for included broadband infrastructure, COVID-19 economic recovery investments, property tax reform and water utility rate and fund assistance.

The submission of the information is intended to give the league guidance for the next legislative session, but the organization will use opportunities to push other issues forward if they present themselves, explained Councilor Jake Boone, who is also President of the LOC.

"It's not that the other things will be dropped, ignored or opposed," he said.

**South River Road Dog Park**

Councilors reviewed a preliminary design for a dog park in the city.

In 2018, the city purchased a 1.3-acre parcel from Lane County for

a future dog park and Dougherty Landscape Architects was hired to draft the preliminary design for the property.

The parcel sits between South River Road and Highway 99 across from Cottage Grove

High School. The preliminary concept for the dog park would include shelters, walking paths, play elements and accommodate spaces for differently-sized dogs.

The proposed design also incorporated neigh-

bors' concerns, which included the location of parking and privacy screening for adjacent homes.

"I think it looks good and it's exciting," said Mayor Jeff Gowing.

attractiveness of Highway 99 from Main Street to South Fourth Street.

The project is also intended to spur new mixed-use development in the center of the city.

A 12 percent local match of \$24,000 will be provided through engineering and planning staff support.

"I feel that Highway 99 and Fourth Street needs a makeover real bad," said Councilor Kenneth Roberts. "I think it will improve a lot of things for our community."

In other City Council news:

**LOC Legislative Objectives**

Councilors submitted their votes for the most pressing issues facing Cottage Grove in a League of Oregon Cities (LOC) request for member city information.

The LOC is seeking input from member cities about the many legislative objectives that have been created by the league's policy committees.

To help prioritize these objectives for the upcoming 2021 Oregon legislative session, the LOC asked each member city to provide input on what they consider the top four

**NOTICE OF CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY**

The City of Cottage Grove Planning Commission has one vacancy on this volunteer body. The Commissioners are appointed by the City Council. The Planning Commission meets twice a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday evenings. Incumbents are eligible to reapply. Individuals interested in applying for these positions need to complete a Planning Commission application available at the Public Works & Development Department at City Hall or online at: [www.cottagegrove.org/pc](http://www.cottagegrove.org/pc). The deadline for receiving applications is **July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5 pm**. For further information please contact the Public Works & Development Department at 541-942-3340.

**Worship Directory**

**COTTAGE GROVE:**  
**6th & Gibbs Church of Christ**  
 195 N. 6th St. • 541-942-3822  
 10:00am  
 Christian Education: Pre-K through 5th  
 Tim Baker, Senior Minister  
[www.6thandgibbs.com](http://www.6thandgibbs.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
 77873 S 6th St • 541-942-4290  
 Pastor: Riley Hendricks  
 Sunday School: 9:45am  
 Worship: 11:00am  
 The Journey: Sunday 5:00pm  
 Praying Thru Life: Wednesday 6:00pm

**Church of Christ**  
 420 Monroe St • 541-942-8565  
 Sunday Service: 10:30am

**Cottage Grove Bible Church**  
 1200 East Quincy Avenue  
 541-942-4771  
 Pastor: Bob Singer  
 Worship 11am  
 Sunday School: 9:45am  
 AWANA age 3-8th Grade,  
 Wednesdays Sept-May, 6:30pm  
[www.cgbible.org](http://www.cgbible.org)

**Cottage Grove Faith Center**  
 33761 Row River Rd.  
 541-942-4851  
 Lead Pastor: Kevin Prueff  
[www.cg4.tv](http://www.cg4.tv)  
 Full Children's Ministry available  
 Services: 9:00am & 10:45am

**Delight Valley Church of Christ**  
 33087 Saginaw Rd. East  
 541-942-7711 • Pastor: Bob Friend  
 Two Services:  
 9am - Classic in the Chapel  
 10:30am - Contemporary in the Auditorium

**First Baptist Church**  
 301 S. 6th st • 541-942-8242  
 Pastor: David Chantage  
 Sunday School 9:30am  
 Worship Service 10:30am  
 Youth Wednesday 6:30pm  
[cgfirstbaptist.com](http://cgfirstbaptist.com)

**First Presbyterian Church**  
 3rd and Adams St  
 541-942-4479  
 Rev.: Karen Hill  
 Worship: 10:00am  
 Sunday School: 10:00am  
[fpcgrove.com](http://fpcgrove.com)

**Hope Fellowship**  
 United Pentecostal Church  
 100 S. Gateway Blvd.  
 541-942-2061  
 Pastor: Dave Bragg  
 Worship: 11:00am Sunday  
 Bible Study: 7:00pm Wednesday  
[www.hopefellowshipupc.com](http://www.hopefellowshipupc.com)  
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**Hope In The Grove Baptist Church**  
 77820 Mosby Creek Rd  
 Pastor: Wayne Husk  
 Worship: Sunday 10:00am  
 Evening Bible Study: Wednesday 6:30pm  
 541.649.1043

**Living Faith Assembly**  
 467 S. 10th St. • 541-942-2612  
 Worship Services Sundays: 9a & 11a  
 Youth Worship Sundays: 11a (all ages welcome)  
 Mondays: 5:30p (6th-12th grades)

**Non-Denominational Church of Christ**  
 1041 Pennoyer Ave  
 541-942-8928  
 Preacher: Tony Martin  
 Sunday Bible Study: 10:00am  
 Sunday Worship: 10:50am & 5:30pm  
[www.pennoyeravecoc.com](http://www.pennoyeravecoc.com)

**Old Time Gospel Fellowship**  
 103 S. 5th St. • 541-942-4999  
 Pastor: Jim Edwards  
 Sunday Service: 10:00am  
 Join in Traditional Christian Worship

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Philip Benizi Catholic Churches**  
 1025 N. 19th St.  
 541-942-3420  
 Father John J. Boyle  
 Holy Mass:  
 Saturday Vigil - 5:30 pm  
 Sunday - 10:30 am

For weekday and Holy Day of Obligation schedule see website [OLPHCG.net](http://OLPHCG.net)  
 Confession: 4 PM to 5 PM  
 Saturdays or by appointment  
 St. Philip Benizi, Creswell  
 552 Holbrook Lane  
 Sunday 8 am

**St. Andrews Episcopal Church**  
 1301 W. Main • 541-767-9050  
 Rev. Lawrence Crumb  
 "Church with the flags."  
 Worship: Sunday 10:30am  
 All Welcome

**Seventh-day Adventist Church**  
 820 South 10th Street  
 541-942-5213  
 Pastor: Kevin Miller  
 Bible Study: Saturday, 9:15 am  
 Worship Service: Saturday, 10:40  
 Mid-week Service: Wednesday, 1:00

**Trinity Lutheran Church**  
 6th & Quincy • 541-942-2373  
 Pastor: James L. Markus  
 Sunday School & Adult Education 9:15am  
 Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
 Comm. Kitchen Free Meal Tue & Thur 5:00pm TLC Groups  
[tlccg.com](http://tlccg.com)

**United Methodist Church**  
 334 Washington 541-942-3033  
 New Pastor Craig Pesti- Strobel  
 Worship 10:30am  
[umcgrove.org](http://umcgrove.org)

**"VICTORY" Country Church**  
 913 S. 6th Street • 541-942-5913  
 Pastor: Barbara Dockery  
 Worship Service: 10:00am  
 Message: "WE BELIEVE IN MIRACLES"

**CRESWELL: Creswell Presbyterian Church**  
 75 S 4th S • 541-895-3419  
 Rev. Seth Wheeler  
 Adult Sunday School 9:15am  
 Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am  
 website [www.creswellpres.org](http://www.creswellpres.org)

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