

The River and Garden District

2012: WeGene Neighborhood of the Year for SCRROL (Santa Clara-River Road Outreach and Learning)

2013: 2nd Place in Multi-neighborhood projects at Neighborhoods USA (NUSA) for SCRROL

May 2016

Welcome to the RRCO e-Newsletter.

RRCO regular monthly meetings –Second Monday

General Membership meeting-7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

RRCO Board meeting – third Monday 7 – 8:30 PM

River Road Annex, 1055 River Road

The RRCO board joins you in concern and sadness about recent shootings at Emerald Park. Prior to this incident RRCO had planned this meeting on the topic of public safety. We are hoping this regularly schedule community meeting can address proactive ways to address this and larger problems. We DO NOT want to spend the evening going over that incident, hearing personal complaints and experiences of individuals, or listening to public servants saying they don't have the resources to do anything. Instead, the goal of the meeting is to form an action team that will investigate solutions such as coordinated neighborhood watch, diversion programs for youth, conflict resolution, and learn about ways to respond to issues so they don't escalate. We will have Lane County Sheriff Byron Trapp, Eugene Police Lieutenant Sean McGann, an officer from the EPD gang team, Jesse Cary-Hobbs of Eugene Parks and Open Space, Public Safety officers from Lane County and Eugene, District Attorney Patty Perlow and County Commissioner Pat Farr available to answer questions and offer resources to citizens. Please join us at 7 pm at RR Annex on May 9 ready to offer positive problem solving involvement. We are expecting a large group so please consider walking, biking or carpooling to the meeting. See you there!

RRCO Board Meeting

The April Executive Board meeting will take place on Monday May 16th from 7 to 8:30 PM at the River Road Annex 1055 River Road. These meetings are always open to the public.

Future Meetings

Monday June 9th Public Safety follow-up from May General Meeting.

Watch for your RRCO postcard, E-News or Facebook Page for future meeting dates and topics!

Neighbor Posts Railway Quiet Zone Petition for Our Part of Town

The City of Eugene has formed a committee to review options for a [railroad quiet zone](#) along the Union Pacific Railway through downtown Eugene, but not the signalized crossings at Irving Road and Irvington Drive . Mellissa Bradshaw has initiated a [change.org](#) initiative petition to add those crossings to the rest of Eugene's proposed Railway Quiet Zone. You can review and sign the petition [here](#). Additionally you can provide comments at the City's [webpage](#).

Land Use Update

- Oakleigh Cohousing:

1. The Tentative PUD appeal by the opponents to the Land Use Board of Appeals was [denied](#). The opponents are raising funds to pay for their appeal of that decision to the Oregon Court of Appeals.

2. Meanwhile, the Final PUD application was [approved](#) by the planning director. The opponents have appealed that decision to the hearing official. That hearing will take place on June 1 at 5:30 in Harris Hall (125 E. 8th Avenue).The agenda should become available at <http://pdd.eugene-or.gov/landuse/HearingsOfficialAgenda?id=5582>

- [Site Review to site cell tower](#) on Abby's Pizza site(1960 River Road). Application deemed incomplete 3/11/2016.

RRCO E-Updates:

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Sign up for the RRCO's e-news, change your e-address, receive Police Alerts or bike/ped info, work on the Graffiti cleanup team, organize a Neighborhood Watch group or become a member of the Santa Clara-River Road Implementation Planning Team (SCRRIPT) to work on land use, governance, transportation, or parks and recreation issues

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NOTE: RRCO Board and General Membership Meetings are usually held at the River Road Annex, 1055 River Road.

We usually meet the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. All meetings are open to the public with a public comment period

Contact Jon Belcher [jbelcher@efn.org](mailto:jbelcher@efn.org), RRCO Co-Chair, with your questions or concerns about the neighborhood or River Road Community Organization.

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