

**CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL**  
**Agenda Staff Report**

<b>MEETING DATE</b>	<b>AGENDA ITEM NUMBER</b>
July 7, 2015	

TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors  
FROM: Rodger Craddock, City Manager  
ISSUE: Mayor's Appreciation Award to Cricket Soules

**BACKGROUND:**

On May 7, 2002 former Mayor Joe Benetti instituted the "Mayor's Appreciation Award" in an effort to formally recognize citizens for their extraordinary contributions to our community. The recipients of the award to date are as follows:

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| June 2002      | Awarded to Gloria Hillstrom in appreciation of her vision and dedication in the development of Choshi Gardens in Mingus Park.  |
| November 2004  | Awarded to Chuck Knight in appreciation for his thirty-eight years of service to the City during which in addition to his various positions within the police department he served as the interim city manager on two different occasions. |
| March 2006     | Awarded to Gus Langley for his years of service to the City while serving on the Public Safety Committee, Planning Commission and Parks Commission.  |
| November 2006  | Awarded to Teri Whitty for her contributions to community activities and projects in the City which included the Coos Art Museum, Historical Museum and the SMART reading program.   |
| November 2006  | Awarded to John Whitty for his contributions to community activities and projects in the City which included the construction and operation of the Bay Area Hospital and his service related to State and local transportation committees. |
| January 2009   | Awarded to Becky Soules for her dedication and service to the community involving the Marshfield Pioneer Cemetery.   |
| September 2014 | Awarded to the Egyptian Theatre Preservation Association and its members for to restore, preserve, reopen and once again manage the Egyptian Theatre.  |

In May of this year the Mayor expressed her desire to recognize and thank Cricket Soules for her advocacy and tireless energy to restore and preserve the Marshfield Pioneer Cemetery for the betterment of our community.