

# EUGENE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



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## Work Session: Town/Gown Briefing

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### **ISSUE STATEMENT**

The town/gown briefing is an opportunity to update the council on various projects and partnerships of strong mutual interest between the City of Eugene and the University of Oregon. The focus of this initial briefing will be an update on the University's progress in addressing sexual violence prevention, response and survivor support.

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Eugene and University of Oregon have a long-standing partnership that dates back to the founding of the University in 1876. In 2016, the University of Oregon continues to be an essential and prominent part of the community. With current enrollment at approximately 24,000 and limited on-campus housing, a large percentage of students call every neighborhood in Eugene home. The University is also the largest employer in the community, providing jobs to over 4,800 individuals.

The University and City work closely together to leverage opportunities that advance community and organizational goals. The Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network (RAIN) is a great example of the ways higher education, business and government can work together to accelerate the formation, growth and retention of new technology businesses and create a seamless ecosystem for innovation in the region. The University and City also partner to solve shared challenges such as issues related to neighborhood livability.

The briefing will be an opportunity to hear about the opportunities and shared challenges and will periodically include presentations by University staff.

### **COUNCIL OPTIONS**

The briefing is information only

### **CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION**

The briefing is information only

**SUGGESTED MOTION**

No motion necessary – the briefing is information only

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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