

# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

June 19, 2015

Members of the City Council  
City of Mountlake Terrace, Washington

Dear Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Council Members:

## **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The City Council's next work/study session scheduled for **Thursday, July 2, 2015 is canceled.**

The City Council's next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 6, 2015 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items include: 1) Public Hearing and Adoption of BC/D Zoning Code Text Amendment Ordinances (five ordinances).

The City Council's next special work/study session is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 15, 2015** beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items include: 1) Presentation on WRIA 8 Salmon Recovery Process, 2) 2015 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Update, 3) Review of Development Activity Report, 4) Discuss Metropolitan Park District, 5) Review of Mid-Year Staff Activity Report, and 6) Discuss 2015-2017 City Council Goals. This was rescheduled from **Thursday, July 16, 2015 is canceled.**

## **COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

- **Coffee with the City:** Residents, business owners and others from the community are welcome to attend and ask questions or have a casual conversation with city officials. Feel free to drop in and enjoy a cup of coffee and hear what's going on in the city, provide input about city services and events, and ask questions. This casual monthly event is scheduled at the Recreation Pavilion, 5303 228<sup>th</sup> Street SW on Wednesday, July 8, 2015 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Jungle Room.
- **Ballinger Master Plan Open House:** Feedback will be reviewed and one preferred plan will be presented at the next meeting on July 14 at the Ballinger Clubhouse, 23000 Lakeview Drive in Mountlake Terrace. The open house begins at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting, which is part of the Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission's agenda, begins at 7:00 p.m.
- **Job Fair:** The City of Mountlake Terrace participated in a job fair hosted by the Mountlake Terrace Business Association on Wednesday, June 17. There were 13 businesses present and the city helped advertise the event and the open positions on its social media sites.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- **VISION 2040 AWARD:** Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) Executive Director Josh Brown presented a 2015 VISION 2040 Award to the City of Mountlake Terrace on June 15 for our Town Center Regional Stormwater Facility. VISION 2040 Awards recognize regional innovations in managing growth and sustaining quality of life. The city's Regional Stormwater Facility provides a creative solution to support and encourage efficient redevelopment of the Town Center by using an innovative investment in infrastructure to protect critical areas in the McAleer Creek and Lake Ballinger Watershed basin. The city has won three VISION 2040 Awards since 2009 including back-to-back awards in 2014 and 2015.  
[http://www.cityofmlt.com/cityHappenings/pdf/pressReleases/2015\\_PR/150616\\_VISION2040\\_Award.pdf](http://www.cityofmlt.com/cityHappenings/pdf/pressReleases/2015_PR/150616_VISION2040_Award.pdf)
- **Website Redesign:** The professional services agreement for website redesign services was approved at the June 15 City Council meeting. Staff is scheduling a kickoff meeting with CivicPlus at the end of the month. The new modernized, user-friendly website with mobile capability and enhancements for civic engagement will go live by the end of the year.
- **National Night Out:** Plans are underway for this year's National Night Out Against Crime event on Tuesday, August 4. A city team has been assembled and a special events permit has been submitted. Premera has generously donated \$2,500 as the main sponsor of the event and other community partners are committing to event contributions as well. We hope to see the community come out in full force again at Evergreen Playfield.

## COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **Comprehensive Plan Update:** After several public hearings, City Council has adopted an ordinance approving the "major" update to the City's Comprehensive Plan. The update covers the next 20 years, 2015-2035, based on the projected population and job growth by 2035. The Plan addresses economic development, the environment, housing, land use, transportation, recreation, parks and open space, capital facilities and utilities. Updates to each element of the Comprehensive Plan were reviewed by the Planning Commission and the City Council at a combined total of 24 meetings over the past 18 months. A special website ([www.cityofmlt.com/majorupdate](http://www.cityofmlt.com/majorupdate)) provides more information on the update and the draft elements. The update is due to the state by end of June.

## ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **Lakeview Trail Project:** A grant of \$2,080,280 will fund construction of new pedestrian and bicycle facilities along Lakeview Drive and 236th Street SW, from the Interurban Trail to I-5. The improvements will increase commuting options for residents of Mountlake Terrace and other nearby jurisdictions. They will provide safe and convenient connections for pedestrians and cyclists from west Mountlake Terrace, east Edmonds, and the Interurban Trail to the Mountlake Terrace Transit Center and the Town Center. The grant award is estimated to fund a majority of the construction costs. During the week of June 22, the contractor will continue clearing, grading, and retaining wall construction operations and working on the storm and illumination systems and concrete curb and gutter within the right-of-way. Expect lane closures but no detours on 228th Street SW/Lakeview Drive/236th

Street SW from the Interurban Trail to I-5. On-street parking restrictions are in place for Monday – Thursday. Normal work hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday – Thursday. Expect delays. Use of alternate routes is recommended.

- **Main Street Revitalization Project:** Based on discussions and comments received at the open house, the city is working with KPG to ensure that design improvements provide smooth flow of traffic, offer multiple modes of transportation through the Town Center, and maximize on-street parking opportunities. KPG is currently working on the 90% plans, specifications, and estimate. Universal Field Services is currently working on right-of-way activities. Design is anticipated to be complete in 2015.
- **216<sup>th</sup> Street SW Storm Improvements (52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue to 53<sup>rd</sup> Place):** This project will replace the existing storm drain pipe on 216th Street SW between 52nd Avenue W and 54th Avenue W, and on 53rd Place W to the north of 216th. Work also includes installing new catch basins, and replacing short sections of curb and gutter. The storm system, concrete curb and gutter, and paving work is complete. Some utility repair work remains, which may require lane closures, but no detours.
- **North Side Water Main Improvements:** This project will construct approximately 6,500 linear feet (1.2 miles) of new 6-inch, 8-inch, and 12-inch diameter ductile iron water main, together with 13 fire hydrants and 66 water services. This project replaces undersized and/or deteriorated water mains to provide adequate fire flows and system reliability consistent with the City's Comprehensive Water System Plan. The work will take place within 215<sup>th</sup>/216<sup>th</sup> Streets between 61<sup>st</sup> and 66<sup>th</sup> Avenues, 56<sup>th</sup> Ave W between 216th and 220th Streets, 218th and 219th Streets west of 58th Ave W, and in 54th Ave W and 216th Street SW from 214th Street to 56th Ave W. During the week of June 22, work is continuing at 56th Ave W and 216th Street. There will be lane closures on 54<sup>th</sup> Avenue W, north of 220th Street SW, and on 216th Street SW between 54<sup>th</sup> and 56<sup>th</sup> Avenues W for pavement restoration during daytime work hours.. This project is expected to be completed in summer 2015.
- **236th Street SW Pedestrian Accessibility Improvements:** This project will construct 18 new curb ramps in the existing sidewalks at the corners of the intersections along 236<sup>th</sup> Street SW between 48<sup>th</sup> and 56<sup>th</sup> Avenues W. There are currently only two curb ramps along this section of 236<sup>th</sup>. The sidewalk ramps will be constructed in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. The contractor has received substantial completion and will be finishing some punch list items during the next few weeks to close out the project.
- **Edmonds' 228th Street SW Corridor Improvement Project:** The City of Edmonds has begun construction of an extension of 228th Street SW from 76th Avenue W to SR99. This project will include new traffic signals at SR99/228<sup>th</sup> and at 76th/228<sup>th</sup>, and will also include reconstructing 228<sup>th</sup> Street/Lakeview Drive from 73<sup>rd</sup> Place W to the Ballinger Playfields. Work will not begin in the City of Mountlake Terrace portions of the project until August.

## **RECREATION, PARKS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT UPDATES**

- **Dance Recital:** The Mountlake Terrace Dance Academy produced their own special version of "The Secret Garden" for this year's spring recital. Shows were eagerly attended with parents and children alike having a great time. The show was very professionally done

according to many observers. For more information about dance programs, contact Chloe Davenport at (425) 640-3107 / [cdavenport@ci.mlt.wa.us](mailto:cdavenport@ci.mlt.wa.us).

- **Adult Sports Leagues:** Basketball league registration ends June 21. Leagues begin play July 14. For more information, or to register, visit [www.mltrec.com](http://www.mltrec.com), call (425) 776-9173, or email [kwitte@ci.mlt.wa.us](mailto:kwitte@ci.mlt.wa.us).
- **Ballinger Park Master Plan:** Staff will tentatively be meeting with the Berger Partnership on June 29 to discuss the information gathered at the June 2 community meeting. The next scheduled community meeting is for July 14, 6:30 p.m. at the Ballinger Clubhouse.
- **Summer All-staff meeting:** Recreation and Parks staff is gearing up for their annual summer all-staff training. This meeting is an excellent opportunity for staff to get to know each other and prepare for the busy summer season. The all-staff meeting will be Friday June 19 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Ballinger Clubhouse. The Recreation Pavilion office will be closed on Friday, June 19 due to our annual summer all-staff training. After the training, many departments within the recreation department will gather for meetings or further training.
- **New Lifeguard Instructors:** Aquatics has four new Lifeguard Instructors: Jake Crouch, Austin Hedrick, Marie Rhodes and Jonah Simon. They attended a Lifeguard Instructor Course at Bainbridge Pool on Bainbridge Island. This week Jake and Marie are getting to put this new certification to use by teaching a Lifeguard Course along with Roy Brooks and Rose Ploeg that has 17 participants. The class will finish up on Friday.
- **Father's Day at the pool:** All dads with a paying child will swim for free. This same promotion was extended to moms on mother's day.
- **Summer swim registration:** Classes are filling up. Open and Online registration will begin Thursday, June 18. Mountlake Terrace Registration was June 17. Weekday/Daily Swim lessons will begin on Monday, June 22 and will meet Monday through Friday for two weeks. Monday/Wednesday afternoon. Evening lessons will also begin on Monday. Tuesday/Thursday afternoon lessons will begin June 23. Saturdays will begin June 27 and Sundays begin June 28.
- **Marlins swim team:** Practice begins on Monday, June 22. There will be a parents' Dessert Potluck on June 29 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Recreation Pavilion. Head Coach Marisa Gruhn will be leading the informational meeting. This year's assistant coaches are Riley Gallagher, Meaghan Turgeon, Yazmin Tang and Juliana Epoch. Marlins will have their first swim meet on July 11 at McCollum Pool in Everett. The first home meet will be July 17 against Yost Pool/Edmonds.
- **Basic, Intermediate and Puppygarten Dog Obedience:** Classes are offered throughout the year. Dogs must have current vaccinations. The current session is underway and will meet through June. The summer session will begin after the July 4 holiday.
- **Marlins Summer Swim Team:** The Marlins are a recreational swim team for swimmers ages 6-18. We emphasize improvement of strokes, endurance and fun. We will compete in dual meets each week with other local summer swim teams from Edmonds, Lynnwood,

Shoreline, Kirkland, Snohomish County and Everett. Practices are held Monday-Thursday and will begin Monday, June 22. The league championship meet will be held August 15.

- **Summer Sport Camps:** There are many sport camps for kids this summer. Skyhawks are offering a variety of sports for ages 4-12. Camps include baseball, golf, lacrosse, flag-football, basketball, and multi-sport. For dates, times, fees, and to register, call (425) 776-9173.
- **Summer Specialty Camp:** NEW specialty camp this summer! Culinary Camp, for teens ages 12-15, will teach safe food handling and preparation techniques in a hands on capacity at Red Onion Burgers in Mountlake Terrace. Shaun Richards, owner of Red Onion Burgers will be leading this class with help from Recreation Pavilion staff. Culinary Camp is July 6-10, Monday-Friday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

*(June 10, 2015 to June 16, 2015)*

<b>Agency Assists</b>	<b>Brier</b>	<b>Edmonds</b>	<b>Lynnwood</b>
Year to Date	38	124	18
Week	3	1	1

<b>Patrol Statistics</b>	<b>Week</b>	<b>Year to date</b>
Police Reports	61	1498
Arrests / Misd. / Felony	18	391
Traffic Infractions	104	1947
Verbal Warnings	55	1559
Traffic Collisions	10	140
DUI's	1	14
FIR'S	4	391

<b>Burglaries</b>	<b>Commercial</b>	<b>Residential</b>
23202 La Pierre Dr.		X
5416 212 ST SW		X
22607 61 AV W		X
4305 238 PL SW		X
5705 237 ST SW		X

<b>Investigations</b>	<b>Assigned / Week</b>	<b>Closed / Week</b>	<b>Assigned YTD</b>	<b>Closed YTD</b>
<b>Cases (Including DV)</b>	5	2	153	113

### ***Vehicle Thefts/Recoveries/Prowls***

- 4112 236<sup>th</sup> St. SW                      Vehicle Theft
- 22815 Lake View Dr.                      Vehicle Theft
- 21504 50<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.                      Theft from Vehicle
- 21506 50<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.                      Theft from Vehicle
- 4404 220<sup>th</sup> St. SW                      Theft from Vehicle

### ***Significant Incidents:***

- 6/9/15, Sometime in the afternoon of this past weekend the R/P's 3-year-old granddaughter was in her backyard playing when a man asked her if she wanted an ice cream cone. She came inside and told her mom. The mother witnessed a male sitting in a blue sedan on 238<sup>th</sup> Street next to the backyard fence. He eventually drove off. No further description of the male or the car. No other witnesses located. No other calls were received about this suspicious male.
- On 06/14/2015 around 11:24 p.m., Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers were dispatched to the 24300 block of 57<sup>th</sup> Ave W for a possible suicide with a weapon call. Upon arrival, police cleared the house and located the subject in her bedroom with a mortal wound to her head. Aid and a chaplain were dispatched to assist officers and family members. The Medical Examiner arrived, conducted their investigation and recovered the body for an autopsy.

### ***Detective Unit Update:***

- Detectives served a warrant on a vehicle that was impounded by patrol officers after a short pursuit. A stolen firearm was located in the vehicle along with other items linking the suspect to the stolen gun. Charges will be sent to the county prosecutor.

### ***Other items of interest:***

- Nothing this week.

### ***Code Enforcement Property of the Week:***

On June 8, 2015, Code Enforcement received a complaint of a property located in the 23300 block of 50<sup>th</sup> Ave W having code violations. Code Enforcement performed an inspection and observed tall grass and weeds in the front and side yards of the property. This is a violation of MTMC 8.15.040A-vegetation exceeding 12 inches in height (exclusive of plants and flowers within a flower bed or container, shrubbery, or trees) located in any front, back, or side yard, adjacent public right of way or planting strip, or any vacant property. A code violations case was generated and notice sent to the property owner. Code Enforcement will perform a follow up inspection on June 24, 2015. (See photo on next page)



## **NEWS RELEASES**

The following news releases issued this week can be found [here](#):

- 2015 Arts of the Terrace Call to Artists Deadline August 30
- Wendy Winkler Painting Exhibit Opens July 1
- Three Alternatives Unveiled at Ballinger Park Meeting
- Mountlake Terrace Receives Third VISION 2040 Award
- MLT Named 2015 “Playful City” USA
- MLT Pool Closed June 18 and 19 for Spray Pool Installation
- 2015 Comprehensive Plan Adopted

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- June 23-26 – AWC 2015 Annual Conference: Engaging Future City Leaders, Wenatchee
- July 8, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- July 14, 6:30 p.m., Ballinger Master Plan Open House, Ballinger Clubhouse
- July 24-26, Tour de Terrace, Evergreen Playfield Complex
- August 4, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. National Night Out, Evergreen Playfield Complex
- Snohomish County Cities Dinner Dates (*No meetings in February, June, and December*)
  - July 16 – Location TBD
  - August 20 – Location TBD
  - September 17 – Location TBD
  - October 15 – Location TBD
  - November 19 – Location TBD

Sincerely,

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