

# CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

July 31, 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 regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 3, 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) 2015 Second Quarter Police Department Report.

The City Council's next special work/study session is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 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) Transportation Code Update, 2) Review of Amendment to Waste Management Contract, 3) Review of Mid-Year Staff Activity Report (Tentative), 4) Website Redesign Update (Tentative), and 5) Follow-up on Draft 2015-2017 City Council Goals.

## COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- **National Night Out:** Magic, music, water walking, bouncy house, free food and more! The City of Mountlake Terrace invites you to attend our award-winning National Night Out Against Crime on Tuesday, August 4, from 6-9 p.m. at Evergreen Playfield, 22205 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue West. It's no illusion, this year's event features The Magic of Craig Martin, DJ RT who will emcee and play tunes, our fabulous caricature artist, a K-9 dog demonstration, and more! 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.
- **Ballinger Master Plan Open House:** Over 50 interested citizens attended the Ballinger Park Master Plan meeting held July 14 to view the preferred plan for the park. City Council will review the plan at its July 30 and September 3 meetings with final approval tentatively scheduled for September 8.
- **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, August 12, 2015 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Jungle Room.

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- **City Social Media Sites:** In addition to Facebook, Twitter and YouTube, the city now has an Instagram account. You can find us [@cityofmlt](#) and there's a convenient link from the homepage of our website, [www.cityofmlt.com](http://www.cityofmlt.com). Instagram is a great way to show off our community through photo sharing. Follow us!

## COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **2015 Population Estimate:** New population estimates were recently released from the Washington State Office of Financial Management. The April 1, 2015 estimate states that the City of Mountlake Terrace now has 21,090 residents, or about 530 more residents than the 2014 estimate. Mountlake Terrace ranked 24<sup>th</sup> in the State for percent change of population growth, having a 2.73% growth rate since 2014. This was just slightly higher than Snohomish County's growth rate of 2.24% for the same period. The county gained 16,600 residents. Conversely, Seattle had a 3.42% growth rate ranking them 15<sup>th</sup> on the list and the City of Mill Creek ranked 8<sup>th</sup> with a growth rate of 5.22%. The state estimate also shows Washington State's population now tops 7 million persons with 57,400 people moving into the state. Strong economic activity in the region was suggested as the reason for the higher than average migration into the state.

## ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **220<sup>th</sup> and 58<sup>th</sup> Intersection Improvements:** Installation of the new 4-way stop at 220<sup>th</sup> and 58<sup>th</sup> has been completed and implemented on Wednesday, July 29. Signage warning of the new traffic revision has been installed and the MLT Police Department will have an increased presence in the area over the next few days.
- **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 August 3, the contractor will be working on the storm and illumination systems and concrete curb, gutter, and sidewalk within the right-of-way. A retaining wall will be constructed along the north side of 236<sup>th</sup> Street SW west of I-5. The free right turn from westbound 236th Street SW to northbound 65th Place W will be closed. Drivers need to proceed to the intersection and then make a right turn. 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 (52nd Avenue to 53rd 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 215th/216th Streets between 61st and 66th Avenues, 56th 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 August 3, work is continuing in the area of 56th Avenue W and 58th Avenue W north of 220th Street SW. Expect lane closures but no detours during daytime work hours. Normal work hours are 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. 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 236th Street SW between 48th and 56th Avenues W. There are currently only two curb ramps along this section of 236th. 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 SR99/228th and at 76th/228th, and will also include reconstructing 228th Street/Lakeview Drive from 73rd 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**

- **Ballinger Park Master Plan:** The Berger Partnership will be presenting the Preferred Ballinger Park Master Plan at the City Council Work Session on Thursday, July 30. This preferred plan will highlight potential environmental and recreational changes to the park to take place in the future. The NPIS (Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee) will be reviewing the plan on Tuesday, July 28. This past Wednesday, July 22 city staff met with Berger Partnership, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and the Watershed Group to discuss environmental concerns and impacts associated with the plan.
- **Taste of Edmonds:** Some of the dancers from the Academy will dance on the children's stage at the Taste of Edmonds this year. Saturday August 15 at 4 p.m., MLT Dance Academy

is invited to fill the stage for 45 minutes. This is an excellent opportunity for the dedicated dancers of the program to get more experience performing in a different environment and for a different audience while exposing a diverse audience to our dance programs.

- **Swimming Lessons:** Registration for the fourth session of swimming lessons and weekend swimming lessons is currently open, MLT residents can register on July 29 and non-residents register on July 30. Weekend lessons begin August 1 and 2 and run through the end of August. Session 4 of daily lessons begins August 1 and will meet through August 14. Lesson schedules are available at the Recreation Pavilion and posted online at <http://www.cityofmlt.com/cityServices/recreation/indoorPool/swimLessons.htm>
- **Marlins Swim Team:** On July 31, Craze Swim League coordinators and coaches will have a logistics meeting at Snohomish Aquatic Center to plan for the End of the Season League Champs meet on August 15. Supervisor Rose Ploeg and Head Coach Marisa Gruhn will be in attendance. On Friday, July 31, the Marlins will play host to the Kirkland Orcas. The pool, therapy pool and sauna will close at 4:15 for the meet. Warm-ups will begin at 4:30 p.m. and the meet will last until approximately 8:30 p.m.
- **Training:** Recreation Supervisor/Aquatics Rose Ploeg and Recreation Coordinator/Aquatics: Roy Brooks attended a WCIA training Building Supervisory Skills 301 in Burlington on Tuesday, July 28. Recreation Coordinator/Youth Programs Lori Lang and Support Services Supervisor Renee Norton joined them.
- **Fall 2015 Registration for Preschool & Kindergarten Readiness Classes, Junior Kids Krew (Ages 3-5) and Kids Krew (Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade) has begun!** Registration will be ongoing until full. Sign up now as they fill quickly. These programs are certified by the Department of Early Learning and accept DSHS subsidies for qualified applicants. Contact the Recreation Pavilion about class options, sites and fees.
- **Fall Sports:** Registration for fall adult leagues has begun. Registration is underway for basketball, softball and volleyball. Recreational and competitive options are available. For information, or to register, contact Kevin Witte at (425) 640-3105 or [kwitte@ci.mlt.wa.us](mailto:kwitte@ci.mlt.wa.us).
- **Fall Craze Magazine:** The Fall 2015 Craze magazine is scheduled to be delivered the first week of August. Check your mailbox to find all of our exciting fall programs and schedules or pick up a copy at the Recreation Pavilion. The Craze may also be viewed at [www.crazedigital.org](http://www.crazedigital.org).
- **August Espresso Specials:** The espresso stand at the Recreation Pavilion will be having some great weekly specials during the month of July. Get \$.50 off a 16oz! 8/2-8/8 Caramel Macchiato, 8/9-8/15 Triple Berry Italian Soda, 8/16-8/22 Coconut Sunset, 8/23-8/29 Jungle java, 8/30-9/5 White chocolate mocha.
- **Mountlake Terrace Recreation Golden Teddy Finalist:** The City was honored with a Golden Teddy Finalist Award from ParentMap Magazine in the categories “Best Camps & Classes” as well as “Activities for Kids”. We received a certificate and a window decal to display. See the link <https://www.parentmap.com/article/golden-teddy-2015-camps-classes?page=8>.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

(July 22, 2015 to July 28, 2015)

Agency Assists	Brier	Edmonds	Lynnwood
Year to Date	55	34	23
Week	3	2	3

Patrol Statistics	Week	Year to date
Police Reports	62	1831
Arrests / Misd. / Felony	24	507
Traffic Infractions	74	2414
Verbal Warnings	46	1875
Traffic Collisions	7	175
DUI's	0	18
FIR'S	13	482

Burglaries	Commercial	Residential
5306 234 <sup>th</sup> St. SW		X
5525 244 <sup>th</sup> St. SW		X
23503 236 <sup>th</sup> St. SW		X
21901 58 <sup>th</sup> Ave. W.		X

Investigations	Assigned / Week	Closed / Week	Assigned YTD	Closed YTD
Cases (Including DV)	10	9	192	134

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

- 21315 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave. W.                      Vehicle Theft
- 23507 Lake View Dr.                      Vehicle Theft
- 22901 59<sup>th</sup> Ave. W.                      Vehicle Theft
- 21208 50 AV W                              Theft From Auto
- 5406 223 PL SW                              Theft From Auto
- 5800 224 ST SW                              Theft From Auto
- 7116 220 ST SW                              Theft From Auto
- 23104 La Pierre Dr.                      Theft From Auto
- 7116 220 ST SW                              Theft From Auto

0 Vehicle Prowls

0 Stolen Vehicle Recoveries

***Significant Incidents:***

- On 7-23-2015 at 4:18 p.m., Mountlake Terrace units responded to a two-car collision in the 21600blk of 48<sup>th</sup> Ave W. The roadway was completely blocked; 48<sup>th</sup> Ave W was closed for about an hour and a half. Both drivers sustained injuries and were taken to the hospital. Both vehicles were towed from the location.
- On 7-26-2015 at 8:59 p.m., Mountlake Terrace Patrols responded to the Arbor Village for a death investigation. Upon arrival, Officers located an eighteen-year-old male cold to the touch and not responding. Aid arrived on scene and pronounced the male deceased. There were no obvious signs of trauma or evidence of foul play. The ME responded to the scene and took possession of the decedent for an autopsy.

***Detective Unit Update:***

- No detective update.

***Other items of interest:***

- Tour de Terrace was held and as usual was a huge success. Officers worked the parade and carnival throughout the weekend with little to no reported problems.

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

On 7/22/15, Code Enforcement observed a property located in the 23300 block of 51<sup>st</sup> Ave W having code violations. Observed in both the front and side yards of the property were very long grass and weeds. Per MTMC 8.15.040A1 vegetation must be maintained below 12 inches in height in the front, back and side yards of the property (exclusive of plants and flowers within a flower bed or container, shrubbery, or trees). A code violations case was generated and the property owner notified. Code Enforcement will perform a follow up inspection on 8/5/15.



## **NEWS RELEASES**

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

- 2015 Arts of the Terrace Call to Artists Deadline August 30
- A Magical National Night Out, Tuesday, August 4

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- August 4, 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. National Night Out, Evergreen Playfield Complex
- August 12, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- September 12, 9:00 a.m.-12, Fall Clean Up, Ballinger Park
- September 25, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Award Reception for Artists, Library
- September 26-October 10, 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts of the Terrace, Library
- October 7, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- November 4, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- December 4, 6:30 p.m., Tree Lighting, Evergreen Playfield Complex
- December 9, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- 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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City of Mountlake Terrace