

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

October 31, 2014

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, November 3, 2014 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items include: 1) Swearing in of new Officer Troy Williams Jr., 2) Third Quarter Police Department Report, 3) Adoption of Resolution Establishing Recreation and Park Fees for 2015-2019, and 4) Public Hearing on the 2015-2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance.

The City Council's next work/study session is scheduled for Thursday, November 13, 2014 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items include: 1) Review of 2015 Property Tax, a) Review of General Operating Levy Property Tax Levy Resolution, b) Review of Emergency Medical Services Levy Resolution, c) Review of 2015 Property Tax Ordinance, 2) Review of Public Defender Case Weighting Standards Resolution (Tentative), 3) Review of Public Defender Contract (Tentative), and 4) Review of Prosecuting Attorney Contract (Tentative).

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 228th Street SW on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Jungle Room.

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

- **Main Street Meeting:** United States Senator Maria Cantwell called a meeting held at City Hall on October 30 inviting regional partners and elected officials to discuss ways to seek out and complete funding for the Mountlake Terrace Main Street Revitalization Project. About 20 guests including Senator Maralyn Chase, Snohomish County Executive John Lovick, Lynnwood Mayor Nicola Smith and representation from Senator Cantwell's Office, Representative Luis Moscoso's Office, Washington State Department of Commerce, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Alliance of Snohomish County, Community Transit and Sound Transit attended. The Mountlake Terrace City Council and Executive Leadership Team were also in attendance. The group plans to reconvene later next summer to review the progress that has been made on the follow up items that were discussed. The city is very appreciative of Senator Cantwell's strong support of this project.

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **Planned Unit Development for 31 new homes holds community meeting:** A concurrent Planned Unit Development and Fee Simple Unit Lot Subdivision to construct 31 detached single-family residential homes have been submitted. The project, to be known as Atworth Commons, is located on the west side of 56th Avenue W between 216th and 218th Street SW. The 4.35-acre lot is a portion of the former City Church site with soccer field and open space extending to 58th Avenue W.

An open house invitation was extended to residents in the vicinity of the proposed project and about 20 people attended the event on October 23 at the Mountlake Terrace Library. The intent of the community meeting was for the proponent of the 31 lot subdivision to present the project concept to the neighbors, explain their intent with the project and listen to the concerns of the neighbors. A second, related proposal, reuse of the church as a private school for Brighton, was also discussed. The community meeting was an outreach effort by the applicants. It is not required by city code for either the subdivision or school projects.

City planners Paula Schwartz and Edith Duttlinger attended the meeting to hear the proponents' presentation and neighborhood concerns. Staff responded to code and procedural questions but did not comment on the plan or merits of the proposal itself. The City Council will be making a final decision on the proposed PUD early in 2015.

ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **Vineyard Park:** 231st Street SW is closed between the west driveway into Roger's Market and 57th Avenue W. Alternate routes are 230th Street SW and 232nd Street SW. Utility crossings in 230th and 231st and the frontage improvements along 56th Avenue have been paved. Final pavement markings need to be installed and some lane closures and delays may be necessary. This work is weather dependent. There are no detours associated with this work. The franchise utility undergrounding work and site work are expected to be completed this fall.
- **McAleer Creek Culvert Replacement:** This project will reduce the occurrences of high water levels in Lake Ballinger by increasing the hydraulic capacity of McAleer Creek between the lake and Interstate 5. The construction will replace three existing culverts along the creek with three new bridges, and includes streambed restoration and streambank plantings. All three bridges have been installed and opened to the public. Planting has been completed and a final punch list is being prepared.
- **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 over 80% of the construction costs. The City is currently preparing and reviewing the design plans in anticipation of advertising the project this winter.

- **Main Street Reconstruction Project:** The City is working with the design consultant (KPG) to prepare 60% design plans for review this fall. 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. Design is anticipated to be complete in early 2015.
- **216th Street SW Storm Improvements (52nd Ave 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. Utility work will continue through the fall. Expect detours the week of November 3rd.
- **Lakeside Apartments Pedestrian Accessibility Improvements:** This project will construct 10 new sidewalk ramps in the existing sidewalk along the north side of the 6000 to 6300 blocks of 219th Street SW. All curb ramps will meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards. Work will be done at current entrances into the Lakeside Apartment site and some lane closures and delays may be necessary. There are no detours associated with this work. This work is weather dependent and is expected to begin in November and be completed this year.
- **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 City is currently preparing and reviewing the design plans in anticipation of advertising the project this fall.

RECREATION UPDATES

- **Therapy Pool Construction:** The hot tub closed on October 27th for demolition. As of this week everything is on track! The new therapy pool will be installed over the following month. Look for more information as we post the changes on our FaceBook page!
- **Dog Obedience Classes:** A new session of Dog Obedience classes will begin next week. Monday, November 3 Basic Dog Obedience for dogs 5 months and older will start and run through December 15, the class meets from 7:30-8:30pm. Puppygarten for puppies 8-16 weeks will start Thursday, November 6 and runs through December 18, this class will meet from 7-8pm.
- **Swimming Instruction:** The second session of weekend swimming lessons begins on Friday October 31, Saturday November 1 and Sunday November 2. Registration will remain open until the third lesson of any available spots to fill in.
- **Friday Fitness and Fun:** Zombie Aqua Zumba is here! Marisa will be choreographing Zumba to some of your Halloween favorites, come see what's on the playlist! It will truly be a Fun Friday of Fitness. The class will meet from 5-6pm. The family can enjoy the \$3.00 Recreation Swim from 4:40-6:10pm.

- **8th Annual Costume Carnival:** City of Mountlake Terrace Dance Academy and Kontagious Performing Company had another successful Costume Carnival Saturday, October 25th. Fifty-one performers and more than one hundred guests enjoyed games, food, the cake walk and lots of dance. Kontagious wowed the audience with their upbeat and family friendly Hip Hop dances as well as talented singers. MLT Dance contributed Jazzy Scary Dolls, Ballet Vampires, Monster Hip Hoppers and Magic Irish Step Dancers. A group of MLT community members lead by Chloe Davenport and supported by Albee Abigania’s Kontagious Dancers took the stage by storm with Thriller and were met by a cheering crowd! Each year, this event and its festive activities raises dance scholarship money for both MLT Dance students and Kontagious Arts Foundation. Next year you could participate. Look for free Thriller lessons next September.
- **Flu Shot Clinic:** Seattle Visiting Nurses Association were in attendance to provide flu shots thanks to the generous sponsorship of the Verdant Health Commission at the Pavilion on Thursday, October 30th from 4:30 to 7:00 pm.
- **Pumpkin Patch:** Youth Programs’ preschool classes participated in their annual pumpkin farm field trip to Thomas Family Farm in Snohomish on October 28th and 29th. This family favorite event is one of the highlights of fall programming. Approximately 125 parents, siblings, teachers and classmates all enjoyed the opportunity to walk around the farm, ride in a tractor and pick out pumpkins. Kids made the best of wet muddy conditions with boots, hats and scarves and as a special end-of-the-month treat, the Thomas Family invited participants to take an unlimited amount of pumpkins!

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

- **Street Sweeping:** In preparation for storms this fall, the city has rented a street sweeper to double-up the efforts of keeping leaves from clogging storm drains. The city typically increases its street sweeping in October and/or November by running extra shifts of our sweeper or renting a second sweeper as leaves begin to fall during the early storm season.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES

(October 22nd – October 28th)

Agency Assists	Brier	Edmonds	Lynnwood
Year to Date	62	48	30
Week	3	3	1

Patrol Statistics	Week	Year to date
Police Reports	74	2916
Arrests / Misd. / Felony	21	819
Traffic Infractions	76	3670
Verbal Warnings	57	3163
Traffic Collisions	12	215
DUI's	2	44
FIR'S	17	933

Burglaries	Commercial	Residential
5000 block of 212 th Street SW		X
23900 block of 56 th Avenue West		X
23300 block of 56 th Avenue West		X
4800 block of 242 nd Street SW		X
22700 block of Lakeview Drive		X

Investigations	Assigned / Week	Closed / Week	Assigned YTD	Closed YTD
Cases (Including DV)	6	1	342	185

Vehicle Thefts/Recoveries/Prowls:

- 5600 220th Street SW Vehicle Theft
- 4900 238th Place SW Vehicle Theft
- 22700 Lakeview Drive Vehicle Theft
- 4300 236th Street SW Theft from Vehicle
- 21200 44th Avenue West Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 22200 60th Avenue West Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 4700 212th Street SW Stolen Vehicle Recovery

Significant Incidents:

- No significant incidents.

Detective Unit Update:

- Mountlake Terrace Police Detectives continue to following up on leads regarding a missing juvenile by checking off/on ramps, rest stops, and other areas on I-5 in the Marysville/Tulalip/Smokey Point areas.
- Mountlake Terrace Police Detectives assisted Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers in writing, obtaining, and executing a search warrant for a stolen impounded vehicle.

Other Items of Interest:

- Nothing of interest.

Code Enforcement Property of the Week:

On October 29, 2014, Mountlake Terrace Code Enforcement became aware of a property located in the 23200 block of 52nd Avenue W having code violations. Observed in the back driveway of the property was a vehicle appearing inoperable and unused. Also observed in the back of the property was an RV that also appeared to be infrequently used and was covered with green moss. These are violations of MTMC 8.15.050B1-all motor vehicles that are junk, inoperable or unused for 30 days or more shall be stored inside a fully enclosed structure and MTMC 8.15.050B8-recreational or utility vehicles parked outside of a building shall be maintained in a clean, stable,

and well-kept state. A code violations case was generated and notice sent to the property owners. A follow up inspection will be performed on November 13th.



NEWS RELEASES

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

- Lodging Tax Grants Available
- Police Chief to Present Report to Council
- Swim Lesson Registration at Mountlake Terrace
- MLT Budget Review October 30, Public Hearing November 3
- Mountlake Terrace Police Warns of Possible Child Lurings

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- December 5, 6:30 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony, Evergreen Playfield Complex

Sincerely,

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City of Mountlake Terrace