

# MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: John J. Caulfield, City Manager

DATE: April 3, 2008

SUBJECT: **2008 – 2010 City Council Goals**

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The Mountlake Terrace City Council concluded its February 23 goal setting retreat by keeping its current five goals and adding a sixth, noting that the recent community satisfaction survey confirms that citizens are pleased with the direction the City is heading.

The following goals, originally adopted in 2006, were reaffirmed and include a new goal that focuses on developing a strategy to address the city's aging public facilities:

- Protect and Enhance the City's Financial Health and Stability;
- Generate Economic Development throughout the Community;
- Review and prioritize Capital Infrastructure Needs and Implement Projects;
- Develop and Implement a Strategy to address the City's Aging Public Facilities ;
- Develop and Implement more effective Communication and Outreach with the Community; and
- Maintain appropriate and essential Public Services in a cost effective manner.

The Council plans to continue its focus and attention toward community outreach and information, economic development and capital infrastructure, particularly streets, sidewalks, utilities, parks, recreation, and cultural arts, as well as a needs assessment and evaluation of all public facilities including the Civic Center with a possible community/senior center or performing arts center; Public Works Building that is jointly owned with the City of Lynnwood; the Recreation Pavilion; the Ballinger Clubhouse; and the Police Station.

The goals and objectives are general guidelines that explain what the Council wishes to achieve for the Mountlake Terrace community between 2008 and 2010. The Council also identified specific action strategies and a workplan to implement each goal and objective. An implementation timeline delineated by Council goal for 2008 through 2010 is also included. This timeline is tentative and subject to change based upon Council priorities and availability of resources.

The Council goals will serve as the foundation for the development of the City's 2009/2010 Biennial Budget.

#### Attachments:

- Council Goals and Strategies
- Updated Work Plan (3-2008)