CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT
TO THE CITY COUNCIL

January 22, 2016

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 is scheduled for Thursday, January 28, 2016 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 DOE Stormwater Capacity Grant Agreement, (2) Review of Public Assistance Grant Agreement with Washington State Military Department for FEMA-4242-DR-WA-Washington Severe Windstorm, and (3) Update on Water Comprehensive Plan Extension.

The City Council’s special work/study session is a City Council goal-setting session scheduled for Saturday, January 30, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220.

The City Council’s next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 2016 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) Snohomish County Conservation Futures Committee Recognition and (2) Police Department 2015 Year End Update.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- **Coffee with the City**: Residents, business owners and others from the community are invited 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, February 10, 2016 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Jungle Room.

CITY CLERK AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS UPDATES

- **City Happenings**: The February issue of City Happenings will be mailed next week. The lead story is the completion of the Lakeview Trail. Other items of interest are the Light Rail Final Design to Begin, Recreation & Parks Plan Approved, Getting Special Event Permits, Mountlake Terrace Senior Living Opening in Spring, City Launches New Website, Plans to Fund Ballinger Park Master Plan in Motion, Funding Public Safety, Forest Crest Park to Receive New Lighting, Earth Day Cleanup, and Police Department Receives Reaccreditation Award.
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

- **Atworth Commons PUD Progresses**: The project known as Atworth Commons is a proposal to subdivide a 4.35-acre site into 31 single-family lots with smaller parcel sizes, narrow streets, and over an acre of park and open space available for public use. The property is located between 56th and 58th Ave W at roughly 216th Street SW. Revised applications for review and approval of the final Planned Unit Development (PUD) and Final Plat have been received and are being evaluated. The proposal includes a rezone from RS 8400 to PUD/RS 8400 consistent with the PUD. Staff will conclude review and present the applications with a recommendation to the Planning Commission and City Council.

The tentative schedule is for the Planning Commission to hold a public meeting in February and make a recommendation to the City Council. The Council is tentatively scheduled to hold a public hearing in March 2016, and consider concurrent decisions on the Final PUD, Rezone and Final Plat.

Civil site work continues to take place on the site. Landscape plans for the common areas and streetscape have been approved. Installation of the park features and plantings will begin soon. Building permits for some of the residences have been submitted so they can be issued as soon as possible after the Plat is recorded.

- **Town Center Property Purchased**: The Town Center continues to exhibit interest from the development community as shown by a recent purchase of 6 lots on the north side of 236th Street SW between 56th Avenue W and 55th Avenue W. The 6 lots (1.2 acres) sold for a combined price of nearly $2.2 million. The lots were purchase by Acacia Terrace LLC.

ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **Lakeview Trail Project**: During the week of January 25, the contractor will be working on roadway striping along with some cleanup items in anticipation of project completion. 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 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday. Expect delays. Use of alternate routes is recommended.

- **Edmonds’ 228th Street SW Corridor Improvement Project**: The City of Edmonds continues 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. Edmonds’ contractor is expected to be working in the City of Mountlake Terrace portions of the project through the winter. The majority of the work in Mountlake Terrace has been completed, but there is still some minor cleanup work. Expect lane closures on 228th Street SW/Lakeview Drive in this area. Typical work hours will be Monday-Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Expect longer delays during the construction activity. Motorists should consider using alternate routes. Residential, pedestrian, and business access will remain open throughout the project. The project is scheduled to be completed in spring 2016.

- **227th Street SW Sidewalk Improvements (56th to 58th Avenues)**: This project will construct curb, gutter and sidewalk on the south side of 227th Street SW between 56th and
58th Avenue W. This project includes ADA ramps, a planter strip, and roadway and drainage improvements on the south side of the roadway. During the week of January 25, the contractor will be working on surveying and clearing operations within the right-of-way. Construction is expected to be complete this spring.

- **Lynnwood Emergency 212th Water Main Project:** The design process is underway for a broken water main on 212th Street SW near 60th Avenue W. The water main has been repaired and 212th Street is open with the asphalt left 2-inches low until the water main is replaced. Temporary signage will be in place for several months until the water main replacement and final lift of asphalt is installed by the City of Lynnwood.

**RECREATION, PARKS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT UPDATES**

- **Eagle Scout Recognition:** Eagle Scout Candidate Dakota Damiano was recognized at the City Council meeting on January 19 for installing a gravel pathway at Bicentennial Park. This project had been identified by the Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee and the Recreation and Park Advisory Commission as a local park improvement.

- **New Year’s Fitness:** It’s the New Year and fitness classes are doing great! Turbokick and Zumba are full with lots of people moving to fun music and sweating off the holiday calories. Boot Camp, PiYo, Yoga and Tai Chi are also continuing with great success and new faces. The best news is that we now have a personal trainer in house. People can purchase 1, 3 or 5 sessions with Michele Tobias our newest charismatic and inspirational fitness instructor. Contact the pavilion to buy a session card and then schedule the time that works for you.

- **Mountlake Terrace Dance Academy:** The Dance Academy is currently taking registrations for Second Semester. Classes begin on February 2 and run through June 18. Ballet, Hip Hop, Tap, Jazz, Irish Step, Creative Dance, Pre-Ballet and Ballet /Tap combination classes are available for kids ages 4-19. All Academy classes are involved in our Spring Recital June 11 at the Mountlake Terrace High School Theater. Our newest Academy class is Teen Tap / Jazz on Tuesdays from 5-6 p.m. This class is intended to help teenagers prepare for musical theater auditions. They will be instructed in the basics of tap and jazz technique with an emphasis on learning routines. For more information, call Chloe Davenport (425) 640-3107.

- **Free Swim Lessons for Third Graders:** If you have a third grader who resides or goes to school within the boundaries of the Edmonds School District, you have this great opportunity to receive three sets of swim lessons free. This free swim lesson opportunity is provided through a grant from the Verdant Health Commission. The new vouchers were distributed in October 2015. The new vouchers will expire August 31, 2016. Contact the Recreation Pavilion for more information.

- **Swim Lessons:** The next swim lesson registration will take place the first week of February for weekday/twice a week lessons. Monday/Wednesday will preregister on February 1, Tuesday/Thursday on February 2 with Mountlake Terrace registration February 3 and open/online February 4. Weekend lessons will register February 12, 13 and 14. Weekend Mountlake Terrace registration will be February 15 and open/online will be February 16.
• **Summer Swim Team:** Mountlake Terrace hosted the Craze Summer Swim League coordinators’ meeting on Thursday, January 21, 2016 to start planning for the 2016 season.

• **April Pools Day:** Recreation Supervisor/Aquatics Rose Ploeg will be a co-coordinator for the April Pools Day Water Safety Event scheduled for April 16. Rose will be working with representatives from Children’s Hospital, WRPA Aquatic Network and other Aquatic Professionals to promote this statewide water safety event. Mountlake Terrace will hold April Pools day on Saturday, April 16, 2016 with sponsorship from Edmonds Family Medicine and Swedish Edmonds.

• **Espresso Specials:** The espresso stand at the Recreation Pavilion is offering a great special next week. January 24 - 30, receive $.50 off a 16oz Turtle Mocha!

• **Kidz Love Soccer:** Kidz Love Soccer is a developmental program for children who are interested in soccer. This program teaches kids basic skills and rules of the game. The winter session kicks off on January 24. This session will be held indoors, so weather is not an issue! Programs are available for children 2.5-10 years old. For more information, or to register, call (425) 776-9173 x0.

• **Adult Sports:** Winter basketball and volleyball are underway. Registration for spring softball is now open! Softball begins March 21. Male, female and co-ed options are available. Spring basketball and volleyball registration opens in February. For more information or to register, contact Kevin Witte at (425) 640-3105 or kwitte@ci.mlt.wa.us

• **Youth programs are hiring!** Youth programs are looking to fill three positions in their area. The first position is a ¾ time benefited position working with preschool M-F from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The second position is a part time non-benefited position working with school age Kids Krew in the mornings at Madrona Elementary school from 6:30-9:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. The last position is a part time non-benefited position as a preschool assistant. Visit www.cityofmlt.com and click on the jobs button for job descriptions or to apply.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

*(January 13 to January 19, 2016)*

| WEEKLY ACTIVITY |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------|
|                 | Reports | T-Stops  | Arrests | Collisions | DUI’s | Burglaries | Vehicle Thefts | Vehicle Prowls |
| **Week**        | 40      | 91       | 2       | 6           | 0     | 1         | 0                 | 2               |
| **YTD**         | 110     | 250      | 14      | 13          | 0     | 3         | 1                 | 3               |

**Significant Incidents:**

• On 01-17-2016 at 10:45 p.m., Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers were dispatched to a verbal Domestic Violence incident at the 6400 block of 218th Street SW. During the
investigation, it was discovered there was no power, water, or heat at the home. There was a 3-year-old child in the home. All utilities had been cut off over a month ago. There was no food in the home other than three cans of soup, and no means to prepare it. There was a nearby family member, an aunt, who took custody of the child.

- On 01-17-2016 at 10:52 p.m., Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers were dispatched to a fire-assist at the Taluswood Apartments that turned into an arson investigation. A bag of charcoal briquettes was put under a vehicle and lit. A witness smelled and saw the flames under the vehicle and attempted to put out the fire and called 911. The Fire Marshal was called, photos were taken and the scene was documented. The vehicle owner is unaware of anyone trying to cause her harm. The witness observed an older model sedan driving through the parking lot around the same time. Unknown if this vehicle is related to the fire.

Detective Unit Update:

CASES ASSIGNED:
- 1- Sex Offense
- 1- Robbery
- 2 - Fraud
- 3 - Assault
- 1- Theft of credit card

CASES CLEARED:
- 1 - Robbery
- 1 - Fraud
- 1 - Homicide
- 1 – Possession of Stolen Property
- 1- Sex Offense

Directed Enforcement:

- Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers continued their patrol emphasis at the Studio 6 Motel and the surrounding neighborhoods.
- Mountlake Terrace Patrol Officers are investigating some recent complaints about troublesome homes and their occupants.

Code Enforcement Property of the Week:

Update regarding property located near the 5900 block of 228th Street SW. On 1/11/2016, Mountlake Terrace Code Enforcement responded to parking complaints at the above location. They observed a 1989 motor home and 2002 Dodge Durango missing the rear plate. Both vehicles were filled with debris and in disrepair. The motor home had graffiti on the passenger side. Both vehicles were issued correction notices in accordance with MTMC 10.10.240 – (Hazardous vehicles that are an attractive nuisance subject to damage and vandalism, partially obstructing the public roadway, posing a threat to public health and safety). The following day Mountlake Terrace Code Enforcement impounded both vehicles. On 1/13/2016, Mountlake Terrace Code Enforcement returned to the above location, and determined the property to be in violation of a previously issued Notice and Order; one (1) count 8.15.040.I – (Debris and trash
accumulations of broken or neglected items, litter, salvage materials, and junk not in an approved enclosed structure, in the front, back, or side yards of the property, two (2) counts) 8.15.050.B.1 – (All motor vehicles that are junk, inoperable or unused for 30 days or more shall be stored inside a fully enclosed structure), and one (1) count 8.15.050.B.2 - (Motor vehicle's belonging to a person other than a resident may not be stored on a property outside a fully enclosed structure). Several persons responsible for the property condition were issued civil citations by Code Enforcement.

Other Items of Interest:

On 01-20-2016 and 01-21-2016, Sgt. Lowe, Officer Hatchel, Detective Mackenzie, and Detective Froisland attended Blue Courage training at the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Academy in Burien.

NEWS RELEASES

The following news releases issued this week can be found here:

- Council Recognizes Eagle Scout Dakota Damiano

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- January 27-28, City Action Days, Olympia
- February 10, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- February 18, 5:30 p.m., Snohomish County Cities Meeting, TBD
- March 9, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion

Sincerely,

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