CITY MANAGER’S WEEKLY REPORT
TO THE CITY COUNCIL

March 23, 2018

Members of the City Council
City of Mountlake Terrace, Washington

Dear Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmembers:

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The City Council’s special session is a retreat on Saturday, March 24, 2018 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Interim City Hall Council Chambers, 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. The City Council agenda includes discussion of Councilmember ideas, goals and workplan.

The City Council’s next work/study session is on Thursday, March 29, 2018 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Interim City Hall Council Chambers, 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. The City Council agenda includes: (1) 2017 Transportation Benefit District Annual Report; (2) Review of Low Impact Development (LID) Ordinance; (3) Discussion on Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan (WRIA 8); (4) Review of Telecommunications Updates Including Small Cell Wireless Regulations; (a) Adoption of Interim Land Use Regulations to Chapter 19.137 MTMC; and (b) Adoption of Amendments to Chapter 12.20 MTMC – Communications; (5) Review of Contract for Design of Civic Campus Project; and (6) Review 2018 Tour de Terrace Agreement.

The City Council’s next meeting is on Monday, April 2, 2018 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Interim City Hall Council Chambers, 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. The City Council agenda includes: (1) Recognition of Eagle Scout Candidate Keanon Johnson; (2) South Snohomish County Fire & Rescue Annual Report; (3) Adoption of Resolution Appointing Town Center Task Force Members (Tentative); (4) Award of Contract for Design of Civic Campus Project; (5) Adoption of Resolution to Ratify the Chinook Salmon Conservation Plan (WRIA 8); (6) Wireless Telecommunications and Interim Small Cell Regulation Ordinances; (a) Public Hearing and Adoption of Interim Land Use Regulations Ordinance Amending Chapter 19.137 MTMC – (Wireless Communication Facilities); (b) Adoption of Ordinance Amending Chapter 12.20 MTMC – (Communications – Use of Right-of-Way by Wireline and Wireless Service Providers); and (7) Approval of 2018 Tour de Terrace Agreement.

CITY CLERK AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS UPDATES

• Town Center Task Force: Members of the City Council are interviewing applicants this week and next to serve on an 11-member Town Center Task Force. The purpose of this Task Force is to assist in the development of an update to the 2007 Town Center Plan (amended in 2009). The Task Force will serve to bring the community together to discuss the wants and needs of residents and Mountlake Terrace business owners and balance them with development
feasibility to help generate economic development. The Task Force is expected to make recommendations for updates to existing codes and standards for the Planning Commission and City Council to consider. Appointment of the Task Force is anticipated to take place at the April 2 City Council meeting.

- **Civic Campus Project Update**: The fee agreement and scope of services with ARC Architects for design of the Civic Campus was received on March 14, and is tentatively scheduled for City Council discussion and review on March 29. At the March 1 City Council work/study session, the Assistant City Manager and Community Relations Director provided an update on the process to date. **The first community meeting will be held on Thursday, April 5 at 6:00 p.m. at the Mountlake Terrace Library.** The second community meeting is confirmed for Wednesday, July 11 at 6:00 p.m. at Ballinger Clubhouse. The remainder of the public process will be laid out once the scope of services is approved. These dates are announced in the April issue of City Happenings that will be mailed in late March and staff is working on a citywide postcard mailing. Other notification will include news releases, “notify me” subscription list, social media, electronic reader board, website postings, signage and flyers.

- **April City Happenings**: The city newsletter will be mailed next week and features information about $1.3 million in grants for Ballinger Park and Main Street. This issue also features articles on April Pools Day, Low Impact Development Code Updates, Stormwater Programs, Civic Campus Project Update, Registration for Summer Camps, and Earth Day Cleanup. Other articles include the MLT Library, Update on the Handy Mart site, Low Income Utility Discounts, Evergreen Award Nominations and Town Center Plan Update. Ongoing items such as Construction Updates, Council Highlights and Coffee with the City dates round out this issue.

- **Earth Day Park Clean-Up on April 21**: The city is looking for volunteers (individuals, families and groups) to donate three or four hours on Saturday, April 21 to spruce up Ballinger Park. The City Council will provide lunch following the work party. If you have a group who would like to participate, please contact Parks and Property Management Superintendent Ken Courtmanch at (425) 776-1811 to register in advance so we know we have enough food and supplies. All interested volunteers should meet at 9:00 a.m. on April 21 at Ballinger Clubhouse, 23000 Lakeview Drive, for a brief meeting and warm up with coffee. Common activities include pruning, trash removal, and raking. Ballinger Park can be very wet this time of year, so please wear boots if possible and we encourage you to bring work gloves. If you’re able to bring along rakes and non-electric pruning tools, it will help our effort so we have enough to go around.

**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES**

- **Public Hearing on Low Impact Development Ordinance**: The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, March 26, 2018 to consider and make a recommendation to City Council on proposed updates to the city’s Low Impact Development (LID) codes.

Effective December 31, 2016, the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) required cities and counties that operate regulated municipal stormwater systems to make LID
“the preferred and commonly used approach to site development.” Ecology has granted the City an extension to June 29, 2018 to achieve compliance with all minimum standards.

The proposed LID ordinance is intended to increase protection of creeks, lakes (Lake Ballinger and downstream), and private property from flooding and pollutant loading. It is designed to create flexibility for implementing LID on a site-by-site basis, and emphasizes use of LID techniques such as bioretention swales, reestablishment of healthy soils, and minimization of impervious surface. The code updates are intended to support increased LID in more locations, and to lower LID implementation costs for development.

The Planning Commission will consider the presentation by city staff and take public testimony before making a recommendation to City Council. The Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing and make a decision on adoption of the ordinance on May 21, 2018.

- **Townhome District Development regulations and Design Standards adopted:** On March 19, 2018, the City Council concluded the public hearing on zoning code amendments to rectify a gap in the municipal code for regulating development of townhomes and commercial parking lots in a transitional uses area.

  The affected area abuts the existing Town Center district and is one lot deep. An ordinance was adopted to create a new Single Household Residential district, RS-T (Transitional). The ordinance also adopted dimensional requirements, development regulations and design standards for the RS-T district.

  The new standards require at least five feet of landscaping between the public sidewalk and a townhome, minimum interior parking garage dimensions including dimensional standards for bicycle parking, clear pedestrian connections from public to private property including to the front entry to each townhome, flexibility in the front and rear yard setbacks provided the square footage of landscaped area is retained on site, fencing and landscaping of commercial parking lots, and street trees and lighting. Building design standards will apply to all walls of a townhome to ensure plain, barracks-like walls faces are avoided.

  The City expects to receive several applications for townhome developments in the RS-T district in 2018 to meet the new site, building, fence and sign standards.

- **Building Permit Activity for February:** During the month of February there were 123 building permits issued. The valuation of work to be performed under these permits is $1,409,120. These include:
  - 26 Building Permits
  - 17 Mechanical Permits
  - 41 Electrical Permits
  - 8 Plumbing Permits
  - 5 Fire Permits

  Keep in mind that not all permits are based on value.
2018 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket Now Open: The deadline for submitting formal applications to amend the City of Mountlake Terrace Comprehensive Plan is Monday, April 30, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. The applications can be submitted to the City of Mountlake Terrace Interim City Hall, Community & Economic Development Department. Further announcements about the process are forthcoming.

PUBLIC WORKS (ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS) UPDATES

Interurban Trail Crossing Work on 212th: The City of Lynnwood is starting work on the Interurban Trail crossing on 212th next week. The work will require the intermittent use of detours onto the adjacent road network. City staff are working closely with Lynnwood’s staff to address any issues arising from the use of the detours. The work is expected to last through September.

Main Street Revitalization Project: Work on the finishing design touches to the Main Street Revitalization project continues as staff address recent design change requests from the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT).

Main Street Revitalization Phase 2: The newly passed state capital and transportation budgets include appropriations totaling $860,000 for Phase 2 of the Main Street Project. Engineering will use these funds to complete the design of Phase 2 and start the right-of-way acquisition process.

Gas Main Construction at 236th & 56th: Puget Sound Energy’s (PSE) gas main upgrade along 236th Street SW from I-5 to 56th Avenue W has progressed into the 236th Street SW/56th Avenue West intersection. Construction in and near the intersection is expected to occur over the next three weeks beginning Thursday, March 8. During this time, roadway lanes will shift and may be reduced to one travel lane with flaggers and the intersection controlled by police. This may cause delays. Alternate routes are strongly recommended and detours may occur.

PSE’s work is scheduled in anticipation of the city’s “Main Street” reconstruction project. PSE’s upgrading of their gas main will reduce the likelihood that later utility work will cut and patch the reconstructed 236th Street SW surface.

RECREATION, PARKS, AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT UPDATES

Espresso Special: Receive $.50 off when you order a 16oz Amaretto Mocha the week of March 26-April 1 at the Recreation Pavilion espresso stand.

Swim Lesson Registration: The registration process will begin with pre-registration for those currently in swimming lessons. Monday/Wednesday will register on March 26, Tuesday/Thursday will register on March 27, Friday will register on March 30, Saturday, March 31 and Sunday, April 1. Mountlake Terrace registration will be available in person or online on April 4 and all registration will be open on April 5, both online and in person. The public schedules will be available online at www.cityofmlt.com/529/Swim-Instruction or at the Pavilion by Friday March 23.
Spring Break: For those aspiring to become a Lifeguard, during spring break, aquatics will hold a Blended Learning Lifeguard Course, April 2-6 from 4:00-8:30 p.m. In a blended learning course most of the lecture portion will be completed by the participant online and skills will be practiced in the water at the pool. To enable completion of the online portion participants should register by March 27. They should also make an appointment with a coordinator to complete the pre-course skills session before they register. They also must be 15 years old to register. For more information contact an aquatic staff member at (425) 776-9173 ext. 1120 or 1106 Fees are Resident $216/Non Resident $228.

Junior Lifeguard Class: This class will meet Monday through Thursday, April 2-5, 11:30-3:30 p.m. Fees are: Resident $68 and Non Resident $75. This American Red Cross Course is a fun, action-packed program for youth ages 11-14. Participants will learn about prevention of aquatic accidents, improve swimming stroke mechanics, endurance and strength, basic first aid and CPR skills, how to search and apply for a job and the importance of community service. Participants should bring a suit, towel and snack each day. This is not a certification class.

Summer Dance Camps: Registration for Summer Dance Camps is open. We have options for ages 3-19. Besides our favorite camps like Mermaids and Pirates, Trolls and Moana, we’re offering two weeks of full-day dance camp called Dance Immersion, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. July 23 - 27 and July 30 - August 3. These longer camps are designed to teach a broad spectrum of styles, allow dancers more time to create their own dances and give families a child care option. You can register for all the dance camps online. Go to www.mltrec.com and click on the Craze. Find page 14 to view camps.

Dance & Fitness Spring Break: Quarterly Dance and Fitness and Academy classes will all take a break April 2 – 7. Silver Sneakers will run as normal. Enjoy the outdoors!

Quarterly Fitness: Yoga, Tai Chi, Zumba, Strong by Zumba, Core de Force, Stott Pilates and more are all beginning a new session in the week of April 9. You can view all the fitness programs and link to registration by visiting www.mltrec.com and clicking on the Craze. When you do, turn to page 32 for all our awesome classes.

Quarterly Dance: New session begins the week of April 9. Don’t wait to register. Some classes are preparing for recital! There are amazing teachers giving excellent instruction in Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Salsa and East Coast Swing at the Recreation Pavilion. If you’re an absolute beginner or a veteran who just wants a recreational outlet and to stay in shape we have a place for you. You can view all the Quarterly Dance programs and link to registration by visiting www.mltrec.com and clicking on the Craze. When you do turn to page 33.

Youth Employment opportunities: Hiring for two ¾ time site leaders and summer camp staff. For job descriptions or to apply visit /Jobs.aspx

Fall Child Care: Fall registration began last week and enrollment has increased greatly. Kindergarten Readiness only has 2 spots available and Junior Kids Krew has 7. All other programs have availability, but limited at MLT site for both before and after care. For information or to register call (425) 776-9173.
• **Summer Camp Registration:** Registration is now underway for all summer camps! Summer day camps are available for ages 3-13. Summer day camps include field trips and activities for all involved. Other camps include sports, dance and aqua kids. For more information visit [www.mltrec.com/summer](http://www.mltrec.com/summer). To register call (425) 776-9173.

• **Cub Scout Project:** James Culver, from a local Cub Scout Troop, contacted Park Services staff with an interest in a service project for his Cub Scout Den. The group is looking at projects in the Mountlake Terrace Park system to be completed in April.

• **Mountlake Terrace Garden Club:** The Mountlake Terrace Garden Club is looking for members to assist in running the club and maintaining a number of entry sites in Mountlake Terrace. The Mountlake Terrace Garden Club is a volunteer based community group that for 20 years has annually planted flowers and maintained seven different sites throughout the city. If you are interested in joining the garden club or just helping out this spring, they may be contacted at: mltgardenclub@gmail.com

• **Earth Day:** The City of Mountlake Terrace is recognizing Earth Day with a Volunteer Park Clean Up event on Saturday, April 21, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Ballinger Park. Volunteers should meet at the Ballinger Park Clubhouse parking lot, 23000 Lakeview Drive, at 9:00 a.m. in comfortable work clothes, with gloves and tools in hand. For more information or to register, citizens or groups can contact: Ken Courtmanch, Parks Superintendent, at (425)776-1811.

• **NPIS Annual Tour:** The Neighborhood Park Improvement Subcommittee (NPIS) is scheduled to take their annual tour on Saturday March 24. The NPIS is comprised of residents that live within a half mile of each of the neighborhood parks in the Mountlake Terrace Park System. The subcommittee is assigned the responsibility for annually inventorying the neighborhood parks and recommending improvements to the Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

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*Activity is updated first week of each month

**Significant Incidents**

- On March 14, 2018 at 2:05 a.m. patrol responded to a collision in the 6600 block of 228th Street SW. Upon arrival a witness stated he observed the suspect vehicle drive off the roadway and strike a parked vehicle. The suspect was contacted and determined to be under the influence of intoxicants and driving with a suspended driver’s license. He was arrested and processed for the crime.
- On March 14, 2018 between 3:40 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. patrol responded to three burglary reports in the 5400 block of 212th Street SW. The victims stated someone broke into garages, stealing several items, including in one instance firearms. Investigation continues.

- On March 14, 2018 at 4:42 p.m. patrol responded to a vehicle prowl in the 22800 block of 72nd Place W. Upon arrival the homeowner had the suspect at gunpoint. The suspect was taken into custody. Investigation revealed the suspect to be homeless and was staying in the homeowner’s motorhome without permission for the past several days. The suspect was booked at Snohomish County Jail for the offense.

- On March 15, 2018 at 9:50 a.m. patrol responded to a fraud report in the 6000 block of St. Albion Way. The victim stated she received an email notifying her she was awarded a $4,000 loan. She said she called and was advised to purchase various gift cards and then would be awarded the money. The suspect deposited money in her account to help with the purchase. The victim purchased approximately $1700 worth of gift cards and gave them to the suspect. The suspect then withdrew the earlier funds.

- On March 15, 2018 at 10:01 a.m. patrol stopped a vehicle for a registration violation in the 6000 block of 244th Street SW. Investigation revealed the driver’s license to be invalid and there was a warrant for his arrest. He was arrested and booked at the Snohomish County Jail without incident.

- On March 15, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. patrol responded to a CPS assist in the 4800 block of 239th Street SW regarding allegations of sexual abuse. Investigation continues.

- On March 15, 2018 at 3:13 p.m. patrol contacted a subject in the 21000 block of 44th Avenue W. Investigation revealed the subject to have a warrant for his arrest. He was arrested and search incident to arrest revealed that he was in possession of cocaine. Custody transferred to the Lynnwood Police Department.

- On March 15, 2018 at 7:08 p.m. patrol responded to an assault in the 4200 block of 214th Street SW. The victim stated he and his girlfriend were fighting over his cell phone when she bit him repeatedly. The suspect was arrested and booked at the Snohomish County Jail for the offense.

- On March 16, 2018 at 12:35 a.m. patrol responded to a hit and run collision in the 5700 block of 242nd Street SW. Initial investigation revealed an unoccupied parked vehicle was struck by another motorist who fled the scene. Patrol located a trail of engine coolant and followed it to the 5200 block of 238th Street SW where the suspect vehicle was located unoccupied in front of a home. The residents were uncooperative. The vehicle was impounded and the investigation is ongoing.

- On March 16, 2018 at 10:25 a.m. patrol responded to a burglary report in the 5400 block of 212th Street SW. The victim stated someone broke into her garage and rummaged through her property. Entry was made by breaking the lock. Investigation continues.
• On March 16, 2018 at 6:42 p.m. patrol responded to the 4500 block of 228th Street SW, where the complainant alleges the victim’s son is taking financial advantage of her. Investigation continues.

• On March 16, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. patrol responded to a female slumped over in her vehicle in the 23600 block of 56th Avenue W. Upon arrival the female was contacted and discovered to have a warrant for her arrest. Search incident to arrest revealed her to be in possession of methamphetamine and heroin. She was booked at the Lynnwood Jail without incident.

• On March 16, 2018 at 9:58 p.m. patrol contacted a subject in the 7000 block of 220th Street SW. Investigation revealed her to have a warrant for her arrest. She was taken into custody without incident and custody was transferred to the Kirkland Police Department.

• On March 17, 2018 at 3:11 a.m. patrol attempted to stop a recklessly driven vehicle and suspected the driver to be DUI. The vehicle failed to yield and a brief pursuit began. The officer lost sight of the suspect vehicle and discontinued the pursuit. The vehicle was later located in Lynnwood unoccupied. Investigation continues.

• On March 17, 2018 at 7:13 a.m. patrol responded to a burglary report in the 5400 block of 212th Street SW. The suspect made entry into the victim’s garage and stole property. Video of the incident was obtained and the suspect has been identified. Investigation continues.

• On March 18, 2018 at 8:04 p.m. patrol observed a vehicle in the 5600 block of 239th Street SW associated with a suspect from a previous domestic assault case. The suspect was issued a court order prohibiting him from being at a nearby address. The vehicle eventually stopped at the residence he was not to be at. Patrol contacted the driver and verified it was the suspect and he was in violation of the court order. He was subsequently arrested for the crime and booked at the Lynnwood Jail.

• On March 19, 2018 at 12:36 p.m. patrol responded to a burglary report in the 5400 block of 212th Street SW. The victim reported his unsecured garage was entered by the suspect and his vehicle was prowled. Investigation continues.

• On March 19, 2018 at 10:02 p.m. patrol stopped a vehicle in the 6000 block of 244th Street SW. The driver of the vehicle was revealed to have a warrant for his arrest. He was arrested without incident and booked at the Snohomish County Jail.

• On March 20, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. patrol responded to a suspicious person in the 21400 block of 52nd Avenue W. Upon arrival the person was located and determined to have a warrant for her arrest. She was arrested and booked at the Snohomish County Jail without incident.

• On March 20, 2018 at 6:36 p.m. patrol responded to a vehicle prowl in the 22200 block of 56th Avenue W. Upon arrival the suspects were located. The prowl could not be confirmed, however investigation revealed one of the subjects to have a warrant for his arrest. He was arrested and booked at the Snohomish County Jail.
Community Outreach & Directed Enforcement

- Officers conducted local business and area checks at the following locations: Northern Lights Apartments, Studio 6 Motel (Gateway Plaza), Ballinger Park, Interurban Trail, Veterans Park (Library) and the Evergreen Elementary property.
- Traffic enforcement in school zones and other areas as requested.
- Domestic Violence Coordinator Singson hosted a crime watch meeting at the Mountlake Terrace Library.
- School liaison officers continue to work with school staff for emergency preparedness.
- Officers assisted residents by pushing a disabled motorists off of 44th and a second vehicle off 212th.
- Officers gave a homeless couple food, water, toothbrush and bathroom supplies.
- Officers provided a transient male some food and water near the Interurban Trail.
- Officers provided some food and water to a male who was having some mental health issues at 66th and 218th.
- Sergeant Pickard met with the owners of Nelson Business Par regarding cleaning up their property and painting over graffiti.
- Officers conducted a crosswalk emphasis in the city as part of the Target Zero Team grant.
- Officers and Detectives spent a significant amount of time trying to capture the suspect responsible for the burglaries at the Maple Glen. The suspect has been identified and efforts to apprehend him are ongoing.

Other Items of Interest

- Officer Brecht has been selected as the PM Traffic Officer. She begins her assignment in early April.
- Officers provided a security presence for students during the scheduled walkout March 14.
- Officer O’Hagan met with a new local youth pastor.
- Several officers attended the extended crisis intervention course.
- Officer Cronk participated in an Occupational Analysis meeting at the Criminal Justice Training Center (CJTC). During this meeting high performing officers from around the region offered their overall perspective of the Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLEA) curriculum.
- Sergeant Porter attended impact weapon instructor certification course.
NEWS RELEASES

News releases can be found on the City's webpage.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- March 27, 2:00 p.m., Lake Ballinger/McAleer Creek Watershed Forum, Council Chambers
- April 11, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- April 21, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Earth Day Park Clean Up, Ballinger Park
- May 9, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- June 13, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- June 26-29, AWC Annual Conference, Yakima Convention Center, 10 N 8th Street
- July 3, 3rd of July Family Celebration, Ballinger Park
- July 11, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- July 27, 28, 29, Tour de Terrace, Evergreen Playfield
- August 7, 6:00-9:00 p.m., National Night Out, Evergreen Playfield
- August 8, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- September 12, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- September 26, 6:00 p.m., Evergreen Awards, Mountlake Terrace Senior Center
- October 10, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- November 14, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion
- November 24, Recreation Pavilion 50th Birthday, Recreation Pavilion
- December 7, 6:30 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony, Evergreen Playfield
- December 12, 6:00 p.m., Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion

Sincerely,

Scott Hugill, City Manager
City of Mountlake Terrace