

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

September 12, 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, September 15, 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) Presentation of Municipal Champions Award to State Representative Derek Stanford, 2) Consider Contract for Lakeside Apartments Pedestrian Improvements, and 3) Approval of Contract with Waste Management (2014-2022).

The City Council's next work/study session is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 1, 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 Town Center Subarea Plan Map Amendment Ordinance.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- **Volunteer Park Clean Up:** The City of Mountlake Terrace is recognizing National Day of Service with a Volunteer Park Clean Up event on Saturday, September 13, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. This is an opportunity for residents to give back to their community. Families, friends and neighbors are invited to help clean up city parks and public spaces and join in other activities. Volunteers should meet at the Ballinger Park Clubhouse parking lot, 23000 Lakeview Drive, at 9 a.m. in comfortable work clothes, with gloves and tools in hand. For more information, or to register, contact Ken Courtmanch, Parks Superintendent, at (425)776-1811.
- **Sixth Annual Evergreen Award Program:** The city will host the sixth Annual Evergreen Awards on Wednesday, September 17 at 6:30 p.m. to recognize our community members whose properties stand out in their neighborhoods. This year, we have 24 winning properties and 14 honorable mention awards. The event takes place at the Lake Ballinger Community Center and will feature a dessert reception with a slideshow of winning properties. Community Relations Director Virginia Olsen will emcee the event.
- **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 as follows:
 - Wednesday, October 8, 2014 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Jungle Room

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

- **Former City Church on 58th Avenue W to adjust property lines for new development proposals:** Sonata Homes, LP, represented by Eric Nordling, submitted a boundary line adjustment application to consolidate five lots into two lots in the Single Household Residential (RS 8400) zoning district. One of the two new lots created will be used to establish the Brighton (Nobel) School in the former City Church building, addressed as 21705 58th Avenue W. Sonata Homes, LP, proposes to develop the second lot with a planned unit development for single-family homes (Atworth Commons), to be addressed as 5602 216th Court SW. Conditional Use and Site Plan Applications have been submitted for the Brighton (Nobel) School site. A pre-application meeting has been held for the Sonata Homes, LP site. Land use permits have not been applied for as of this date. Total acreage for all five parcels is 7.1 acres; acreage of the two new parcels will be 2.75 acres for the Brighton (Nobel) School site and 4.35 acres for the Sonata Homes, LP site. Please refer to the related article in the City Manager's Weekly Report dated August 25-29, private school applies to reuse former City Church site, for more information about the school projects.

ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **Puget Sound Energy (PSE) Natural Gas Main:** The PSE gas main extension project on 56th Avenue W is complete with the exception of the final pavement overlay. Grinding of the roadway and the final pavement overlay on 56th Avenue W is scheduled for September in order to coincide with paving along the Vineyard Park frontage. Work will begin at 230th Street W and continue south. Expect lane closures on 56th Avenue W with a detour directing traffic to 58th Avenue W between 230th and 236th Streets during the week of September 22.
- **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. Underground utility work will be performed the week of September 15 and some lane closures and delays will be necessary. 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. Removal of the culvert nearest to Lake Ballinger and construction of the replacement bridge was completed last fall. The two remaining bridges were installed in August. Concrete decks have been poured on the new bridges and they are expected to be open to golf traffic the week of September 15. Work is expected to be completed in October 2014.
- **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 fall.

- **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. A City project team meeting with the KPG design team is scheduled for the week of September 15. Design will be complete this winter.
- **216th 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 contractor has begun utility work. Expect detours the week of September 15.

RECREATION UPDATES

- **Athletic Leagues:** Leagues have just begun fall seasons in basketball, volleyball and softball. The next session is winter basketball and volleyball, which begins play in January. Registration begins November 17.
- **Racquetball Tournament:** The next tournament will be held Saturday, September 27.
- **Winter/Spring Craze:** Recreation staff is working on the next issue of the craze. The proofing process begins now and ends in mid-November with mailing scheduled for December 1.
- **Tree Lighting Update:** City staff will be meeting later this month to start the planning process for this year's Tree Lighting and the city's 60th Anniversary to be held on Friday, December 5. Red Onion Burgers has already pledged a \$1,000 donation to fund this event.
- **8th Annual Costume Carnival:** The date has been set! This year's Costume Carnival will be Saturday, October 25 at Terrace Park School. The city's dance programs and Kontageous Dance Company organize and support this event. Funds from the event go to supporting the Michelle Ringler Scholarship Fund (directly assisting kids in need who want to register for dance programs).
- **Recreation Pavilion Air Handling System:** There was an equipment failure with the air handling system in the pavilion last week. Staff ordered and replaced a driver at a cost of approximately \$4,000. We are at full operational capacity once again. There was no impact to programming or customers.
- **Fall Swimming Lessons:** Classes began Monday and Tuesday with weekend lessons scheduled to begin Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Lessons are very full with waitlists especially on weekends. Aquatics staff has been hiring new staff to be trained to teach and lifeguard in the next session to open more classes.

- **Gentle Aquatic Movement:** The class started with three participants. This is a new fitness class that will meet on Tuesday/Thursday from 9:45-10:30 a.m. This class will focus on range of motion exercises that will help increase mobility, strengthen and stretch muscle groups by using the resistive properties of the water to enhance flexibility and balance using floatation equipment. Flyers have been delivered locally to senior housing.
- **Dog Obedience:** The Basic Dog obedience and Intermediate Dog obedience classes started on Monday and Wednesday of this week. Puppygarten for puppies 8-16 weeks old has been delayed to attract more participation. This class will start Thursday, September 18 to enlist more registration. This class works on socialization and basic commands. Anyone interested in registering can contact the Recreation Pavilion at (425) 776-9173 or register online at www.mltrec.com.
- **Dog First Aid and CPR class:** The Recreation Pavilion has a class coming up on October 4. This is an American Red Cross course that teaches how to be prepared for emergencies that involve a dog and how to protect yourself and the dog. Registration is currently open for this class. Anyone interested in registering can contact the Recreation Pavilion at (425) 776-9173 or register online at www.mltrec.com.
- **A CPR/First Aid Class:** This class is available through Fire District 1 on Saturday, September 20 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at District Headquarters. Anyone interested in registering can contact the Recreation Pavilion at (425) 776-9173 or register online at www.mltrec.com.

PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES

- **EOC Completion:** Work on the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is wrapping up, with the contractor finishing a final list of items prior to phones, furniture and computers being installed. Construction of the facility, which will provide a coordination area for the City's response in a disaster or other emergency, is being funded in large part through a State and Federal grant.
- **Street Sweeping:** In preparation for storms this fall, the City will be renting 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.
- **Crosswalk Restriping:** Public Works crews have been restriping crosswalks near schools for the past few weeks. The work will continue on crosswalks farther from schools in the weeks ahead.
- **Street Restriping:** Snohomish County Public Works was recently in the City of Mountlake Terrace restriping yellow roadway centerlines together with white parking and bike lanes. This work was performed on the city's roadways classified as Collector and above and included 220th Street SW, 236th Street SW, 56th Ave W, and 44th Ave W/Cedar Way. The striping work for this year is now complete.

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES

(September 3, – September 9, 2014)

Agency Assists	Brier	Edmonds	Lynnwood
Year to Date	54	37	23
Week	1	0	0

Patrol Statistics	Week	Year to date
Police Reports	65	2461
Arrests / Misd. / Felony	18	679
Traffic Infractions	85	3101
Verbal Warnings	62	2700
Traffic Collisions	1	169
DUI's	0	32
FIR'S	16	795

Burglaries	Commercial	Residential
21402 52 nd Ave W		X

Investigations	Assigned / Week	Closed / Week	Assigned YTD	Closed YTD
Cases (Including DV)	7	3	300	172

Vehicle Thefts/Recoveries/Prowls

- 5000 212th St SW Vehicle Theft
- 4000 212th St SW Vehicle Theft
- 4400 212th St SW Vehicle Theft
- 21200 48th Ave W Vehicle Theft
- 21800 48th Ave W Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 4100 236th St SW Theft from Vehicle
- 22000 56th Ave W Theft from Vehicle

Significant Incidents:

- On 9-6-14 at 10:56 p.m., Mountlake Terrace patrols responded to the 4300 block of 212th St. SW for a report of a physical domestic. It was reported that a male subject was pushing and yelling at a female subject on the sidewalk. Upon arrival, officers saw the male subject pushing and yelling at a female subject who was in the fetal position on the ground. When confronted the male became verbally aggressive, took a fighting stance and challenged officers. He made several remarks regarding the Ferguson, Missouri shooting and began lunging toward officers. Just prior to a taser deployment, the female subject, (victim) jumped in front of the male to prevent him from being tased. This continued until more officers arrived to assist. After a brief struggle, the suspect was eventually taken to the ground and placed in custody. During the struggle, the female

continued to interfere. The male suspect was booked into the Snohomish County Jail for Assault 4 Domestic Violence and Resisting Arrest. The female subject was released at the scene with obstructing charges pending for her interference with the male's arrest.

- On 9/05/14 at 2:56 a.m., Mountlake Terrace officers were dispatched to the Studio 6 for a disturbance. During the investigation of the disturbance between two occupants staying at the business it was learned the male inside had a No Bail DOC Escape Custody warrant. The subject was arrested for the warrant and he was booked at the Snohomish County Jail.

Detective Unit Update:

- Detectives have identified suspect(s) in the Arbor Village/Maple Court burglary and thefts. They are working with other agencies to locate and interview the suspect(s).
- Following up on a burglary with known suspects detectives were able to serve a warrant on the suspect's vehicle. Property stolen in the burglary was recovered from the suspect's car. Charges have been forwarded to the prosecutor.

Other items of interest:

- Chief Wilson and Commander Hansen attended the FBI National Academy Associates Washington State conference and training last week.
- On Tuesday, 9-9-14, at 6:30 p.m., Chief Wilson, Detective Sergeant Haynes and Detective Hoeth met with the residents at Arbor Village to discuss the recent parking garage break in and thefts. The status of those cases and suggestions regarding safety were discussed with those who attended.
- Police Department personnel attended the "Meet the City Manager" meetings held at various locations around the city.

Code Enforcement Property of the Week:

On 8/20/2014, Code Enforcement received an anonymous complaint regarding a property at the 4900 block of 216th Place SW accumulating junk and debris, and storing them in the front, side and backyard. On 8/21/2014, Code Enforcement verified the above complaint and issued a Notice of Violation to the property owner(s) in accordance with the following Mountlake Terrace Municipal Codes; 8.15.040.I - Debris and trash accumulations of broken or neglected items, litter, salvage materials, and junk not in an approved enclosed structure, 8.15.040.H.1 - All broken or discarded household furniture, furnishings, or equipment, or any appliances not in an approved enclosed structure, 8.15.040.G.1 - Garbage not kept in proper receptacle with a tight-fitting lid, and 8.15.040.G.2 - Recyclables not properly stored and regularly disposed of. On 9/9/2014, Code Enforcement inspected the above property, and noted significant property cleanup had taken place. Most of the debris, household items and garbage had been either removed or placed within a commercial dumpster.



NEWS RELEASES

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

- 216th Street SW Storm Improvements Underway
- City Manager to Address MLT Business Association
- 36th Annual Arts of the Terrace Juried Art Show

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- September 13, 9:00 a.m., National Day of Service -- Park Cleanup Day,
- September 17, 6:30 p.m., 6th Annual Evergreen Award Program, Lake Ballinger Community Center
- September 27 to October 5, the 36th Annual Arts of the Terrace, Mountlake Terrace Library
- December 5, 6:30 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony, Evergreen Playfield Complex

Sincerely,

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City of Mountlake Terrace