

# *City Manager's Office*

September 15, 2015

To: City Council  
From: City Manager  
Re: Weekly Report

## Legal Department

- Legal filed a condemnation petition on Friday, 9/12 for property needed from Safeway at South 216<sup>th</sup> just west of the Pacific Highway intersection for the Gateway Segment 1A project.
- Our public defenders contract expires at the end of 2015 and we are starting the process of negotiating a new agreement.
- Legal worked with the Marina to clear title on an abandoned boat that has been sitting in the Marina for months. Paralegal Peter Ruppert worked with the bank that had a lien on the boat to get the lien removed. We can now move forward with disposing of the boat.

## Police Department

- The Police Department held another “Coffee with a Cop” on Monday, 9/14 at the MaST Center in Redondo. Approximately 12 residents participated. The event lasted 3 hours and, according to the Chief, was one of the best “Coffee with a Cop” they’ve had.
- On September 24<sup>th</sup>, our School Resources Officer Justin Cripe will be holding a safety meeting for parents of students who attend Mount Rainier High School. The meeting will be held at MRHS from 6-7 p.m. Officer Ripe is working with MRHS to get the word out to parents.

## Parks, Recreation and Senior Services

- Work on the Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services Master Plan continues. A briefing is scheduled for the Municipal Facilities Committee at its September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting, with a final briefing to the Committee scheduled for October 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Patrice is working on setting up a meeting of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

## Planning, Building, and Public Works Department

- SEPA work on the Temporary Homeless Encampment Ordinance is almost complete, pending final input from the Finance and Economic Development Committee. In order to make the November 5<sup>th</sup> public hearing date, the SEPA decision must be issued by October 7<sup>th</sup> to allow the comment period and appeal period to be complete before the hearing.
- Our Code Enforcement Officer will be out on a leave of absence starting Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, with a scheduled return date of November 30<sup>th</sup>. Staff is splitting up her duties to cover as much of her work load as possible but there are some complaints that will receive delayed response.
- Interviews to fill our vacant Planner II position (Nikole Coleman left for a position with Seattle) are scheduled for the end of this week.
- Staff continues to review the over 100 resumes received for our Community Development Assistant position authorized by Council in July.
- The Woodmont Recover Campus draft design review decision will be officially published on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>. Notices have been sent to all addresses in the City and will be sent to addresses in Kent and Federal Way in the area west of I-5, south of Kent-Des Moines Road and north of South 288<sup>th</sup> Street and to all families who have children who attend Woodmont Elementary School.
- Design of the Redondo Boardwalk is at the 30% level, right on schedule.
- There is a small pavement repair that needs to be made on the south side of the Salt Water Park Bridge. The repair will be made sometime the week of September 21<sup>st</sup>. The bridge will not be closed. One lane of traffic will be open at all times.

## Economic Development

- The vacant property north of McDonalds on Pacific Highway South in the Pacific Ridge neighborhood has been purchased. We are told that the buyer wants to build a mixed use project of some sort.