

# *City Manager's Office*

November 10, 2015

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

## Economic Development

- After the presentation to Council regarding potential development on the Marina floor, staff is preparing additional information to use in partnering discussions with Port of Seattle.
- The Soundside Alliance is hosting its second annual outlook breakfast on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 a.m. at the Conference Center at SeaTac International Airport. Business and community leaders from throughout the region will learn more about Seattle-Tacoma International Airport and its role as an economic engine; gain insight into new developments and transportation projects in the region; and hear from regional leaders regarding the outlook for the Soundside market. Encompassing the cities of Burien, Des Moines, Normandy Park, SeaTac and Tukwila, Soundside is undergoing exciting changes making it a premier location for business.

## Marina

- The Harbormaster and the Park, Recreation, and Senior Services Director met with representatives of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office and the Department of Natural Resources to discuss potential projects at the north end of the Marina and the western end of Des Moines Beach Park, including replacement of the north bulk head from the guest moorage area all the way to the mouth of Des Moines Creek, expanding the fishing pier, replacement of the north restroom, and a new breakwater system to replace the wooden breakwater. Staff will be developing more detailed information and cost estimates to use in further discussions with other potential funding partners.

### Planning, Building, and Public Works Department

- A temporary repair to a slide on the south side to South 251<sup>st</sup> Street at 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue South has been completed. A permanent repair is being designed and will be completed in the next few months.
- SEPA and design review are almost complete for Seascapes, the proposed development at the corner of Marine View Drive and South 226<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Design review for the proposed remodeling and addition to the Des Moines Theater is also progressing well.

### Park, Recreation and Senior Services

- The Park, Recreation, and Senior Services Director is finalizing the Master Plan for final presentation and approval by the City Council. This is scheduled to occur at the December 10<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.
- The Director will be speaking at a forum entitled “Working Together for Healthy Kids” being held next Thursday November 19<sup>th</sup> at the Dining Hall in the Beach Park. Also speaking will be Denise Lathrop, our Community Development Manager.

### Police Department

- The Police Department held a meeting for block watch captains at the South Precinct last Saturday. Over 50 captains attended. A variety of information was exchanged. Staff will be working with the captains and block watches to share information on what works to reduce crime in our neighborhoods.
- A car pedestrian accident occurred yesterday on Pacific Highway near South 220 Street. An individual in all black clothing crossed Pacific Highway mid-block and was struck by a vehicle. Luckily he only sustained moderate injuries.
- On December 16<sup>th</sup>, the department will participate in the “Shop with a Cop” event, to be held at the Redondo Fred Meyer’s on Pacific Highway just south of South 252<sup>nd</sup> Street. Children will be given \$50 to use to shop for Christmas gifts for their family and friends while their parents will be given \$20 to shop for gifts for their children.

### Human Resources

- Open enrollment for health benefits is happening in November. Our HR Manager has been very busy providing information and answering questions. Two Q&A sessions, to be run by staff from the Association of Washington Cities (who provides our health benefit plans) will be held on Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Training in conducting performance evaluations was held for supervisors last Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. This coincides with our introduction of a new performance evaluation system/form.