

City Manager's Office

February 10, 2016

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

Legal

- Per a new statute adopted by the Legislature last session, all cities in the state must adopt an ordinance that allows payment of transportation impact fees to be deferred to when the certificate of occupancy is issued for a building. Some cities already do this. Des Moines requires payment of transportation impact fees when the building permit is issued. Legal is researching how other cities have or are going to comply with this new mandate. The ordinance must be in place by September 1, 2016.
- Legal continues to work with the Planning, Building, and Public Works Department to address an access easement issue involving the Blueberry Lane subdivision and a piece of property that the subdivision surrounds on three sides.
- The City Council's Finance and Economic Development Committee will be discussing marijuana zoning at its meeting this Thursday evening. Legal prepared information for the Committee's use during this discussion.

Police Department

- Commander Bohl is working with the owners of the Redondo Square Shopping Center on a new location for the Police Department's south precinct. The new location will be smaller and is in the space that was previously occupied by the UPS Store. The big question is whether or not the owners will charge us rent. We used the previous space rent free.
- Chief Delgado is working on a response to concerns over criminal and other issues at the Woodmont Library that Mayor Pina recently heard from residents.
- The Department is looking into having unpaid interns from Highline College work in the administrative area. They would be giving various administrative/clerical tasks to accomplish.

Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services

- Staff has been reviewing the two submittals we received for design services for the Parkside Park renovation project. We will be recommending LA Design for the project. A proposed contract will be brought to the City Council in the near future.
- Staff is working with the Marina staff on a food truck/shipping container “pod” to be located on the Marina floor. The idea is to bring food trucks and/or shipping containers that have been outfitted to be small restaurants/diners to the Marina during the nicer weather months. We will be working with the Farmers Market to make sure we don’t interfere with their Saturday and Wednesday market days. Staff will bring this idea to the City Council Municipal Facilities Committee for discussion at its February 25th meeting.
- We have three weddings scheduled for three of the furlough Fridays that are planned. Staff is discussing how to accommodate these events.
- We are planning on having several Earth Day events happening in the City this year. If any resident or organization wants to conduct an event on Earth Day, they are encouraged to call Janet Best at 206-870-6547.

Finance

- Finance Director Dunyele Mason is preparing the first monthly financial report for the City Council to be presented at this Thursday’s City Council meeting.

Planning, Building, and Public Works Department

- The Department’s Community Development Division is swamped with work reviewing design submittals, small plats, final plats, sign applications, etc. while also working on various zoning municipal code projects. We’ve been making use of outside consultants to accomplish some of this work.
- Planning, Building, and Public Works Director Dan Brewer has been working with the Legal Department on the Blueberry Lane easement issue noted above.
- Clearing and grading work continues at the Des Moines Creek Business Park (DMCBP). The middle third of the site (Phase III) is being cleared. The permit to clear this part of the DMCBP was issued with the Phase I permit.
- Pannatoni has submitted an application for clearing and grading of the southern third of the DMCBP. This is the southern third of the site that will be the home of the new regional headquarters of the Federal Aviation Administration.
- Staff is working through a problem with the apparent low bidder on the Redondo Boardwalk project. The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise subcontractor that was included in the bid was rejected by the Federal Highways Administration. This bid must be rejected and we will have to go with the second lowest bidder. The second lowest bidder is \$176,463 higher than the lowest bid. We believe we can accommodate this higher cost into the project budget.

Marina

- Harbormaster Dusenbury and Park, Recreation, and Senior Services Director Thorell are working on paid parking options for the Marina and Beach Park. They are working on a contract with a consultant to help us with estimating revenue.

Economic Development

- Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director Matthias made a presentation to the City Council at last week's Council meeting as part of the Government 101 series. The presentation was entitled "The Art of Economic Development."
- The Sheraton Hotel held its grand opening last Saturday.
- King 5 aired a story about the proposed redevelopment of the Landmark on the Sound.