

City Manager's Office

March 9, 2016

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

Court

- Judge Leone has arranged for the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) to bring its mobile van to Des Moines City Hall on Wednesday, April 13, 2016. This mobile DSHS unit will be staffed by experienced program specialists who are able to determine eligibility for cash, food, and childcare subsidy programs. They can process new applications, conduct reviews, and process changes for active cases. In addition, eligibility for Medicare Savings Programs and Aged, Blind or Disabled Medicaid can also be determined.
- Progress on implementation of the Courts new case management system, or OCourt, continues. Information was imported into OCourt over the past weekend, use of OCourt forms will start next week, and use of the archiving process will start the following week. Full cutover is expected to take place the week of April 18th.
- The Des Moines Arts Commission has approached the Court and asked if they could arrange to display art in the Court Lobby. Judge Leone and Court Administrator Johnson will work with the Commission to select an appropriate piece of art for display.

Planning, Building, and Public Works Department

- Department staff and our consultant Grant Fredricks participated in a Sound Transit workshop regarding the station proposed for the South 272nd Street and I-5 area.
- Staff presented information red light enforcement cameras to the Council's Public Safety and Transportation Committee at its meeting last week. The Committee directed that staff bring an ordinance to the City Council for consideration that would place cameras at the South 216th Street and Pacific Highway South intersection for traffic flow going east on South 216th Street and south on Pacific Highway South. The Committee also directed that information regarding other potential locations be included in the packet material prepared for the City Council in the event that Council wanted to add additional cameras.
- As reported in the February 25th weekly report, Panattoni has submitted the clearing and grading permit for the Federal Aviation Administration project at the Des Moines Creek

Business Park. Staff is working to review the application and approve it by the end of this week.

- The Des Moines Creek Trail continues to be closed at the Marine View Drive Bridge because of safety concerns regarding the potential for a piece of the bridge falling onto the trail. The bridge is part of State Route 509 and therefore the repair is the responsibility of the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT). We have no time frame for the repair. WSDOT tells us that a work order for the repair has been placed into their system but they do not consider it a priority and cannot tell us when it will be completed.

Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services

- The Department is working on an additional Earth Day cleanup events to be conducted on April 23rd. The Des Moines and Normandy Park Rotary Club will coordinate a cleanup of Marine View Drive in the Marina District and South 216th Street from Marine View Drive to the Des Moines Creek Business Park.
- The Arts Commission is reviewing sculpture submittals for the Art on Poverty Bay program.
- The Rotary Club's Poverty Bay Wine Festival, held last weekend, went well. Preliminary figures show that the Club netted \$32,000.
- The part-time, no benefits recreation specialist position in Senior Services is proving to be difficult to fill. We had two applicants who looked to be very well qualified, but they both wanted a full-time position with benefits so we are back out advertising the opening.
- One of our part-time recreation attendants who works at the Event Center at Beach Park has resigned to accept full-time employment. We anticipate our part-time recreation specialist at the Events Center will also be accepting full-time employment in the near future leaving us with two employees to manage the Center: our full-time recreation coordinator and one part-time recreation attendant.

Marina

- Harbormaster Dusenbury is working on detailed cost estimates for the north marina projects he discussed with the Council's Municipal Facilities Committee. He is also researching various grants that we can use to help finance these projects and how the timing of grant application, grant award, and matching requirements affects how we would schedule these projects to be constructed.

Economic Development

- Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director Matthias made a presentation on economic development to Wesley Homes residents at the Gardens last night.
- Mr. Matthias continues to discuss redevelopment options with the new owners of the Landmark on the Sound. He will be meeting with them again this afternoon and evening.

Police Department

- The Police Department is in the process of participating in a three county rebanding of their radio systems. This will allow officers from each of these counties to share a radio frequency in case of a major incident, or natural disaster. In addition, Des Moines has received permission to add the east frequency for King County Sheriff's Office to the new radio system to allow officers from Des Moines, Burien, and SeaTac to talk to each other directly when coordinating a response in high risk calls for service. This is a benefit that most other agencies do not have since King County functions on their own radio frequency, not through Valley Communications.
- On Friday, March 4th, officers arrested a wanted subject behind 22319 Marine View Dr S. The subject provided a fake WA ID card. Officers were able to identify him via an AFIS scanner. He was subsequently arrested on his no bail DOC escape warrant. Search of the subject resulted in 0.4 grams meth, 9 credit cards, 2 check books and 2 ID's not belonging to him.
- There were three vehicle accidents on Friday, March 4th. The first was a two car, non-injury accident 16th and S 223rd. The second was a hit and run accident with a diabetic driver at 234th Pl and 10th Ave S. The third was a two vehicle non-injury collision at 216th and Pac Hwy.

Finance

- The State Auditor will be here to start their audit of the City the week of March 21st, several weeks earlier than we expected.
- Finance Director Mason will provide a 2015 year-end financial update to the City Council on March 10th and a 2016 monthly update on March 28th.
- The process for creating the 2017-2022 Capital Improvement Project Plan will begin in April with the distribution of project sheets to departments to begin working on.

Legal

- Legal is working with Planning, Building and Public Works Department staff on three ordinances that will clean up a variety of small issues in our zoning code, several of which will require Council to provide policy direction. The Council's Finance and Economic Development Committee will review the list of issues and draft ordinances at its next two meetings.