

City Manager's Office

May 11, 2016

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

Legal

- City Attorney Pat Bosmans has officially announced her retirement, effective June 1, 2016. I will name Assistant City Attorney Tim George Acting City Attorney to allow the next City Manager to determine who will be the next regular City Attorney.
- Assistant City Attorney Tim George has been working on a variety of issues concerning the franchise negotiations with our water and sewer districts.
- We recently received a complaint from a homeowner in the Westwood subdivision (North Hill, South 192nd Street and South 6th Avenue) regarding maintenance of Westwood Park, in particular the fencing around the park. Legal is reviewing the subdivision records to see who is responsible for maintenance of these fences.

Finance Department

- The Finance Department continues gearing up for the 2017 budget process. Initial efforts will start with the 2017-2022 Capital Improvement Program and estimating interfund charges.

Marina

- Marina staff are dealing with an issue at the Redondo boat launch involving seafood companies that are using the launch to obtain saltwater for their live seafood operations. Several companies are using the launch, sometimes blocking boaters from launching or retrieving their boats. Also, the pumps they are using are quite loud. Harbormaster Dusenbury will see if he can get all of them to use a facility at Highline College's MaST facility to draw water, as one company has been doing.
- The Seattle-King County Health Department closed Redondo Beach last week because of a high e-coli reading. They were informed of what appeared to be a leak coming from the restroom building next to the fishing pier and ordered the City to close the restroom. Upon inspection, we found that there was a leaking water pipe and not a leaking sewer pipe. We will be repairing the water leak, which may also require replacing some old water lines

under the sidewalk. The beach remains closed until the e-coli readings go down or the source is found.

Planning, Building, and Public Works Department

- The design review decision for the Des Moines Theater project will be issued today.
- The Marina 87 apartment project (on 7th Avenue just to the south of South 223rd Street) has informed us that they have contracted with a new architect. This will be the projects third architect.
- Staff is addressing a HVAC screen issue on buildings at the Des Moines Creek Business Park. The City Code requires screening of these facilities.
- The Gateway Segment 1A (South 216th Street between 24th Avenue South and Pacific Highway South) is going well.
- The applicant for the Highline Place project (on Pacific Highway South next to Highline College) has requested expedited review of their SEPA and design review applications. We will have a consulting firm, AHBL, conducted these reviews. The applicant will pay for this cost.

Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services

- Participation in our recreation programs continues to increase. For example, staff reports that participation in Club KHOAS is 18% higher this April compared to April 2015.
- Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services Director Patrice Thorell recently applied for a grant from Dr. Pepper © for sports equipment. We have been informed that we will receive the grant which will provide us \$15,000 of sports equipment in each of the next three years, for a total of \$45,000 worth of equipment.
- The new sculptures for the Art on Poverty Bay program will be installed during the month of May (outgoing sculptures will be removed) in order for the grand opening of the program scheduled for June.
- New banners will be installed in the Marina District during May. The banners will be similar in color and theme to the metal “banners” that are on the light poles on South 216th Street from Wesley Homes to Marine View Drive.

Police Department

- Chief Delgado reports that we are seeing an uptick in violent crime, similar to what other south King County cities are experiencing. He is working with other Police Chiefs to address this problem.
- The Police Foundation is holding a potluck for our detectives and support staff to recognize the amount of time and effort they have been putting in recently because of the homicides we’ve experienced this year.
- Last Thursday, May 5th, at 8:54 a.m. PD responded to a report of a female brandishing a weapon in the parking lot of McDonalds. The witness reported the female and her male companion leaving south bound on Pacific Highway. As the female approached the south side of Canopy World she tossed the gun into the bushes. We found the female who admitted she had an Airsoft gun at the McDonalds to scare some people she was having issues with but denied throwing it. She said she gave it to her male friend who we were

unable to find. With the help of King County's K-9 unit and ATF we eventually located the gun in the center median of Pacific Highway. The female had handed it off to the male who probably dumped it as we were arriving. The female is a convicted felon and had one of the hollow point rounds from the pistol in her back pocket. The gun, a Ruger 9mm, was listed as stolen by Pierce County Sheriff's Office in February.

- On Friday, May 6th, patrol responded to an assault at Royal Fabric, 21445 Pacific Highway South. An employee was sprayed with pepper spray as she was attempting to get the license plate of a car driven by a person who was escorted out of the store by the owner. Unable to locate the suspect.
- Two juvenile males have been arrested as suspects in the homicide that occurred on Friday, May 6th.