

City Manager's Office

January 14, 2008

To: City Council

From: City Manager

Re: Monthly Report – December

Police Personnel Issues

Entry Level Officer Kurt Wiebe was hired 12/1/07. He is scheduled to start the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission Basic Law Enforcement Academy on 1/28/08.

Community Service Unit Update

Community Services Officers spent the month working within the community on projects that included the Crime Free Housing Program, Alarm Program, graffiti issues, updating business contact information and Trespass Admonishments.

Statistical Comparison on Reported Crimes

Offense Type	December 2006	December 2007	% Difference	Jan. – Dec. 2006	Jan. – Dec. 2007	% Difference
Homicide	0	0	0%	0	2	NC
Rape	0	3	NC	13	21	+62%
Robbery	7	4	-43%	43	54	+26%
Assaults	19	12	-37%	274	215	-22%
Burglary	21	28	+33%	236	211	-11%
Larceny	63	44	-30%	611	511	-16%
Arson	0	0	0%	4	1	-75%
Motor Vehicle Theft	22	13	-41%	368	230	-38%
Officers Assaulted	0	0	0%	0	0	0%
Clearances Adult Arrest	37	23	-38%	334	325	-3%
Clearances Juvenile Arrest	4	13	+225%	63	57	-10%
Calls for Service	1,863	1,633	-12%	23,192	21,672	-6%

Marina Maintenance Dredging

All of the permits have been submitted and the sediment tests have been completed. Staff and consultants are waiting for the federal and state permits to be issued. At that point, the project will go to bid. In the meantime, the consultant is finishing up the plans and specifications for the bid package.

Marina Bulkhead Replacement A – Phase 1

In December, staff briefed the full Council on the Municipal Facilities Committee's final recommendation for the conceptual design for the redevelopment of the north end of the Marina. Staff met with the Committee on January 11th to discuss the contract with Moffatt and Nichol for the final design of the project.

Marina Water Main Relocation Project

Marina staff met with Water District 54's engineers to begin design work for the relocation of the water main serving the Marina. Staff is trying to get this project out to bid and completed before the boating season starts in June.

Marina Service Division

In spite of the weather, Marina services finished the year on a very positive note. Guest moorage revenues for December were over twice the amount collected in December 2006, and total guest moorage revenues for the year were up 7% over 2006 total revenues. Fuel revenues were up 20% over December, 2006, mainly on the strength of higher prices. Total fuel revenues for the year were up about 2% over 2006. Typically, there is not much activity at the public launcher in December. As expected, total launch revenue was down again for the year. Total revenue at the public launcher in 2007 was \$66,250 versus \$68,205 for 2006.

Marina Maintenance Division

In December, Marina staff continued working on regular maintenance tasks and some capital projects. The priorities for this off-season are to complete the M Dock rewiring project, prepare I and J docks for the fire suppression stand pipes and to install anodes on at least thirty of the steel piling supporting the Redondo boardwalk and bulkhead. Also, this is the time of year when the staff pressure washes all of the floating docks.

Legal Department Personnel

The Legal Department congratulates and welcomes the appointments of Susan Mahoney as Assistant City Attorney and Tim George as Rule 9 Intern. Susan's main responsibilities will be to the Marina, Parks & Recreation, NPDES Appeal, Prosecution backup, and supervision of both the Rule 9 intern and Domestic Violence Advocate. Tim will be handling Municipal Court prosecution matters, including filing of citations and infractions and appearing on behalf of the City in Municipal Court, and other civil tasks as assigned.

Des Moines Creek Trail

Staff completed some minor grading to connect the existing paved portion of the trail to the maintenance road and installed signage that notifies trail users when the trail is open or closed due to construction to accommodate landslide repairs and landscaping projects along the trail. The trail was temporarily closed during December coinciding with the emergency slide repair work along Des Moines Memorial Drive South but was reopened in early January.

It is anticipated that the paving of the trail segment between the Midway Sewer Treatment Plant and the Beach Park can begin in the summer of 2008 now that all of the funding for the project's elements including: \$250,000 from Washington State, and a Federal Highways appropriation in the amount of \$230,000 and a second appropriation for the amount of \$500,000 by Patty Murray's office is anticipated. The King County Parks Levy that passed in 2007 will provide approximately \$300,000 for Des Moines Creek Trail over the 6 year term from 2008-2013.

Auditorium & Sun Home Lodge Improvements

The Auditorium & Sun Home Lodge Perimeter Drainage Improvement Project was successfully completed in November and the new drainage system has been inspected, tested, and found to be functioning very well. The drainage system is ready to tie-in to the Auditorium as soon as the construction has been completed.

Dining Hall, Picnic Shelter Improvements

Contracts were signed and design work has begun with BOLA Architecture and Planning Design for the rehabilitation of the 1934 Dining Hall, 1934 Sun Home Lodge and 1920's Picnic Shelter, and mothballing or other action related to the 1945 Restroom Building. Due to December 2007 flooding, the design and engineering team will complete another damage assessment prior to beginning the programming phase of their work.

Emergency shoring and other repair work to protect the Dining Hall structure from flooding such as temporary lifting and or relocation of the Dining Hall was discussed with City Council in December. Staff is developing a plan in cooperation with other permitting agencies for preliminary work to begin in February.

Field House Exterior Renovation

Pilgrims Progress Preservation Services has completed the log restoration work on the west facing wall of the Field House and is in the final stages of completing Picnic Shelter restoration. Staff expects the project to be completed by late January.

Recreation Program Update

<u>December Revenue</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>2006 YTD</u>
\$34,818.10	\$724,676.09	\$677,974.51

Before and After School Program

There were 173 children registered in our Before and After School program at Des Moines, North Hill, Midway, Marvista and Parkside Elementary Schools in the Highline School District and Woodmont Elementary School in the Federal Way School District. We had another 118 children participate on a drop-in basis.

Breakfast With Santa

The Recreation Department hosted the 5th annual Breakfast with Santa event at the Des Moines Activity Center on Saturday, December 8th. Festivities included a breakfast of pancakes and eggs, pictures with Santa, and a coloring contest. Over 100 participants enjoyed the activities. This event was done in conjunction with the Des Moines Senior Center and also the Des Moines Youth Council.

Youth and Teen Basketball League

Our 2007-2008 Youth and Teen Basketball League has begun with the first games having taken place on December 9th. We have 513 kids currently participating on 53 different teams. Participants range from Kindergarten through 10th graders and all teams are coached by volunteer coaches and sponsored by local businesses. Games are played at the Des Moines Field House, Pacific Middle School, and North Hill Elementary; while practices are conducted at numerous facilities throughout the greater Des Moines community.

December Teen Dance

Approximately 158 teens attended the December Teen Dance on Friday, December 21st at the Field House. Teens enjoyed dancing, snacks, and music supplied by local DJ Joeii Gettys. The dance was put on in conjunction with the Des Moines Youth Council and there are many community volunteers that help make the dances as successful as they have become.

Activity Afternoons at Pacific Middle School

Activity Afternoons at Pacific Middle School continued to be very successful with programs held on December 7, 14 and 21. The Activity Afternoons are an After School Program at Pacific Middle School on Fridays throughout the school year. The program is funded by the Des Moines Rotary Club and Des Moines Legacy Foundation and is done in conjunction with the Highline School District and Destination Des Moines. There are now 197 teens registered for the program and December attendance was 85, 85 and 56 participants respectively. Kids enjoy snacks, arts and crafts, gym activities and have access to the computer lab as well.

Senior Services Update

	2006	2007
Number of Meals Served	461	688
Fee Program Participants	178	142
Drop In Participants	789	1,777
Volunteer Hours	1,015.25	608.75
Revenue for December	\$2,838	\$2,149.50

Senior Nutrition Program

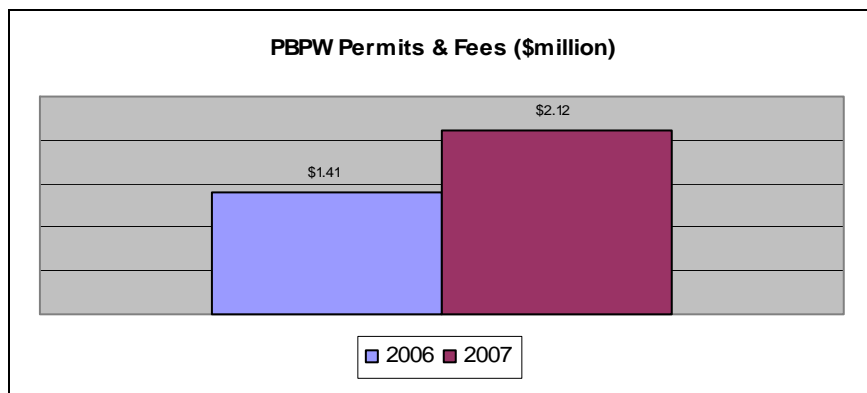
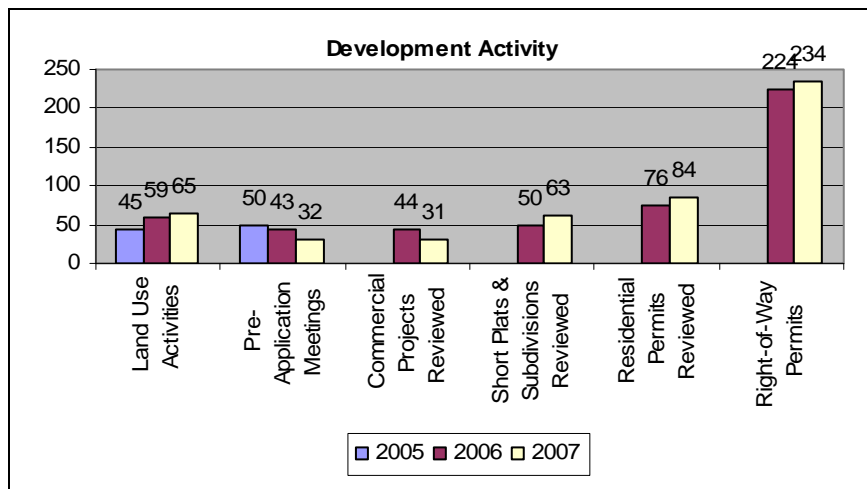
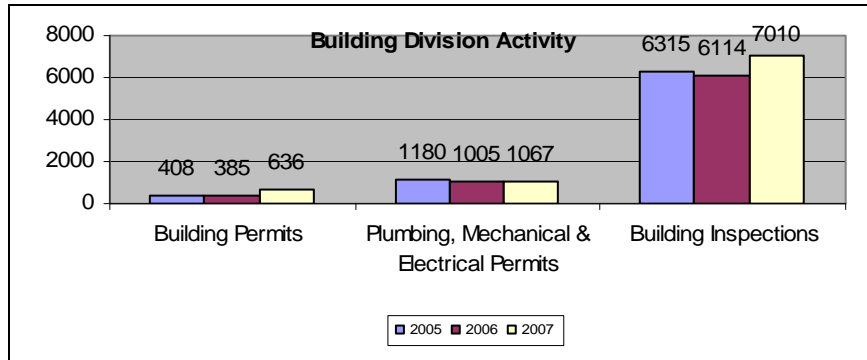
It was the Senior Activity Center's biggest Holiday Luncheon to date with 184 seniors and volunteers treated to holiday caroling, photos with Santa and a delicious meal. The Latino Ladies choir gave a wonderful concert of holiday carols in Spanish. There were also 9 City volunteers to help with serving and clean up. The lunch program was cancelled December 26 and 27 for the annual maintenance of the wood floors.

Quilt Raffle Winner

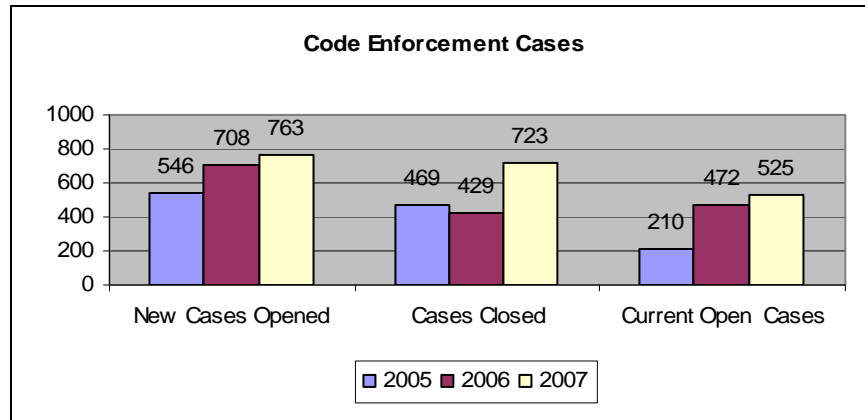
Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for our quilt raffle. The Senior Activity Center raised \$644 from ticket sales. The lucky winner was drawn on Thursday, December 6. Betty Ryan, a regular with our center dances and nutrition program for over sixteen years, was our happy winner.

Permit Processing

Building permitting and inspections, and development review were at historic high levels as shown below.



Code Enforcement. In 2007, 763 code enforcement cases were opened, 723 closed, and 525 are currently open. The Building Division also increased its building code enforcement activities.



Building Division

Midway Elementary School’s project is moving along. The structural steel framework and site work continues. The concrete masonry unit (CMU) walls for the gym are about two-thirds up. The shape of this structure can now be seen. The Building Division is working with the contractor on a daily basis.

Mount Rainier High School continues to work towards completion. School opened September 5th. A “Temporary Certificate of Occupancy” was issued for the school. A timeline is still not yet available for a final Certificate of Occupancy.

Aviation High School opened September 10th at the Olympic School site on North Hill under a “Temporary Certificate of Occupancy.” The building is still not complete.

Judson Park Addition is moving along at a fast pace. All levels of construction are well underway. The shape and style of this building addition is quite evident at this level of construction. As soon as a realistic project completion date is known, it will be shared.

Subdivisions pending review and approval – 352 lots (down by 8 from November)

- Bennett 25 Lot PUD, 1205 South 232nd Street. The applicant submitted revised plans on 12/26/07 to address staff’s concerns related to the design of the ROW, the applicant’s justification for the PUD subdivision, and design of the proposed park. The new plan, reducing the number of lots from 33 to 25, has been routed for review and comments are due back to Development Services on 1/28/08.
- South Shore 30 Lot Modified Subdivision, 2038 South 222nd Street. Staff is waiting on the applicant to submit the engineering plans.
- Highline View Estates 22 Lot Modified Subdivision, 22xx South 240th Street. The City is still waiting on the submittal of the revised plans and requested additional material to address the City’s 11/06/07 comment letter.
- Landmarque 66 lot Townhouse Subdivision, 260th and Pacific Highway South. During the initial review of the civil plans, staff identified significant deficiencies in the design of the street improvements and the surface water drainage system. The applicant submitted the

revised plans and required materials on 12/28/07; staff comments are due back to Development Services on 2/11/08.

- Blueberry Lane 66 unit PUD, 199xx Des Moines Memorial Drive. The applicant submitted the revised plans on 1/3/08 to address staff's concerns related to the design of the detention pond and the right-of-way improvements. Staff comments are due back to Development Services 2/25/08.
- Pacific Heights (formerly Grandville Southern) 77 lot PUD, 15xx South 279th Place. The SEPA review has been completed and the final determination was published on 12/04/07. The comment period for the determination has concluded and the appeal period will conclude on 01/10/08. The project has been re-scheduled for the Planning Agency on 2/4/08 since there was not a quorum available for a January Planning Agency meeting and a public hearing with the City Council on 02/28/08.
- Crestwood Park 67 lot PUD, 27425 16th Avenue South. On 12/06/07 the City Council approved Ordinance 1420 and Resolution 1060 which approved the rezone amendment and the preliminary PUD substantially in the same form as originally proposed by the applicant except for some minor changes. Staff has requested that the applicant submit the final engineering plans.

Short Plats pending review and approval – 56 total lots (up 4 lots from November)

- Massey Creek Estates 7 Lot Modified Short Plat, 23406 14th Avenue South. A preliminary subdivision design review letter with comments was sent to the applicant on 6/13/07. Resubmittal received 8/24/07. Review comments were sent to the applicant on 9/25/07. City staff met with the applicant and engineer 10/24/07 to discuss design options.
- Nichols 3 Lot Short Plat, 23246 Marine View Drive South. Civil plans were received on 5/30/07. Review comments were sent to the applicant on 7/17/07. Revision received 10/1/07. Staff review comments were sent to the applicant 10/26/07. Revision received 11/20/07. Staff is compiling review comments.
- Nhut 4 lot Short Plat, 2004 South 253rd Street. Complete civil plan submittal received on 8/14/07. Review comments sent to applicant on 9/17/07. SEPA Checklist and grading permit review comments were sent to the applicant 10/23/07. Revision received 11/26/07. Staff is compiling review comments. SEPA DNS comment period to begin 1/16/08.
- Cornerstone 2 Lot Short Plat, 24317 16th Avenue South. Notice of Complete Application sent on 5/21/07. Staff review comments were sent to the applicant 7/3/07. Revision received 10/10/07. Preliminary plat approved with conditions 11/13/07. Final plat submittal received 12/4/07. Review letter sent to applicant 12/20/07.
- Ho 3 Lot Short Plat, 25804 Marine View Drive South. Application was received on 5/15/07. Review comments were sent to the applicant on 7/13/07. Re-submittal received on 9/11/07. Review comments due to Planning on 9/26/07. Review comments were sent to the applicant on 10/12/07. Revision received on 11/8/07. Staff is compiling review comments.
- Cary Lang 3 Lot Short Plat, 23257 Marine View Drive South. Application received on 8/27/07. Review comments were sent to the applicant on 9/27/07. Revisions received 10/23/07. Review comments due to Planning on 11/16/07. Review letter sent to applicant 11/30/07.

- Williams 2 Lot Short Plat, 23232 Marine View Drive South. Application received on 10/31/07. Review comments due to Planning on 11/30/07. Review letter sent to applicant 12/10/07.
- Shoopman 5 Lot Short Plat 222nd Street Townhomes, 2414 South 222nd Street. Application received on 10/25/07. Review comments were submitted to Planning. A review letter for associated lot line adjustment sent to applicant on 12/6/07.
- Jensen 2 Lot Short Plat, 25639 Marine View Drive South. Application received on 10/30/07. Review comments sent to applicant 12/10/07.
- Atkinson/Gethers 3 Lot Short Plat, 8XX South 280th Street. Application received on 1/17/06. LLA LUA07-002 completed. Revision received 10/5/07. Review comments were sent to applicant 11/27/07.
- J&J Equities 9 Lot Short Plat, 1615 South 260th Street. Application received on 11/20/07. Staff is compiling review comments.
- Cooper 24th Avenue 4 Lot Short Plat, 24101 24th Avenue South. Application received on 12/6/07. Review comments are due to Planning 1/3/07.

Subdivisions and Related Activity under Construction – 40 total lots

- Maslow 5 lot Subdivision, 18xx South 222nd Street. The City has approved the civil plans and issued permits for the required infrastructure improvements. Construction has not yet started. Reporting will cease on this project next month due to a lack of activity in the last 120 days and the likelihood of a new owner taking over the project after property foreclosure is settled.
- Dovey View's 4 lot Short Plat, 1644 S. 225th. Work on the infrastructure improvements is slowing down for the winter. The contractor must still complete the private street and submit a design for the offsite improvements required to tie the existing sidewalk to the new sidewalk.
- ADKP 4 lot Short Plat, 22752 10th Avenue South. Work at the site has recommenced; all curb and gutter has been installed and the contractor is starting to pave the private street and South 16th Avenue. The contractor must still build the sidewalks.
- Graceview 27 unit PUD, South 234th & Kent-Des Moines Road. The revised final plat documents have been reviewed and approved by City staff. The required infrastructure improvements are substantially complete; all remaining minor punch list items have been covered by a bond. Staff is waiting on the applicant to pay the park in-lieu fee and submit 12 copies of the final plat documents for review by the City Council. The final plat is scheduled to be presented to the City Council on 3/13/08.

Commercial Scale Projects Under Land Use Review

- Parkside Elementary, 68,000 square foot new school (2 stories), 2104 South 247th Street. The majority of staff comments provided to the applicant on 10/02/07 focused on the requirements for the Critical Areas Development Exceptions for the stream and wetland buffers. Staff also has concerns related to landscaping and vehicular access. The applicant submitted the revised plans on 12/04/07; comments are due back to Development Services on 1/11/08.

- Saratoga View Villas 34 Condominiums, 16xx South 216th Street. Review comments were provided to the applicant on 11/02/07. The concerns related to access from South 216th Street across WSDOT ROW have been resolved; however, there are still concerns related to sight-distance, design of the parking lot, landscaping, and design of the buildings. The applicant also did not submit a preliminary Technical Information Report and design of the surface water detention facilities. The applicant is currently working to make changes to the preliminary layout to address staff concerns.
- Kingdom Hall, new 8,750 sq ft church, 21645 24th Ave South. The applicant submitted revised plans and requested documentation on 11/8/07. The revised plans have been reviewed and all comments were provided to the applicant on 12/20/07. There is still disagreement to whether or not the proposed caretakers/parsonage is a permitted use in the Business Park Zone. The revised plans did address a majority of the City's earlier comments.
- Prasad Sewer Main Extension, 1064 feet sewer main extension, 17th – 20th Ave S. Midway Sewer District has preliminarily approved the installation of the pipe; however, the developer must still complete the access road to the manholes, developer agreement, and submit compaction testing results before the Sewer District will accept the pipe and allow connections. The Sewer District staff indicates that there has been no contact with the applicant in over a month and the District believes that the project may have been abandoned.

Commercial Scale Projects with Land Use Approvals Granted

- Zenith Viewpointe, 4 dwelling units and 1,800 sq ft commercial, 23659 Marine View Drive South. The street vacation petition request was approved by Council on 11/8/07. The petitioners have remitted the funds for the purchase of the vacated ROW and that part of the project is now complete.
- Rahul Place 23040, 3 story 25,137 square foot office building, Pacific Highway South. The applicant submitted a building permit application on 10/23/07. The plans have been reviewed and all comments were provided to the applicant.
- Bay Villa Apartments, 15 unit townhouse development, 16th Avenue South and Kent/Des Moines Road. The project has been approved by SWM and comments issued by Development Services, Building and Transportation. The applicant has submitted the revised plans.
- Patel Medical Arts Building, 3 story 17,400 square foot medical office building, 22613 Pacific Highway South. Staff completed the review of the revised plans and provided comments back to the applicant on 11/29/07. The plans still have significant building code deficiencies and some minor planning corrections. Revised plans have been re-submitted and are currently under review.

Shorelines/ESA'S

- Redondo Waste Water Treatment Plant Outfall Repair and Replacement. The City is waiting on the applicant to post the required bond amount. The engineer for the project has informed the City that the bidding for the project commenced November 2007 and construction will begin in August 2008.

Beach Park/Marina Projects

- Beach Park Auditorium Remodel. The building permit for the Auditorium renovation has been approved by Development Services and SWM. The Building Division has issued

comments to the architect. The City is currently waiting on the applicant to submit the revised plans; however, the Parks Department has indicated that this project will be pushed back until the flooding issues in Beach Park have been satisfactorily addressed by the City.

- Marina Maintenance Dredging. The City has concluded the SEPA review of the Development Services is now finalizing the shoreline exemption. All environmental permitting under the City of Des Moines' jurisdiction should be completed by 1/31/08.
- Beach Park/Marina Master Utility Expansion. A SEPA determination has been issued by the City effective 1/03/08. The comment period for the MDNS concluded on 1/13/08 and the appeal period will conclude on 1/23/08. Utility work is scheduled to begin in May of 2008.

Recycling/Solid Waste

- Parks and Recreation took delivery of 13 park benches made of recycled materials. Paid for with reimbursement from our Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant from King County, these benches will be installed at various places around the City.
- Two of our three grant contracts for recycling in 2008-2009 have been received from the granting agencies. As soon as the third is received, they will be brought before City Council for review.
- Preparations are being made now for a Request for Proposals for a professional consultant to help organize our recycling program events for the next two years.

Miscellaneous

- Windward Condominiums. G2007-0019 submitted 8/17/07. Vegetation management plan for west slopes. Planning review letter and partial approval sent 10/03/07. City staff has apportioned the full extent of the work requested by the applicant into segments which will be reviewed and monitored incrementally to determine if the applicant is being a good steward of the hillside. A re-submittal was received on 12/19/07 and is pending Planning review.

Parks & Public Works Operations and Maintenance

Facilities (1 person)

- Repair Beach Park vandalism - Founder's Lodge and Dining Hall were broken into.
- Refinish Activity Center floor
- Clean Police and Public Works building roof and gutters
- Check the fire extinguishers, First Aid and lighting in buildings

Park Operations [crew of 4]

- Put up Christmas lights
- Pruned trees Marine View Drive/7th Avenue S.
- Prepared for Christmas bon fires @ Redondo/Beach Park
- Pressure washed PD patio and platforms @ Beach Park
- Installed plants for the Marina

Road and Street Maintenance [crew of 4]

- Heavy rains caused some flooding concerns. Kent-Des Moines Road was closed due to water over roadway. Crew responded to many citizen flooding calls. DM Beach Park was completely flooded from creek overflow.
- Guardrail repair was done @ S. 272nd & 12th. Peterson Brothers removed old guardrail and replaced with new @ S. 223rd/Cliff Ave.

- Graffiti was removed from Woodmont Drive pedestrian wall (16th Avenue Improvement Project)
- Sink holes @ 30/225th and 18/243rd were repaired.
- Crack sealing was done on Des Moines Memorial Drive in area of slide repairs.

Surface Water Maintenance [crew of 5]

- After the flooding event, crews cleaned clogged debris guards
- Ditch cleaning was done on Marine View Drive south of Saltwater Park Bridge and on Woodmont Beach Drive.
- Damaged asphalt berms were installed @ 250/20th, 24/216th and 7th/222nd.
- Catch basin repair done @ 262nd Woodmont Drive.
- Bridge drains cleaned on I-5 overpass on 216th and the Twin Bridges on 16th Avenue S.

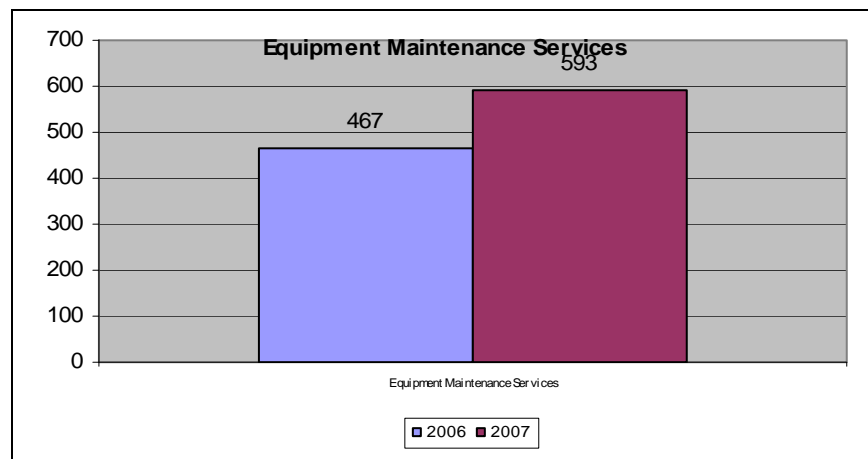
Ancillary Duties

- Assisted DM Police @ 24th/224th vacant lot in search for handgun related to a crime (2 days).
- Helped PB&PW Suite D rearrange office space and furniture
- Helped out with Christmas quarterly employee lunch held @ Public Works and Parks Service Center

Equipment Services

The City shop is up to date on services - 36 maintenance events took place in the month of December. The last few purchases for 2007 were made: Public Works received a compactor for the Surface Water backhoe; the Street Department had a thumb mechanism installed on their backhoe; a Bituminous Applicator was obtained for installing traffic buttons. Parks also purchased a blower for the Toro Sand Pro to clean off the trails and baseball fields. The Auction brought in \$8,000 for the old flat bed from streets and the incident response van from Police Department.

All the patrol cars were upgraded to the new NXT videos system. All City of Des Moines Police vehicles are ready for winter weather and we have studded tires and chains for all their vehicles.



Maintenance services increased 30% over 2006.

Des Moines Creek Basin (DMCB) Projects

The High Flow Bypass Pipeline is now complete and was \$200,000 under budget. Midway Sewer District has decided the existing outfall and sewer trunkline to the Des Moines Creek Committee and a bill of sale is being circulated for signature. The Committee has contracted

with King County to clean the pipeline and to remove the upstream plug from the pipe. This has been scheduled for mid-January. Once this is done, the bypass will be fully operational.

Per the Corps Permit, the vegetation within the Regional Detention Facility must undergo two growing seasons before the facility can be operational. In addition, the facility must be certified as a dam by the Corps. Before applying for dam certification, some minor berm settlement (less than 1 foot) must be corrected (built back up to the design elevation). This work is scheduled for this summer. Once the certification and vegetation has been approved by the Corps, the facility can be made "operational", anticipated by October 2008.

Saltwater Bridge – South Approach Reconstruction

The bridge opened on January 9, 2008.

Des Moines Memorial Drive – Emergency Repairs at Slide 2

During the December rain storm event, heavy rain caused additional sloughing and cracking of the hillside and pavement along Des Moines Memorial Drive just north of Marine View Drive. This additional deterioration increased the possibility of serious undermining of the roadway, and posed an immediate threat to the roadway and citizens using that facility. The northbound travel lanes were closed to through traffic at around 10:30 AM on December 3rd from Marine View Drive north to S. 212th Street.

In response, a Declaration of Emergency was issued by the City Manager on December 3rd, thereby waiving competitive bidding requirements and permitting award for any emergency related work. The City Council was briefed on the situation at the study session meeting of December 6, 2007 and was further updated on December 13, 2007.

The City contracted with Gary Merlino Construction Company, Inc. to provide immediate repairs to this slide area to prevent further deterioration and possible loss of the roadway. They have helped the City during emergency situations in the past, and they have always performed the necessary repairs professionally and expeditiously. The emergency repairs have been completed including rock placement on the slope, the installation of a horizontal ground-water drainage system, and the installation of guardrail. The remaining repairs will be incorporated with other slide repair projects.

Wall and storm sewer construction is ahead of schedule. Overlay of S. 260th St from Pacific Highway to 16th Ave S. has been added to the contract, but funded from the arterial overlay budget. A conflict exists between curb work constructed on the eastside of 16th Ave S. near S. 260th St and the ultimate street cross section. The construction manager and the contractor are working with the design engineer to resolve this issue.

Work Accomplished in December:

Signal and traffic control adjustments

Resolution of overhead wiring conflicts w/ PSE

Guardrail design modification on Woodmont Dr. S and adjacent to Wall 8

Responded to RFI's from the general contractor regarding irrigation and curb returns

Sidewalks, curbs & gutter installation

Street light installation (Intolight)

Property restoration and fencing construction

Construction of driveway approaches at Woodmont Elementary School and Fire Station

Preparations for opening of Saltwater Bridge & increased traffic on Woodmont Drive S.
Drainage and erosion control

Work anticipated in January:

Continue driveway approaches
Continue sidewalks and curbing, resolve conflict near S. 260th St.
Continue property restoration fencing down 16th Ave South.
Flasher poles at Woodmont Elementary School
Traffic control – will be more localized on 16th Ave South.
Property owner contacts for property restoration work
Utility adjustments: PSE Overhead & HWD hydrants and meters
Complete street lighting improvements
Establish irrigation system point of connection & request HWD waiver of fees

2008 Pavement Management Program

Staff has been working on the development of the 2008 pavement management program. Candidate locations will be coordinated by geographic area. Recommended treatment types will be verified in January and February, which include overlay, patching, and various preventative maintenance treatments.

Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program

Staff is currently reviewing traffic calming needs within the Redondo Riviera Neighborhood and will be working with a development engineer on the design of a traffic circle for the intersection of 13th Ave. S. and S. 276th St.

Street Standards

Staff continued work on the development of draft standard drawings for incorporation into the Street Design and Construction Standards. About 20 drawings remain to be completed. Once the drawings are completed, review of the standards will then begin through the PS&T committee.

Comprehensive Transportation Plan

In December, staff began to work with Mirai on the development of the scope of work for the Comprehensive Transportation Plan update.

Traffic Count Program

The 2007 traffic count program has been completed. Data collection at the 2008 count locations will begin in early spring.

Multi-Year Civil Engineering Services:

Council approved the on-call contracts on November 8th. These on-call consultants will be used on selective projects already approved by the Council in the CIP budget, as well as to assist staff with survey needs, utility plan reviews, structural analysis, development review, and are to be available to respond to emergency situations such as landslides, earthquakes and flooding. Staff is currently working on several Task Order assignments with various consultants. Two of these will be coming to City Council on January 24th.

Civil Engineer Staffing

We unsuccessfully advertised for a Civil Engineer II for much of 2007. Staff again advertised for the Civil Engineer 2 in December. Civil Engineers are in high demand in the market place due to the construction/project volumes. We continue to advertise on the Institute of Traffic Engineers and American Public Works Association websites.

Contracts Signed in December:

- Extension of Len Madsen's professional services contract thru August 2008 to complete the 16th Avenue South Project.
- Extension of Janitorial Contract for one more year (2008).

Contracts Expected in January:

- Slide repairs on Des Moines Memorial Drive and Marine View Drive
- Change order to overlay/patch portions of Des Moines Memorial Drive
- Task Order Assignment for Comprehensive Transportation Plan and miscellaneous transportation studies
- Task Order Assignment for South 216th St. – Phase 4 Design (Pacific Highway to 20th Avenue S.)
- Memorandum of Understanding with Highline Water District for paving work on Thunderbird Drive