

### The City Leadership Team Is Now Complete

Jeff Robinson has been appointed as the City's Community and Economic Development (CED) Director. Jeff has been serving as the Acting Director for the past year while CED Director Joe Scorcio was serving as Acting City Manager. There are no longer any Acting Directors in the City. Jeff has been with the City for more than 8 years and has consistently demonstrated solid leadership skills. Jeff's prior position as Economic Development Manager will be fully evaluated and likely changed before it is filled.

This strategic approach to vacancies is consistent with the steps that City administration has taken with position vacancies at all levels throughout the organization over the last year.

### A New Beginning

The first major redevelopment project for the City Center in over two decades began on Wednesday morning with the start of the Jet Motel demolition project. The Jet Motel and its neighboring property, the Concourse Inn will both be removed to make room for two new hotels and a market rate apartment on the three acre site three blocks north of the light rail sky bridge. City Council members Campbell, Fernald, Forschler and Kwon were in attendance for the ceremonial sledge hammer swings and watched as the first pass of the heavy equipment began its work which should take about two weeks to complete.



Lou Development is building the nearly \$100 million project that includes a 242 room Hyatt Place and a 139 room Hyatt House, along with about 100 apartment units. All parking will be underground or on a pedestal and should set the stage for similar project to follow that will help transform this part of the City. The hotels are scheduled to be completed in early 2019 with the apartment to follow soon thereafter.

# Public Works Project Updates

## Connecting 28th/24th Avenue S.

Project extends new roadway and non-motorized improvements from the intersection of S. 200th Street and 26th Avenue S. to the intersection of S. 208th Street and 24th Avenue S. It completes the gap in the 28th/24th corridor and provides an alternate north/south arterial to SR 99. It mitigates congestion and improves multi-modal access to the Angle Lake Light Rail Station in lieu of widening SR 99. The project is a regional partnership between SeaTac, Sound Transit, Port of Seattle, WSDOT and Des Moines. Access will enable development of adjacent properties to the highest & best use.

### Update:

- Installation of wingwall panels on tunnel structure continues, 90% complete.
- Tunnel backfilling is on-going, to be completed by end of March.
- Installation of illumination poles is on-going.
- Patching of retaining walls at multiple locations.
- Site restoration is continuing – landscaping, tree planting, and general tidying up. The planting window has been extended to end of March.
- Bridge deck pour is planned for the week of March 17th. Test slab poured on March 13.
- Continue erosion and sediment control.

## 2017 Overlay Project

The following roadways will be included in the 2017 overlay: 12th Place S. and 13th Avenue S. between S. 200th Street and S. 207th Street and S. 207th Street between 12th Place S. and 14th Avenue S.

### Update:

60% plans/specs were distributed for review on March 13. The anticipated bid date for the project is late May.

## Intersection of S. 160th Street and 42nd Avenue S.

Following concerns from residents regarding the accident history at the intersection of S. 160th Street and 42nd Avenue S., Public Works has completed the following steps to improve safety:

- Vegetation within the ROW has been removed to maximize site distance.
- Placards have been added to both east and west bound legs of S. 160th Street (below the stop signs) to caution drivers that cross traffic does not stop.
- Additionally, once weather allows, a new stop bar will be applied to eastbound S. 160th Street at the intersection.

Additional site distance related improvements to this intersection will occur this summer as part of sidewalk improvements along 42nd Avenue S. that the City of Tukwila is constructing.

## S. 168th Street Stormwater System Improvements

Preliminary design has begun. Project is anticipated to bid in early June.

## 2017 Traffic Count Program

Collection of traffic counts has begun and will continue throughout the month of March.



## Valley View Library February Events

17850 Military Road S. - 206.242.6044

### Family Story Times

Thursdays at 10:00 AM

Mondays at 7:00 PM

Family program, all ages welcome with adult.

Stories, songs and fun!

### Citizenship Classes

Wednesdays 10:00 AM

Learn how to become a United States Citizen.

Study for the naturalization test, including civics questions, reading and writing English and practicing your interview skills. Classes are free, join anytime!

### Computer Classes

Have computer or software questions?

TechTutor Volunteers are here for you. You may bring your own laptop, but TechTutors cannot provide hands-on or hardware assistance. Assistance is also available in Arabic and Amharic.

- **One-on-One Computer Help**  
Saturday, March 11 & 25, 3:00 – 4:00 PM
- **Internet Level 2**  
Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 – 8:00 PM
- **Internet Level 3**  
Tuesday, March 21, 6:30 – 8:00 PM

### Drop-in to Learn about eBooks

Saturday, March 25, 3:00 PM

Learn how to download eBooks, magazines, comic books, movies and other online services from KCLS! Bring your eReader, tablet, phone- or just your questions.

### Spanish Story Times

Thursdays 6:00 PM

Family program, all ages welcome with adult. Stories, songs and fun!

### Talk Time Classes

Wednesdays, 1:00 PM

Practice speaking English with other English language learners. Learn about American culture and meet people from around the world. Classes are free, join anytime!

### Friends of the Valley View Library Book Sale

Saturday, March 25, 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Love books? Love bargains? Love your library? Triple-score at the Friends of the Valley View Library Book Sale!

A wide range of books donated by the community will be arrayed for your browsing pleasure.

# Book Sale

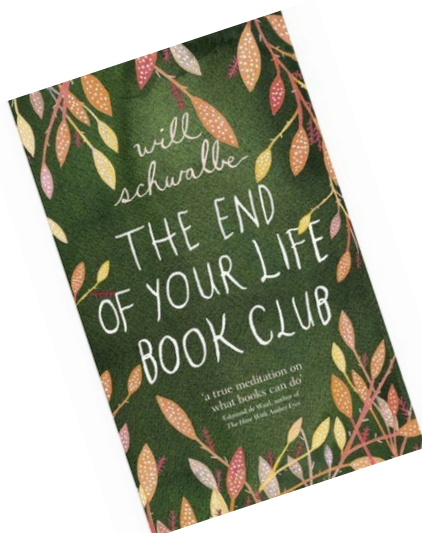


### Sign Up for ORCA LIFT's Reduced Fares

Tuesday, March 28, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Drop in to register for ORCA LIFT, a new, reduced fare on Metro buses, Sound Transit Link light rail, and more. Income-qualified riders, ages 19 to 64, can save 50% or more. To see if you qualify, check [www.orcalift.com](http://www.orcalift.com) or call Multi-

Service Center at 253.838.6810. Please bring ID and income verification documents.



### Valley View Library Book Club

**The End of Your Life Book Club by Will Schwalbe**

Tuesday, March 28, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

# POLICE NEWS

## King County Target Zero Task Force – 5 to Stay Alive Campaign

SeaTac Police Officers are participating in a series of County-wide traffic enforcement emphases. Each emphasis will provide extra patrols to focus on different dangerous driving behaviors including drug/alcohol impairment, speeding, distracted driving and driving without a seat belt. Each is intended to increase awareness for pedestrian safety and reduce collisions.

The March 17 emphasis is specifically intended to intervene against impaired driving on the St. Patrick's Day holiday.

The following video links have been provided by the King County Target Zero Task Force, for SeaTac community members:

- [Emphasis: Cell Phones](#)
- [Emphasis: Texting Spanish](#)
- [Emphasis: Texting](#)
- [Emphasis: Impaired Driving/Alcohol](#)
- [Emphasis: Impaired Driving/Marijuana](#)

- [Emphasis: Pedestrian Safety](#)
- [Emphasis: Seat Belts](#)
- [Emphasis: Child Seats](#)
- [Emphasis: Speeding I](#)
- [Emphasis: Speeding II](#)





## Puget Sound Fire Authority Fire Chief Resigns

Puget Sound Fire Authority Fire Chief Jim Schneider tendered his resignation at Wednesday night's Governance Board meeting, effective Sept. 4, the fire authority reported Thursday.

Schneider joined the fire authority on April 8, 2002, and has brought about many changes and improvements to our department, including: international accreditation; becoming a regional fire authority; contracting with the city of SeaTac; rebranding/renaming process and other steps in regionalization.

According to the fire authority, more information will become available as the process begins to find a successor to Schneider.

## Electrical Panel Fire

No one was hurt the evening of Thursday, March 16 when a residential electrical panel caught fire in the 3700 block of S. 172 Street.

Two men were home at the time of the fire and attempted to put out the fire using a handheld fire extinguisher. When firefighters from Puget Sound Fire got on scene at approximately 5:40 PM, they found smoke and sparks coming from the panel.

Because the system was energized, firefighters stood by to keep the fire from spreading until Puget Sound Energy arrived and disconnected the power.

The fire was contained to the panel and the wall surrounding it, and is considered accidental. In addition to Puget Sound Fire, a fire engine from the Tukwila Fire Department also responded to the call.



## Website Links

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[City Council Actions](#)



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**Joseph Scorcio**  
City Manager

## EVERYONE'S TALKING ABOUT IT

### Retired or Rewired: Creating a Fulfilling Third Act

Tuesday, March 21, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Are you planning retirement and still want to make a contribution, learn something new, set a bit bigger goal without reporting to a job every day? Are you already retired and want to shake it up a little? Talk about options, share ideas and learn what others do to avoid becoming invisible. What's on YOUR mind in 2017? Join in lively conversations about topics that matter with free programs at KCLS libraries.

Politics, education, space exploration, sustainable living, race and important moments in history are just a few things we will discuss. Find topics that fascinate YOU and come talk about it. For more information, [www.kcls.org](http://www.kcls.org).

