



Mayor and Deputy Mayor Selected by Council

Councilmember Erin Sitterley is the Mayor of the City of SeaTac after being selected by the City Council. Sitterley is taking the place of former Councilmember Michael Siefkes who stepped down in early September from his council seat and announced he is moving out-of-state. During the same meeting, Councilmember Clyde Hill was selected as Deputy Mayor. Both Mayor Sitterley and Deputy Mayor Hill will serve through 2019.

For more information on the application process, click [here](#).

Key to The City Presented to Former Mayor



At Tuesday's Council Meeting, Mayor Erin Sitterley presented the Key to the City to Michael Siefkes who stepped down from the City Council at the September 11, 2018 Regular Council Meeting. Mr. Siefkes served in Council Position 5. He was Deputy Mayor from January 2016 to March 2016, followed by his term as Mayor from March 2016 to September 2018.

Vacant Council Seat Appointment Process

Multiple applications have been turned into City Hall for vacant Council Position 5. Early next week, the City will announce the interview date for the candidates. On Friday, October 5, a random drawing will determine the interview time of each applicant. All candidates will be interviewed at a yet-to-be-determined Special Council Meeting in October.

The interview process will take place in a public meeting with the Council, and then Councilmembers will go into Executive Session to discuss applicant qualifications. Once the determination is made, the Council will return to a public meeting to make their appointment. The member will be sworn in at the following Regular Council Meeting.

The SeaTac resident chosen for Council Position 5 will serve the unexpired term through the November 2019 General Election certification period.

Process for Applicants for Washington State Department of Commerce Sea-Tac Airport Study Advisory Committee (SSAC)

The application deadline closed at 5:00 PM on Friday, September 28 for candidates for a citizen representative on the Washington State Department of Commerce Sea-Tac Airport Study Advisory Committee (SSAC).

The SSAC began in 2018 when the Washington State Legislature directed the Department of Commerce to conduct a study of the current impacts and benefits of the Sea-Tac International Airport on the surrounding communities including Burien, Des Moines, Federal Way, Normandy Park, SeaTac, and Tukwila.

The applicants will be interviewed at a yet-to-be-determined date in October. The SeaTac community member to SSAC will be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council at a City Council Meeting in October.

Preliminary 2019-2020 City Budget



The Preliminary 2019-2020 Biennial Budget is now posted on the City [website](#). The Preliminary Budget presented by City Manager Joseph Scorcio is balanced within projected revenues and maintains current service delivery and operation levels. In addition, the Departments are on-track to achieve the actively managed savings goal of 4% established in the 2017-2018 Biennial Budget. This will provide a strong end-of-year fund balance that will continue into the beginning of 2019. Lastly, the General Fund still has monies above the 4-month operational reserve that was established two years ago.

The Council will review the budget at a series of Budget Workshops beginning October 5. Final adoption is scheduled for November.

Council Votes for Next Steps with Two of Three Development Projects on City-Owned Land

At the Tuesday, September 25 Regular Meeting, the SeaTac City Council voted to take next steps with three potential projects on City-owned land. The projects included the sale of former Fire Station 45, former Fire Station 47, and the SeaTac Center. The City issued [Request for Proposals](#) for all three properties.

The Council voted to direct the City Manager to enter into negotiations with the Inland Group to purchase and redevelop the SeaTac Center, which is located in the 15200 block of International Boulevard South. The Inland Group proposes a multi-use project with 665 residential units including workforce housing and 30,000-square-feet of commercial space on the bottom level.

In addition, Councilmembers voted to authorize the City Manager to enter into negotiations with the Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI) for the sale and redevelopment of the former Fire Station 47 property located at 3215 South 152nd Street. The LIHI proposal calls for the building of 60 residential units. The Council additionally instructed City Staff to work with the developer to include commercial space on the ground floor of the project.



During the meeting, the Council also voted to remove the Fire Station 45 property, located at 2929 South 200th Street, from the market to consider further commercial alternatives in the future.

For more information, click [here](#). You can also read all of the Proposals submitted to the City [here](#).

Port of Seattle's Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP) Environmental Review Responses

The City sent the Port of Seattle two separate response letters regarding the environmental review of the Sea-Tac Sustainable Airport Master Plan (SAMP) and its potential impacts on the City of SeaTac. One letter is from the City and the other is a joint four-city response that was prepared with consultant support. Both letters can be viewed [here](#).

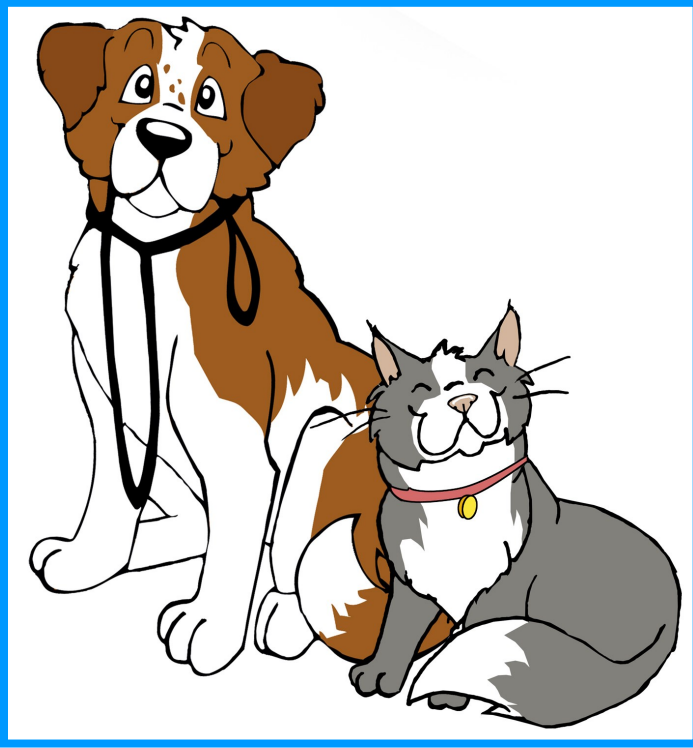


The 60-day environmental review scoping period for the SAMP Near-Term Projects began on July 30 and ends September 28 at midnight. The SAMP scoping identifies Near-Term Projects that are needed to serve the expected growth in passengers, flights, and cargo activity through 2027 as proposed by the Port of Seattle.

Members of the public were invited to comment on the evaluation of the potential impacts in the environmental resource categories and elements of the environment required under NEPA and SEPA as well as the reasonable range of alternatives.

Visit the Port of Seattle's [SAMP website](#) to learn more about the proposed projects, the environmental review process, and to comment on the potential impacts.

Missing Pets



When your pet goes missing, it can be a stressful time. There are several resources available to assist you should you or someone you know lose a pet.

The Regional Animal Services of King County or (RASK) provides animal care and control in the City of SeaTac along with 24 other jurisdictions and unincorporated King County. It's likely your missing pet will end up with RASK. However, even if you live in SeaTac, it's always recommended to check all local shelters ([see our list of pet agencies](#)) when looking for a lost pet.

When RASK receives a stray pet, staff will try to identify the pet and call its owner. This is why [pet licenses](#) are so important. A licensed pet can be returned to you faster. If your licensed pet is picked up by one of RASK's animal control officers, staff will attempt to deliver the pet directly to your home.

If a pet does not have a license or ID, or if staff cannot return it home right away, RASK will impound the animal and house it at the Pet Adoption Center in Kent for safekeeping. Unlicensed stray animals are held for three days to allow owners to redeem them. Licensed pets are held for a minimum of five days. For a link to all lost pet resources click [here](#).

Port of Seattle's Flight Corridor Safety Program Update

The Port of Seattle began in 2016 removing and replanting trees around Sea-Tac International Airport that were, are, or soon will be, tall enough to encroach upon the airport's airspace. Removal work and the majority of replanting work on Port-owned properties was completed in 2017. Replanting on the last two Port-owned sites (P4 and P5) and on a Port-owned designated offsite planting area just to the south will begin early in October and conclude in the spring of 2019. P4 and P5 are located on the south side of 200th Street South.

Based upon input submitted by the public, the Port will:

- Replace the invasive understory with native shrubs where possible.
- In some areas where the invasive plant cover is extensive, replace all vegetation.
- Re-establish a low-growing forest with a neighborhood vegetation barrier on sites P4 and P5.
- Restore a tall-growing native forest on the offsite planting area.

Construction vehicles and work crews will access P4 from South 200th Street and P5 from 18th Avenue South. For the offsite planting area, the eastern gate at South 207th Street off of 15th Avenue South will be used. Because it is an active construction zone, all three sites will continue to include signage and fencing.

Additional survey work, environmental review, and public outreach will occur before any work ensues on non-Port public jurisdiction, residential, and commercial properties.

Fall Recycling Event a Success



On Saturday, September 22 in partnership with King County and the Washington State Department of Ecology, the City of SeaTac hosted a Recycling Collection Event at Tye High School. 426 cars arrived to drop off a wide variety of tough-to-recycle materials including tires, electronic waste, batteries, oil, anti-freeze, and scrap metal. The City of SeaTac is proud to offer this recycling opportunity to the public and will be hosting another event in the spring of 2019. Contact Mason Giem, Public Works Programs Coordinator, at mgiem@seatacwa.gov for more information.

In-Progress Violence Incidents

In today's environment where it seems like we are all constantly vulnerable to In-Progress Violence (IPV) incidents, it is easy to start to feel helpless. Follow this [link](#) to access a resource created by Texas State University that provides a lot of information that, properly applied, can give you tools you need to respond to an IPV incident in any setting, and greatly improve your chances of survival.



Salmon Monitoring Volunteers Needed for Miller and Walker Creeks



Every year the Miller/Walker Creek Basin Committee coordinates volunteer monitoring efforts to track the number of spawning salmon returning to Miller and Walker Creeks. Volunteers walk sections of these local creeks between October and December to identify spawning salmon, monitor their numbers and assess pre-spawn mortality. These monitoring efforts help us gauge the health of our streams and the amount of salmon successfully spawning in our local streams.

To volunteer for this program, please complete [this](#) short survey or contact Matt Goehring at 206.263.6826 or mgoehring@kingcounty.gov.

Public Works Project Updates

Projects Under Construction:

Utility Work – South 188th Street

Utility work to service the new Hilton Garden Hotel (currently under construction) at 3056 South 188th Street is ongoing. This work will require lane closures on South 188th Street east of International Boulevard. Appropriate notification, traffic control measures, and off-duty officers (as required) are being used to manage traffic through this work area.

12th Place and 13th Avenue South Overlay Project

The scope of this project includes pavement repair, asphalt paving, and stormwater improvements on 12th Place South and 13th Avenue South between South 200th Street and South 207th Street, and South 207th Street between 12th Place South and 14th Avenue South. Highline Water District (HWD) will be replacing all of their water lines and services within the project limits ahead of the overlay. **Construction will last into the Fall.**

South 166th Street “Safe Routes to School” Project

This “Safe Routes to School” grant-funded project includes construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm drainage facilities, installation of an enhanced crosswalk, pedestrian lighting, and radar speed feedback signs. Construction has begun. **A partial road closure will be in place on South 166th Street from 37th Avenue South to 34th Avenue South through November with local access only.**

Military Road South between South 209th Street and the I-5 Bridge, South 200th Street, and 26th Avenue Intersection

This project will reconstruct Military Road South between South 209th Street and the I-5 Bridge. Work will include rubblization of the existing concrete road in place and overlaying with hot mix asphalt, construction of storm water improvements, addition of pedestrian facilities and bicycle lanes, and signal upgrades. This project also includes the grind and overlay of the intersection at South 200th Street and 26th Avenue South, installation of ADA compliant sidewalks and ramps, pedestrian signal upgrades, and signal loop detectors. **Construction has begun. Expect delays and extreme congestion daily while crews are working.**

42nd Avenue South Project in Tukwila, From South 154th Street to South 160th Street

Construction on 42nd Avenue South includes new street improvements, drainage, curbs, gutters, and driveway adjustments. It will also bring new sidewalks and bike facilities to this important residential corridor, as well as undergrounding of the various utility wires along 42nd Avenue South. The project includes building a new culvert at Gilliam Creek that will make the stream crossing fish-passable and improve roadway safety. **Final paving for this project is scheduled for the first week of October. Please consider alternate routes. For more information please visit Tukwila’s website linked [here](#).**

Public Works Project Updates

Projects Under Construction (continued):

Permitted Development

We have four major private permitted development projects in stages of construction at the current time.

- Lane closure on South 128th at North SeaTac Park parking lot due to construction of the Northwest Kidney Center.
- Expect traffic impacts on northbound International Boulevard at South 173rd Street as crews work on the Hyatt Place Hotel.
- Traffic impacts are continuing on 29th Avenue South due to construction of the Vintage Retirement Homes.

34th Avenue South, From South 160th Street to South 166th Street

This project is in the design phase and includes construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm drainage facilities, and pedestrian lighting. **A project open house was held on September 26 from 6:30 PM-7:30 PM at McMicken Heights Elementary. The event was well attended by residents, Councilmembers, and City staff. Valuable input from the community was received and will help shape the design of this project. Public Works thanks the Highline School District for hosting this event. Pictures of the open house are below.**



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City Manager



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