

City Manager's Weekly Update May 3, 2019

Conversations with the Council

On Tuesday April 30, the City Council hosted a 90 minute town hall at the SeaTac Community Center. The event allowed members of the community to sit with councilmember and to learn about a variety of topics including:

- Airport Issues
- Parks and Recreation
- Road and Sidewalks
- Public Safety
- Housing
- Economic Development
- What Surprises you about the City?

Residents were also given time to ask questions of the counsel as a whole. In next week's City Manager Weekly Update we will detail the conversations had at each table and also talk about future topics the attendees wanted to learn more about.





Major Traffic Detour on Military Road South

The City of SeaTac Public Works Department will be improving Military Road South between South 216th and South 200th Street. The warmer weather conditions allow construction crews to finish the Military Road South Improvement Project, which began last year. Final paving will be the first item of work. In order to minimize impacts to traffic, the Washington State Department of Transportation requires that some of the remaining paving take place at night. For the first phase of the project, work crews will begin construction at 7:00 PM on Thursday, May 2, and be completed by 5:00 AM on Friday, May 3.

During the paving activity, drivers are asked to use alternate routes. All southbound lanes of Military Road South at South 216th Street to South 200th Street will be shut down during the construction period. Drivers will be detoured around the work area to International Boulevard. Detours for southbound traffic will be clearly marked and flaggers will be placed to assist motorists. Northbound lanes will be open during the construction phase but drivers should expect significant delays and seek alternate routes when possible.

The on and off ramps for Exit 151 from Interstate 5 will be closed from 10:00 PM Thursday, May 2, to 5:00 AM Friday, May 3.

A second phase of the paving project will begin at 7:00 AM on Monday, May 6, and will last through the evening commute. All southbound lanes of Military Road South at South 216th Street to South 200th Street will be shut down during this construction period. This second phase could be delayed because paving schedules can be affected by weather and require a dry surface.

If you have any questions please contact Senior Public Works Inspector Mark Hasbargen at 206.786.4804 or Public Works Inspection Supervisor Eric Proctor at 206.786.4807.



Environment Cleanup Event a Success

On Friday, April 26, a local non-profit, Partners in Employment, organized an Environment Cleanup Event in partnership with local mosques and business owners in the City and at the Port of Seattle.

Utilizing gloves, safety vests, and litter pickers supplied by the City, nearly 40 individuals showed that they cared for their neighborhoods by joining in the effort to clean up the litter. The participants were so excited to begin that the cleanup started 30 minutes early!

After approximately 35 bags of litter were filled up, participants enjoyed some delicious Halal food and met with City Council member Peter Kwon. If you would like to host your own Environment Cleanup Event, contact Mason Giem at 206.973.4763 for more information and to reserve materials.













City Hall Parking Lot Overlay Project

On Monday, May 6, Phase 2 of the parking lot overlay project at City Hall will continue. The Parks, Community Programs & Services Department would like to acknowledge the great job everyone has done by parking at Valley Ridge Park in order to keep parking spaces available to visitors.

Monday, April 29, was the start of a two-week parking lot overlay project at SeaTac City Hall. All visitors need to follow the directional signs posted on site. All employees will be parking off site at Valley Ridge Park to allow adequate space for visitors. Anyone who has limited mobility and/or utilizes ADA parking can continue to park at the City Hall parking lot.

Our attempt is to free up as many parking spots as possible for the general public on those designated days. Work will be performed between the hours of 7:00 AM and 4:00 PM. See phase map below. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lawrence Ellis at 206.973.4681.



- Phase 1 (yellow portion on map). The west side (South 188th Street) of the parking lot will be closed Monday through Wednesday (April 29—May 1) and will reopen on Thursday, May 2. Barriers will be put in place Sunday evening.
- Phase 2 (purple portion on map). The east side (Military Road South) of the parking lot will be closed Monday through Wednesday (May 6—May 8) and will reopen on Thursday, May 9. Barriers will be put in place Sunday evening.

Law Enforcement Meet Up with Hotel/Motel Community



On April 30, SeaTac Police Department held a meeting with nearly two dozen City hotels/ motels representatives at City Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss crime prevention with the Hotel Community. Officers answered representatives questions and worked to create improved communications between law enforcement and the hotel./motel operators.

Community Leadership Academy Kick-Off

On Saturday April 27, 13 residents took part in the 2019 Community Leadership Academy (CLA).

The participants learned about how the City functions and learned ways to get involved. The first of two Saturday workshops focused on:

- The City Manager's Office
- The City Council
- Municipal Court, Legal Department, and City Clerk's Office
- Fire Department
- Community and Economic Development



The program will wrap up this Saturday. The CLA is free to the public and offered once a year.

SeaTac Police Catch Suspect Wanted in Multiple Drive-By Shootings

On April 25, Deputy Chapman arrested a driver of a car that crashed into a yard and then fled the scene on foot. Minute before the crash, Deputy Mulligan noticed the same car speeding and attempted a traffic stop. The car took off at a high rate of speed and Deputy Mulligan did not pursue as per policy.

Deputies found handgun and ammunition when they arrested the driver. The evidence was taken to the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab. The lab stated the gun and ammo matched three drive-by cases from April 24. Two of those drive-by scenes were in SeaTac and one was in White Center.

The SeaTac police officer's actions took a gun off the street and led to the arrest of a suspected gang member.

SeaTac PD Takes Back 33 Pounds of Medications



On April 27, the SeaTac Police took part in the DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. The purpose of the day is to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of

prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. The SeaTac PD took in 33 pound of medications from residents who dropped them off at City Hall. This was the 17th National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.



Citizen Advisory Committee Vacancies - Applications Are Being Accepted

Want to be more involved with the City of SeaTac? Want to provide a valuable service to your community and be more informed about City business? Let your voice be heard! Consider joining a Citizen Advisory Committee.



The following Citizen Advisory Committees have vacancies with applications accepted until all positions are filled, with review every two weeks:

- Airport Advisory Committee
- Senior Citizen Advisory Committee
 - Sidewalk Advisory Committee

If you are interested in serving on a committee and to download an application, visit the city's <u>website</u>, or contact the City Clerk at 206.973.4661 or <u>cityclerk@seatacwa.gov</u>.

All positions are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council.

May Plant Sale

Join us on Saturday, May 4, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for our annual Plant Sale at the Highline SeaTac Botanical Gardens (133735 24th Avenue South, SeaTac).

The Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden Foundation is a successful partnership between the City of SeaTac, the SeaTac Parks, Community Programs and Services Department, and the non-profit Highline Botanical Garden Foundation.

To learn more about the sites that make up the Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden, click here.

New Transit Option

King County Metro, Sound Transit, and City of Seattle launched a new on-demand shuttle service called <u>Via to Transit</u> that will make it more convenient to take transit in southeast Seattle and Tukwila.

Residents can use the Via app or call 206.258.7739 to hail a ride to and from five Link light rail stations (Mount Baker, Columbia City, Othello, Rainier Beach, and Tukwila International Boulevard) where they can board a bus or a Link train. Payment with an ORCA card is accepted, and will automatically apply as a transfer toward a trip on a bus or train.

For the full article on this, please click <u>here</u>.



May Upcoming Events:

Saturday the 4th—May Plant Sale

- 10:00 AM—2:00 PM
- Highline SeaTac Botanical Gardens (13735 24th Avenue South, SeaTac)
- Click here for more information about the Gardens and the event.

Tuesday the 14th—Special Council Meeting

- 5:30 PM—6:00 PM
- City of SeaTac City Hall Council Chambers (4800 South 188th Street, SeaTac)
- Click <u>here</u> to view the agendas, packets, and handouts.

Tuesday the 14th—Regular Council Meeting

- 6:00 PM—9:00 PM
- City of SeaTac City Hall Council Chambers (4800 South 188th Street, SeaTac)
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Monday the 27th—City Hall Closure: Memorial Day

- 8:30 AM—5:00 PM
- City Hall and its facilities
- Thank you to all our service members for your sacrifice!

Tuesday the 28th—Regular Council Meeting

- 6:00 PM—9:00 PM
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THE CITY OF SEATAC IS CONDUCTING A BROADBAND SURVEY

Please take the 5 minute survey to help us evaluate if there is a need for broadband infrastructure investment in our area!

TAKE THE SURVEY ONLINE AT:
HTTP://NOANET.SERVICEZONES.NET/SEATAC

The survey is for informational purposes only. There is absolutely no commitment to sign up or buy services.



2018 Annual Overlay Project—Military Road South

This project will overlay Military Road South from the Interstate 5/South 200th Street Bridge overpass to South 209th Street. Pavement repair, storm drainage infrastructure, and traffic signal improvements are also included in the scope of work. The contractor, R.W. Scott, is completing the final lift of paving from now through May 6. Please consider alternate routes during this time.

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 is ongoing. Crews are currently working on placing concrete sidewalks.

Military Road South and South 152nd Street

Improvements for this road reconstruction and safety project include construction of bike lanes, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, new pavement, installation of street lighting, upgraded and interconnected signalization with pedestrian crossings, construction of a right turn lane on Eastbound South 152nd Street, and the elimination of the skewed intersection at Tukwila International Boulevard and Military Road South. A total of six construction bids were received on April 17, with Johansen Construction Company as the apparent low bidder. Project award is scheduled for the May 14 Regular Council Meeting, with construction expected to begin in July 2019.

2019 Annual Overlay Project—Des Moines Memorial Drive South

This project will overlay Des Moines Memorial Drive South from South 128th Street to South 136th Street. Pavement repair, storm drainage infrastructure, and traffic signal improvements are also included in the scope of work. Mile Resources is the apparent low bidder for this project. The project was awarded by Council on April 23. Construction is expected to begin in June 2019.

Des Moines Memorial Drive South and South 200th Street Intersection

Improvements for this intersection include construction of bike lanes, curbs and gutters, sidewalks, new pavement, installation of street lighting, a new traffic signal system with pedestrian crossings, left turn lanes for all approaches, and construction of a right turn lane on westbound South 200th Street. **Final design and right-of-way acquisition are in progress.**

34th Avenue South Project

This "Safe Routes to School" project includes construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, storm drainage facilities, installation of an enhanced crosswalk, pedestrian lighting, landscaping, and underground conversion of aerial utilities. Design and right-of-way acquisition are ongoing. Advertising for construction bids for this project is scheduled for the 4th guarter of 2019.

South 200th Street Shared-Use Path

This project includes building a new separated shared-use path along South 200th Street between 12th Place South and the Des Moines Creek Trailhead. The project will provide pedestrian connections to street improvements that will be constructed at the intersection of Des Moines Memorial Drive South and South 200th Street, and a connection to existing pedestrian and bicycle facilities accessing the Angle Lake Light Rail Station. Design and right-of-way acquisition are in progress. Advertising for construction bids for this project is scheduled for the 4th quarter of 2019.

See Project Map on Page 7.





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