



## City Manager's Weekly Update

November 4, 2011

Dear Mayor, Councilmembers, Residents, and Employees:



### Holiday Closure

City facilities will be closed on Friday, November 11, for Veterans Day.

### Holiday Bazaar

**Saturday, November 5 from 9 AM -3 PM at the SeaTac Community Center**

Each year, the Senior Program at the SeaTac Community Center hosts a fantastic Holiday Bazaar. We anticipate over 70 vendors will be on hand selling hand crafted items, collectibles, and commercial products. There will also be a raffle, bake sale and the Candy Cane Café will be open where you can purchase lunch. Get a jump start on your holiday shopping or just drop in to get in the holiday spirit. For more information please call the SeaTac Community Center at 973.4680.

### Nationwide Emergency Alert System Test

The first nationwide test will be conducted on Wednesday, November 9 at approximately 11:00 AM. As part of their ongoing efforts to keep our country and communities safe during emergencies, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS). The EAS test plays a key role in ensuring the nation is prepared for all hazards, and that the U.S. public can receive critical and vital information, should it ever be needed. This test may last up to three and a half minutes, and will be transmitted via television and radio stations within the U.S. Similar to local emergency alert system tests, an audio message will interrupt television and radio programming indicating: "This is a test." When the test is over, regular programming will resume. For more information about the nationwide Emergency Alert System test, please visit [http://www.fema.gov/medialibrary/media\\_records/6407](http://www.fema.gov/medialibrary/media_records/6407).

### Daylight Savings Time

It's that time of year again when we move from Daylight Savings Time to Standard Time and adjust our clocks *back* one hour at 2:00 AM this Sunday, November 6. Daylight Savings Time will begin again on March 11, 2012.



The SeaTac Fire Department would like to remind you that when you change your clocks, you should also change the batteries in your smoke alarms. Smoke alarms which run on 9 volt batteries or hardwired smoke alarms with battery backups need to be changed annually to ensure they work when you need them. Make sure that you dispose of the batteries properly by recycling them. Avoid throwing them in the garbage. Visit [lhwmp.org](http://lhwmp.org) or [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for a battery recycling location that is convenient for you.

## **SeaTac Resident Honored as Community Champion**

The third annual Molina Healthcare of Washington Community Champions Awards Dinner took place Thursday, October 27. Approximately 200 people attended the awards dinner and festivities. SeaTac resident and Human Services Advisory Committee member Joe Van received the honor of the Advocacy and Civic Leaders Award as one of the unsung heroes who works behind the scenes to make Washington a better place.

Seven everyday heroes were honored for their extraordinary service and civic contributions. Each honoree received a grant to be given to an organization of their choosing and a Molina Healthcare of Washington Community Champions Award trophy, named in honor of Molina Healthcare's physician founder, Dr. C. David Molina.

Van has given a tremendous amount of time in planning, collecting, organizing and distributing backpacks and school supplies to more than 1,300 students each year at the SeaTac Back to School Resource Fair. In addition, Joe helped create WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) – to engage men, inspire children, reduce bullying and enhance the educational environment at his children's elementary school. Joe's work with CERT and the SeaTac Human Services Advisory Committee is a greatly appreciated and a huge service to this community. We congratulate Joe Van on this well-deserved award!

## **Community & Economic Development Department Open House**

On October 11, the newly formed Department of Community and Economic Development (CED) held an open house on City Hall's third floor.



The new CED Department was created to provide a more unified and streamlined approach to the City's work with the development and business communities. The Department was formed in early 2011 with the goal of establishing a one-stop permitting center, increase levels of service and assist in the facilitation of economic development by creating a more cohesive approach to real estate development and job creation. The new Department is directed by Cindy Baker and is comprised of four divisions: Economic Development managed by Jeff Robinson, Planning managed by newly hired Barbara Nelson, Engineering Review managed by Ali Shasti, and Building Services managed by Gary Schenk.

The open house was an opportunity for the community to see what the new team has been working on, to see the great progress that has been made and to discuss with staff how they go about the day to day business of community and economic development. Visual depictions were presented by each division that illustrated how they operated and displayed some of the major projects currently underway such as the new CRW software system, the Community Putting Prevention to Work project, the Comprehensive Plan update and work with Sound Transit on the S. 200th Street light rail extension.

## **Drug Take-back Day a Success**



As part of a nationwide effort to have people properly dispose of prescription medications, our city participated in the Drug Take-back Day this last Saturday. Our Police Department accepted surrendered items in the lobby of City Hall for a four hour time period, during which well over 50 pounds of drugs and drug containers were collected. The items were immediately placed into secured evidence storage for transport to the DEA for disposal.

### **CERT Class Graduation**

On Saturday, October 29, the 14th Session of our Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training held its graduation ceremony at SeaTac City Hall. These sessions are co-sponsored by the cities of SeaTac and Burien, and involve our Police and Fire services. Twenty-five students from our cities spent eight Wednesday evenings and a Saturday sacrificing their time in order to be trained in such areas as disaster preparedness and psychology, first aid, extrication of trapped victims, fire suppression, electricity hazards and other topics. These participants, who ranged in age from their early 20's to their 70's, join a growing number of our residents who have received this vital training. They will be key to supporting their own neighborhoods in the event of a significant disaster when police and fire first responders will be delayed or unavailable. Interested citizens should contact our Police Department at 973.4900 or they may get additional information from our City of SeaTac website (under Police Services).

### **Chief Graddon Attends Transit Workshop**

On October 27, Police Chief Jim Graddon participated in a Puget Sound Region Mass Transit workshop. This law enforcement specific training was done as part of an on-going, nation-wide effort known as I-STEP (Intermodal Security Training and Exercise Program), sponsored by the Transportation Security Administration. The exercises were built around rail mass transit (such as Link Light Rail and Sounder Heavy Rail systems) but the lessons learned have much broader application to all types of transit modes. Participants went through scenarios that dealt with threats and attacks on such systems; how would federal, state and local responders work collaboratively on such events; what are the expectations for each of the responding groups; what information can be shared as threats are identified. Other local agencies represented included the City of Seattle, Metro Transit, Sound Transit and the Port of Seattle Police departments.

### **Police Explorer Fundraising**

Members of our City of SeaTac Police Explorer Post worked for three weekends recently at the Royal Arch Park Haunted House in Maple Valley. In partnership with the Kent and Maple Valley Police Explorers they provided crowd control and security. This was a great experience for the Explorers, and the programs will share in compensation that will help to support sending five of our young folks to the Explorer Winter Academy scheduled for December. The Explorers and Advisors greatly appreciate the support they have received from our City Council as we grow our fledgling Post.

### **SeaTac Firefighters Attend Incident Safety Officer Academy**



During the week of October 24, SeaTac firefighters and firefighters from around the area attended an Incident Safety Officer (ISO) Academy at the SeaTac Fire Headquarters Station, located at 3521 S. 170th Street. The course is derived from the book "Fire Department Incident Safety Officer" and addresses ISO components of the National Fire Protection Association standard. The course is a realistic, street-applicable approach to performing the functions of the Incident Safety Officer at fires and other working incidents. Topics included Roles and Responsibilities of the ISO, Risk Management, Predicting Collapse, Reading Smoke, Hazardous Energy, Rehab, and working with the Incident Commander.

## SeaTac Fire Assists Tukwila at Fatality House Fire

On October 30 at approximately 4:20 AM, SeaTac Engine 47 and Battalion 45 responded to assist Tukwila Fire at a reported house fire in the 16000 block of 46th Avenue S. The initial reports were of smoke and flames visible and possible persons trapped inside. Prior to arriving, the Captain of Engine 47 upgraded the incident to a “working fire” bringing in additional help. Arriving first, Engine 47 found a house with a large amount of fire showing, and as they pulled up, the power line burned off of the house. The crew immediately entered the house for search, rescue and fire attack. As they advanced into the house, they located one victim and pulled them from the building, and returned to the attack. The Incident Commander assigned other crews to treat the victim. Battalion 45 assisted the Tukwila Incident Commander. As Engine 47 continued to advance, extinguishing the fire, they located a second victim. Unfortunately neither of the two victims survived. A total of eight persons were reported living in the house at the time of the fire. One other person was treated at Harborview Medical Center for injuries received in the fire.



### Support our troops

The Senior Program is collecting items to send overseas to the troops. Items that are collected will be brought to Operation Support Our Troops Northwest. The drive will run through November 8. Items that are needed include cocoa and cider packets, 6 inch candy canes, packaged cookies, microwave popcorn, gum, breath mints, peanuts and lip balm. These items will be placed into stockings and mailed to the troops. For further information, call 973.4690.

### Attachments

Holiday Bazaar Flier

### Agendas

Hotel/ Motel Advisory Committee

11.9.11

**You can view the City’s Event Calendar at:**

<http://www.ci.seatac.wa.us/index.aspx?page=16>



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Todd Cutts, City Manager



# HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Saturday, November 5

9:00 a.m.~3:00 p.m.

SeaTac Community Center

13735 24th Ave. S., SeaTac

70+ Vendors

Hand Crafted Items

Collectibles • Raffle • Café

Commercial Products

Bake Sale • Gift Baskets

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**City Attorney**  
*Mary Mirante Bartolo*

**City Clerk**  
*Kristina Gregg*

## **HOTEL/MOTEL COMMITTEE**

*November 9, 2011*

**3:00 – 5:00 PM**

**SeaTac City Hall, Airport Conference Room**

**4800 S. 188<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Chair: Mayor Terry Anderson**

### **AGENDA**

- 1. Introductions – All (5 minutes)**
- 2. Review & Approval of October 12, 2011 Minutes – Mayor Anderson (5 minutes)**
- 3. Multi-Sports Facility / Overview of Market & Feasibility Study and Workplan – Jeff Robinson; Steven Spickard, Managing Principal, Land Economics Consulting; Anne Wurts, Market & Feasibility Advisors (40 minutes)**
- 4. Light Rail Update – Soraya Lowry (10 minutes)**
- 5. SSVS Update(s) – Katherine Kertzman (10 Minutes)**
- 6. Discussion of Prospective Seattle Southside Tourism Promotion Area – Group (30 minutes)**
- 7. STR Report – Group (5 minutes)**
- 8. Other Business**
- 9. Adjourn**