

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

August 5, 2022

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

The agenda for the City Council's **Thursday, August 11 work/study session**, beginning at 7:00 p.m., includes: (1) Follow-up Discussion on Multifamily Property Tax Exemption Program; (2) Review of City Departments' Performance Measures for January-June 2022 – (a) Recreation, Parks, and Property Management; (b) Public Works/Engineering Services and Operations; (c) Community and Economic Development; (d) Organizational Development and Information Services; and (e) City Council/City Manager/Community Relations.

The agenda for the City Council's **Monday, August 15 meeting** beginning at 7:00 p.m. includes: (1) Adoption of Resolution of Appreciation for Smith Family and Tour de Terrace; (2) Review of 2022 First Quarter Financial Report; and (3) Discussion of ARPA Funding Uses.

For information on how to attend a meeting online, visit www.cityofmlt.com/129. You can also view the [City Council Meeting Schedule](#) for upcoming agenda items.

CITY CLERK AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS

- **National Night Out Against Crime:** The city's National Night Out Against Crime event returned Tuesday, August 2 to Evergreen Playfield Complex. An estimated 1,000 guests attended and entertained young children through young-at-heart seniors. The new dance floor was a popular venue with performances by the MLT Dance Program and MTHS Jazz II Combo as well as free dancing and bubble blowing. Police officers and the city clerk joined the dance party!



The Fun Zone featured Cornhole with the Cops, face painting and balloon artist by Hoopla and DJ I-Sizzle who entertained the crowd. Terrace Brier Soccer Club hosted a demonstration at the new turf field and Hydroplane Unlimited driver Jimmy Shane attended alongside HomeStreet Bank's hydroplane, "Miss HomeStreet." Currently Miss HomeStreet and Shane are leading the national standings for H1 unlimited racing.

Other entertainment included caricature artist Steve Hartley (aka Muggshotz), Smokey Bear and his handler from the U.S. Forest Service and about thirty community partners with information and public safety vehicles.

Thanks to financial support from Premera Blue Cross, Mountlake Terrace Plaza and Sound Community Bank and donations of food and supplies from a number of local businesses, the city was able to offer this event free of charge to the community. Dozens of volunteers from

city staff, boards and commissions and the community at large made the event happen! "It takes a village to pull off an event like this and every contribution is important to make it a success," Community Relations Director Virginia Clough said. "Thank you to everyone who played a role in National Night Out!" We hope to see everyone again next year at the first Tuesday in August!

- **Coffee with the City:** Join city officials on Wednesday, August 10 for Coffee with the City from 6-7 p.m. The informal setting provides an easygoing opportunity to learn more about city government and its services. This event has been held virtually since the pandemic began and we plan to continue holding it via Zoom to make it easier for the public to participate.

To join via telephone, the call in number is 1-253-215-8782. To watch the meeting over the internet: Go to <https://zoom.us/join>; Enter meeting ID (880 4842 2899) and click "join", then enter the passcode (081022.) To speak, please use the "hand raise" tool within the Zoom program or press *9 if you are participating via phone. These actions will notify the City Manager that you would like to speak. When called upon, you will be unmuted and asked to state your name.

- **City Hall and Police Station Open as of August 1:** At last, the new City Hall and Police Station have opened to the public for in-person business. The Civic Campus project is substantially complete with items remaining on the punch list. Business may still be conducted via email and telephone with the following contacts should you need assistance:
 - Building Permits: 425-744-6267 | permitspecialist@mltwa.gov
 - City Hall – General: 425-776-1161 | cityhall@mltwa.gov
 - Code Enforcement: 425-744-6254 | codeenforcement@mltwa.gov
 - Non-Emergency Police/Fire: 425-407-3999 (Call 9-1-1 if emergency)
 - Recreation Pavilion: 425-776-9173 | mltrecreation@mltwa.gov
 - Traffic Tickets/Violations: 425-744-6228 | records@mltwa.gov
 - Utility Billing: 425-744-6214 | utilitybilling@mltwa.gov
 - Place Police Fines in the Police Station payment box at the station or mail. Utility payments may be placed in the drop box at City Hall, mailed, or paid [online](#).

A postcard mailing was sent to residents and businesses in the 98043 zip code to announce the opening. It's a pleasure to show off our new City Hall and Police Station Addition and to welcome everyone back inside of our facilities. Thank you for your patience!

- **Sound Transit Nightly Closure of 236th Street SW:** From Monday, August 1 to Thursday, August 18, from 11 pm to 5 am, excluding Fridays and weekends, Sound Transit's contractor will work at 236th Street SW between the on-ramp to I-5 southbound and 59th Place W for installation of utilities. Buses will be flagged through the closure. Detours will be provided For more information, contact lynnwoodlink@soundtransit.org or call 206-398-5300. The after-hours construction hotline is 888-298-2395.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **Inspection Requests Available Exclusively Online:** All inspections are required to be requested via the [Permit Portal](#). The city continues to make an effort to provide consistency

and expedite the inspection scheduling process. Consolidating permits and inspections through the portal streamlines this progression.

The former Inspection Hotline redirects callers to the online portal. Additionally, all permit information is housed online, in the same place, and can be accessed by the permit number. Information regarding the necessity of inspections, and staying in compliance with the accompanying permits, is explained on the [Permits & Licenses](#) page.

If you do not have online access, and need to request inspections, please email permitspecialist@mltwa.gov with your permit number, and your request to be added to the account. For additional assistance, please call 425-744-6267.

- **Interactive Map:** An [interactive map](#) on the city website highlights all large development projects currently happening in Mountlake Terrace. Either clicking the numbers within the map, or the list of project names on the left side, generates a view of development details.

RECREATION, PARKS & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- **Now Hiring!** Click [here](#) to see available job opportunities.
- **Dance Academy Hiring:** Join our team of excellent and collaborative dance teachers for summer camps and classes and the School Year 2022-23 schedule. We're looking for preschool lovers to teach Creative Children's Dance, Tap & Ballet, Pre-Ballet, and Funky Jazz classes. And teachers who enjoy ages 6-18 for specialties in Ballet levels I-V, Jazz levels I - V and Lyrical levels II - V. New teachers can be integrated into the schedule after a successful interview and teaching a trial class. [Click here to see open positions](#) or contact Dance & Fitness Program Director Chloe Davenport at 425-640-3107 or cdavenport@mltwa.gov.
- **Youth Summer Programs:** If you're interested in joining our summer camp staff, please contact Danielle Ladd dladd@mltwa.gov. If you enjoy working with children, then this is the job for you! We will have openings in our active, fun day camp as well as our child care program. Click [here](#) for an application.
- **Aquatics: *Hiring Lifeguards and Swim Instructors*** – Year 'round and for Summer: Aquatics continues to hire part-time Lifeguards/ Swim Instructors. This is a great time to think about and apply for seasonal/summer positions for Aqua Kids Camp Counselor, Lifeguards, and Swim Instructors. As Aquatics attempts to continue to expand programs additional staff is needed to accomplish this. If you enjoy working with all ages of people and want to learn how to teach a lifelong safety skill, this is for you! To be a Lifeguard/Swim Instructor, candidates must hold a current Lifeguarding Certification, American Red Cross is preferred, other agencies will be accepted. For those who do not hold a Lifeguard Certification we train Swim Instructors. Instructors are trained by an experienced Aquatic Leadership staff, candidates must enjoy the water and working with children. Applications for Lifeguards or Swim Instructors can be submitted online <https://www.cityofmlt.com/Jobs.aspx>.

- **Athletics:** We're looking for a *Gym/Ballfield Attendant*! High school kids welcome too! Contact Danielle Ladd for more information 425-640-3105 or dladd@mltwa.gov.
- **Part-Time Front Desk:** The Recreation Pavilion front desk is hiring! We currently have part time non-benefitted positions. Click [here](#) to see available job opportunities or contact Renee Norton at 425-640-3108 or rnorton@mltwa.gov.
- **Espresso Special:** Next week's drink special at the Recreation Pavilion is a Latte! Stop by the Pavilion espresso stand 8/8 – 8/12 for an iced or hot latte and receive \$.50 off a 16oz. Espresso hours are Monday – Friday, 7:00am – 1:30pm.
- **Fall Craze Recreation Guide:** The fall edition of CRAZE is now online. This is your comprehensive guide to all the activities at Mountlake Terrace Recreation and Parks over the next few months. This issue of CRAZE is interactive, digital-only and mobile-friendly. It is available at <https://issuu.com/mltrec1968>. Registration has begun for many fall programs for children, teens and adults. Mountlake Terrace offers plenty of classes in the pool in addition to lap swimming. If anyone in your family enjoys dance, fitness or sports, Mountlake Terrace CRAZE is a great place to start. It also covers daycare options.
- **Pool Closing early for Lifeguard In-Service on Friday, August 5:** The pool spa and sauna will close at 4:45 p.m. on Friday for the monthly Lifeguard In-Service.
- **Swimming Lessons:** Open registration for Daily swimming lessons that meet Monday through Friday for two weeks starts Thursday, August 4 for the session that will meet from August 8-19. Saturday swimming lessons will start their second session on Saturday, August 6, registration is currently open for this session with limited openings. The class offerings are available at the Recreation Pavilion or [online](#).
- **American Red Cross Adult & Pediatric CPR AED & First Aid:** The American Red Cross First Aid/CPR/AED program helps participants recognize and respond appropriately to cardiac, breathing and first aid emergencies. This is a blended learning format, lecture is online and skills are in person. To pass you must complete all sections of the online learning session, participate in all course activities, and demonstrate competency in all required skills on August 27 meeting at 12:00-2:00 pm. Fees are residents \$60 Non-residents \$66, registration is available [online](#).
- **Summer Dance Camps:** There's still space available! Due to popular demand we've added a Mermaids and Pirates camp (Ages 4-6) for the week of August 22nd from 9:30-11:30 am M-F. Get registered on-line or with the front desk. Also pre-teens and teens don't miss our "Back into Dance Shape" boot camp Aug 29th & 31st 5:30-7:30 to get ready for the new season.
- **Dance Academy Registration is Open:** Registration requires paperwork to be turned in. You can download and print the forms from our webpage www.mltrec.com/435/Academy-Classes. Or you can pick up a packet here at the pavilion. To see all the classes offered visit our interactive Craze brochure at [CRAZE Fall 2022 by Mountlake Terrace Recreation and Parks – Issuu](#) and turn to pages 16 & 17.

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- **Softball Summer/Fall Co-Ed Rec League:** League begins August 21. Games on Sundays and/or Fridays. Ten games/weeks with possible doubleheaders. Get your team together and register. For more information and to register, click <http://mltrec.com/410/Softball>. Questions? Contact Athletic Supervisor Danielle Ladd dladd@mltwa.gov.
- **We're Hiring Gym/Ballfield Attendants:** For job announcement, please go here [Gym/Ballfield Attendant](#). Please contact Danielle Ladd dladd@mltwa.gov for more information.
- **Counselor-in-Training Program:** We're offering a Counselor-in-Training program for ages 13 & 14. This is the perfect opportunity for your teen to gain leadership skills, work-related skills and learn how to care for younger children. For more information, please go [here](#).
- **Summer Day Camp Scholarships Grades 1st through 8th:** If you're an Edmonds School District family that 1) might be struggling to meet child care needs, 2) may have had financial or social difficulty participating in summer programs before, and/or 3) perhaps your children have been greatly impacted by isolation during the pandemic. Please email us at childcare@mltwa.gov to request one-week of MLT Recreation Day Camp free.
- **Veterans Memorial Park Trail Project:** The Veterans Park Trail project known as the Transit Connection Corridor (TCC) Project is starting the design phase. Surveys are scheduled to start during the week of Aug. 1st, and will continue off and on for 4-6 weeks. Surveys will capture significant features and topographic terrain including but not limited to: curbs, sidewalk, existing trails, bridge, play structures, walls, fences, utilities, trees, benches etc.
- **Ballinger Park Playground and Trail Projects:** A pre-construction meeting for the Ballinger playground and trail projects was held on July 28 for coordination on the work.

The City Council approved a contract with Wyser Construction Company Inc. for the Ballinger Trail construction. Mobilization for the trail construction could be seen in the next two weeks, with staging for the trail contractor in the east portion of the Senior Center parking lot.

The trail and playground construction will occur simultaneously and are set to be completed by September 30.

- **National Night Out:** Parks, Facilities and Public Works staff worked to assist in preparation and clean-up for the National Night Out Against Crime held on Tuesday August 2 at the Evergreen Playfield Complex.
- **Ivy League:** A volunteer group known as the "Ivy League" has adopted Veterans Memorial Park and has been working to remove the invasive ivy growing in the park. The group's next effort is scheduled for August 27th at 9:00 am to help continue to remove debris and spread wood chips in an effort to eliminate invasive plant species in the park. For more information on volunteering in the Mountlake Terrace Parks contact Parks and Facilities Superintendent Ken Courtmanch at kcourtmanch@mltwa.gov.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Activity								
<i>(Activity is updated in the last week of the month)</i>								
	Reports	Traffic Stops	Arrests	Collisions	DUIs	Burglaries	Vehicle Thefts	Vehicle Prowls
July	240	401	42	15	1	12	5	16
YTD	1521	1690	297	150	24	47	51	74

Weekly Patrol Synopsis

- There were five verbal domestic arguments this week:
 - 22200 block of 53rd Ave. W.
 - 5400 block of 212th Street SW.
 - 24000 block of Van Ry Boulevard
 - 4900 block of 238th Pl.
 - 6000 block of St. Albion Way.
- There were four warrant arrests this week, including:
 - 6800 block of 220th Street SW.
 - 21700 block of 51st Ave. W.
 - 6000 block of 220th Street SW.
- There were two vehicle thefts this week:
 - 5900 block of 214th Street SW.
 - 24000 block of Van Ry Boulevard
- There were nine misdemeanor assaults this past week:
 - 22800 block of 56th Ave. W.
 - 24000 block of Van Ry Boulevard
 - 4400 block of 224th Street SW.
 - 4700 block of 212th Street SW.
 - 21600 block of 66th Ave. W.
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 - 21900 block of 219th Street SW.

- 21400 block of 52nd Ave. W.
- 23500 block of Lakeview Drive.
- On July 27, a resident was robbed at gunpoint near the 6600 block of 244th Street SW. A suspect description was obtained and the case has been forwarded to detectives.
- Officers attempted to stop a vehicle for speeding in the 22900 block of 48th Ave. W. The vehicle failed to stop and fled at a high rate of speed. There are no suspects or leads at this time.
- Officers responded to a welfare check in the 5400 block of 221st Pl. SW. Upon arrival, officers found an elderly male deceased from what appeared to be medical issues.
- Officers responded to the 4700 block of 212th Street for a neighborhood dispute. Officers eventually calmed everyone and determined that no crime was committed.
- Officers responded to the Lakeside Apartments for a mischief report. A resident found burnt cat litter in their vehicle's tail pipe. There are no suspects or leads at this time.
- On July 29 a large rock was thrown through the window of a business causing damage to the window and display case. There are no suspect or leads at this time.
- Officers transported a known subject to the hospital for a mental health evaluation.
- Officers were dispatched to a harassment report between two teenagers – the case has been forwarded to the detective unit for further investigation.
- On July 29 officers responded to the 23400 block of 94th in Edmonds to assist the Edmonds police department with a homicide that had just occurred.
- Officers responded to a burglary at the 6000 block of St. Albion Way. The victim had suspect information, and the case has been assigned to detectives.
- Fuel was syphoned from a vehicle at the 7000 block of 220th Street SW. There are no suspects or leads at this time.
- Officers responded to the Studio Six Motel for a report of gunshots. Several witness heard the shots however no one saw any shooting and there was no physical evidence of any shots fired.

Significant Incidents

- Patrol responded to Safeway for a suspicious circumstance. A 12-year-old female was walking to the store from her nearby residence when she was approached by a male in his 40s. The male repeatedly asked her to go with him, and what her intentions were at the store. The female

repeatedly told him no and he eventually got into a large gray truck, and the female went into the store to seek help. The male was not located, and investigation continues.

- Officers contacted a warrant suspect, who disregarded commands and fled inside of a nearby residence. An officer recognized a second individual nearby and verified him to also have a warrant for his arrest.

This second suspect also disregarded commands and attempted to flee inside a residence; officers used a Taser to stop the individual.

New charges for the first suspect were referred to the court. The second suspect was booked for multiple offenses at the Snohomish County Jail subsequent to medical clearance.

Weekly Investigation Update

Cases Assigned

- 22-11020 Burglary
- 22-11283 Suspicious/Luring
- 22-11175 Vehicle Theft
- 22-11177 Assault
- 22-11163 Burglary
- 22-11055 Identity Theft
- 22-11117 Harassment
- 22-11209 Theft-felony

Cases Cleared

- 22-7341 Theft
- 22-6498 Death Investigation

Community Outreach & Directed Enforcement

The week of July 28 - August 2 was active with officers making several contacts with many community members and visitors. Officers continue to utilize the Embedded Social worker contacting people in need or crisis. Officers also continue to conduct business checks, park checks, neighborhood checks and school visits.

Below are some highlights of community contacts we have made.

- Several members of the Police Department participated in National Night Out.
 - Animal Control Officer McKee was in the Fun Zone handing out stickers and other items to kids and families. She was also giving information out about animal control issues.
 - Officer Froisland and K9 Harley visited with community members.
 - Code Enforcement Officer Padgett provided kids tours of the jail transport van.



- SWAT Officers Porter and Sheets were giving tours of a SWAT transport vehicle.
- Officer Elrod was playing “Cornhole with a Cop” with several kids.
- Officers O’Hagan and Voeller enjoyed some dancing with several kids and their families.



Code Enforcement Property of the Week

Code Enforcement conducted a fire lane emphasis in the Lakeside Apartments in the 6100 block of Saint Albion Way. While onsite, Code Enforcement observed multiple vehicles in violation of [Mountlake Terrace Municipal Code 10.10.150 – Vehicles parked in a fire lane](#). Code Enforcement issued several parking infractions to the vehicles in violation of the above ordinance. Code Enforcement will continue to monitor both private and public designated fire lanes throughout the City.

NEWS RELEASES

News releases can be found on the [city's webpage](#).

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- August 10 6:00 p.m. Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion or Virtual
- September 14 6:00 p.m. Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion or Virtual
- October 12 6:00 p.m. Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion or Virtual
- November 9 6:00 p.m. Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion or Virtual
- December 14 6:00 p.m. Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion or Virtual

Sincerely,

Scott Hugill, City Manager
City of Mountlake Terrace