

CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

April 4, 2014

Members of the City Council
City of Mountlake Terrace, Washington

Dear Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Council Members:

COUNCIL MEETINGS

City Council's next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 7, 2014 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items include: 1) Recognition of Eagle Scout Aaron Cox; 2) Public Hearing and Adoption of F/T Zoning Code Ordinance.

City Council's next meeting is a **special work/study session scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2014** beginning at 7:00 PM in the interim City Hall Council Chambers located at 6100 219th Street SW, Suite 220. City Council agenda items will be: 1) Sustainability Performance Report; 2) Housing Profile and 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update; 3) Review of Amending Ordinance to MTMC Chapter 2.85 Concerning Service of Process; and 4) Review 2014 Tour de Terrace Agreement.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS, EVENTS & VOLUNTEER EVENTS

- **Coffee with the City:** Citizens, business owners and others from the community are welcome to attend and ask questions or have a casual conversation with city officials. Feel free to drop in and enjoy a cup of coffee and hear what's going on in the City, provide input about City services and events, and ask questions. This casual monthly event is scheduled at the Recreation Pavilion, 5303 228th Street SW as follows:
 - Tuesday, April 8, 2014 from 6:00 to 7:00 PM in the Center Court
 - Wednesday, May 14, 2014 from 8:00 to 9:00 AM in the Jungle Room
 - Wednesday, June 11, 2014 from 6:00 to 7:00 PM in the Jungle Room

- **April Pools Day is Saturday, April 12 from 9:15 a.m. to noon at the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion pool, 5303 228th Street SW in Mountlake Terrace:** This is a free, family event sponsored by Swedish/Edmonds Hospital, Edmonds Family Medicine, and the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Department to promote swimming safety and swimming as a healthy lifestyle. Event activities include:
 - Free swim from 11 am - noon
 - Free Swedish/Edmonds mini first-aid kits and hand sanitizer
 - Lifejacket drawing (must be present to win) 10:45 – 11am
 - Lifejacket test drives (try on different kinds and learn how to pick the correct size)
 - Learn about safety around the water and participate in water safety stations 9:15 – 10:45am
 - Learn first aid and water safety tips from a Swedish/Edmonds Emergency Department medical professional

For more information about April Pools Day, citizens can visit www.swedish.org/AprilPoolsDay, www.mltrec.com or call the Recreation Pavilion at (425) 776-9173.

- **Volunteers to Gather April 26 to Celebrate Earth Day at Evergreen Playfield:** The City of Mountlake Terrace is recognizing Earth Day with a volunteer park cleanup event, Saturday, April 26 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Volunteers should meet at the Evergreen Playfield parking lot, 22205 56th Ave W, at 9 a.m. in comfortable work clothes, with gloves and tools in hand (no power equipment please), to get their assignment. This year's projects include general clean up, brush and debris removal, and painting of buildings and benches (weather permitting). Following the work party, the City Council will host an appreciation lunch for the volunteers. For more information, or to register, citizens or groups can contact Parks and Facilities Superintendent Ken Courtmanch at (425) 776-1811.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

- **Community and Economic Development Director Recruitment:** The City is currently recruiting for the Community and Economic Development Director position. The position has been posted on the American Planning Association/Washington Chapter website, the Association of Washington Cities website and regional newspapers. In addition, an informational brochure announcing the position and City facts will be sent to the planning/human resources departments of AWC member cities.
- **Regional Travel Study to begin soon:** Puget Sound Regional Council will again be surveying households throughout the four Central Puget Sound counties to collect personal and household information about travel behavior and patterns. The survey will be conducted the second week of April through the middle of June. The travel behavior survey will update the 2006 survey data and be used to support regional system planning including the region's long-range transportation plan. To assure citizens of the survey's legitimacy, PSRC has requested jurisdictions authorize use of their logo, or other endorsement, on the project website. The City is supportive of the survey and the analytical and planning work PSRC is able to conduct with the results. PSRC's goal is to achieve completed surveys from 5,000 households. More information on the 2006 regional household survey can be found at <http://www.psrc.org/data/surveys/2006-household/>.

ENGINEERING SERVICES UPDATES

- **Puget Sound Energy (PSE) Natural Gas Main:** The PSE gas main extension project on 56th Avenue W is complete with the exception of the final pavement overlay. Construction of the final pavement overlay is scheduled for the summer of 2014.
- **228th/Cedar Way Overlay and Rechannelization Project:** Drivers should expect detours beginning Monday, April 7 as grinding and paving begins on 228th Street SW in the eastern portion of Mountlake Terrace near Cedar Plaza Shopping Center. A road closure on 228th Street SW between 38th and 44th Avenues West will occur, however the intersections at 228th/38th and 228th/44th will be open and a detour will be in place. When 228th Street is opened, the grinding and overlay work will move to 44th and Cedar Way between 227th and 232nd Streets SW. Detours will be in place. An officer and several flaggers will be at the site

helping direct traffic and assisting pedestrians and bicyclists. It is recommended that drivers use alternate routes during construction. Business access will be available on 44th/Cedar Way while work takes place on 228th Street and when work moves to 44th/Cedar Way, business access will change over to 228th Street. Normal work hours for this construction project are 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. This work may be completed within two weeks, but it is weather dependent. In addition, there may be nighttime lane closures.

The 228th Street SW & Cedar Way project will restore the roadway pavement and re-channel 228th Street SW from 39th to 44th Avenues West and Cedar Way from 227th to 232nd Streets SW. It includes pavement milling, pavement repairs, and asphalt overlay. In selected areas the roadway will be widened by relocating the curb and sidewalk.

The crosswalks across 228th on the west side of 42nd, and across 44th, on the south side of 229th, will have pedestrian-activated rectangular rapid flashing beacons installed to improve pedestrian safety. The entire project is expected to be completed this summer. More information is available by calling Traffic Engineer Janet Hall at (425) 744-6275.

- **Town Center Stormwater Detention Vault Project:** Construction continues on the Town Center Stormwater Facility project that will build a regional stormwater infiltration facility under the parking lot next to the Mountlake Terrace Library and Veterans Memorial Park (232nd Street SW & 58th Avenue W). The Library is open regular hours during construction. The stockpile of native material is being moved to the service road behind the Recreation Pavilion. The Contractor will utilize the planned haul route of 58th Ave W, 220th Street SW, and 52nd Ave W. No construction traffic will take place in front of the Recreation Pavilion or Terrace Park Elementary.
- **Decant Facility:** Construction has been completed on the decant facility at the Public Works Operations Center and the Contractor has been issued substantial completion. The decant facility will be used to settle wet sediments collected during maintenance activities for the water, sewer, and stormwater utility systems. The decanted water is then discharged to the sanitary sewer for treatment at a wastewater treatment plant. The sediments are reused or sent to a landfill if contaminated. The decant facility improvements include the decant basins, a three sided metal building, outside material storage areas and site paving. Some minor cleanup work remains and will be completed in the coming weeks. Additionally, a rockery wall Contractor is being selected from the Small Works Roster and will begin work to complete the rockery wall along the northern portion of the site in April.

RECREATION UPDATES

- **Parent/Toddler Creative Dance** begins on Friday April 18, 10:30 – 11:15 am at the Pavilion. This 8-week session gives 18 month to 3 year olds and their caregivers an opportunity to explore music, props, and how to move their bodies to music. Children register and bring their favorite adult. Our wonderful instructor Philippa Myler will guide participants through a stimulating and fun 45 minutes of activities.
- **Zumba Kids Jr.** - Zumba Kids Jr. for 4-6 yr olds is happening Saturdays 9:15-10:00 am. Our fun-loving instructor Jeannette Nolander will put on some party music and dance the time away with those little movers and shakers that need an outlet for all their excitement.

- **Spring Break Camps** - Mountlake Terrace Youth programs are getting ready for spring break starting next week. We will be previewing what kind of themes and activities that we will be doing during the summer in our day camps. This will give the parents and the children a good idea what to expect when they join us in the summer. More than 35 kids per day will participate in swimming, arts and crafts, Olympic Games, sports and other small and large group activities.
- **WRPA Conference** – Aquatic Supervisor Rose Ploeg will attend the Washington Recreation and Park Association (WRPA) Conference next week at Magnuson Park in Seattle. This conference runs Tuesday through Friday and will cover many different recreation related trainings and networking opportunities. A scholarship from Washington Cities Insurance Authority will cover her registration. Recreation Manager Jeff Betz, and Parks and Facilities Superintendent Ken Courtmanch will attend one day of the conference as well.
- **Recently retired Recreation and Parks Director Don Sarcletti** will be receiving an award at the WRPA banquet on Wednesday for “Distinguished Service”. The Distinguished Service Award honors recently retired professionals for outstanding service in the field of parks and recreation.
- **Swim Lessons** - Aquatic Staff is finishing-up swimming lessons this week, Weekend pre registration will be this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Registration will open up to MLT residents April 9 and be open to everyone April 10.
- **Spring Break Swim Schedule** is posted online and is available at the Recreation Pavilion: Each day there are three extra Recreation Swims during the day at 1:15-2:45 and 2:55-4:25 Monday through Friday. On Monday & Wednesday, the evening swim will be at 6:40-7:55, with Tuesday & Thursdays being 6:00-7:15pm.
- **Lifeguard In-Service** - This Friday, April 4, the monthly Lifeguard in-service staff will practice their in water rescue skills. Each month a different main topic is the focus of the training to maintain good rescue skills. The 4:30 Recreation Swim and 6:15 Rental are canceled to accommodate this training.
- **Creating Community Connections** - Aquatic Supervisor Rose Ploeg attended the Creating Community Connections meeting at the Edmonds School District offices Thursday, April 3, 2014. She shared information about April Pools Day, which is co-sponsored by Swedish Edmonds and Edmonds Family Medicine and the 3rd grade swim voucher program.

To register in any of our programs call the Pavilion at 425-776-9173 x 0 or visit www.crazedigital.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT UPDATES

(March 26, 2014 thru April 1, 2014)

Agency Assists	Brier	Edmonds	Lynnwood
Year to Date	16	15	7
Week	1	1	0

Patrol Statistics	Week	Year to date
Police Reports	77	865
Arrests / Misd. / Felony	23	255
Traffic Infractions	61	1114
Verbal Warnings	74	1010
Traffic Collisions	4	61
DUI's	1	8
FIR'S	24	301

Burglaries	Commercial	Residential
4300 220 th St SW		X
22400 59 th Pl W		X
22300 51 st Ave W		X

Investigations	Assigned / Week	Closed / Week	Assigned YTD	Closed YTD
Cases (Including DV)	8	1	87	73

Vehicle Thefts/Recoveries/Prowls

- 21400 44th Ave W Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 4100 212th St SW (x2) Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 21300 52nd Ave W (x2) Vehicle Theft
- 4300 212th St SW Vehicle Theft
- 5200 240th St SW Vehicle Theft
- 4000 212th St SW Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 22200 70 Ave W Stolen Vehicle Recovery
- 23400 Lakeview Dr Theft from Vehicle
- 4100 236th St SW Theft from Vehicle
- 4900 243rd St SW Theft from Vehicle
- 4500 243rd Pl SW Theft from Vehicle
- 5300 242nd St SW Vehicle Prowl
- 4600 223rd Pl SW Vehicle Prowl
- 4700 223rd Pl SW Vehicle Prowl

Significant Incidents:

- On 4-1-14 at 2:14 am, Mountlake Terrace officers were patrolling in the area of 212th and 44th, an area that has had several stolen cars recovered and others stolen in recent days. Officers stopped a vehicle that was being driven badly and found a large ring of ignition keys. The officers investigated further and found that the car was just recently stolen from Snohomish. The suspect denied stealing the car but told officers the name of the person in South Everett he thought was responsible. Snohomish County Deputies were familiar with the person named by our suspect and went to that person's location and arrested that person in the vicinity of another stolen vehicle. Our suspect was booked at the Snohomish County Jail for Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Motor Vehicle Theft Tools and Driving While License Suspended.
- On 03-29-2014 at 1:48 am, officers were dispatched to the 6300 block of Saint Albion Way for a report of a subject who had just been stabbed. The suspect had fled on foot and was reported to be in the area of the apartment's main office. Officers from multiple agencies responded and began setting up containment as well as an entry team near the apartment where the victim was reported to be located. The suspect called 911 and told the operators that he had just killed his friend. As dispatchers were speaking with the suspect on the phone, officers located him near the complex office parking lot. He was taken into custody without incident. The victim was found deceased in the apartment with stab wounds to his neck, shoulder and back. Witnesses told the officers that the suspect had stabbed their mutual friend over some drugs that the suspect wanted from the apartment. The Command Duty Officer and Detectives responded and took control of the scene. Suspect was booked into Snohomish County Jail for Murder in the 2nd degree.
- On 03-28-2014 at 12:00 noon, officers responded to two suspicious males in the 23000 block of 46th Ave. They were contacted in the 4900 block of 229th Pl. Further investigation revealed they had trespassed at 23007 46th Pl and that they had stolen mail from a row of mailboxes in front of that same house. It appears they were casing houses to burglarize. Both subjects were booked at Snohomish County Jail.

Detective Unit Update:

- Detectives were called out to the homicide on 3-29-2014 at 1:48 am. The detectives spent hours writing warrants, getting the warrants approved and working with WSP Crime Lab personnel to process the location of the murder. Their investigation continues.

Other items of interest:

- Chief Wilson, Assistant Chief Caw and Acting Commander Pickard attended the Snohomish County Sheriff and Police Chief's Association meeting in Lake Stevens on March 27.
- Chief Wilson taught ethics to the equivalency class at the police academy.
- Police Department command staff attended the retirement luncheon for Community & Economic Development Director Shane Hope on March 31.

Code Enforcement Property of the Week:

On 2/22/2014, Code Enforcement received an anonymous complaint regarding a “junky looking vehicle” located near the 21800 block of 55th Avenue W. Code Enforcement inspected the property and observed a junk/inoperable vehicle with an expired license parked on an unimproved grass surface. Code Enforcement issued a Notice of Violation in accordance with MTMC 8.15.050.B.1 - All motor vehicles that are junk, inoperable or unused for 30 days or more shall be stored inside a fully enclosed structure, and MTMC 8.15.050 B.3 – All motor vehicles shall be parked on an improved surface anywhere on a property, or on a maintained surface per MTMC 19.125.070. On 3/11/2014, Code Enforcement received a phone call from the property owner notifying them that the vehicle would be towed off the property before the weekend. On 3/19/2014, Code Enforcement inspected the property and noted the junk/inoperable vehicle had been removed from the property.



NEWS RELEASES

The following news releases issued this week can be found [here](#):

- Don't Miss April Pools Day
- Join the Conversation Coffee with the City April 8, 6pm
- Council to Hold Public Hearing on Freeway/Tourist Zoning Amendment
- Detours Planned for 228th Street SW and Cedar Way Overlay

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

- April 8, Tuesday, 6:00 to 7:00 PM, Coffee with the City, Recreation Pavilion Jungle Room.
- April 26, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Earth Day -- Volunteer Clean-Up Day.
- April 22, 2:00 to 3:30 PM, Lake Ballinger/McAlee Creek Watershed Forum Meeting, Edmonds City Hall, 3rd Floor Brackett Room, 121 5th Ave N, Edmonds, WA 98020
- June 17 - 20, AWC 's Annual Conference, Spokane

- July 25 to July 27, Tour de Terrace, Evergreen Playfield
- August 5, 6:00 PM, National Night Out Against Crime, Evergreen Playfield
- September 13, 9:00 AM, National Day of Service -- Park Cleanup Day,
- September 17, 6:30 PM, 6th Annual Evergreen Award Program, Ballinger Clubhouse

Sincerely,

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City of Mountlake Terrace