# CITY OF SHORELINE CURRENTS

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#### **It's Happening**

Many events and meetings are planned for October including the 10th annual Hamlin Halloween Haunt.





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#### 15th Avenue NE Town Hall Meeting

In 2003, 15th Avenue NE between NE 150th and NE 175th Streets was converted from a four-lane road with two lanes in each direction, to a three-lane road with one lane in each direction, a center turn lane and bike lanes.

After reviewing current operations of 15th Avenue NE in May 2007, Shoreline City Council asked staff to present road configuration alternatives, including advantages and disadvantages of each. Staff presented these

The City Council invites the community to share input about the current configuration and the range of alternatives at a Town Hall Meeting on October 16. City staff will present the results of traffic studies conducted along 15th Avenue NE and surrounding streets.

For more information, contact Shoreline Traffic Engineer Rich Meredith at (206) 546-2408.

#### 2008 Budget adoption schedule

The City of Shoreline kicks off the 2008 Budget adoption process at the October 15 City Council meeting. The full schedule is at right.

alternatives in August.

All meetings are held on Mondays in the Mt. Rainier Room of the Shoreline Conference Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE. Call the Agenda Line at (206) 546-2190 or check online at www. cityofshoreline.com for updates to and details about Council meeting agendas.

For more information about Shoreline's Budget, contact Finance Director Debbie Tarry at (206) 546-0787.

Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. Proposed 2008 Budget

15th Avenue NE Town

**Hall Meeting** 

Tuesday, Oct. 16

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Oct. 22 at 7:30 p.m. Department Budget Review

> Nov. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing and Department Reviews

Nov. 19 at 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing on Revenue Sources and 2008 Property Tax Levy

Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. Adoption of 2008 Budget and Property Tax Levy



#### HOLIDAY CRAFTS MARKET

Saturday, Nov. 17 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Spartan Recreation Center 18560 1st Avenue NE (206) 418-3383

Begin your holiday shopping at the 3rd annual Holiday Crafts Market where over 50 juried artisans will sell their handmade crafts and wares. The Spartan Recreation Center gymnasium will be transformed into a winter wonderland of gorgeous gifts. Grab your shopping bag and wallet and start shopping.



#### October 17 Aurora Corridor Project Open House

This summer, Shoreline City Council selected a preferred alternative for the Aurora Corridor Project, N 165th to N 205th

Aurora Corridor Open House Wednesday, Oct. 17 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Meridian Park Elementary 17077 Meridian Avenue N Streets, allowing the City to complete the environmental process.

Shoreline is preparing both national and state environmental documents for Aurora. The National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) documents consist of a series of reports on various topics such as traffic, noise and water quality that are then approved by the Washington State Department of Transportation. As these reports

are approved, they are available on the Aurora project page at www.cityofshoreline.com.

Although there is no formal public review period during the national environmental process, the same issues and topics are addressed in the State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) documents. Once the national documents are approved, the City will present the SEPA documents for public review followed by a two-week comment period. Shoreline expects to release the SEPA documents this fall.

The community is invited to learn more about this process at an October 17 open house. The open house also offers a chance to meet the new members of the project team, including the City's right-of-way acquisition consultant and the design team, and to learn more about the project schedule. A presentation will be given at 7:15 p.m.

For more information, contact Aurora Corridor Project Manager Kirk McKinley at (206) 546-3901.

肖萊市(The City of Shoreline)將發佈有關曙光走廊專案(Aurora Corridor Project)之州環境政策法案,(N 165<sup>th</sup> to N 205<sup>th</sup> Streets)以供秋季時的公眾檢討。欲獲取這些文件之更多有關曙光走廊專案(Aurora Corridor Project)的相關資訊,請致函以下地址。

City of Shoreline(쇼어라인시)은 이번 가을에 일반 대중의 검토를 위해 Aurora Corridor Project (오로라 코리도 프로젝트 - N 165<sup>th</sup> Street 에서 N 205<sup>th</sup> Street 까지)에 관한 주정부 환경 정책 법안 문서를 공표할 것입니다. 이 문서 또는 오로라 코리도 프로젝트에 대해 상세한 정보가 필요하시면, 아래의 주소로 편지해 주시기 바랍니다.

La Ciudad de Shoreline emitirá los documentos de la Ley de Política Ambiental del Estado de Washington para el Projecto de La Avenida de Aurora (N 165<sup>th</sup> a N 205<sup>th</sup> Streets) para su revisión pública en este otoño. Para obtener más información sobre estos documentos o acerca del Projecto de La Avenida de Aurora, por favor escriba a la dirección que se indica a continuación.

The City of Shoreline will be issuing the State Environmental Policy Act documents for the Aurora Corridor Project (N 165th to N 205th Street) for public review this fall. For more information about these documents or the Aurora Corridor Project in languages other than English, please write to the address below.

Kris Overleese, City of Shoreline 17544 Midvale Avenue N, Suite 100 - Shoreline, Wash. 98177 aurora@ci.shoreline.wa.us



# Shoreline Police Crime Stopper Tips

#### 10 ways to keep your identity safe

- Shred documents you receive that contain personal information. This includes credit card receipts and pre-approved credit applications. A cross-cut or confetti shredder is best.
- Guard your mail from theft by putting outgoing mail in an official post office drop box. Retrieve mail promptly. Check with the post office to inquire about locking mailboxes.
- Never give information to people over the phone, internet or through the mail.

  Some ID thieves claim to be from the government, your bank or law enforcement.
- Carefully review your credit report on an an-

nual basis. Some experts recommend a review twice a year. Dispute claims you don't recognize.

- Note when your bills arrive each month and track them. Stolen credit card statements give thieves valuable information. Ask to receive your statements electronically if possible. Ensure your computer is secure with an up-to-date firewall.
- 6. Don't leave valuables, mail or personal information in your car.
- Never let your credit cards or debit cards out of your sight. Keep the numbers covered when waiting in line.
- Review your credit card
  bills and bank statements.
  Make sure you can verify each

credit card purchase and any bank withdrawals.

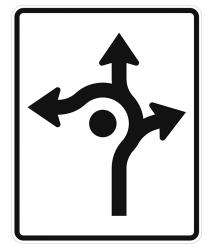
- Don't use common numbers like your birth date or the last four digits of your Social Security number for your ATM password.
- 10. If you are a victim of ID theft take action now. Begin by filing a police report and calling the three credit bureaus (a call to one alerts the other two).

Learn more about how to protect yourself from identity theft and other consumer safeguards on the Washington State Attorney General's office website, www. atg.wa.gov, or visit one of the Shoreline Neighborhood Police Centers listed on page 8.

# Question of the Month: What is the correct way to drive around a traffic circle?

To help slow traffic and improve safety along neighborhood streets, Shoreline installed a number of traffic circles throughout the City last year. Since these traffic-calming devices are new for Shoreline, many people have asked about the proper way to drive around them.

Traffic should move counterclockwise – to the driver's right – around a traffic circle. Approaching vehicles should yield to vehicles already in the intersection and traveling around the traffic circle. This fall, the City will be installing signs illustrating this.



Traffic circles are effective at not only slowing speeds, but preventing accidents in otherwise uncontrolled intersections. Shoreline currently has about 36 traffic circles that were placed based on traffic studies and history of neighborhood concerns about safety.

For more information about how to drive around traffic circles or other traffic enforcement questions, contact Shoreline Police Traffic Sergeant Kevin Fagerstrom at (206) 546-6730. For more information about Shoreline's Traffic Program, contact Shoreline Traffic Engineer Rich Meredith at (206) 546-2408.



#### **Shoreline Park Bond projects update**

South Woods dedicated last month, Trail Corridor meeting Oct. 22

Last year, Shoreline voters approved an \$18.5 million bond levy to purchase open space properties, make park improvements and develop trails. Open space acquisition accounts for over half of the bond funding.

The following is an update on these projects and others:



Park Bond
co-chairs
and Parks,
Recreation
and Cultural
Services Board
members
Shari Tracey
and Bill
Clements
celebrate
the City's
purchase of
South Woods.

#### Property Acquisitions

#### **South Woods**

A dedication ceremony on September 24 celebrated the purchase of the South Woods property on the corner of NE 150th Street and 25th Avenue NE. South Woods is the first Park Bond property purchased by the City of Shoreline. The site has been surveyed for the design and installation of a pedestrian walkway along NE 150th Street.

#### **SPU North Hamlin**

The City is completing the purchase with Seattle Public Utilities for the 8.3-acre property north of Hamlin Park. Closing is expected in October.

#### Kruckeberg Botanic Garden

The City anticipates finalizing a purchase and sale agreement with Dr. Art Kruckeberg for his 4-acre property located at 20312 15th Avenue NW and an operation service agreement with the Kruckeberg Botanic Garden Foundation this fall.

#### Park and Trail Improvements

#### Richmond Beach Saltwater Park

Since the master plan was completed, the design consultants are gathering and reviewing information about wetlands, streams and steep slopes. The project is currently in the permitting and environmental phase. Construction on the first phase of the project is estimated to begin in 2008. Improvements include pedestrian sidewalks, stairs and trails; slope stability; bridge access and safety; a new beach wash-down area; a new overlook parking area across from the caretaker's residence: a new midlevel terrace area with parking, picnic area and gathering space; and new entry and interpretive educational signage.

#### **Twin Ponds Park**

A new synthetic turf field will be built at Twin Ponds Park next summer and open for play in September 2008. The project is currently in the permitting phase and will go out to formal bid this winter.

#### **Cromwell Park**

Last month, City staff and design consultants met with Shoreline residents about design options for Cromwell Park. Construction is estimated to begin in 2008. Community comments collected throughout the summer were used to help shape the conceptual designs presented at the September meeting.

## Hamlin Park Facility Upgrade Improvements

Community information meetings will begin this winter for the design of ADA and field improvements including a new picnic shelter and play area, trail restoration and erosion control. Construction of improvements is expected to begin in 2009.

#### City-wide Baseball/ Softball Field Improvements

A restroom and street frontage improvements at Richmond Highlands ball fields is the first priority project for these bond funds.

#### **Off-Leash Dog Park**

The Off-Leash Dog Area (OLDA) Study Group, a Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board subcommittee, has begun meeting to review existing

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off-leash dog facilities in the region, finalize criteria for selection and recommend sites to the PRCS Board. Eleven citizen volunteers and three park board members serve on the OLDA Study Group. Public meetings will be held next year to present the group's findings.

#### **Tennis Court Lighting**

New lights will be added to the tennis courts at the Shoreline Center this fall. Lights are activated by a push button with a 30-minute timer and locked out after 10:00 p.m. nightly. The project will begin construction in October. In spring 2008, the City will be putting in a new gate and uprights and resurfacing the tennis courts.

#### **Trail Corridors**

A priority project of the trail corridor funding is complete: the new pedestrian crossing at the Interurban Trailhead and 145th Street. The Trails Corridor Study Group, a subcommittee of the PRCS Board, has been meeting since January to help identify and prioritize trail improvements to be funded by the Park Bond. Join the Study Group on October 22 to review it's work on identifying trail improvements in Shoreline and share comments.

#### Trail Corridor Study Group Open House

Monday, Oct. 22 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Cascade Room, Spartan Recreation Center 18560 1st Avenue NE

#### Other Park Improvement Projects

#### New Park in Richmond Beach

King County's Richmond Beach Pump Station property, located at 19911 Richmond Beach Drive NW (Richmond Beach Drive NW and NW 198th Street), will soon be home to a new 2.3-acre, City of Shoreline neighborhood park. Park improvements slated for 2008 include a looped walkway system to the pump station access road, parking area, picnic tables, benches, ADA accessible restroom building, a tot lot play area, and a viewing platform for observing Olympic Mountain and Puget Sound views.

#### **Boeing Creek Park**

The City of Shoreline will begin park and storm water improvements to Boeing Creek Park in 2008 after construction of King County's wastewater storage project is complete. Boeing Creek Park is located on the corner of N 175th Street and 6th Avenue NW.

King County invites the community to celebrate substantial completion at a special event in the park on Saturday, Oct. 20, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

The City of Shoreline and King County are coordinating their projects to reduce construction impacts and costs to the taxpayers. Improvements will include new benches and picnic areas, landscaping, a bridge crossing over Boeing Creek, a cascading water feature and way-

finding and interpretive signage.

For more information about Park Bond projects, contact Parks Project Coordinator Maureen Colaizzi at (206) 546-0232 or mcolaizzi@ci.shoreline.wa.us.

#### Interurban dedication



The City of Shoreline celebrated the completion of its construction on the Interurban Trail at a ribbon-cutting and dedication ceremony September 22. Kids decorated bikes for a parade down the trail after the ribbon was cut.





# It's Happening in Shoreline

#### Tuesday, Oct. 9: Housing Strategy Community Meeting 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., Shoreline Fire Training Facility, 17525 Aurora Avenue N

Join Shoreline's Comprehensive Housing Citizen Advisory Committee at an open house to learn more about and provide comments on the draft plan for the City's Comprehensive Housing Strategy. **More info:** Senior Planner Steve Cohn at (206) 546-1418.

#### Thursday, Oct. 11: Sustainability Strategy Conversation 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., Shoreline Room, Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE

The City of Shoreline is gathering community input and ideas for creating an environmentally sustainable community. An additional meeting will be held at the same time and place on Wednesday, Nov. 14. **More info:** Associate Planner Juniper Nammi at (206) 546-8805.

#### Saturday, Oct. 13: Clean Sweep Recycling Event

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Shoreline Park & Ride on Aurora at 192nd

Clean Sweep provides residents opportunities to recycle and dispose of items. Look for your flyer in the mail or check the City's website for more details.

More info: Shoreline Customer Response Team (206) 546-1700.

## Thursday, Oct. 18: Ridgecrest Commercial Zoning Hearing 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Mt. Rainier Room, Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE

Provide input to the Planning Commission on proposed new zoning at the intersection of NE 165th Street and 5th Ave NE. An innovative form-based code and "Planned Area Zone" are proposed to embody the community vision expressed by the neighborhood earlier this year in a process involving the University of Washington.

More info: Associate Planner Steve Szafran (206) 546-0786.

#### Friday, Oct. 26: Hamlin Halloween Haunt 6:00 to 8:30 p.m., Hamlin Park, 16006 15th Avenue NE

Listen to spooky songs and stories around a campfire, take a hayride around the park and play Halloween games for prizes and candy. Free.

More info: Spartan Recreation Center (206) 418-3383.

### www.cityofshoreline.com



#### State holds open houses on Fircrest master planning

The Washington Department of Social and Human Services is holding two public open houses this fall to kick off phase one of their master planning process for the Fircrest Campus in Shoreline. Meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 10, and Thurs-

day, Nov 8. Both open houses will be held from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Activities Building at

Fircrest, 15230 15th Avenue NE.
For more information, contact DSHS Project Manager Ed
Valvert at (253) 476-7022 or
valbeel@dshs.wa.gov.



# Get Ready, Shoreline! Emergency Preparedness "Prepare in a Year" by making a comfort kit

We are now in the fourth month of the "Prepare in a Year" campaign. The 12-month plan, created by the Washington Emergency Management Division, asks you to devote one hour each month to complete a preparedness activity. Over the past three months, you've written an action plan, identified out-of-area contacts and stored water. This month, you will make a 72-hour comfort kit of everyday items you will need in an emergency.

Chances are you will have to rely on supplies you have available in your home for at least the first three days following any major disaster. Store these items in something portable and easily carried, like a plastic tub with a tight-fitting lid. In the event of fire or rapid evacuation, you'll appreciate having more than just the clothes on your back.

The container should be able to withstand moisture, insects and some abuse if an earthquake strikes. If you have a large family, several smaller tubs may be easier to carry than one large container. Place items in plastic bags to protect against condensation, which causes mildew and rust. The bags newspapers come in are a good choice. They can be used later for waste disposal.

Locate these supplies as close to your primary house exit as possible. You may have to find it in the dark or after the upheaval of an earthquake. Plan to rotate the items in your kit annually. This includes making sure the clothes you stored still fit.

#### Water

Keep at least a three-day supply of water for each person in your household. Two-liter soda bottles work well. That means six two-liter bottles per person. (See last month's issue of Currents for more information on storing water.)

#### Food

Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration or cooking and little or no water, such as:

- Canned meats, fruits and vegetables.
- Canned juices and soups.
- High energy foods like peanut butter, granola bars, trail mix and beef jerky.
- Comfort foods like hard candy and cookies.

#### **First Aid Supplies**

- Sterile 4" adhesive bandages and sterile 4" x 4" gauze pads
- 4" rolled gauze bandages
- Large triangular bandages and butterfly bandages
- Adhesive tape, scissors and tweezers
- Moistened towelettes
- Bar soap
- Latex gloves
- Aspirin & non-aspirin pain reliever
- Antacid & anti-diarrhea medication
- Hydrogen peroxide to disinfect wounds and antibiotic ointment to dress wounds
- Sunscreen and insect repellent
- Safety pins, needle and thread

- Plastic bags, sanitary pads & instant cold packs
- Pocket knife and splinting materials.

#### **Tools & Supplies**

- Paper cups, plates and plastic utensils
- Battery-operated AM radio and extra batteries
- Flashlight
- Non-electric can opener
- ABC fire extinguisher
- Whistle
- Toilet paper and towelettes
- Liquid soap
- Roll of plastic duct tape to seal broken windows
  - Special Items
- Extra eye glasses
- Prescription drugs and medications
- Baby diapers, food and formula
- A family picture
- Games and books
- Copies of insurance policies
- Bank account numbers
- Inventory of valuables
- Family records
- Contact lens solution and denture adhesive

#### **Clothing & Bedding**

- One complete change of clothes
- Blankets or sleeping bags
- Mylar blankets
- Sturdy shoes
- Warm socks
- Hat and gloves

For more information about emergency preparedness, log on to http://emd.wa.gov/preparedness/prep\_prepare\_year.shtml, or visit www.cityofshoreline.com.



## Who, what, where in the City of Shoreline

#### **City of Shoreline**

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City Hall Annex Home of Planning and Development Services Department and Public Works Department Highland Plaza 1110 N. 175th St., Suite 105 Shoreline, WA 98133

Spartan Recreation Center 18560 1st Avenue NE Shoreline, WA 98155 (206) 418-3383

Shoreline Pool 19030 1st Ave. NE Shoreline, WA 98155 (206) 362-1307

#### **City Council**

Mayor Bob Ransom
Deputy Mayor Maggie Fimia
Rich Gustafson
Ron Hansen
Keith McGlashan
Cindy Ryu
Janet Way

Meeting Location Shoreline Conference Center 18560 First Ave. NE Mt. Rainier Room Agenda Line: (206) 546-2190

Study Sessions
First & third Mondays 6:30 p.m.
Business Meetings
Second & fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m.

Televised City Council Meetings Cable Channel 21 Tuesday noon and 8 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday 6 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Also on www.cityofshoreline.com

#### **Shoreline Police**

#### **Emergency: 911**

Shoreline Police Station Chief Tony Burtt 1206 N. 185th St. Shoreline, WA 98133 (206) 546-6730

Westside Neighborhood Police Center Officer Leona Obstler 624 NW Richmond Beach Road Shoreline, WA 98177 (206) 546-3636

Eastside Neighborhood Police Center Officer Sue Sherwood 521 NE 165th St. Shoreline, WA 98155 (206) 363-8424



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