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Watch for CITIZEN SATISFACTION **SURVEY** in the mail

Soon after Shoreline incorporated, a citizens' advisory group recommended that the City periodically check in with residents to see how satisfied they were with City services.

Shoreline's Citizen Satisfaction Survey, conducted every two years, is an outgrowth of that recommendation and provides the City with valuable information about public safety, quality of services, communications, transportation and parks. The City uses information from the statistically valid survey to make changes and improvements to better meet community needs.

Most of the questions are repeated each year for comparison purposes. This year's survey will be distributed this summer and results should be available in the fall.

For more information about the 2008 City of Shoreline Citizen Satisfaction Survey, contact Assistant City Manager Julie Underwood at (206) 546-8978.

Shoreline City Council Community Workshops on **Proposed** 2008-09 Goals

Each year the City Council adopts a list of goals that guides the City's work in the coming year. The Council developed a list of draft goals at its spring retreat and invites the community to discuss them at this special public meeting.

Tuesday, June 24, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Highlander Room Shoreline Conference Center







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explains Shoreline City

Manager Bob Olander.

City begins Proactive Code Compliance Program

Shoreline codes protect public health, safety and quality of life. Traditionally, Shoreline's code enforcement program has primarily responded to complaints from residents. Now the City is beginning to pro actively address three major code problems: abandoned and junk vehicles; excessive storage of junk, debris and garbage; and graffiti.

"We've found that when people are made aware of their code violations, 95 percent of them voluntarily comply," explains Shoreline City Manager Bob Olander. "We want to extend this success by taking the proactive approach of contacting people with obvious violations before we get complaints from neighbors."

The first three months of the program will focus on community education and encouraging people to voluntarily comply with codes. During this time, Shoreline staff will "knock and talk" with people with violations to discuss what they need to do to comply and what resources are available to help.

These resources will also be available on the City's website at www.cityof-shoreline.com. For example, some vehicles can be towed away for free as a donation to a non-profit organization or for the vehicle's scrap value.

After the "knock and talk" period, staff will begin proactive code compliance, a three-strike process that could end with a citation and fines.

To report a code violation or for more information on code enforcement and the proactive code compliance program, contact the Customer Response Team at (206) 546-1700 or visit www.cityofshoreline.com.





ABANDONED AND JUNKED VEHICLES

Over the past few years, there has been an increase in the number of vehicles abandoned along the public right-of-way. In 2007, the city addressed 1,436 abandoned vehicles. The City codes prohibit using the public right-of-way to store, dump or sell personal vehicles.

SIGNS THAT A VEHICLE MAY BE ABANDONED:

- · Not being moved for more than three days.
- Missing essential parts needed to operate the vehicle such as tires, engine, windows and/or license plates.
- No current registration sticker. Vehicles must have current registration or the owner must be able to show that the vehicle is operable. Junked vehicles are those that are wrecked, dismantled or inoperable and do not have a current registration sticker; they cannot be stored or parked outside a garage or carport.
- All vehicles must be parked on an approved impervious surface.
- The maximum number of vehicles that may be stored outside is six plus two recreational vehicles.

WHAT TO DO: Remove junk vehicles from the property or the right-of-way or put them in the garage or carport. Report abandoned vehicles to the Customer Response Team at (206) 546-1700.

OUTSIDE STORAGE OF JUNK AND GARBAGE

Sites that contain excessive outside storage of junk, debris and/or garbage often have a variety of code violations including junk or abandoned vehicles and vermin infestations. Any materials ordinarily not used outside may not be kept outside including auto parts, furniture, appliances, tires, building materials and dead vegetation. All garbage must be stored in a sealed container and removed every two weeks.

WHAT TO DO: All outside junk, trash and debris must be removed and disposed of properly. The Shoreline Transfer Station is located at 2300 N 165th Street and provides garbage disposal and recycling.

GRAFFITI

Graffiti is the defacement of any public or private property, including walls, rocks, bridges, buildings, vehicles, signs, roads and any other surfaces. Under Section 302.9 of Shoreline's Property Maintenance Code, property owners are required to remove graffiti from their property; failure to do so can result in civil penalties. Immediately removing graffiti is also the number one way to discourage repeat offenses.

WHAT TO DO: Report graffiti in progress to 911. For graffiti discovered on your private property, record it, report it to Shoreline Police by calling 911 and then remove it. Report graffiti on public property to the Customer Response Team at (206) 546-1700.

Shoreline Fireworks bar

As you make plans to celebrate the Fourth of July, please remember that all types of fireworks are illegal in the City of Shoreline. Shoreline Police will be enforcing the City's year-round fireworks ban by confiscating fireworks and writing tickets for possession. Shoreline residents may report offenders by calling 911 or (206) 296-3311.

To dispose of fireworks safely, please call King County Sheriff Communications Center at (206) 296-3311 to make arrangements.

Did you know

According to City Code and state law, with a few exceptions,

it is prohibited for anything other than natural surface water or storm water to be discharged or put into the City's storm drain system or surface waters.

Prohibited discharges include:

- Water containing soaps, oil or grease
- Paints
- · Pesticides or fertilizers
- · Pressure washing wastes
- Spa or chlorinated swimming pool water
- · Sand or sediment

To report concerns regarding contaminants entering streams, lakes or wetlands or Puget Sound, contact CRT at (206) 546-1700.



SUMMER EVENTS



Last year's summer events were a big success.





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Shoreline Arts Festival "Green: Art and the Environment"

June 28 & 29 Saturday 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE

The Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council presents the 18th annual Shoreline Arts Festival "Green: Art and the Environment." Free fun for all ages with two days of crafts, performances, art shows and more. Contact the Shoreline –LFP Arts Council at (206) 417-4645 for more information or www.shorelinearts.net.

Swingin' Summer Eve

Wednesday, July 23 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Cromwell Park, 18009 Corliss Avenue N

Join us for a summer evening full of music, games, food, face painting and a used book sale. Kids will enjoy the pre-concert games and activities in the wide open field at Cromwell Park. The whole family will enjoy the barbeque fundraiser hosted by the Shoreline Fire Department, followed by an evening of music from the group Afrodisiacs. Admission to the event is free, with a nominal fee for food, books and inflatable games. For more information, please call (206) 418-3383.





Lunchtime Music Series

Tuesdays Noon-I:00 p.m.

Join the City of Shoreline for free music on select Tuesdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. this summer. Bring your lunch. Concerts alternate between Richmond Beach Saltwater Park (2021 NW 190th Street) and Hamlin Park (16001 15th Avenue NE). For more information, please call (206) 418-3383.

July 8: Smilin' Scandinavians
Polka music at Hamlin Park.

July 15:The Islanders
Steel drums at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park.

July 22: Eric Madis Trio
Jazz, swing & blues at Hamlin Park.

July 29: Roberto the Magnificent
Juggling at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park.

August 5: Ed Hartman
Marimba music at Hamlin Park.

August 12: Reptile Isle Animal Show Richmond Beach Saltwater Park

Concerts in the Parks

Free evening concerts

The Shoreline-Lake Forest Parks Arts Council and the cities of Shoreline and Lake Forest Park sponsor free evening concerts in parks throughout the summer. All performances begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

July 9: Darren Motamedy Smooth Jazz (Animal Acres Park, NE 178TH and Brookside Blvd, LFP)

July 16: Cocoa Martini R&B, Jazz, Gospel (Cromwell Park, 18009 Corliss Avenue N)

July 20:A Midsummer Night's Dream by Wooden O Shakespeare Company (Animal Acres Park)

July 23: Swinging Summer's Eve The Afrodisiacs Disco Tribute Band (Cromwell Park)

July 30: Romeo & Juliet by Wooden O Shakespeare Company (Richmond Community Beach Park, 2201 NW 197TH St.)

August 6: Carrie Akre Alternative Pop (Animal Acres Park)

August 12: August Arts Camp Student & Faculty Ensembles
part of the North City Jazz Walk
(17739 15th Ave NE)

August 20:The Delivery Boys Acoustic Pop/Harmonies (Richmond Community Beach Park)

August 27:The Dudley Manlove Quartet Tribute Pop (Richmond Community Beach Park)

In Shoreline



• • • • New Banners Thanks to Home-Grown Talent

Ridgecrest neighbor Patty Hale (left) and artist Adam Yaw display the colorful new banners hanging in Ridgecrest thanks to a Neighborhood Mini-Grant. The artwork by Yaw, who grew up in the Ridgecrest area and is now a senior art student at the University of Washington, was selected through a banner design competition.

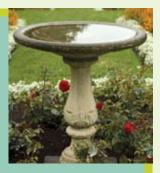


• • • • • Shoreline Volunteers: Above and Beyond

Ridgecrest Neighborhood Association's Dick Nicholson and CERT volunteer Vickie Fontaine were two of the more than 120 City volunteers who enjoyed the lively tunes provided by Einstein Middle School Jazz Bands at the annual Shoreline Volunteer Breakfast May 2. Last year, volunteers contributed more than 14,700 hours through a wide variety of programs including neighborhoods, parks, police storefronts, recreation programs, advisory groups and many more.

Mosquito Season is Coming and So Is the Risk for West Nile Virus

It is time to start thinking about West Nile Virus (WNV). WNV is a mosquito-borne virus spread through the bite of an infected mosquito. It can cause West Nile fever, encephalitis and meningitis.



WNV is of most concern during mosquito season which runs from spring through late fall. WNV can infect mosquitoes, birds, horses, other animals and people. The virus is not spread by person-to-person contact, and it is not transmitted from birds or other animals to people.

The virus is spread when a mosquito becomes infected with the virus by biting a virus-infected animal and then bites a person or uninfected animal. In 2007, eight horses and one bird tested positive for WNV in Washington State. None of the reported cases were within King County.

The City of Shoreline and Seattle-King County Public Health are joining forces again this year on the WNV surveillance program. City of Shoreline staff received training on WNV from the Seattle-King County Public Health this spring and will conduct spot surveillance for mosquito larvae at surface water control ponds from June through September. The City has obtained approval to apply mosquito larvacide under King County Health Department's National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Seattle-King County Public Health manages the virus through education and surveillance of mosquito breeding areas. The City of Shoreline assists the Seattle-King County Public Health by distributing educational brochures in the Shoreline area and helping to coordinate surveillance activities within City limits.

Getting rid of standing water where mosquitoes breed and avoiding exposure to potentially infected mosquitoes is the key to preventing the spread of the disease if it is found in Shoreline. Shoreline residents are urged to take the following three steps: 1) Rid homes of mosquito breeding habitat by emptying containers of standing water and keeping gutters clean of leaves and debris; 2) Keep mosquitoes out of homes by fixing ripped window and door screens; 3) Wear long-sleeved shirts when outside at dusk or dawn, and use insect repellent on skin and clothing.

For more information about West Nile Virus please visit the Shoreline Public Works Water Quality and Environmental Stewardship web page at www.cityofshoreline.com. To report a dead bird in your neighborhood contact Seattle-King County Public Health's West Nile hotline at (206) 205-3883, or visit www.metrokc.gov/health/westnile.

..... Richmond Beach is a Century Corporation

Congratulations to the Richmond Beach Community Association for being designated by the State of Washington as a Century Corporation in recognition of its dedication and perseverance in maintaining corporate status for 100 years.

At a May City Council meeting, Mayor Cindy Ryu presented Richmond Beach Community Association board members a proclamation honoring "the tireless dedication of numerous individuals to 100 years of community building."



Get Ready Shoreline usiness EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Month nine of the Washington Emergency Management Division's 12-month program asking residents to devote one hour each month to disaster preparedness

Drop, Cover and Hold.

The recent earthquake in China is a reminder that we live in an earthquake prone area. Take steps now to prepare by practicing earthquake drills at home and at work.

AT WORK:

Drop down to the floor and get under your desk or a table. Cover your neck and head with one hand and hold onto the desk or table leg with your other hand. Before an earthquake, check your workspace to make sure your PC, monitor and other computer equipment is secured. Read your company's Emergency Plan and Procedures so you'll know what to do during a disaster. Keep an emergency kit and portable, battery-operated radio at your desk.

AT HOME:

Drop to the floor and get under a table or next to a couch. Cover your head and neck with one hand and hold on with the other hand. Go to every room in your house and find an object to provide cover, and then practice with your family.

www.cityofshoreline.com



From left to right, Chief Dan Pingrey, Chief Robin Fenton, Officer Eric White, Sergeant Kevin Fagerstrom and Captain Kent Baxter.

..... Shoreline Officer Eric White Receives Commendation for Valor

Congratulations to Shoreline Police Officer Eric White for receiving a Distinguished Service Citation for Valor from the City of Edmonds for his assistance in apprehending an armed robbery suspect who was fleeing Edmonds Police.



In conjunction with the Shoreline Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department and as a part of National Wildlife Federation's Community Wildlife Habitat Program, the hunt is on to find champion trees in Shoreline's parks.

A champion tree is typically defined by a calculation using height, circumference and canopy width. The biggest tree of each species is a champion.

The contest is funded by Environmental Mini-Grants from the City of Shoreline and the King County Natural Resource Stewardship Network. The goal is to discover the largest tree of each of the over 20 native species within Shoreline parks. The contest runs through August 31 and winners will be notified in early September.

Shoreline's Community Wildlife Habitat Project sponsored by Sustainable Shoreline Education Association organized this contest to encourage people to learn how to identify local native trees. The Shoreline Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is looking forward to having the Champion Trees identified so park visitors can appreciate them.

To learn more about the contest, contact Sustainable Shoreline's Boni Biery at (206) 542-4722 or birdsbeesfishtrees@gmail.com.

Who, what, where in the City of Shoreline

City of Shoreline

Shoreline City Hall 17544 Midvale Ave. N, Suite 100 (206) 546-1700 Fax (206) 546-7868 www.cityofshoreline.com

City Hall Annex - Highland Plaza 1110 N 175th St., Suite 105

Spartan Recreation Center 18560 1st Avenue NE, Shoreline 98155 (206) 418-3383 Fax (206) 418-3380

Shoreline Pool 19030 1st Ave. NE, Shoreline 98155 (206) 362-1307 Fax (206) 362-8450

Kruckeberg Botanic Garden 20312 15th Avenue NW, Shoreline 98177 (206) 542-4777

Departments & Programs

City Clerk's Office (206) 546-5042 City Manager's Office (206) 546-1303 (206) 546-8323 Communications

Customer Response Team

(206) 546-1700

Economic Development (206) 546-0959 Emergency Management (206) 546-7873

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Intergovernmental Relations

(206) 546-0779

Neighborhoods (206) 546-8564

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services (206) 546-5041

Planning & Development Services (206) 546-1811 (permits)

Public Works (206) 546-4207

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

Study Sessions: Highlander Room, first & third Mondays 6:30 p.m. Business Meetings: Mt. Rainier Room, second & fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m.

Televised City Council Meetings on 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 Dan Pingrey 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 Greg McKinney (206) 363-8424

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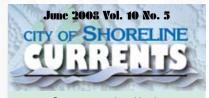
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CleanScapes	(206) 763-4444
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KC Libraries	,
Richmond Beach	(206) 546-3522
Shoreline	(206) 362-7550
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Owest	(800) 244-1111
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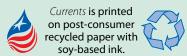
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