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Save Energy - Reduce your bill



Sustainable Works Energy Efficiency Project Kick-Off Event Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 to 8:30 pm Shoreline City Hall

On Wednesday, March 30, Shoreline residents will have an opportunity to learn about SustainableWorks, a Puget Sound non-profit, which will be offering reduced cost energy audits and retrofits in Shoreline. Sustainable-Works is partnering with City of Shoreline, Washington State University Energy Management, Seattle City Light, Puget Sound Energy and others to bring this energy saving opportunity to the City.

The purpose of this federal stimulus-funded program is to help homeowners and renters (with landlord approval) make home improvements that reduce their energy use and energy bills. Participants will be able to save on items like furnaces, air sealing, insulation and hot water heaters, reducing energy costs by 20 to 40%.

At the kick-off event, residents have the opportunity to meet the program's partners, ask questions of SustainableWorks' home auditors, and sign-up to have their homes audited for a flat fee of \$95. Attendees will be entered into a raffle for a free home energy audit.

SustainableWorks strives to design projects that pay for themselves with energy savings over time. SustainableWorks also has a loan program with Puget Sound Cooperative Credit Union to help homeowners finance improvements at low interest rates.

The deadline to register for an audit is June 30. To learn more about the program, or to register for an energy audit, please visit sustainableworks. com, or contact SustainableWorks at (206) 575-2252.

City Council unanimously appoints Julie Underwood as new City Manager



On January 24, the Shoreline City Council voted unanimously to appoint Julie Underwood as the City's new City Manager. Underwood's appointment was the culmination of a 19 week search for a new City Manager after current City Manager Robert Olander announced his retirement in August 2010.

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SustainableWorks Conserving Energy, Creating Jobs.

Aurora Corridor Project Update

N 165th to N 185th Street

Construction on the middle mile of the Aurora Corridor Project, N 165th Street to N 185th Street, continues to make significant progress. Marshbank Construction plans to complete work on the west side of Aurora by mid-March.

Once the west side is complete, construction will move to the center medians. Final completion of the medians is anticipated for July. Once the medians are completed, final paving will be done on the middle mile along with final landscaping.

N 185th to N 192nd Street

Construction on the section of Aurora from 185th to 192nd began in February. The contractor, Johansen Excavating, Inc., will set up traffic control by shifting the traffic to the east in order to begin the process



of undergrounding utilities on the west side.

N 192nd to N 205th Street

The final segment of the Aurora Corridor Project, N 192nd to N 205th Street, continues to move forward with the final design nearing a conclusion. The City has begun meeting with property owners to discuss project schedule, right-of-way needs and the right-of-way acquisition process.

Right-of-way acquisition will begin in spring 2011. Construction for this last segment is not completely funded at this time. The earliest construction is anticipated to begin is summer of 2012.

SHOP SHORELINE: Please support your Aurora businesses during construction!

Introducing forevergreen

To communicate when a project, program, or policy has elements of sustainability, it will be accompanied by the new FOREV-ERGREEN logo.

To learn more about the logo, the Sustainability Strategy adopted by Council in 2008, or sustainability work being done by the City, visit the City's website.



Green Business Conference: Going Green to Save Green, **Getting More Bang for Your Buck**



Wednesday, March 23, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Shoreline Community College, 9000 Building 16101 Greenwood Avenue N

Business owners and managers looking for practical information on how to increase profits while reducing costs and environmental impacts, are invited to attend the North King County Green Business Conference. Hosted by the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce's Green Business Program, the Conference will help inform businesses on how to operate in an environmentally efficient manner.

Conference topics include pollution prevention, waste reduction

and recycling, transportation, water conservation, energy efficiency, and marketing to a green economy.

The conference is supported by the City of Shoreline with a grant using American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding

Registration is \$50 per attendee and includes lunch. To learn more or to register, visit shorelinegreenbusiness.com, or call the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce at (206) 361-2260.

Adopt-A-Road & Adopt-A-Trail Keeping Shoreline beautiful

Is your group or business looking for a project? Adopt-A-Road and Adopt-A-Trail are two volunteer-based programs that enhance our community. As an individual, family or group you can improve Shoreline's quality of life by picking up litter on a street or removing weeds and maintaining pathways on a trail.

Your commitment is to clean up your adopted road or trail at least once a quarter. The City supplies safety equipment and garbage bags and picks up the bagged debris once you have completed your event. Currently 26 groups participate in the program, but there are many other streets and trails that could use your help.

For more information, contact the Customer Response Team at (206) 801-2700, crteam@shorelinewa.gov or visit the City's website.





Workshop for Neighborhood and Environmental Mini-Grants: "How to Create A Community Project"

Wednesday, March 16 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Shoreline City Hall Council Chambers

Bright banners on light poles, community gardens growing vegetables, a family Halloween carnival, backyard wildlife habitats – all these enhancements to the Shoreline community are the result of neighbors with great ideas taking advantage of available mini-grant funding.

This how-to workshop will provide information for applying for either a Neighborhood or Environmental Mini-Grant. Grants up to \$5,000 are available on a first-

come first-served basis.

Environmental Mini-Grants are used to create a sustainable community through stewardship and support for regional initiatives that protect the environment.

Neighborhood
Mini-Grants are used to increase community involvement, raise the visibility of neighborhood associations and create tangible neighborhood improvements.

For more information contact Neighborhood Coordinator Nora



Smith at (206) 801-2253, nsmith@ shorelinewa.gov or Environmental Programs Coordinator Rika Cecil at (206) 801-2452, rcecil@shorelinewa.gov

Shoreline youth:

A community priority since incorporation

The City of Shoreline is proud to support one of the most vibrant and diverse teen and youth development programs in the area. Since the City's incorporation 15 years ago, the Teen Program has supported youth in making successful life choices by offering engaging programs that foster a sense of identity, leadership and community. Programs include: free lunchtime and after school activities at all four secondary schools in the Shoreline School District, an after school recreation center drop-in program, late night drop-in programs, leadership groups, rock climbing clubs, breakdance and skateboard lessons, year-round free and feebased trips, a summertime counselor-in-training program, regular special events and the new, very popular monthly tween nights.

With the community's support, especially with passage of Proposition 1, most programs are free to residents making activities accessible to all teens, regardless of their financial situation.

For more information about any of the City's teen/tween activities please contact Mary Reidy or Amanda Zollner at (206) 801-2600, visit the City website or find us on facebook.com/ShorelineTeenProgram.



Building leadership skills in our youth

Shoreline Youth Ambassadors (SYA) is one of the three leadership programs which the City sponsors for teens. SYA offers local high school students the opportunity to give back to their community and act as a voice for their peers in community and local government. In its second year SYA has 10 active members representing four area high schools: Shorecrest, Shorewood, Lakeside and Onsight School of Washington.

All SYA members must be accepted into the program after an application and interview process led by the group leaders from the previous year. This year SYA has been very busy not only defining their role in the community, but also engaging in a variety of activities. Over the course of the year the group coordinated and hosted a Teen Summer Activities Fair, ran an activities booth for children at Celebrate Shoreline, volunteered at Food Lifeline, coordinated a food drive, presented to City Council, partnered with King County Libraries



in starting and staffing a weekly "Teen Talk Time" at Richmond Beach Library for English language learning teens in the area, and hosted a stress management class.

If you are interested in joining SYA, or would like to partner with this group of teens on a project, contact Waldo Nambo-Ojeda at (206) 801-2600.

City of Shoreline joins national "Let's Move!" campaign

As part of the City's emerging Healthy City Strategy, Shoreline has joined the national effort headed by First Lady Michelle Obama called "Let's Move!" Let's Move! is a national campaign whose goal is to solve the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation.

By joining the Let's Move! campaign, the City has committed itself to making advances in four areas during the coming year:

- Empowering parents and caregivers to make healthy choices for their families;
- 2. Providing healthy foods in schools;
- 3. Improving access to healthy affordable foods; and
- 4. Increasing opportunities for physical activity.

"Being a Let's Move! city helps Shoreline focus and promote the many ways our community already supports the healthy development of our youth," noted Shoreline Mayor Keith McGlashan. "Setting goals in each of the four areas the First Lady has identified will allow us to measure our progress towards becoming an even healthier community."

To officially launch the City's efforts, the City will host a family festival along the Interurban Trail at Town Center on May 7 from 10:00am to 12:00pm called *Shoreline Walks 4 Health*. Everyone is invited and activities will include a bike parade for kids and walking and Zumba for adults. Come see the many ways you can be active in Shoreline!



AMERICA'S MOVE TO RAISE A HEALTHIER GENERATION OF KIDS



PRCS Board and Library Board taking applications

The City of Shoreline is accepting applications for three adult and two youth volunteers to serve on the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services (PRCS) Board and two youth volunteers for the Shoreline Library Board.

Members of the PRCS Board are appointed by the City Council for four-year terms with two, non-voting youth members (ages 15-19 at the beginning of their term) each serving two-year terms. PRCS Board members are all volunteers who live, work or own property in the City of Shoreline.

The Shoreline Library Board was formed by the City Council to act as a liaison to the King County Library Board of Trustees, the City Council and the citizens of Shoreline.

In 2010, the City Council voted to add two non-voting student members to the Library Board. These members must be between the ages of 15 to 19 at the beginning of the term which begins April 1.

Those interested must submit an application, available in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall or on the City's website. Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 15.

For more information on the PRCS Board, contact Robin Lesh at pks@shorelinewa.gov or (206) 801-2602. For information on the Library Board, contact Sheryle Harp at pks@shorelinewa.gov or (206) 801-2623.

Shoreline News Sources

Now that Shoreline no longer has a print media source focused specifically on Shoreline, people often ask where they can go to learn about community news and events.

Shoreline Area News and Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Patch are two websites that provide current news and information about what is happening in Shoreline and Lake Forest Park. Check them out at:

shorelineareanews.com shoreline.patch.com

Planting in the right-of-way has just gotten easier

Gardening is a very popular activity in Shoreline and one that the City supports. Over the years, more and more residents have expressed their strong desire to plant flowers, vegetable gardens or other small plants in the City right-of-way that borders their property. Until now, residents

had to pay a fee and obtain a permit to do so. Often such plantings can be accomplished without impacting the safety of our residents or the environment. However, the City needs to ensure that anything in the right-ofway does not impact a driver's vision, water drainage or pedestrian access.

In response to residents' requests to make planting in the right-of-way easier the City has streamlined the procedures, eliminating the fee and permit requirements. Now residents can follow the criteria outlined in a handout titled, "Planting in the Right-of-Way" and submit a simple Notice of Planting form. The handout

and form can be found on the City's website on the Planning Department's Development Handouts page or by the Permitting Desk at City Hall.

Residents may plant small plants in the right-of-way as long as they meet setback and height guidelines and do not impede pedestrian traffic or impact drainage. Please note that this does not include planter boxes, trees of any kind, or other structures or hardscapes. To plant trees or construct in the right-of-way, residents must still obtain a permit.

To learn more, visit the City's website or contact Construction Inspection Services Supervisor Paul Laine at (206) 801-2470, plaine@shorelinewa.gov.

Did you know•

City staff have updated the Surface Water and Environmental Services (SWES) web pages to make them easier to use and to provide more relevant information about issues such as recycling, flooding and the environment. If you want to learn more about protecting aquatic habitat and water quality in your neighborhood, please visit our new pages by selecting the Public Works Quick Link on the City's website. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Han at (206) 801-2450 or than@shorelinewa.gov.

City thanks the Trail Corridor Study Group

As part of the 2006 parks bond levy, \$2.5 million was set aside for hard and soft surface trail systems in our parks and in the community. To assist with the evaluation of the City's trail systems and to develop a recommendation for the expenditure of bond funds, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Board created a Trail Corridor Study Group (TCSG) comprised of 13 citizens.

The TCSG began working in early 2007 with the following goals in mind: evaluating the existing trails in the large wooded parks in Shoreline's park system; provide the PRCS with recommendations on preferred trail systems in each park; identify the best routes linking the Interurban Trail and Burke-Gilman

Trail; and evaluate the best public right-of-way routes for bicycles and pedestrians to move around Shoreline.

After four years of dedicated service, the TCSG has now completed its work. We want to thank the members of the TCSG for their hard work, enthusiasm and commitment to developing a trail system in our community.

Members of the TCSG include: Howard Barkoff, Charlie Brown, Bill Clements, Carolyn Hope, David Kimmet, Bill Martin, Kevin McAuliffe, Bill Montero, Paul Moran, Dick Nicholson, Bob Phelps, Erich Volkstorf, and Al Wagar.

To learn about the work done by the TCSG, visit the City's website.

Julie Underwood, City Manager

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Underwood is the current Assistant City Manager for Shoreline and has been in that position since 2002. Throughout her tenure at Shoreline, Underwood has been involved in all aspects of the City's daily operations. Before coming to Shoreline, Underwood worked for the City of Rockville, Maryland as the Assistant to the City Manager and as a management assistant.

Underwood has a Master's Degree in Public Administration and Policy from Virginia Tech and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Government and Politics from George Mason University. She has also received the Credentialed Manager designation from the International City/County Management Association.

"We reviewed many well-qualified applicants for the city manager position, but, ultimately, the Council felt that Ms. Underwood best exemplified the values that the Council and Shoreline residents want to see in a city manager," said Mayor Keith McGlashan. "For nine years, Ms. Underwood has shown her steadfast commitment to Shoreline and we are very excited about having her as our next City Manager."

Underwood has served on the Washington City/County Management Association Board since 2007 and is a past president of the Shoreline Breakfast Rotary Club. Underwood is a resident of Shoreline where she lives with her husband and three sons.

"It is an honor and privilege to serve as Shoreline's next City Manager. I am excited to be working with the Council, staff, and community members who are so committed to Shoreline's bright future," stated Underwood."

The Council hired Prothman, an executive search firm, to assist in the recruitment effort. Over 40 applicants from 15 states were considered for the position. Of those, 13 semifinalists were chosen by the City Council to be interviewed. Council then narrowed the list to three candidates to be interviewed by the full Council and the City's Leadership Team, which is comprised of the City's department directors.

From those three finalists, the Council unanimously appointed Underwood. Underwood started as City Manager on February 26.

Tolling begins on SR 520 Bridge

All-electronic tolling will begin on the floating section of the SR 520 bridge in spring of 2011. The revenue generated from tolls will be used to build a new 520 bridge.

The tolling system going into effect will not rely on toll booths, so traffic will move across the bridge normally. As cars pass through the tolling area, the system will automatically detect Good to Go! Pass transponders or license plates for those without passes. The proper amount is deducted from the driver's Good To Go! tolling account. Those without a pass will be billed by mail.

Passes can be purchased online at wsdot.wa.gov/goodtogo/ or in person at a mobile event at the Shoreline City Hall garage on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

All meetings located in City Hall Council Chambers unless otherwise noted.

Wednesday, March 9

6:30 p.m.

Park at Town Center Public Meeting

Saturday, March 12

6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Tween Night (5th & 6th grade) at Highlands Recreation Center

Wednesday, March 16

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Mini-Grant Workshop

Thursday, March 17

7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Public hearing on Shoreline Master Program

Saturday, March 19

1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Off-Leash Area work parties at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park and Shoreview Park

Thursday, March 24

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Rain Garden Workshop at Seattle REI Flagship store

Saturday, March 26

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Seminar Series on Parenting Teens: Internet and Video Games

Quick Start Shoreline

Free Small Business Workshops Tuesdays at Noon

March 15

How To Run a Successful Booth at a Business Fair or Tradeshow

March 22

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March 29

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Spartan Recreation Center 202 NE 185th Street, Shoreline 98155 (206) 801-2600 Fax (206) 393-3380

Shoreline Pool 19030 1st Avenue NE, Shoreline 98155 (206) 801-2650 Fax (206) 362-8450

Shoreline Police

Emergency: 911

Shoreline Police Station Chief Dan Pingrey 1206 N 185th Street Shoreline, WA 98133 (206) 801-2710

Eastside Police Neighborhood Center Officer Greg McKinney 521 NE 165th Street Shoreline, WA 98155 (206) 363-8424

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

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