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Shoreline Cleanup:
Super Clean Sweep 2000

Super Clean Sweep Day 2000, Saturday, Sept. 16, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., offers three ways Shoreline residents can clear their homes and property of unwanted items.

At the Shoreline Park and Ride on N. 192nd and Aurora Ave. N. large bulky items that don't normally fit in your curbside waste container will be accepted for disposal.

Examples of acceptable items include: furniture, mattresses, large plastics, patio accessories, old carpet and rugs. Items that cannot be accepted include hazardous waste, recyclable items, liquids, large appliances, construction debris, yard wastes or commercial/business wastes.

Please limit the length of debris to six feet or less. Residents will need to present the Clean Sweep coupon mailed to each Shoreline address and a valid photo ID with address to participate. Due to the volume of material, only one trip will be allowed per household.

The City will also host a special recycling event at the same time and location. Items accepted for recycling include: appliances, scrap metal, motor oil and filters, antifreeze, lead acid batteries, household batteries, polystyrene plastics (#6), cardboard, propane tanks, porcelain toilets and sinks and reus-

able household goods. Unmounted passenger vehicle tires will be recycled at no cost. Mounted tires will cost \$1.50 to recycle. Larger tires (over 19.5 inches) can be recycled for \$5 each or \$15 if mounted on a rim.

Backyard compost bins will be on sale at the Park and Ride for \$15 each with a limit of two per household.

A chipping event held at Hamlin Park during the Sept. 16 Clean Sweep Day will accept chippable woody debris up to three inches in diameter. Please do not bring dirt, leaves, blackberry vines, root balls or milled sod.

For more information, call (206) 546-1700.

Workshop on North City Sub-Area Plan Sept. 21

Shoreline takes another step toward the redevelopment of North City with the release of the draft North City Sub-Area Plan.

The draft plan is the result of work by North City residents, property owners in the business district, business owners and potential developers at a design charrette

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KC develops treatment facility siting criteria

An important step in King County's search for appropriate sites for a new wastewater treatment plant and its associated outfall and conveyance systems is the development of criteria by which to evaluate locations. This criteria will be used to select 10 to 15 sites from a comprehensive list for further evaluation in early 2001. Using the same criteria in a more detailed evaluation, this list will be narrowed to two to five potential system designs each with plant site, pipelines and marine outfall later in 2001

Shoreline files petition against Snohomish Co.

Looking out for the interests of a city often includes watching and participating in what neighboring jurisdictions have planned for the future. When those jurisdictions lie across the county line, participation can be difficult.

This is proving to be the case for Shoreline concerning the future of Point Wells. Point Wells borders the northwest corner of Shoreline in unincorporated Snohomish County. Since the only access to the property is through Shoreline, future development of the property will have a major impact on the City of Shoreline. Because of this unique geographical relationship, Shoreline has listed it as a potential annexation area in its Comprehensive Plan and has asked to be included in Snohomish County's planning.

Shoreline's request to be included in the

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Shoreline is particularly interested in the siting process due to its proximity to one piece of property that will be considered as a site for the plant and outfall: Point Wells. During King County's public nomination process which ended Aug. 26, Town of Woodway Mayor Jan Drummond nominated Point Wells as a potential site.

Point Wells is located in unincorporated Snohomish County on the northwest border of Shoreline. Designated as light industrial by Snohomish County, it is owned by Chevron which operates an asphalt plant on the site. The only access to Point Wells is through Shoreline and the property is identified in the City's Comprehensive Plan as a potential annexation area. Siting of either a plant or outfall on the property could significantly impact Shoreline.

"The City has been participating with the intent of addressing our concerns as well as those of the entire region regardless of what sites are chosen to be evaluated," says Shoreline Mayor Scott Jepsen who serves on the Siting Advisory Committee. Deputy Mayor Ron Hansen is Shoreline's alternate on the committee.

The Siting Advisory Committee is helping King County develop siting criteria. Copies of the draft criteria are available for review at Shoreline Library, Richmond Beach Library, both Shoreline Police Neighborhood Centers and on the City's Web site, www.cityofshoreline.com. Shoreline City Council reviewed and discussed the draft criteria at its Aug. 21 meeting.

At its next meeting, Thursday, Sept. 14, the Siting Advisory Committee will discuss a final review of the draft criteria before it is presented by King County Executive Ron Sims to the King County Council. The Sept. 14 meeting will be held 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Northshore Utility District, 6830 NE 85th St. in Kenmore. All committee meetings are open to the public.

"Once the criteria are approved, the Siting Advisory Committee will continue to meet," explains King County Siting and Mitigation Manager Michael Popiwny. "The Committee's next role is to oversee the use of the criteria in evaluating potential sites."

Once the evaluation process narrows the list to two to five sites, King County will develop a treatment plant system configuration for each site. Each of these configurations will undergo a SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) review, which includes an environmental impact statement. In late 2002, the King County Executive will select the preferred final system configuration.

For more information about King County's siting process or to comment on the siting criteria, contact Michael C. Popiwny, Siting and Mitigation Manager, King County Wastewater Treatment Division, 201 S. Jackson St., MS-KSC-NR-0503, Seattle, WA 98104-3855, (206) 684-6779 or michael.popiwny@metrokc.gov.

Planning Commission hosts open house

"A Sense of Place" is the theme for a Planning Commission Open House set for Thursday, Oct. 5, 7 to 9 p.m., in the Horizon Room of the Shoreline Conference Center.

The open house will provide an opportunity to informally discuss a variety of Shoreline planning topics such as the new Development Code, the first annual Comprehensive Plan amendment process and the Aurora Corridor Project with Planning Commissioners. It will also serve as a way to gather information from Shoreline residents on what defines "a sense of place."

The Planning Commission hopes to gather ideas of what

makes Shoreline a great place to live and/or work. Please bring photos, journal entries, newspaper clippings or any other materials that illustrate those places, landmarks and events that are important in defining a "sense of place."

For more information about the Open House, contact Rachael Markle at (206) 546-6778.

Hamlin Park cleanup day

If you would like to help keep Hamlin Park looking its best, or would just enjoy a day working alongside neighbors in the fresh air, don't miss the Hamlin Park Clean Up, Saturday, Sept. 23, 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will remove litter and debris to maintain one of Shoreline's largest parks' natural beauty.

First aid course offered by SFD

The Shoreline Fire Department is once again offering its popular, eight-hour industrial first aid course. The class includes CPR certification and costs \$50. Registration is underway for Sept. 9 and Nov. 18 classes. Call Shoreline Fire Department's Community Education Department at (206) 533-6500 for more information.

Summer overlays complete



The grinding process on 175th took crews two days to complete.

This summer about 20.4 lane miles of roadway received overlay or slurry seal treatment during Shoreline's overlay program.

During the largest of the overlay projects, crews worked two days and two nights in August to grind and pave 175th from east of Meridian Ave. N. to Aurora Ave. N. The new pavement will connect with a project Washington State Department of Transportation (DOT) has planned for 175th and I-5.

DOT is planning to improve I-5 on- and off-ramp capacity by extending both left turn lanes onto the freeway. Currently the two left turn lanes share a portion of one lane. The project will widen 175th under the overpass to allow each left turn its own lane. The project will also include new sidewalks with street trees, planted islands with irrigation and water quality improvements to Ronald Bog drainage. Construction is expected to begin in late spring of 2001.



Comp Plan amendment process begins

Applications are now available at the City of Shoreline Planning and Development Services

Customer Response Team answers your questions

Shoreline's Customer Response Team (CRT) is your first line of help when you call the City of Shoreline. CRT is dedicated to answering questions, solving problems and following up on concerns. Each month, CRT answers approximately 1,500 inquiries, many of them about the same topics. Below is the answer to one of the most frequently asked questions.

How do I obtain a business license in Shoreline?

The City of Shoreline does not currently have a business license program, although you should check with the City on the zoning of the address where you are interested in opening a business by contacting the Shoreline Planning and Development Services Group at (206) 546-1811.

King County issues business licenses for businesses engaged in regulated activity within the City of Shoreline. A few examples of such regulated activities are amusement parks, bowling alleys, video games, pool tables, adult entertainment establishments, process servers, pawnshops, charitable organizations, pet shops, kennels, grooming businesses and theaters. To obtain a King County business license or for more information on whether your business is regulated, contact King County at (206) 296-2710.

Business license fact sheets with relevant agency names and phone numbers are available by calling CRT at (206) 546-1700.

Department for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

As required by the Washington State Growth Management Act, each year the City will provide an opportunity for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan to respond to changing needs and circumstances in the City. There are four amendment types including policy amendments, text amendments, general map amendments and site-specific amendments.

Proposed amendment applications must be received by Dec. 31, 2000, to be considered during the 2001 amendment process. Each proposed amendment will be evaluated using the crite-

ria outlined in the Development Code and information supplied in the application. Site-specific map amendments require additional information to be submitted with the application and a processing fee.

Following a public hearing, the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council on each proposed amendment. The City Council will make the final decision whether to approve, deny or defer a proposed amendment.

Applications are available at the City of Shoreline Planning and Development Services Department, 1110 N. 175th St., or by calling (206) 546-1811.

Shoreline agencies plan school emergency response

As children begin another year of school work, agencies throughout the City will begin working on a collaborative school emergency response plan.

Whether it's a fire, earthquake, major storm, violence or a hazardous materials spill, these agencies are prepared to respond to emergencies at Shoreline schools. Various departments of the City of Shoreline, Shoreline Fire Department and Shoreline School District are now working on a plan to coordinate their response to maximize the safety and security of students.

This summer, representatives from each of the four agencies attended a week-long series of classes at Federal Emergency Management Agency's Emergency Management Institute in Maryland.

The program required participants to work together on school emergency response plans, identifying and accommodating differing responsibilities and procedures.

Now the representatives are using what they learned at the classes to develop a school emergency response plan for Shoreline.

The City takes the lead for coordinating response in the event of a major emergency in Shoreline. "By working together with the other agencies on an emergency plan, we are looking forward to becoming a model for what a City-wide emergency response organization should be," says City of Shoreline Emergency Operations Coordinator Gail Perkins.

City receives grant to replace RR bridge

Thanks to recently approved federal funds, a 1923 bridge (rebuilt in 1956) over the Burlington Northern tracks in Shoreline will be replaced by a stronger concrete version.

The wooden bridge located on Richmond Beach Drive is the only access to an island of homes on 27th Ave. NW separated from the rest of Shoreline by the railroad tracks. Last year the City was forced to impose weight limits on the bridge for safety reasons, but began looking for a long-term solution to the outdated structure.

In June, the City of Shoreline was approved to receive Federal Bridge Funds to replace the bridge. Based on preliminary estimates, the total project cost would be \$1,014,850. The City would be required to match 20 percent of that amount.

Burlington Northern has expressed interest in contributing to



the City's match in exchange for being relieved of further maintenance obligations on the bridge.

"Project costs are based on preliminary estimates that are subject to change in the design process and could increase," explains Public Works Director Bill Conner.

"The unique geography poses limitations so deviations from the design standards will be necessary," says Shoreline Capital Projects Manager Jon Jordan.
"The federal Bridge Replacement
Advisory Committee that approved the funds recognizes this
and that should help us through
the process. But many other approvals will be needed before this
is a done deal."

Shoreline will begin design of the new bridge in 2001 and construction could begin in 2002 or 2003, depending on environmental concerns.

New police program offers victim notification

This summer, King County introduced a new program that offers crime victims another avenue of control in their lives.

Crime victims can now register with the King County VINE
Program (Victim Information and
Notification Everyday) to find out
more about offenders' status. This
automated system notifies registered victims about charges, court
dates, bail amounts and jail release.

The program was initiated in 1994 in Louisville, Ky., by the

parents of a murder victim, Mary Byron. Byron was a domestic violence victim who was murdered by her attacker when he was released from prison. Since then the program has expanded across the United States.

"This program is especially useful for domestic violence cases, although victims of any type of crime can benefit," says Shoreline Police Chief Denise Pentony. "The more information victims have the better able they are to deal with the situation."

The VINE program is free, confidential and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The program provides information on the custody status of inmates who have been booked into the King County Department of Adult Detention jails only. The system does not currently provide information on inmates in juvenile detention facilities or any municipal jails in King County.

Brochures on how to register for the VINE program are available at the Shoreline Police Department, both Neighborhood Police Centers and at City Hall. Contact the Shoreline Police at (206) 546-6730 for more information.



Code enforcement looks at prevention

Last spring, the City of Shoreline introduced a new Code Enforcement Policy and Procedures Manual. Since then, several chapters have been expanded and revised to reflect six months of use in the field.

With the manual fine tuned, Shoreline is now looking for opportunities to use available resources to minimize code problems before they reach the enforcement stage. Several categories of violations seem particularly promising candidates such as building without a permit.

"Many homeowners doing work themselves simply do not know what types of projects require a permit. Once they are told, most comply," explains Shoreline Code Enforcement Officer Sherri Dugdale. "In this case, education goes a long way in preventing the problem."

The Parkwood Neighborhood Association recently demonstrated how a proactive approach can solve code violations. When informed by the City that one of their neighbors was having trouble maintaining his property due to recent health problems, they mobilized to help. Eleven neighbors converged on his house to remove debris, trim bushes and make trips to the transfer station — even bringing their own pickups to do the hauling.

"One or two big code enforcement cases can quickly use up staff time and resources," says Dugdale. "That's why we are using a variety of ways to help people avoid code violations before they become enforcement problems."

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Snohomish County planning policy was recently denied. The policy developed by Snohomish County Tomorrow — Snohomish County's Growth Management Act planning advisory body — set out a process for resolving annexation issues in the southwest portion of the county to create Municipal Urban Growth Areas (MUGA).

When the final MUGA procedure was adopted and Shoreline was not included, the City filed a petition with the Central Growth Management Hearings Board stating the decision went against the state's Growth Management Act. A companion suit was filed in Superior Court at the same time.

At the end of July, Shoreline Mayor Scott Jepsen and City Manager Bob Deis met with Snohomish County Executive Bob Drewell to discuss each party's perspective.

"I think we understand each other better now and we are hoping Snohomish County will propose a means for resolving the issue," says Mayor Jepsen.

The Hearings Board is expected to issue an order on any motions filed by either side on Sept. 6. If the petition continues, a Hearing on the Merits of the Petition will be held Oct. 23, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at The Financial Center, Suite 1022, 1215 Fourth Ave., Seattle. The Hearings Board's final decision and order is due Dec. 22

Hamlin Haunt scares up fun

Join Shoreline goblins and spirits as Halloween fun materializes on Friday, Oct. 27, 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Hamlin Park for the fifth annual Hamlin Halloween Haunt.

This free event sponsored by the Shoreline Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will scare up fun for the whole family. Gather around the campfire to listen to ghostly songs and tales, then gather your courage to take a horse-drawn hayride through the

haunted woods. Return to enjoy face painting and play games in the ballfield for prizes and candy.

Remember to dress warmly, and bring a flashlight, marshmallows and a roasting stick. Hamlin Park is located at 165th St. and 15th Ave. NE. For more information, call (206) 546-5041.

ESA implications for City and developers

Since the Endangered Species Act (ESA) is likely to have significant implications for projects throughout the City, Shoreline will provide information to keep residents informed as the process unfolds.

Some area residents may not think of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) as having much affect on urban areas, but additions of new species to the list will change that, especially for the Puget Sound region.

In March 1999, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) listed Chinook salmon as a threatened species. This means that Chinook salmon and its habitat will now be protected by federal regulations. Since Lake Washington and Puget Sound are Chinook habitat, these regulations will affect every jurisdiction with drainage to these bodies of water. Changing stream flows or

introducing pollutants into Puget Sound or Lake Washington have a potential impact on salmon habitat.

Before the provisions of the ESA can take effect, NMFS must publish a rule regarding the threatened species according to section 4(d) of the ESA. In January 2000, NMFS published a draft rule which excluded the Tri-County area (King, Snohomish and Pierce Counties) which has a separate rule. The Tri-County 4(d) rule was published July 10 and provides actions expected of local governments to minimize potential harm to Chinook habitat. It goes into effect six months after publication on Jan. 8, 2001.

"Shoreline has in place some of the programs and regulations that will be required of the City," says Public Works Director Bill Conner. "Once the new regulations from the 4(d) rule come into focus, Shoreline will have a clearer picture of how significant the impacts could be."

Saltwater Park Fireside Theater

Shoreline will be celebrating Washington Water Weeks on Thursday, Sept. 28, 6:30 to 8 p.m., with Fireside Theater at Richmond Beach Saltwater Park. This free event features entertainment, marine touch tanks and a display by Adopt-A-Beach.

Explore underwater wonders as Beach Naturalist Fran Murray describes the creatures in three touch tanks stocked by members of the Emerald Sea Dive Club. Then gather around the campfire as storyteller and puppeteer Tom Dailey presents Native American Tales of Water and Woods illustrated with drumming, puppets, songs and sleight of hand.

Remember to dress for the weather and bring a stick for roasting marshmallows. For more information, call Shoreline Parks Department at (206) 546-5041.

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hosted by the City in June. It consists of three documents: a Comprehensive Plan amendment, a special district supplement to the Development Code and a market and financial analysis.

The Shoreline City Council and Planning Commission will hold a joint workshop Thursday, Sept. 21, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the Shoreline Conference Center, to review the draft plan. Immediately following the workshop, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to the City Council for action.

The Comprehensive Plan Amendment outlines the 5- to 15-year transformation of the North City business district to a vital mix of retail, offices and housing with streetscapes that create a safe and pleasant place for people to spend time. The special district regulations added to the Development Code detail the physical form this transformation will take and the market and financial analysis investigates North City's potential for attracting redevelopment investors.

Beautification Awards

The third annual Beautification Awards will be presented at the Sept. 11 City Council meeting. These awards recognize development projects and features that enhance Shoreline.

Shoreline residents were invited to nominate projects in one of three categories: commercial projects; residential projects; or open category (for projects that do not fit in the other two categories). To qualify, projects must have been completed and lawfully constructed between July 1, 1999, and June 30, 2000.

Who, what, where in the City of Shoreline

City of Shoreline

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Shoreline Conference Center 18560 First Ave. NE Mt. Rainier Room

Workshop Meetings

First and third Mondays beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Regular Meetings

Second and fourth Mondays beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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(206) 546-2190

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