

Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

It seems habitual this time of year to turn our hearts and minds towards spring. We long for sunnier days and warm breezes. Spring is a miraculous experience. The whole world comes alive after the winter in which it seemed that everything was dead. The streets of Duvall are filled with color and the scent of delicious greenery. The world that seemed so dull and cold has come alive once again. Little did we know that beneath the cold hard ground the plants and trees were preparing for rebirth. Spring gives us hope for rejuvenation in our own lives as well. Spring is a time to renew the excitement and zest for life that lives inside each of us. Like spring, there are so many new and exciting things preparing to happen in the City.

Crucial projects such as Main Street are moving forward and new issues, such as a community dialogue on internet service are getting much needed attention. Internet began as a novelty, evolved into curiosity for all, soon became a necessity for education, and now is as big a part of our daily lives as any other utility service. Like other utilities we expect reliability and quality. I have been gathering from surveying the community that the quality and reliability of our internet needs to be addressed, not only for residents but for our future economic vitality as well. After all, the internet is a tool for business, a method by which we connect our families and our portal to the global marketplace of both goods and ideas.

Of all the places, in all the towns, in all the world, we walk into the future together here as a unique community. Together we continue to nurture our hometown into a dynamic, charming, safe and engaging place, not only for ourselves, but for the next generation. I remain proud and thankful to be your Mayor and have high expectation for a successful and productive 2016!

Sincerely,

Will Ibershof

REMINDER: UTILITY BILL RATE INCREASE

The City's water, sewer, and storm utility rates increased 1.6%, effective January 1, 2016. The new rates will appear on the utility bills that are sent out at the end of January 2016 for January usage. Each year the utility rates are reviewed and adjusted as needed to cover the increased cost of operations. The minimum increase for a customer with all services will be \$1.82 per month.

City of Duvall offices will be closed on Monday, February 15th, in observance of Presidents' Day.



DEPOT BUILDING AVAILABLE FOR RENT

The Depot Building is recommended for meeting space and has been used for weddings, receptions, and memorials. (Birthday parties are not an allowed use.)

The facility has two restrooms, a kitchenette, and ADA accessibility. It is located at the Depot Park adjacent to the Duvall Police Station.

- Square footage: 960
- Occupancy: 48
- Hourly rate: nonprofit \$10.00/ for-profit \$20.00

For more information and a list of openings, please contact Alana McCoy with the City of Duvall Public Works Department at 425-939-8045, or alana.mccoy@duvallwa.gov.

With Valentine's Day approaching, this is a perfect opportunity to support our local businesses and treat your sweetheart to a romantic dinner or special gift right here in Duvall.

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CAR SEAT SAFETY

Did you know that as a service to our community, the Duvall Police Department offers free car seat safety inspections?

Appointments are available Monday thru Friday. To schedule a time, please contact lori.batiot@duvallwa.gov or contact the Duvall Police Department through their Facebook page.



LOCAL HOUSEHOLD BATTERY RECYCLING

With the help of King County Local Hazardous Waste grant funds and Duvall True Value Hardware and Garden, the City of Duvall is able to offer a permanent drop off location for household batteries.

The following battery "chemistries" are accepted:

Alkaline
NiCad - Nickle Cadmium
NiMH – Nickel Cadmium and Metal
Li - Lithium
Li-ion – Lithium Ion

All batteries should have the chemistry name listed on them somewhere.

Bring your used batteries to Duvall True Value during their normal business hours. A checker will take your batteries for recycling. Please tape the contacts of each battery and separate the different chemistries.

Auto and boat batteries are still recycled at Duvall Auto Parts during normal business hours.



DO YOU USE AN ONLINE BILL PAYER SERVICE TO PAY YOUR CITY OF DUVALL UTILITY BILL?

Please be aware that all bill payer services send us a check through the mail. Although the check may show as being processed out of your bank account on the date you choose, it may take up to 7 to 10 business days for us to receive it and post it to your utility account.

You may also view and/or pay your City of Duvall utility bill online. Simply go to www.duvallwa.gov and click on the "Pay Your Utility Bill" link which will take you to the Merchant Transact payment site.

You can also have your utility bill emailed to you each month. After logging into your Merchant Transact account, go to Account Profile. Click on your Account Number towards the bottom of the page. This will show you the option of receiving your utility bill either using the postal service or via email. Click Submit.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



February 2nd & 16th City Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the Riverview School District Educational Service Center, 15510 First Avenue NE. (Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.)

February 10th & 24th: Planning Commission Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE