



Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Happy May, Duvall!

What an amazing start to spring and summer weather we have had. After the experiences of the past year, nothing could be better than sunshine, flowers blooming, longer days, visits to the Snoqualmie River, the return of Little League and so, so much more.

There is good news this month regarding the COVID pandemic: In the 98019 zip code, according to numbers from King County, all adults over the age of 65 have completed their COVID vaccine series as have 56.8% of adults 50 and over, and 30% of people over 16.

The Governor is now encouraging people to recreate outdoors once again, something that many of us in our community have been doing diligently and safely (following guidelines) since the first Phase 2 of the pandemic. We know that this means that our parks will be seeing heavier use than normal, particularly McCormick Park.

In that light, in April City Council approved the purchase of a side-by-side and jet ski for the purpose of ensuring safety at our parks. In 2019 the Police Department implemented a water safety program and we are looking forward to launching the program once again.

Additionally, two of our officers were honored with commendations at our April 20th Council meeting for the extraordinary work in saving two individuals who were attempting to take their own lives. Through training, professionalism and patience, lives were saved. Please join me in commending Officers Scott Benjamin and Luke Hill.

We also have a new addition in City Hall with the addition of our Interim City Administrator. Council approved a contract through November to hire Ryan Cotton to prepare us for hiring a full-time City Administrator in late 2021-2022. Mr. Cotton comes to us with 35-years of municipal experience.

Ryan has extensive leadership experience as a City Manager and Assistant City Manager in Illinois, Michigan and Vermont. Throughout his career he has had a 95% success rate, bringing in more than \$20 million in grants and other non-local tax funding to the communities he served.

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Mr. Cotton holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Public Administration from Miami University of Ohio and the University of Kansas respectively, as well as a Masters in Political Science from Western Michigan University. He served on several accreditation teams for the National Association of Schools of Public Administration (NASPAA). Mr. Cotton currently teaches public administration and political science courses at Hope College and Grand Valley State University in their Bachelor's and Master's programs including strategic management, organizational dynamics and local politics.

We are thrilled to have Mr. Cotton on board and look forward to working with him the coming months.

In closing, community events are slowly coming back as we continue in Phase 3. The Duvall Days organization is planning a truncated celebration with details forthcoming, and the planning for our SummerStage concert series is in full swing. Both events will require following public health guidelines in place at the time of the events.

It is exciting to be getting back to many normal activities, and I look forward to seeing you around our community in the coming months.

Warm Regards,
Amy Ockerlander



KUDOS KORNER



This month's Kudos are well deserved for Officers Scott Benjamin and Luke Hill. The officers were successful in assisting individuals attempting to take their own lives and de-escalating the situation so that they could receive appropriate care.

As we all know, mental and behavioral health has deteriorated for so many in our community during the pandemic, and these outcomes don't always happen.

If you or someone you know are in need of assistance, call Crisis Connections at 1-866-427-4747.

2021 DUVALL FARMER’S MARKET

The Duvall Farmer’s Market is back again this year at their Taylor Landing location!

Opening day is Thursday, May 6th, and the Market will run through October 14th. Hours of operation will be from 3:00 p.m. –7:00 p.m. All King County COVID guidelines will be adhered to. Face coverings are required and social distancing measures will be in place.

Stop by on opening day and purchase a fresh bouquet of flowers for Mother’s Day (May 9th) from one of the scheduled flower vendors! Fresh produce, vegetable plant starts, wine, arts and crafts, and a variety of baked goods and prepared foods will also be available.

The location at **Taylor Landing (16201 Main Street)** is just north of downtown and offers a lot of room for a variety of vendors. Additional parking is available at the Park & Ride. You can find updates and information on the scheduled vendors and scheduled Market entertainment all season long, by visiting their website: www.DuvallFarmersMarket.org.



SNO-VALLEY SENIOR CENTER

Thanks to partnerships with Safeway Pharmacy, Snoqualmie Valley Hospital, and Eastside Fire & Rescue, the Sno-Valley Senior Center has helped over 200 qualified adults schedule and receive their COVID vaccinations, locally.

If you are a senior in need of resources or would like to learn more about how you can support these valuable services, visit: <https://snovalleysenior.org/> or give them a call at 425-333-4152.

DUVALL COMMUNITY VAN NEWS



Thanks to our volunteer drivers, we are continuing to offer transportation to vaccination sites for those who can’t ride the public transit or don’t have any other option. We are here to help you! Be part of our great team and become a volunteer driver NOW!

For more information on scheduling a ride, or becoming a driver, visit: <https://www.hopelink.org/community-van>. Contact Victor for questions; 425-943-6721 or email: communityvan@hopelink.org.

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WHAT’S HAPPENING IN DUVALL?

Hopelink Mobile Food Bank

Wednesdays, May 5th & May 19th

2:00 p.m. —3:00 p.m.

Redemption Church 15305 Main St NE

Visit: <https://www.hopelink.org/location/mobile-market> for information.

Duvall Farmers Market- Opening day!

Thursday, May 6th through October 14th

3:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Taylor Landing, 16201 Main St. NE

Visit: <http://duvallfarmersmarket.org/>

Mother’s Day

Sunday, May 9th

Memorial Day

Monday, May 31st



All City offices will be closed

Most events typically held in the City of Duvall continue to be on hold or will be modified to comply with our state’s COVID-19 gathering restrictions.

DUVALL DAYS FESTIVAL JUNE 5, 2021



While once again we cannot gather for Duvall Days in 2021, we have planned a few things for our community this year.

Please check out the Roaming Music stage, the music route and the Fireworks for 2021. Please visit the festival website at www.duvalldays.org for the route, times, band information and other good stuff.



THANK YOU!



For continuing to support our local businesses!



CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

City Council meetings 7:00 p.m. –May 4th & 18th (Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.).

Planning Commission meetings –May 12th & 26th at 7:00 p.m.

All meetings are virtual only, until further notice. To locate link and dial in information, view agendas at: <http://www.duvallwa.gov/agendacenter/>