



Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

Last week, the Duvall City Council and I held a retreat where we reviewed our goals from 2014, key items objectives we budgeted for this year, and goals we would like to focus on in 2016. It was a successful meeting for three reasons: first, our council has the best interest of our city; second, our fiscal policies have helped the City of Duvall weather the challenges of years past; and third, I am confident that we will accomplish many of the goals we have established. In coming newsletters, I will highlight a few of them.

In past newsletter articles, I have mentioned a key goal of the City is connecting sidewalks from downtown Duvall southward toward Big Rock Road. The design phase for this project is almost complete, and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) will complete the culvert replacement south of Valley Street later this summer. In addition, the City Council and I will continue to work with the state legislators on additional state appropriations and grant opportunities. We will keep you up to date as we get closer to the start of the construction.



The City is bolstering its relationships with the school district and the fire district. In the coming months, I will highlight a few examples of how our partnerships continue to build.

Have a wonderful February.

Sincerely,

Will Ibershof

The Planning Commission will be hosting a Watershed Planning presentation at the February 18th meeting, 7:00 p.m., at the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street.

Please join us to learn more about the watershed planning process and how it can be used to effectively plan for Duvall's future while protecting our valuable environmental resources.

REMINDER: UTILITY BILL RATE INCREASE

The City's water, sewer, and storm utility rates increased 4%, effective January 1, 2015. The new rates will appear on the utility bills that are sent out at the end of January 2015 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 \$4.38 per month.

City of Duvall offices will be closed on Monday, February 16th, 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.

**DUVALL LIBRARY PRESENTS...
IMPROVE YOUR MEMORY RIGHT NOW**

Saturday, February 28th, at 2:00 p.m.
Duvall Library, 15508 Main Street NE

Charles Kraus will demonstrate easily learned techniques for improving your ability to memorize information. Many of the techniques can be mastered instantly! This event is part of the 2015 Mind Matters program series, King County Library System.



MANAGING DRAINAGE AROUND YOUR PROPERTY

Identifying a Problem

Drainage problems can cause significant damage to your home, property, and the City of Duvall storm drain system. It is important to identify and correct drainage problems when they occur. Before starting any drainage improvements, fully identify all parts of your current drainage system. Create a detailed map of your property, showing all impervious surfaces and drainage features. Duvall's Public Works Department can provide plans of the City's storm drainage system in your area, which you could use to determine how your current system is connected to the City's system.

Tips to Prevent Drainage Problems

To lessen the amount of impervious surface area on your property (and lessen the amount of stormwater runoff), consider concrete alternatives when planning new patios, paths, or driveways. Use gravel, paving blocks, porous pavements, or other permeable materials.



Below are additional tips to avoid future drainage problems:

- ♦ Sweep your driveway instead of using a hose. This saves water and keeps dirt out of your drainage system.
- ♦ Avoid the use of wood chip mulch around yard inlets or swales. The wood chips float and can be easily moved by runoff water.
- ♦ Use caution when placing trees or shrubs. The roots may grow into underground drainage pipes disrupting your drainage system.
- ♦ Add screens on gutters to help keep debris out of your drainage system.
- ♦ Install a removable connection between your downspouts and roof drains. Disconnecting downspouts during cleaning will help keep debris out of your drainage system.

You as a property owner are responsible for the installation and maintenance of necessary drainage structures on your property. If your drainage problems seem too big for you to correct, please contact the City for guidance. There are many contractors and engineering firms that specialize in drainage problems. They can be found in the yellow pages under Drainage Contractors, and Engineers – Drainage. Keep in mind the City of Duvall requires homeowners to obtain building or grading permits before certain drainage projects are begun. To find out more information about permit requirements, contact the City at 425-788-3434.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



February 10th & 24th: City Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE (Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.)

February 4th & 18th: Planning Commission Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE

PLEASE NOTE: Council meetings have moved to Tuesdays beginning January 2015.