



Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

Can you believe it's December already? Wow, this year has certainly flown by quickly! With the holiday season well underway, I hope that each one of you are finding joy spending time with family and friends.

While I'm late for Thanksgiving, I would like to take a moment to thank all the staff in the City of Duvall for their commitment to our community and for the warm welcome I have received as the first full-time (sometimes more than) Mayor in our community. There have been changes, unexpected events, a political shift on Council and through it all, this group of more than 40 employees are rising to every challenge and remaining dedicated to their roles and our residents.

By the time of delivery, our first ever-biennial budget should be approved by the City Council. Barring any major changes prior to approval, this is a budget that the community should be proud of. We are committed to right-sizing our government, taking care of deferred maintenance and working towards a sustainable budget for the long-term. Over the next few years this will take a significant amount of work and challenging decisions for both Administration and City Council.

At the end of the day, my goal is to see policies in place that help ensure that we have the right staffing and skill sets for today, are planning for the future, planning for and maintaining our infrastructure with healthy appropriations to savings each year and providing the level of service that our residents expect. This budget is austere yet moves us closer towards those goals.

The first biennial budget was certainly a challenge and I am pleased that we are now on track to begin catching up on internal priorities that have not previously been funded. Thank you to all the staff that helped develop this budget and to the City Council for the constructive dialogue during deliberations.

On a note of fun, my family and I hope you will join us at the Annual Tree Lighting event on the evening of December 7th.

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Rain or shine, the carolers will be there, downtown will be lit up as Santa makes his way down Main Street and it's a great time to celebrate winter with friends and neighbors. Before or after the event, please drop in to one of our local businesses to warm up, purchase some Christmas gifts or enjoy a hearty meal. Hope to see you there and Happy Holidays!

Regards,

Amy Ockerlander



UTILITY BILL RATE INCREASE FOR 2019

The City's water, sewer & storm utility rates will increase 2%. These rates will be effective as of January 1, 2019 and the new rates will appear on the utility bills that are sent out at the end of January.

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 \$2.43 per month.

If you have any questions, please contact Lindsey Vaughn, Finance Director, at lindsey.vaughn@duvallwa.gov or 425-788-1185 ext. 8066.

DUVALL CULTURAL COMMISSION GET INVOLVED!

We are looking for community members to serve on the Duvall Cultural Commission (DCC). If you would like to help with our current events or have a new idea, please consider joining DCC! Contact City Hall at 425-788-1185 if interested.



KUDOS KORNER



Kudos this month go to our City Finance team: Lindsey Vaughn, Jennifer Anderson and Shelley Sweet. They have put 6 months of work into forecasting and helping develop the City's first biennial budget, changing processes, managing software challenges and presenting the most transparent budget and process in the City's history. This meant a lot of extra work to keep the budget updated with every proposed change and answering a myriad of challenging questions. You did it! Thank you and way to go!

SCOUTS 2019 CHRISTMAS TREE PICK UP & RECYCLING EVENT

RESIDENTIAL PICK UP WITHIN DUVALL CITY LIMITS ONLY

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5TH FROM 9:00-11:00 A.M.



Scouts will pick up trees as an independent fund-raiser supporting Packs 568 and 569; Troops 411 and 745; and Venture Crew 215.

Please put your tree out before 9:00 a.m. on or near your front porch (too near the street and Waste Management may take it). Trees only; no wreaths, greens, or garland. Also, no artificial or flocked trees. Remove all metal hooks, decorations, and tinsel.

A suggested \$10 donation is gratefully accepted. Place donation on your front door in an envelope or plastic bag (checks payable to Troop 745). Or pay with PayPal at paypal.me/DuvallTroop745.

You can also drop off your tree at Taylor Landing in Duvall or at the Carnation Tree Farm in Carnation to be chipped courtesy of KINGS TREES. Drop off between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

PICK UP WHAT THE CHIIPER LEAVES BEHIND

Recycled chips will be available for residents to pick up on Sunday, January 6th and Monday, January 7th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The free chips can be picked up at Taylor Landing in Duvall. Bring a container for self-loading.

For more information contact the Scout Coordinator at treerecycle745@gmail.com.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING LOCAL SCOUTS

GET INVOLVED WITH THE COMMUNITY VAN

December brings lots of holiday cheer with all the fun events such as holiday craft shows, the Nutcracker, holiday lights, warm cups of hot cocoa, and spending time with loved ones. What better time than now to use the Community Van to build community, get to know a neighbor, or offer your time to drive folks where they need to go? This month we're most excited about partnering with the City of Duvall for a trip to pick up holiday gift donations for those in need. We would love to hear from you if you're interested in joining this trip or coordinating another similar donation pick up trip! Make sure to stop by our booth at the Tree Lighting event on December 7th! Contact Bree to ride or drive at communityvan@hopelink.org or 425-943-6721.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN DECEMBER?

Duvall Civic Club Holiday Fair
December 1st 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center.

Annual Tree Lighting & Light Up Duvall Event: December 7th 6:00 p.m. along Main Street and at Depot Park.

Cedarcrest DECA "Jolly Holiday Fun Run" December 8th 6:00 p.m.
Contact hillestadm@rsd407.org for more information.

Hopelink Giving Tree Gift Drop-off Deadline December 13th.
Visit <http://www.duvallwa.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/423> for more information.

Christmas Day
December 25th

UPCOMING EVENTS IN JANUARY

New Year's Day January 1st

Tree Pick Up & Recycling January 5th
See article at left.

WASTE MANAGEMENT REMINDER

If you subscribe to yard waste services provided by Waste Management, please note this collection service is moving to every-other-week service (on garbage day) beginning December 1, 2018 thru March 1, 2019.

For more information please visit: <http://wmnorthwest.com/duvall/> or <http://wmnorthwest.com/duvall/guidelines/calendars.htm>.

UPCOMING CITY OF DUVALL OFFICE CLOSURES:

- DECEMBER 10TH, FROM 11:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.
- DECEMBER 24TH, CLOSING AT 12:00 P.M.
- DECEMBER 25TH, CLOSED ALL DAY
- DECEMBER 31ST, CLOSING AT 12:00 P.M.
- JANUARY 1ST, CLOSED ALL DAY
- JANUARY 21ST, CLOSED ALL DAY



CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 4th & 18th City Council meetings: -7:00 p.m. in the Riverview Educational Service Center, 15510 First Avenue NE. (Committee of the Whole begins at 5:30 p.m.).

December 12th (December 26th meeting is cancelled) Planning Commission meetings: -7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE.