



# Duvall News

Volume 18, Issue 2 City of Duvall • 15535 Main Street NE • PO Box 1300 • Duvall, WA 98019 • 425-788-1185 • Fax 425-788-8097 February 2019

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

Happy February! I hope 2019 is off to a great start for all members of our community. The days are getting longer, the trees are already beginning to bud and it looks like we may have an early spring.

City staff have hit the ground running for 2019 and are well-underway getting projects started and maintaining facilities.

Some of you may have either been to Big Rock Ball Fields or seen the video on the City's Facebook page. If not, I am very pleased to share with you the new restroom and concession stand has been delivered and will be open to the public sometime this spring. We are excited about having this new amenity available to the public for years to come.

On the Executive and Legislative side of things, the City Council has reached consensus on our state and federal legislative agenda which includes advocating for transportation studies and improvements, local control for 5g siting (upgraded internet speed) and right-of-way use, more funding from the Criminal Justice Training Commission and more. I would like to thank the Council for their constructive dialogue and teamwork in developing an agenda that puts the City's priorities at the forefront.

I would also like to thank Councilmember Matthew Eyer for his year of service as Mayor Pro Tem of the council, and welcome Councilmember Mike Remington to the role. I am excited about the work we all have ahead of us for 2019.

In mid-January, we held the City's first ever retreat for department directors and supervisors to discuss work plans and develop a city-wide mission, vision, values, goals and strategies document. Our City has much to be proud of with the day to day work and additional projects that they carry out for our community. Most folks are unaware that our city has fewer employees today than 20-years ago, yet our population and amount of infrastructure such as roads, sewer lines, water and parks has increased substantially.

The retreat not only highlighted what a dedicated, professional team we have working for our community, it also brought into focus the importance of the upcoming first-ever staff workload analysis. We very much look forward to this important work being completed, which will help guide our planning for the future.

*Mayor's message continued in next column...*

*Mayor's message continued...*

Finally, as of the end of January we have a new Public Works director. Many of you may recognize his name: Steve Leniszewski. Mr. Leniszewski has previously been Public Works Director for the City of Duvall and returns to us after three-years at the City of Sammamish. We are very pleased to have him return to the team and look forward to the fresh perspective and institutional knowledge he brings to the table. I would also like to thank Timothy Heydon, who has served as a consulting Interim Public Works Director during the vacancy.

Regards,

Amy Ockerlander



## CITY PLANNING COMMISSION OPENING



Are you passionate about maintaining our city's vibrancy and charm? How can you, as a citizen, make a difference? Submit an application to become a Planning Commissioner!

Planning Commissioners review signage and development project designs as well as help develop community vision and goals and development regulations. Terms are four years with meetings held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at the Duvall Visitor Center. Commissioners are required to be residents of the city, live within the Duvall Urban Growth Area, or own a business located in Duvall.

Primary consideration will be given to applications submitted by February 28, 2019. For more information, please visit <http://www.duvallwa.gov/176/Planning-Commission> or contact the City of Duvall Planning Department at 425-788-2779.



## KUDOS KORNER



This month I would like to bring attention to the Public Works, Police Department and Fire District #45 for their coordination during and after January's wind storm and subsequent power outage. Lacking information from King County, they worked together to identify blocked roads in and around the City and expediently put information out to the public while working to clear roads. I hope the community found the video updates as helpful as I did, and say "Kudos" to the whole team.



**UTILITY BILLING NEWS 2019**

Go paperless! Get your utility bill emailed to you. Register using your utility bill. It's free and easy! Just have your most recent utility bill with you for current information.

If you've already registered, sign in and go to My Profile. Under Your Accounts, click on your account number then: Select "NO, do not print and send my bill using the postal service" **AND** select "YES, send an electronic copy of my billing statement via email". Click on SUBMIT.

Your utility bill will be emailed to the account you have registered with. (Please note: any past due or pending disconnection notices will still be mailed.)

\*\*\*\*\*

The City of Duvall also offers a low income utility rate reduction for qualified customers. To see if you or someone you know may qualify, please see the application at: <http://duvallwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/84>.

The rate reduction is based on the number of people in the household and income levels. Rate reduction Ordinance #1121 requires an annual renewal but customers may submit an application at any time. The rate reduction begins the date the completed application and proof of income is received by the Utility Billing Department.

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN FEBRUARY?**

**Lantern Walk** February 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Visit <http://www.marchofthevegetables.org/events-calendar/> for more information.

**Valentine's Day** February 14<sup>th</sup>

**Presidents' Day** February 18<sup>th</sup>

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN MARCH**

**Daylight saving time** Begins March 10<sup>th</sup>

**March of the Vegetables Parade**

March 23<sup>rd</sup>

Stay tuned for details about the March of the Vegetables. The veggies will rise up again to create an art parade beginning at 3:00 p.m. Watch the Facebook page for details on classes and other related activities or visit <http://www.marchofthevegetables.org/>



**LIBRARY BOARD OPEN POSITION**



Do you have a heart for our community? Do you embrace the opportunity to roll up your sleeves and take action? Are you an active advocate for our local library? If you answered yes, then we invite you to submit an application to serve on the Duvall Library Advisory Board.

Appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, Library Board members serve, without compensation, for a specific term in an advisory capacity to the Duvall City Council. Visit [www.duvallwa.gov/175/Library-Board](http://www.duvallwa.gov/175/Library-Board) for more information about the board and application instructions and deadline.



Send a special message this February with a personalized 18"x18" heart sign! The Rotary Club of Duvall is taking orders for the 2019 Duvall Has Heart Valentines citywide sign project.

The messages will hang on Main Street in Duvall February 10<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. For two weeks your loved one(s) can appreciate a unique special message displayed in town for all to see!

The program is a fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Duvall's foundation. The funds will support grants for local non-profits and Duvall community causes.

**Order Deadline: February 4<sup>th</sup>**

For more information go to [www.duvallrotary.org](http://www.duvallrotary.org), or email: [duvallfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:duvallfoundation@gmail.com).



**CITY OF DUVALL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED  
FEBRUARY 18<sup>TH</sup>  
IN HONOR OF PRESIDENTS DAY**

**Elected Officials**

Mayor	Phone Number	Email Address
Amy Ockerlander	206-305-8258	<a href="mailto:amy.ockerlander@duvallwa.gov">amy.ockerlander@duvallwa.gov</a>

**Councilmembers**

Dianne Brudnicki	206-305-8253	<a href="mailto:dianne.brudnicki@duvallwa.gov">dianne.brudnicki@duvallwa.gov</a>
Matthew Eyer	206-305-8254	<a href="mailto:matthew.eyer@duvallwa.gov">matthew.eyer@duvallwa.gov</a>
Amy McHenry	425-419-6105	<a href="mailto:amy.mchenry@duvallwa.gov">amy.mchenry@duvallwa.gov</a>
Mike Remington	206-775-9721	<a href="mailto:michael.remington@duvallwa.gov">michael.remington@duvallwa.gov</a>
Michelle Hogg	206-305-8257	<a href="mailto:michelle.hogg@duvallwa.gov">michelle.hogg@duvallwa.gov</a>
Jennifer Knaplund	425-419-6749	<a href="mailto:jennifer.knaplund@duvallwa.gov">jennifer.knaplund@duvallwa.gov</a>
Jason Walker	206-305-8259	<a href="mailto:jason.walker@duvallwa.gov">jason.walker@duvallwa.gov</a>



**CITY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**February 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> 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.).

**February 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission meetings:** -7:00 p.m. in the Duvall Visitor Center, 15619 Main Street NE.