

The Woodinville Wire - September 2011

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CITY COUNCIL CORNER

MEETING NOTICES: SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETINGS

Meeting Cancellations: City Council meetings have been canceled on:

- Tuesday September 6

A special meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday September 27.

Items for consideration in September: The City Council regularly holds its meetings on the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Items for consideration include:

- Approval of Emergency Preparedness and Public Safety Commissioner Appointment
- Approval of Planning Commissioner Appointment
- 1st and 2nd Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 531: Declaring a Temporary Moratorium on Medical Marijuana Gardens
- Discussion of View Corridor Protection
- Woodinville Annexation Update
- Review of Farmer's Market Permit Requirements and Fees

For a complete list of agenda items, please visit

http://woodinville.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2 Please note that preliminary agenda items are subject to change.

Council Packets are available for public viewing at Woodinville City Hall or Woodinville Library by the Friday preceding the meeting. Information on specific topics may be obtained on our website at

www.ci.woodinville.wa.us.

How Do I Contact City Council?: Each month the public has the opportunity to discuss concerns, issues, or topics with the City Council during the public comment portion of regular meetings which are held the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Council Members are also available by email or voicemail. You may view contact information and individual information about each Council Member by visiting

www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/CityHall/CouncilMembers.asp.

Woodinville-Snohomish Road and NE 195th Street Widening:

The Woodinville-Snohomish Road intersection with NE 195th Street, will be receiving an overhaul this summer. The project began in August and will continue through September. Final work on lane signalization modifications will be completed in November/December. Construction work will widen the existing lanes to allow two northbound and two southbound lanes, which includes paving, storm drainage improvements, street lighting, and traffic signal modifications. Project planting mitigation will be conducted in Rotary Park. All work will be conducted within the corporate limits of the City of Woodinville. For further information regarding the project, please contact Dan Beck at 425.877.2295.

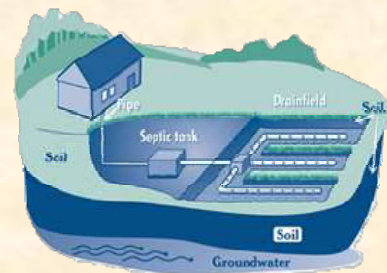


Pedestrian Improvements along NE 145th Street: Pedestrian improvements on NE 145th Street, between 138th Way NE and Woodinville Redmond Road NE (SR 202) are scheduled to occur through the middle of September. Work involves placing new curb, gutter, and sidewalks along the north side of the roadway. The work includes the construction of a retaining wall that will stabilize the adjacent hillside and repaving a section of NE 145th Street by the railroad tracks. For more information regarding this project, please contact Project Manager Matthew Ellis at 425.877.2296 or by email at matte@ci.woodinville.wa.us.



City Tips:

Practical Solution for Keeping Groundwater Clean: In order to maintain a healthy watershed the City is providing tips on how to reduce many of the common pollutants that plague local watershed systems. This month's tip covers the proper maintenance of septic systems. Poor maintenance of septic systems can lead to various water quality issues to our lakes, streams, rivers, and ultimately the entire watershed. The purpose of a septic system is to separate liquids from solid waste and drain those liquids into the ground, where the waste then flows into a tank, settles, and decomposes. A failure in the septic system may lead to untreated wastewater and sewage flowing into local streams and water bodies. Improper maintenance of septic systems is a major cause of water pollution by homeowners. A few simple steps will help keep your septic system healthy and help prevent the risk of polluting your local watershed:



- Inspect your septic system every year. Pump it out every three years, and be sure to fix problems as they occur. This will save you time and money in the long run.
- Keep maintenance records and a map of the location of the system and drainfield. If a problem arises, this makes it easier to figure out where and why.
- Conserve water indoors and divert surface water and roof drains away from the system, the less water that has to go through the septic system, the better.
- Avoid blocking evaporation and air by covering the drainfield with impermeable surfaces. The system requires both for treatment.
- Keep vehicles and large equipment off the septic system and drainfield, as they can disrupt the system's drainage.

- Be careful about what you pour down the drain. Non-degradable material can clog the system up and certain household chemicals can kill the bacteria that are essential to breaking down the waste that goes through the system.

Doing your part by making sure that your septic system is in proper working order can go a long way to improving water quality.

Calling all Salmon Watchers: Salmon watchers are needed to collect data for use by agencies and groups working to help restore endangered salmon runs and improve habitat for all salmon. Salmon Watchers spend 15 minutes twice a week during the fall observing a stream or lakeshore in the greater Lake Washington Watershed, counting the returning salmon. There are hundreds of established sites to watch from and all you need for training is to attend a classroom training session on salmon identification.



Training is from 7-9pm at the following locations:

- Thursday, September 15,** Bellevue City Hall, Bellevue
- Tuesday, September 20,** Renton Community Center, Renton
- Thursday, September 22,** Woodinville City Hall, Woodinville
- Wednesday, October 5,** Greenwood Senior Center, Seattle

City Activities:

Fall Recycling Event, September 10, 2011: Join the City on Saturday, September 10, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Woodinville Park & Ride (NE 179th / 140th Ave NE) for the City of Woodinville's annual fall recycling event. The City accepts a variety of items for recycling; however, some exclusions apply. Please visit the City's website for a complete list of acceptable items and associated fees.



*Please note that cash is the only accepted form of payment.

Refuse to Be A Victim Training, October 20, 2011: The Woodinville Police Department will be hosting a "Free" seminar covering crime prevention and personal safety strategies, located at the Woodinville City Hall Council Chambers. The workshop, titled: "Refuse to Be A Victim" was developed by the women of the National Rifle Association of America (NRA) in 1993, in response to women nationwide who requested crime prevention and personal safety information. The program has evolved throughout the years and includes both women and men. The NRA continues to sponsor the seminar in conjunction with many other businesses promoting and teaching safety education. The seminar content will address mental preparedness, home & physical security, as well as traveling (in an automobile).

Residents or Business owners in the City of Woodinville are welcome to attend. The seminar is designed for small groups, so space is limited to twenty (20) participants. Pre-registration is required by September 20. To sign-up, contact Officer Shelia Starrett by phone at 425.877.2279 ext. 2284, or by email at shelias@ci.woodinville.wa.us.

Workshop Title: Refuse to Be A Victim
Date: Thursday, October 20, 2011
Time: 6:00pm – 9:30pm
Location: Woodinville City Hall Council chambers, 17301 133rd Avenue NE

*Food and Beverages will be provided

Other City News:

Building Permit Data: The table below illustrates the valuation and total number of building permit applications submitted to the City in July 2011.

City of Woodinville Building Permit Data July 2011

Permit	Applied	Issued	Fee Received
Building	11	8	\$4,621
Land Use	1	0	\$3,371
Mechanical	18	16	\$1,636
Plumbing	1	1	\$177
Combined Building	2	1	\$442
Fire (alarms, sprinklers)	2	1	\$139
International Fire Code	50	18	\$8,351
Right of Way	4	0	\$1,555
Site Development	0	1	\$0
Sign	4	0	\$0
Totals	93	46	\$20,292

Sports Field Rental Schedule Now Online: Everything you need to rent the Woodinville Sports Fields are available online. Just visit www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/Play/FacilityRentals.asp to view information relating to rates, rental application; fields use schedule, and a rental manual.

City Street Light Reporting: Did you know that you could report street light outages directly to Puget Sound Energy (PSE)? Reporting street light outages directly to PSE can expedite the process to restore broken lights. When reporting a light outage or problem to PSE, remember to gather some basic information; location of the light pole in question, light pole number, and the type of problem. To report a street light issue, visit PSE's website at <http://www.intolight.com/lightsout.htm>.

City Hall Lost and Found: As more people are using the Woodinville Sports Fields, the City is finding items left on the fields. If you have lost an item, it may be waiting for you in the City Hall offices. Found items are held for 45 days after which time the City disposes of the property. If you would like to know if your lost item was found by the City, contact us at 425.489.2700.

Reporting Public Works Emergencies: Do you know what to do if you encounter a street or storm water emergency after regular City Hall Operating Hours (7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. M-Th, and 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Fridays)? If you need to report a street, storm water, or public works maintenance emergency after hours, please call 911. A crew will be dispatched to the site as necessary.

Volunteer Opportunities

Sammamish River Stewards: Outdoor enthusiasts wanted! Volunteers are needed for monthly Sammamish River restoration projects. Volunteers work the 2nd Saturday of every month, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Project locations change each month between Little Bear Creek, Woodin Creek, and NE 145th Street sites, which are all located along the Sammamish River Trail. To view a map of the three project sites, click on the links below.



- [Little Bear Creek](#)
- [Woodin Creek](#)
- [NE 145th Street](#)

Bring work gloves and loppers, if you have them, and dress for the weather. This is a great volunteer opportunity for groups and individuals; all ages are welcome. Volunteers must complete a [Volunteer Agreement form](#); those under the age of 18 must have a Volunteer Agreement form signed by a parent before working. For more information visit www.ci.woodinville.wa.us/Documents/Work/Volunteer_Event_Calendar.pdf

IN OTHER NEWS....

[Washington State Department of Transportation Website:](#)

To keep current with WSDOT projects, road conditions, travel times and road closures, go to <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/>.

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