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City of Tukwila PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

Recognizing the shopping center that transformed Tukwila

In 1968 the average cost of a car was just over \$2,000, a gallon of gas cost 34 cents, and a movie ticket was \$1.50. And in Tukwila, this memorable year brought the opening of Southcenter Mall on July 31, 1968. At the time when it opened, it was the second largest indoor mall in the nation (only the Ala Moana Center in Honolulu was larger). Original tenants included Farrells, Uwajimaya, and Seafirst Bank. The establishment of the mall would later spur business development along Southcenter Parkway and the surrounding area, ultimately making the Southcenter District one of the premier shopping areas in the Pacific Northwest.

Today, Southcenter is the largest mall in the Pacific Northwest. While many tenants have come and gone, new stores continue to appear, reflecting the changing times. The original movie theater was torn down long ago, but a state-of-the-art AMC has opened inside the mall. Bank of America bought Seafirst Bank and built a new bank branch on the south side of the property. Original tenant Frederick and Nelson closed in 1992, to be replaced by Sears. In the midst of the newer stores, four of the original stores remain: Nordstrom, Macy's (Bon Marché), JC Penney, and Zales.

This year the City of Tukwila, Westfield Southcenter, and the Seattle Southside Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating 50 years of the Southcenter District. To commemorate, we are looking for stories, photos and memories that we can highlight and share. Got something to contribute? Visit us at Facebook.com/Southcenter50, or email Brandon.Miles@TukwilaWA.gov.



Tukwila advances toward new fire stations

The City of Tukwila continues to implement the Public Safety Plan, which consists of the construction of three new fire stations, the Justice Center and a new public works facility. To date, the City has identified the locations for each facility, hired architects for the fire stations and Justice Center and brought on board General Contractor/Construction Management (GC/CM) firms for both the fire station and the Justice Center.



Fire Station 51 is the furthest along, and is scheduled to break ground later this year. The new site is at the intersection of Southcenter Parkway and South 180th street. The new station will be a two-bay, modern station with room on the back apron for firefighters to do their regular drills and training. Inside, special care was taken during design to ensure firefighter health and safety, which is critical given the amount of toxins and biohazards they are regularly exposed to. The building plan above shows the layout of Fire Station 51 when completed. The new fire station is scheduled to be completed in early 2020.

Just last month the City acquired ownership of the site for the future Fire Station 54, and the new building for Fire Station 52 will be constructed on the existing City Hall campus in the north parking lot.

The City continues to try and work with property owners and businesses to come to voluntary agreements around property acquisition for the Justice Center and Public Works facility. Two of the Justice Center properties are already under voluntary contract with the City, and staff continues to have very productive conversations with other business and property owners. The City will host an open house to provide additional updates on the Public Safety Plan in June, and community members are encouraged to attend and learn more about the projects. For more information, visit TukwilaWA.gov/PublicSafetyPlan.



Mayor's Message

City moves to budgeting by strategic priority

Budget season is nearly upon us. We are now preparing to work on the City's 2019-2020 Biennial Budget. Last year, Tukwila's City Council urged Administration to adopt a new budget practice. Staff researched different models and decided on Priority Based Budgeting (PBB), recognized as a best practice by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) and the International City Managers Association (ICMA).

Rather than developing the budget the way we have historically (by line item and department), we are going through the process of identifying programs and determining how much time and money we spend on these programs. This allows us to see how much money we are spending across departments on programs. It also allows us to score our programs against our stated priorities to make sure we are focusing our investments in our community's priorities. Community participation is a major component of PBB.

In 2012, the City adopted its first Strategic Plan. This spring, staff will be going out to the community and to City employees to make sure that strategic goals we identified in 2012 are still the right priorities meriting our focus. The 2012 Tukwila Strategic Plan can be found online at TukwilaWA.gov/StrategicPlan.

You'll have several opportunities to share your thoughts on our strategic plan refresh as well as throughout the budget process.

To hear your feedback, we've scheduled a **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP:**

**Thursday, May 3
6:00 to 8:00PM
Thorndyke Elementary
4415 S 150th Street, Tukwila**

Unable to attend? The same information that will be presented at the community workshop will be available in an online video and survey, translated into multiple languages.

If you are part of a community or neighborhood group that would be interested in having a City staff presentation to the group, contact Community Engagement Manager Mia Navarro at 206-454-7564, or email Mia.Navarro@TukwilaWA.gov.

You can also provide feedback on the Strategic Plan and the 2019-2020 budget during the public comment period at the beginning of every City Council meeting on Mondays at 7:00PM, as well as at the Finance Committee which meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 5:30PM in the Hazelnut Conference Room at City Hall.

Look for budget-specific Council and Committee meeting agendas online at TukwilaWA.gov/records, which are published the preceding Friday at noon.

Allan Ekberg
Allan Ekberg, Mayor

Residents may qualify for discounts or rebate

In 2003 the City of Tukwila imposed a Utility Tax and added surcharge to Seattle City Light customers as a contract fee. With Resolution No. 1547, the City established policy to rebate the additional taxes and contract surcharge fees to eligible low-income seniors (age 62 or older) or disabled residents for electric and natural gas utility rebates.

Criteria for eligibility

- ◆ Must be at least 62 years of age or disabled.
- ◆ Disposable income from all sources must not exceed \$32,000 per household.
- ◆ Must be Puget Sound Energy or Seattle City Light customer.

Required information due by June 30, 2018

- ❖ Must complete application and notarized supplemental affidavit at the Finance Department in Tukwila City Hall.
- ❖ Must provide copy of 2017 Income Tax Return.
- ❖ Provide copy of your Puget Sound Energy or Seattle City Light December 2017 billing statement as verification of customer account status.

Payment process

Those applicants determined to be eligible will receive a rebate check from the City based on the actual taxes and surcharges paid for 2017. For more information, please contact Tukwila's Finance Department at 206-433-1835.



Free volunteer transportation: A Sound Generations program

Do you or an older adult you know need help getting to medical, dental or other essential appointments? Volunteer Transportation can help.

Volunteer Transportation has a team of volunteers who use their own vehicles to provide a safe, personalized transportation service, taking people to and from appointments and waiting with them until they are ready to return home. Those eligible for this service are:

- King County residents aged 60 and older
- Older adults with limited transportation options
- Able to transfer into private vehicle with minimal assistance

To schedule a ride:

- Call 206-448-5740 or 1-800-282-5815 by Tuesday (or before) for any rides the following week. (No forms – simply sign up over the phone.)
- Scheduling hours are 8:00AM to 5:00PM, Monday through Friday.
- Have all details of your trip ready.
- Caregivers and/or family are welcome with prior notice.
- All rides are dependent upon driver availability.

Inspired to become a volunteer? You can make a crucial difference in the lives of older adults. The seniors who use this service greatly appreciate the helping hand and moral support. Look under “Get Involved” at SoundGenerations.org, or give them a call at 206-748-7588 for more information.



Since October 2017, individuals with court-mandated traffic fines in multiple jurisdictions in King County have had an easier and less expensive way to pay fines through the new Unified Payment Program - the “UP Program.” A collaboration between the County’s district and municipal courts, this program allows any person with traffic tickets in more than one court in King County to consolidate fines, reduce the amounts owed and – upon making one payment towards these fines – reinstate their driver’s license.

New regional payment plan for paying traffic fines

In Washington state, the Department of Licensing suspends a person’s license if they have unpaid traffic tickets. Driving with a suspended license is a crime punishable by 90 days in jail and/or a \$1,000 fine. However, many make the choice to drive out of necessity – for work, children, health, family and numerous other reasons. The total amount of the fines snowballs, especially impacting people with few financial resources, and many King County residents find themselves in this situation.

A defendant with tickets in multiple jurisdictions in King County can go to any court, obtain their record of unpaid tick-

ets, apply online to UP’s contracted independent payment agency, and make one payment to release all the King County DOL holds on their license versus having to address their tickets in each individual court. The UP Program allows these people the ability to pay off their obligations without going to a collection agency. Monthly payments as low as \$25 are accepted and the agency will work with court customers to determine an appropriate amount on an individual basis. This will also lead to numerous people becoming validly licensed and insured, significantly cutting down on the unlawful driving.

ONE-DAY CURBSIDE CLEAN-UP FRIDAY, JUNE 1 – FREE!

**For ALL Tukwila households,
single-family up to 4-plex**

**Items must be placed at the curb by
7:00AM on Friday, June 1**



SMALL ITEMS must:



- be bagged, bundled or boxed
- measure less than 3 feet by 3 feet
- weigh less than 65 pounds

Your LARGE ITEMS:



- will be collected *by appointment only*; schedule pick-up by Thursday, May 31 – call 1-855-885-9452
- must have any fluids drained
- must have doors removed for child safety (appliances)



For details about items that will be accepted and those that won't be picked up, look for a flyer coming in your mail soon, or visit TukwilaWA.gov/curbside

PLEASE NOTE: You do NOT have to be a Waste Management customer to participate!



Do you ever ask yourself why the Mayor chairs some of the City Council meetings while the Council President chairs others? Have you ever wondered how our City government really works? I would like to take this opportunity to give you a snapshot overview of government in the City of Tukwila.

We are a Mayor-Council form of government, which means that the Mayor is elected independently and represents the Executive Branch while the City Council forms the Legislative Branch. This is just like at the state level where the Governor is elected independently and the State Legislature – the House and Senate – is the Legislative Branch. The Tukwila City Council is responsible for setting budget and policy, and as the head of Administration the Mayor is responsible for carrying out the direction given by the Council. While the branches of government have completely separate roles, we must work together to ensure that the community's goals are represented in our actions. We must work together for EVERYONE in our community.

City Council legislative acts are most commonly made via ordinances and resolutions. Generally, an ordinance has the force of law and is the mechanism used to amend the Tukwila Municipal Code, while a resolution is a less formal statement of policy. Passage is a multi-step process, starting with staff and/or councilmembers presenting agenda items to the appropriate committee based on the subject. Each Council member, except the City Council President, serves on two

committees. This year Thomas McLeod chairs the **Transportation and Infrastructure Committee**, Kathy Hougardy chairs the **Public Safety Committee**, Kate Kruller chairs the **Community Development & Neighborhoods Committee**, and De'Sean Quinn chairs the **Finance Committee**.

Comprised of the chair and two additional Councilmembers, the committee discusses and deliberates proposals, sometimes requesting additional information and/or making amendments. The Committee then makes a formal recommendation to the full Council to approve or deny the legislative request, forwarding the item along with their recommendation to a Committee of the Whole agenda. At this meeting, the entire seven-member Council will have the opportunity to discuss and deliberate the proposal. Committee of the Whole meetings are chaired by the City Council President (which this year is me).

Once a majority of the Council has arrived at a conclusion, the item is forwarded to a Regular Meeting (chaired by the Mayor), which is where the Council formalizes its intent by making and voting on motions. It is not uncommon for complex issues to make several appearances in a standing committee or a Committee of the Whole prior to the Council taking final action. There can be exceptions to this general process. For example, items that are noncontroversial or routine in nature are sometimes forwarded directly to a Regular Meeting by a standing committee.

The Council and Committee Meetings are public meetings and anyone can attend. All Committee and Council agendas are available on the City's website, and you can even sign up to receive them in your email inbox each Friday. Most importantly, your City Council welcomes your opinions and feedback on anything that comes before us. We want to hear from you!

Training program changes the lives of women

The Puget Sound area continues to enjoy the largest construction growth in the nation, and there is no sign of this stopping anytime soon. The construction industry is already experiencing a lack of trained workforce and an aging workforce of ready-to-retire baby boomers, creating an increasing need for a qualified, trained workforce. *Apprenticeships & Non-Traditional Employment for Women* – ANEW – wants to fill these jobs with qualified, skilled women.

As the oldest continuously running pre-apprenticeship program in the country, ANEW has been training women for the construction trades since 1980. Why would women want to pursue a career in the trades? Apprenticeships offer a way out of low-paying, dead-end jobs, and put women on a path to family-wage careers and financial success.



The program runs three days a week and covers the basics of construction, safety, certifications and more, plus the employment aptitude needed to hit the ground running in a skilled trades apprenticeship. To learn more about ANEW's pre-apprenticeship program, there are two informational sessions held weekly – Tuesdays at 2:00PM and Thursdays at 10:00AM – at their Kent training facility, located at 808 Washington Avenue North in Kent. ANEW can also be contacted at 206-381-1384, or INFO@ANEWAOP.

Tukwila City Council Actions

October–December 2017

- Updated Transportation Element of Comprehensive Plan, incorporating updated employment projections (*Ord. 2551*)
- Approved brand mark to help market Southcenter region
- Named ball field at Joseph Foster Memorial Park as “Joe Henry Duffie Field” (*Res. 1918*)
- Authorized sites for Public Safety Plan buildings (*Ord. 2554*)
- Accepted grant funding for:
 - Investigator, interpreter and social work services from Washington Office of Public Defense
 - 2017-2019 Commute Trip Reduction from WSDOT
 - Water Quality Stormwater Capacity from Dept. of Ecology
- Amended 2017-2018 Biennial Budget (*Ord. 2557*)
- Contracted with Lydig Construction for General Contractor/ Construction Management preconstruction services for Public Safety Plan fire stations
- Approved application for Tukwila South Final Plat
- Adopted City-wide equity policy (*Res. 1921*)
- Establish regulations prohibiting Vehicle Trespass (*Ord. 2560*)
- Expressed appreciation for 36 years of City service to Joe Duffie (*Res. 1923*)

January–March 2018

- Accepted Community Development Block Grant funding for Minor Home Repair Program
- Accepted grant funding for seismic upgrades to Boeing Access Road over Airport Way Bridge
- Accepted grant funding for street safety improvements on West Valley Highway
- Reduced speed limit on 42nd Avenue South Bridge in Allentown to improve safety and extend bridge’s life (*Ord. 2566*)
- Purchased two new fire engines/pumpers and one aerial ladder truck
- Accepted completion of Andover Park East Sewer Repair and Duwamish Gardens Habitat Restoration Projects
- Accepted completion of Cascade View Safe Routes to School Phase II Project
- Thanked Joan Hernandez for founding and serving on the Equity and Social Justice Commission (*Res. 1925*)
- Approved contractor for street improvements on 53rd Avenue South and Central Business District sewer rehabilitation
- Set 2018 green fees for Foster Golf Links (*Res. 1926*)
- Contracted with BNBuilders for General Contractor/ Construction Management preconstruction services for Justice Center

People (like you) making a difference in this community

The City of Tukwila is assisted in its operations by the volunteers who serve on our Boards and Commissions, providing advice and recommendations in several areas of governmental activities. Volunteers make a meaningful contribution to the community by offering their time and expertise.

Congratulations and thanks go to the following community members who were confirmed to Boards and Commissions between October 2017–March 2018.

Arts Commission	Helen Enguerra, Alexander Villela
Civil Service Commission	Ron Johnston
Community-Oriented Policing Citizen’s Advisory Board	Carol Pizano, Jun Castillo, Jerry Thornton, Roger Arnold
Equity and Social Justice Commission	Nichelle Page, Kathy Hougardy, Mikkell Roeland, Roy Busch, Aaron Dragonov
Human Services Advisory Board	Katrice Cyphers, Jonathan Joseph
Library Advisory Board	Verna Seal, Marie Parrish, Linda McLeod
Park Commission	Matt Mega, Cory Briscoe, Don Scanlon, Ivan Cockrum
Planning Commission	Heidi Watters



There are currently several board and commission vacancies. Anyone interested in serving on a Board or Commission is invited to submit a completed application to the City. Applications are reviewed and appointments are made by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Information about vacancies, duties and requirements for membership in any of the City’s Boards and Commissions, and the Application for Appointment form can be found on the City’s website at TukwilaWA.gov/boards. If you have any questions, please call 206-433-1850.



Southcenter Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge

The Southcenter Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge project is open to foot traffic, but some final construction items remain. After fabrication and delivery of the handrails, landscaping restoration will then follow. Staff is also working on the lighting capabilities of the pedestrian bridge.

Contact: Peter Lau, 206-431-2454 or Peter.Lau@TukwilaWA.gov



53rd Avenue South

Running from South 137th to South 144th Street, this residential street improvement project will include a new drainage system, sidewalks on both sides of the roadway, illumination, utility upgrades, and undergrounding of overhead utilities. Construction begins in April 2018, with final overlay paving planned for spring of 2019. **53rd Avenue South will be closed for local access only in early April and reopen to traffic in April 2019, depending on construction progress and weather.**

Contact: David Sorensen, 206-431-3653 or David.Sorensen@TukwilaWA.gov

42nd Avenue South Phase III

Southcenter Boulevard (154th) to South 160th Street

Installation of the underground electrical and communications facilities continues as well as construction of the sewer improvements and the culvert. Significant challenges with the culvert and utility conflicts have led to project delays. However, subject to weather and utility companies' work schedules, springtime should bring:

- a temporary pedestrian access across the culvert area, planned by late April 2018
- completion of the base asphalt paving and reopening the road for local traffic access, projected by late June 2018
- work on the utility cutover from overhead to underground to begin in July 2018 (duration determined by utility coordination)

Contact: Peter Lau, 206-431-2454 or Peter.Lau@TukwilaWA.gov

Major Bridge Maintenance

The Grady Way South Bridge, Beacon Avenue South Bridge, and the Frank Zepp (South 180th Street) Bridge are the three bridges in this project. Beacon Avenue South Bridge is substantially complete and has been open to all traffic with a new bridge deck. Frank Zepp Bridge is ongoing with painting the underside of the bridge and the orange handrails. One final closure of Frank Zepp bridge is being scheduled in mid-April to lift and replace the bearing pads. Grady Way Bridge will only have temporary lane closures on Longacres Way. Staff anticipates that the work will be completed by May 2018.

Contact: Steve Carstens, 206-431-2446 or Steve.Carstens@TukwilaWA.gov

2018 Overlay & Repair

Four road sections were chosen for the 2018 Overlay and Repair work, located on 58th Avenue South, South 133rd Street, Southcenter Boulevard, and parts of Fort Dent Park parking lot. Construction is scheduled to begin late April and be completed by October 2018 or sooner, depending on weather.

Contact: David Sorensen, 206-431-3653 or David.Sorensen@TukwilaWA.gov

Street Improvement Project
South 144th Street is complete,
along with the new traffic signal
at 42nd Avenue South.





Boeing Access Road Bridge Rehabilitation

Bridge construction over the BNRR tracks will continue through 2018. The contractor is currently installing footings, working on columns, and installing seismic restraints for the structure. The current lane shift will change two more times during the life of the project.

Contact: Steve Carstens, 206-431-2446 or Steve.Carstens@TukwilaWA.gov

South 196th/200th Street Bridge Repair

The preferred design option has been selected. Staff is currently working with the consultant to develop plans and specifications, facilitating advertisement of the project for construction in May 2018. Repair of the South 196th Street Bridge is anticipated to be under construction this summer and completed by August 2018. Temporary asphalt has been placed on the approach span to provide a smoother ride.

Contact: Steve Carstens, 206-431-2446 or Steve.Carstens@TukwilaWA.gov

GREEN RIVER UPDATES

Tukwila 205 Levee Certification Phase II

City staff, the King County Flood Control District, and the Army Corps of Engineers are working on a repair project at two locations along the Green River that were damaged in 2017. Both sites are on the left bank of the Green River, with one located near South 196th Street and the other adjacent to Mitchell Moving and Gaco Western. Levee repairs are anticipated to take place in 2019.

FEMA Flood Map Update

Draft FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps are now available for public comment. Go to KingCounty.gov and search for “flood maps.” An appeal period will begin on April 17, 2018 and run through July 15, 2018. All affected parties who wish to comment on the maps or submit an appeal must submit information to the City prior to this date. Tukwila staff is available to assist with any flood-related questions.

Contact: Ryan Larson, 206-431-2456 or Ryan.Larson@TukwilaWA.gov

FUTURE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Strander Boulevard Extension Phase 3

The City of Renton completed Phases 1 and 2 of the Strander Boulevard Extension Project from Oaksdale Avenue to the new Sounder Commuter Rail Station parking lot. Phase 3 will be led by the City of Tukwila and will connect Strander Boulevard under the railroad tracks from Renton to West Valley Highway. The design consultant is currently working towards a 30% submittal to the City – a major milestone. Once this milestone is reached, we will be able to submit an update to the approved environmental documents (NEPA) and continue toward a more detailed design.

Contact: Steve Carstens, 206-431-2446 or Steve.Carstens@TukwilaWA.gov

West Valley Highway (I-405 to Strander)

City Council has approved the acceptance of a \$2.4 million grant from the State of Washington’s Transportation Improvement Board for road improvements to West Valley Highway. This project will design and construct the missing northbound through-lane, improve/complete sidewalks, and potentially install a pedestrian-activated signal across West Valley Highway (pending WSDOT approval). This will improve the pedestrian and bicycle connection from the Tukwila Station (Sounder Commuter Rail) to the new Southcenter Pedestrian Bridge.

Contact: Cyndy Knighton, 206-431-2450 or Cyndy.Knighton@TukwilaWA.gov

Boeing Access Road over Airport Way Bridge

City Council has approved the acceptance of a \$2.9 million grant for the Boeing Access Road (BAR) over Airport Way Bridge. Boeing Access Road is the principal arterial connecting I-5 and East Marginal Way South and the roadway is considered regionally significant. The Boeing Access Road over Airport Way Bridge is the only remaining structure on the BAR corridor that has not been seismically upgraded. The current schedule is to design and construct the seismic improvements by 2020 to receive 100% funding from the federal Bridge Replacement Advisory Council. With all the work to be completed under the bridge deck, the City does not believe that there will be any further traffic impacts from this project to Boeing Access Road.

Contact: Steve Carstens, 206-431-2446 or Steve.Carstens@TukwilaWA.gov



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CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

7:00PM in Council Chambers
 Regular Meetings1st/3rd Mondays
 Work Meetings2nd/4th Mondays

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It's a busy time for Human Services

Tukwila's Office of Human Services has embarked on its biannual Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The City is currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 budget year. Tukwila, together with 17 other King County cities, makes up the Human Services Funding Consortium (HSFC). Joining forces 15 years ago, the HSFC created a single application that all non-profit organizations are required to use for applying to any of the participating cities. HSFC cities are on a two-year funding cycle. Once the application period has closed (April 10), the next opportunity to apply for funding is spring of 2020.

Throughout 2018, Tukwila's five-member Human Services Advisory Board (HSAB) will spend many hours reviewing, rating and discussing the merits of each application that was successfully submitted. The applications are prioritized based

on funding categories – Wellness, Housing, Food Security, Support for Independence – that reflect community need and align with Tukwila's strategic goal of supporting 'a safe and healthy community for all.' The HSAB deliberates on how to assign funds to critical programs matching the priorities, creating a preliminary budget. In early fall, Human Services Staff and the HSAB will share funding recommendations with administration, then present those recommendations to the Community Development and Neighborhoods Council Committee. Once the finalized City budget is passed by the Council, the recommended allocations are adjusted, if needed, and approved.

If you'd like to learn more about the 2019-2020 RFP funding process, feel free to contact Stacy Hansen at 206-433-7180 or Hodo Hussein at 206-433-7181.

Families, Strollers, and Pets Welcome!
 Backyard-Wildlife-themed costumes encouraged!
 FREE Airbrush Face Painter on site starting at 8:00am

Run or walk along the beautiful Duwamish River Trail

Saturday May 12 9:00am

RIVER RUN 5K

Tukwila Community Center

tukwilawa.gov/onlineregistration

REGISTER EARLY! \$15

18th Annual

Backyard Wildlife Sustainability

Festival

Something for everyone! Learn about native plants, purchase starts, discover garden art and much more. Ciscoe Morris and other guest speakers will be sharing their insights throughout the day.

For more information, including a schedule of events, visit www.backyardwildlifefestival.org

May 12 10am–3pm
 TCC, 12424 42nd Ave

BackyardWildlifeFestival.org

River Run

Free Entry

Arts & Crafts

Food

Family Fun

Art Display

Live Music

Plant Sale

