

Upcoming City Council Agenda Items

June 21, 2016

6:00 p.m.
Workshop

Discussion regarding Law Enforcement Contract

7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting:

Public Hearing to pass Resolution 1347 regarding water supply provider

Action to adopt Ordinance 2306 amending SMC Chapter 2.86 regarding Emergency Management

Action to adopt Ordinance 2311 approving amendments to Financial Management Policy

Action authorizing City Manager to execute a contract addendum for Open Government facilitation

Discussion regarding Snohomish Covenant Group LLC, Tenth Street vacation petition request

Discussion on new land use for community based theaters

Discussion regarding deferral of school, parks, and traffic impact fees

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Chat with the Mayor

Mayor Karen Guzak will host a chat at Proper Joe Coffeehouse at 1011 First Street on June 17, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Join the Mayor to learn about important local issues and initiatives. These informal gatherings will be held locally in a casual, friendly environment giving residents the opportunity to ask questions and engage in frank, open discussions about community issues of importance, activities, and upcoming events. *Chat with the Mayor* is free and open to the public. Come share your thoughts and ideas about your community.

If you would like to enjoy a good cup of coffee or tea and talk about issues, ask questions, discuss concerns, offer comments or suggestions, or just have a chance to meet the Mayor, please take the time to come out to *Chat with the Mayor*.

Planning and Development Services Department Closure on June 20

The Planning and Development Services Department will be closed to the public on Monday, June 20, 2016. For building inspections and permit submittals, we will be available June 21-24 during normal business hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.). Any building inspections requested for June 20 will be provided on Tuesday, June 21. Phone messages left on the 20th will be returned promptly on Tuesday as well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Clay White, Interim Planning Director at (360) 282-3173.

Future Closure of the City's Water Supply & Treatment

Conditioned on Preserving the City's Water Rights

On June 21, 2016, the City Council will consider adopting an official policy (Resolution 1347) to close its Water Treatment Plant and remove its water supply diversion dam. This action would be conditioned on several outcomes including preservation of water rights in the Pilchuck River system. The City's water supply has been an ongoing focus of consideration since the City completed the *Water Supply Study* in May 2009.

This spring, a rate study analyzed the costs of the two main scenarios: In Scenario 1, the City continues to maintain two sources of supply, both its City water treatment plant and supply from the City of Everett; and in Scenario 2, the City is served by one source of supply from Everett, and establishes an alternative source of supply for transmission line customers. On May 3, 2016, the City Council held a workshop to review the rate study and to consider the basic procedures for "banking" (preserving for future use) the City's water right. Two key questions by the City Council from the previous meetings in 2014 and 2015 were reviewed:

1) Which scenario is the preferred option (that is, the least cost) for City rate payers, both in the short term (2017 to 2019) and in the long-term (2017 to 2031)?

Scenario 2, in which the City customers are served by one source of supply from the City of Everett has significantly lower water rate projections for both the short and long-term. The difference in projected rates between the two scenarios is almost double (\$109.49/month vs. \$57.24/month) by 2031, as detailed below:

Monthly Average Residential Water Bill Comparison for City ("Non-Transmission Line") Customers:

	2016	2017	2019	2022	2031
Scenario 1 - Keep Two Sources					
Residential Bill (<i>Monthly</i>)	\$41.10	\$43.87	\$50.00	\$60.82	\$109.49
Cumulative Rate Increase		6.75%	21.65%	47.98%	166.39%
Scenario 2 - All Everett					
Residential Bill (<i>Monthly</i>)	\$41.10	42.02	\$43.94	\$46.97	\$57.24
Cumulative Rate Increase		2.25%	6.90%	14.28%	39.28%

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2) If we shut down our water treatment plant and discontinue our diversion of water from the Pilchuck River, how do we protect our water right to either sell or re-use in the future?

Banking our perfected water right is the preferred option. The water right has a restricted value today because State law only allows us to sell it to another party for use within the same watershed. Both the reality that the water right has restricted value today and the fact that it has unknown value in the future reinforces that water right banking is the preferred option.

By banking the water right, the City would also have the option to return to providing its own water supply in the distant future. Banking the water right would allow to City to preserve those perfected rights into the future as would be established in detailed deliberations and agreements between the Washington State Department of Ecology, the City, and a possible third party. In previous workshops and meetings in 2014 and 2015, additional details about the perfected water right have been discussed.

ADDITIONAL COSTS TO MAINTAIN BOTH SUPPLIES SIGNIFICANT IN PAST YEARS: Keeping the City Water Treatment Plant has already cost considerably more in the last several years than if the City was purchasing water only from Everett. Over a five year period (2008 to 2012), the City spent \$3.41 million on water supply and treatment. The same amount of water could have been purchased from the City of Everett for \$476,000 over that identical five year period. Even if all City capital costs over this five year period are not included in the totals, the cost of City supplied water was still three times more than Everett's.

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS: The Water Treatment Plant will not be decommissioned and the City will keep both the City of Snohomish and Everett sources of supply until the following are completed to the satisfaction of the City Council:

1. Meeting with Transmission Line Customers;
2. Planning for Removal of the Existing Diversion Dam on the Pilchuck River;
3. Water Right Banking Agreement; and
4. Snohomish PUD Water Supply Agreement.

THREE YEAR RATE RESOLUTION: If Council passes the policy Resolution on June 21, in addition to the actions above, staff will bring back a rate resolution later in the year implementing the Scenario 2 rate option which would raise rates 2.25% each year over the next three years (2017, 2018 and 2019). This is the lower rate increase of the two scenarios, and although it has been deliberated for years at public meetings, the City wants to continue to hear from residences, businesses, and interested parties on this important policy for future closure of its water supply and treatment plant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Steve Schuller, Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director at (360) 282-3194 or schuller@snohomishwa.gov

City Council Review of Police Contract and Services at June 21 Workshop

The City Council has scheduled a review on June 21 of the current five-year contract for police services with Snohomish County Sheriff's Office (SCSO). The staff report, presentation slides, and other materials for the meeting may be found beginning on June 17 in the June 21 City Council workshop agenda at the link below:

<http://snohomishwa.gov/agendacenter>

The workshop will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the George Gilbertson Boardroom of the Snohomish School District Resources and Services Center at 1601 Avenue D. While public comment is not allowed by the Council's rules as part of the workshop agenda, time is provided for public comment at the start of the City Council's regular meeting that will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the same room.

The primary purpose of the review is for the City Council to consider providing direction to staff regarding negotiations for a new five-year agreement with the SCSO beginning January 1, 2017.

The focus of the staff presentation will be first on the structure, costs, services and performance of the services provided during the first four and one-half years of the agreement. Proposed costs for 2017-2021 will be reviewed based on the current levels of services.

Budget capacity will also be reviewed with Council regarding ability of future budgets to accommodate additional law enforcement services and costs. The workshop will then shift focus on what Council prefers that staff work toward in providing law enforcement services effective January 1, 2017.

Join us for the Fischer Pocket Park Open House

You are cordially invited to attend and partner with the City in master planning Fischer Pocket Park redevelopment at an Open House meeting to be held Saturday, June 18 at 10:00 a.m. at the park, 1214 Madrona Drive. In the case of rain, the meeting will be cancelled.

The meeting's purpose is to review the status of the City's grant application for the park with Washington State Recreation Conservation Office and share ideas for the park's redevelopment. Comments resulting from this meeting will be included in the final grant application.

The City of Snohomish hopes to partner with neighbors to develop a shared vision for the park's future!

Please contact Denise Johns, City of Snohomish Project Manager, at (360) 282-3195 or johns@snohomishwa.gov with any questions or if you are unable to attend and have any ideas or suggestions regarding this project.

Party at the Boat Launch

You are cordially invited to attend an open house hosted by the City, the Snohomish Parks Foundation, and the Parks and Recreation Board and to partner with them in the second open house planning meeting to be held at the new boat launch (not open yet). This is the second in a series of planning meetings for this yet-to-be-named riverfront 20-acre park!



The Snohomish Parks Foundation will be requesting funds to support park needs during our meeting from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be food and music to accompany our meeting!

The meeting's purpose is to show potential uses for the site and learn community comments. Comments resulting from this meeting will be included in the park master plan. The draft will be presented to the community in the fall of 2016.

The City of Snohomish was awarded funding from the Snohomish County Conservation Futures Program to acquire the 20-acre property in 2014. It is located at 20 Lincoln Avenue, south of First Street, north of the train trestle, west of the soccer fields, and east of the Snohomish River (see aerial photo below). Funding for additional park development has yet to be identified. The State Department of Fish and Wildlife constructed the boat launch for the City.

The City of Snohomish welcomes your ideas and hopes you join the conversation to develop a shared vision for the park's future!



Movies @ Pilchuck Park Returns

Join us in July as we present Movies @ Pilchuck Park.

The movies will be shown on July 14, 21, and 28. The movies will start at dusk which is usually between 8:45 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. Come early as there will be food trucks in the park prior to the movies. Pilchuck Park is located at 169 Cypress Avenue, Snohomish, WA.



Help us select the movies to be shown! [CLICK HERE](#) to vote for your three favorites. We will announce the movies on Wednesday, June 22. Check out our website and [Facebook](#) page for the poll too.

Questions, please contact Debbie at (360) 282-3197 or emge@snohomishwa.gov

Highlighted Land Use Applications in Process

The applications listed below are currently pending or under review. During the comment period associated with a development proposal, interested parties may submit comments for the project record. For additional information on any of these projects, the project file may be reviewed at City Hall during normal business hours. Staff is also available to respond to questions at the contact information below.

Riverview South Preliminary Plat (14-lot Planned Residential Development): 2210 Second Street
File #05-16-PP

Pending complete application determination.

Public comment period to follow complete application determination, under separate notice. A public hearing before the Hearing Examiner will be scheduled following environmental (SEPA) review.

More information: Brooke Eidem, Associate Planner, (360) 282-3167, eidem@snohomishwa.gov

Cady Landing Pedestrian Bridge: 40 Maple Avenue

File #06-16-SEPA

Pending SEPA Threshold Determination.

More information: Brooke Eidem, Associate Planner, (360) 282-3167, eidem@snohomishwa.gov

Bickford Landing Comprehensive Plan Amendment: 2424 and 2501 Bickford Avenue

The request is for a Land Use Map amendment from Business Park to High Density Residential. Comprehensive Plan amendments are an annual legislative process and decision of the City Council following "nonproject" environmental review and a recommendation by the Planning Commission. Opportunities for public comment will be provided through the environmental review, Planning Commission, and City Council processes.

File #08-16-SEPA

Pending environmental review.

More information: Brooke Eidem, Associate Planner, (360) 282-3167, eidem@snohomishwa.gov

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Weekly Newsletter

1,930 square foot church addition with site improvements: 1306 Lake View Avenue

File #10-16-SEPA/#B16-059

Complete application determination issued June 13, 2016.

Public comment period to follow under separate notice after complete application and SEPA determinations.

More information: Brooke Eidem, Associate Planner, (360) 282-3167, eidem@snohomishwa.gov

For a complete list of all land use and development projects currently in review, please visit the City's website.

<http://www.snohomishwa.gov/DocumentCenter/Home/View/2700>

2016 Calendar:

City Council Workshop
Tuesday, June 21
Special Meeting 6:00 p.m.
George Gilbertson
Boardroom
1601 Avenue D

City Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 21
Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.
George Gilbertson
Boardroom
1601 Avenue D

**Parks and Recreation
Board Meeting**
Wednesday, June 22
Special Meeting 7:00 p.m.
New Boat Launch
20 Lincoln Avenue
LOCATION CHANGE