New businesses bring vitality to the City

Trader Joe's is coming to Shoreline! Trader Joe's recently announced that its year-long negotiation with the owner of the former Top Foods/Haggens property at Midvale Ave N and N 175th Street culminated in a lease of part of the building. The landlord is confident that the opening of the popular grocer in 2015 will attract a broad range of co-tenants for the remaining space.

Projects on Aurora

Three very different investment teams are building on the City’s investment in the Aurora Corridor and bringing new vitality to the corner of Aurora and 170th. The three long-vacant sites formerly housed a casino, an adult video store, and an adult dance club.

Chuck Olson KIA is a world-class sales and service facility that is celebrating its grand opening this fall at the NW corner of 170th and Aurora. The Olson family began selling automobiles in Shoreline in 1964 and added KIAs in 1998. The new KIA gallery, one of only two on the west coast, reflects the growth of the KIA brand as well as the Olson family’s continued investment in Shoreline.

Bethany Community Church North, a 500+ person congregation that meets on Sundays in the Shorewood High School theater, has leased the former Sugars dance club building to establish a more permanent presence in the Shoreline neighborhood. The church is securing permits to renovate the building on the SW corner of 170th and Aurora just off the Shorewood campus for its offices and a cafe that will be open to the public.

Shoreline’s first micro-housing project will soon occupy a half-acre site on the east side of Aurora and 170th. The First Olympic Investment team considers the Aurora location ideal given its access to transit, jobs, and the community college. Micro-housing is a market-driven housing solution that provides small, affordable units for individual renters and fills a niche currently lacking in Shoreline’s current housing mix. First Olympic’s project is required to provide parking for its residents in accordance with Shoreline’s parking regulations.

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The City’s goal has long been to unify water and wastewater utilities under City operation and ownership. By unifying utilities into City operations, the City can increase efficiencies for both the individual utilities (e.g. water, sewer, stormwater) and to the existing operations of the City (e.g. street maintenance, fleet, facilities, finance). This would be accomplished by sharing resources such as equipment, buildings, field staff, accounting and budgeting functions, and legal services. Combining operations will also allow better coordination of service delivery and infrastructure improvements, plus refine and target the City’s approach to economic development in Shoreline. For example, wherever possible, water and wastewater pipe improvements would be done at the same time as road improvements, thus reducing costs and reducing the time that streets are blocked. And Shoreline residents would only have to call one number to discuss utility issues and visit one location to apply for utility permits.

On May 19, the City Council accepted the results of the Utility Unification and Efficiency Study (UU&ES) that quantified the savings to the water and wastewater utilities when unified with City operations. The City is currently working toward utility unification with Ronald Wastewater District and Seattle Public Utilities (SPU).

**Ronald Wastewater Assumption**

In 2002, the City and the Ronald Wastewater District signed an Inter-local Operating Agreement (ILOA) calling for the City to take ownership in October of 2017. The ILOA required both agencies to plan for the orderly transition some years prior to the transfer, or "assumption." As a result, a committee of District Commissioners and City Councilmembers have been working for the past several months along with District and City staff on developing a "Transition Plan." This Plan will be submitted to both the City Council and Ronald Board for approval and will identify policy issues and recommended actions to be considered necessary for the assumption of the District. The Plan will address such issues as financial systems, budgets, capital improvement programs, and personnel. Both the City and the District believe it is imperative that the assumption be as smooth and seamless as possible.

In addition to working with the District on the Transition Plan, the City submitted two, formal State-required “Notice of Intent” actions to the King County and Snohomish County Boundary Review Boards (BRBs). Submittal of the notices is required to gain State approval for the assumption. The BRBs are responsible for reviewing proposals for boundary changes by cities, fire districts, and water and sewer districts within their respective counties, including city or district annexations, new city incorporations, and district mergers.

On September 18, the King County BRB adopted a resolution approving of the assumption. As such, the City and the District will move forward with assumption in Shoreline.

Snohomish County’s BRB held its public hearing on Shoreline’s Notice of Intent to Assume on August 28 in Everett. They denied the City’s assumption in unincorporated Snohomish County. The City Council will be evaluating next step options, but this decision only applies to the area in unincorporated Snohomish County.

**SPU Acquisition**

In 2012, over 70% of Shoreline voters voted to approve the acquisition of Seattle Public Utility (SPU) water system in Shoreline. SPU generally serves those areas of the City west of I-5, with the exception of the Highlands which owns and operates its own system. North City Water District (formerly Shoreline Water District) serves the rest of Shoreline.

Currently, the Seattle City Council makes all of the decisions regarding the water utility, including setting rates, without input from Shoreline ratepayers, and the majority continued on page 3
Residents rate Shoreline a great place to live

According to the results of the most recent Citizens Satisfaction Survey, Shoreline residents continue to give their community high marks. Ninety-one percent of residents rate Shoreline as a great or good place to live. Traffic and congestion management continue to be the areas residents express the lowest levels of satisfaction with and believe should receive the most emphasis over the next two years.

Another area of concern that arose from the survey is an overall drop in satisfaction with the maintenance services provided by the City. While much of the drop was within the margin of error, it is still an area the City will look into further. Residents expressed lower levels of satisfaction with the maintenance of streets in their neighborhoods and the cleanliness of streets and public areas. The maintenance of existing sidewalks and the need for new sidewalks continue to be important issues for residents across the city as well.

Other 2014 highlights include:

- 87% of residents are satisfied with the City’s parks, programs, and facilities.
- 80% express an overall feeling of safety in Shoreline.
- 65% say the City is moving in the right direction, 7% say the City is not moving in the right direction, and 28% don’t know.

To learn more about the survey, visit shorelinewa.gov/citizensurvey.
The City’s Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the 185th Street Station Subarea was released in June. It examined potential impacts of three different zoning scenarios on systems like transportation, utilities, and schools, and what improvements would need to be made to accommodate future growth and redevelopment around the station subarea. Following a 30-day public comment period and a public hearing, the Planning Commission developed a recommendation to Council for a preferred alternative zoning scenario to be further analyzed in the Final EIS.

On August 25, Council amended the Planning Commission’s recommendation and developed the zoning scenario below, which will go through further analysis. Once the new analysis is complete, the Planning Commission will hold another public hearing on the full 185th Street Station Subarea Plan, including zoning and development regulations. Early in 2015, the Council will review the Commission’s recommendation, possibly make revisions, and adopt the Subarea Plan, which will change zoning and regulations in the subarea. There will be several additional opportunities for the public to comment on proposed zoning and regulations before Council makes a final decision.

For more information, a review of the evolution of the maps, and upcoming meeting dates, visit the light rail station subarea planning webpage at shorelinewa.gov/lightrail. You can also contact Senior Planner Miranda Redinger at mredinger@shorelinewa.gov or (206) 801-2513 with questions.

**REMINDER:** Design Workshop II for the 145th Street Station Subarea will be on Thursday, Oct. 9 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall.
Research has found that regular, positive contact with neighbors increases our sense of wellbeing. This summer, Shoreline residents got to know each other by gathering together in a wide variety of activities, small and large. Wherever you live, getting to know your neighbors can provide you the opportunity to borrow the proverbial cup of sugar, share chores, and perhaps make new friends for you and your children.

- **National Night Out Against Crime** saw a record 56 block parties. Block party organizer Stacie Hiett in Meridian Park reports: “For the past eight years, we have been gathering three blocks of neighbors together for a summer block party. Everyone contributes something to the event! We support each other and work together throughout the year to resolve neighborhood problems.”

- **Ridgecrest Ice Cream Social** at Paramount Park drew more than 1000 people.

- **Outdoor Movie Night** sponsored by the Ballinger and Meridian Park neighborhood associations drew over 600 people.

- Four northwest Shoreline neighborhoods hosted the 4th Annual 4-Corners Brewfest.

- Council of Neighborhoods held their annual Used Book, Music, and Movie Sale at Celebrate Shoreline.

To learn more about the City’s Neighborhoods Program and find contact information for your neighborhood association, visit the City’s website at shorelinewa.gov/neighborhoods.
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Other notable projects in the City

The Washington State Department of Transportation is constructing a new Traffic Control Center (TCC) at its Northwest Region Headquarters property at the corner of Dayton Ave N and N 160th Street. The TCC will be built to the highest seismic rating and will house the nerve center for the Puget Sound region’s road network.

The Lake City Elks Lodge #1800 has relocated to Shoreline at 14625 15th Ave NE. The Elks are converting a former credit union building into their new lodge, the base for continuing their history and commitment of making a positive impact on the local community.

Malmo Apartments, the 130-unit apartment project east of Aurora on N 152nd Street, is slated to open this fall.

Iora Primary Care, a primary care practice for seniors (65 years and older), is opening in Shoreline at 15214 Aurora Ave N in November, eventually occupying 8,000sf of Parkwood Plaza. Dr. Marty Levine, geriatrician and Seattle Top Doc, will be leading the team. According to Levine, Iora will be the first-of-its-kind clinic in the nation to offer concierge-style services to Medicare Advantage clients. “Appointments are longer, the doctor is more accessible, and care is designed for the specific needs of seniors.” Find out more at ioraprimarycare.com/seattle or 206-518-9033.

The Salvation Army has opened its new Shoreline Family Store at 15402 Westminster Way N. The store is located at Aurora Square in the former Big Lots space. Find great deals on donated items or donate items of your own.

Shoreline Film Office celebrates first year

The Shoreline Film Office, a collaboration of Shoreline Community College (SCC) and the City of Shoreline, recently celebrated its first anniversary of efforts to build a digital media industry in the city.

SCC has been making strategic investments in its facilities, which are beginning to bring tangible rewards. The renovated Black Box Studio recently came online and is already being used by industry partners and students. In addition, funding is now secured to upgrade the 325-seat Main Campus Theater with digital projection and Dolby sound. The upgraded Theater allows SCC to host film festivals and to be a venue for partners such as Seattle International Film Festival (SIFF).

Tony Doupe, SCC’s Director of the Performance Arts and Digital Filmmaking program, is excited about the possibilities. “The new facilities will be fantastic tools,” Doupe commented. “Not only will our students be able to work hands-on with state-of-the-art equipment, but they get the opportunity to participate as interns as more and more industry partners shoot on campus.”

Doupe has seen enrollment in his programs grow by nearly 50% since the Shoreline Film Office launched.

Follow the Shoreline Film Office on Facebook or visit shoreline.edu/dramavideo to learn more about the Digital Film and Theater Program.

Two City facilities are now Safe Places

Youth in crisis now have two additional places to get help in Shoreline. The Shoreline Pool and Spartan Recreation Center have recently begun participation in the national Safe Place initiative. Safe Place is an outreach program designed to provide access to immediate help and safety for youth ages 11-17 in crisis. With this help youth can get access to services and supports they need to get off the street and back home or into a safe living situation.

The City joins other local Safe Places in Shoreline. Compass Veterans Center, Dale Turner Family Y, Center for Human Services, King County Libraries, and METRO busses provide immediate help and supportive resources for all young people in crisis. To access a Safe Place, teens need only to look for the distinctive yellow and black SAFE PLACE sign, enter that building and say, “I need a safe place.” Staff there are trained to welcome teens, provide a comfortable spot to wait and connect them with Friends of Youth, a local youth services agency. Teens can also text TXT 4 HELP. More information can be found at nationalsafeplace.org.
Zombie Preparedness & Family Safety Fair!

Saturday, Oct. 11
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Shoreline City Hall

According to the Centers for Disease Control, "If you are ready for a zombie apocalypse, then you are ready for any emergency!"

What are you afraid of? What scary thoughts about disasters or emergencies keep you awake at night? Do you know what to do if a thief breaks into your home or car? Or someone collapses from sudden cardiac arrest? How would your family survive after a devastating earthquake? Or maybe you fear a zombie apocalypse? Well, there is actually something you CAN do! Dress up in your best zombie costume and join us at the Zombie Preparedness & Family Safety Fair!

Join Shoreline Police, Fire, the Office of Emergency Management, and community partners as they help prepare you for your next emergency. Learn about water safety from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary and planning for your pets' safety with the Washington State Animal Response Team. Come meet the Fish and Wildlife Officer and his dog used to track down bears (and zombies) that occasionally wander into our neighborhoods. The National Weather Service will be here as well to give the latest scoop and they will have The Wheedle with them.

Prevention and preparedness workshops:
10:30 a.m. - Fire Department Demonstration
10:45 a.m. - Why Locks are Important - Shoreline Police
11:15 a.m. - Safe in the Sound - American Red Cross
11:45 a.m. - Hands on CPR - Shoreline Fire Department
12:15 p.m. - Fire Department Demonstration
12:45 p.m. - Water Safety - Coast Guard Auxiliary
1:15 p.m. - Fire Extinguisher Demonstration - Shoreline CERT
1:45 p.m. - Pet Safety - Washington State Animal Response Team

Holiday Baskets Benefit Dinner 2014

Wednesday, Nov. 19
6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Shorecrest High School Cafeteria

Shoreline's Holiday Baskets program is celebrating its 39th year of bringing cheer and support to families over the winter holidays. Holiday Baskets will serve over 500 families this December ensuring that children have food in the home and gifts for the holidays. The Shorecrest Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) and Shorecrest High School Associated Student Body (ASB) are sponsoring their annual Holiday Benefit Dinner in support of the Holiday Baskets Food, Toys, Teen Gifts drive.

This is a fabulous evening of entertainment and gourmet food provided by Shorecrest students. Please join your neighbors for this joyful annual community event to kick off the 2014 Holiday Baskets Food, Toys, and Teen Gifts Drive.

For more information on the Holiday Baskets and to purchase tickets go to shorelinepta.com and click on Family Services then Holiday Baskets.

2015 Budget adoption schedule

Shoreline's budget adoption process began with a preliminary 2015 Budget update presentation to the City Council at its September 22 meeting. The full schedule is below. All meetings are Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

October 13: Transmittal of Proposed 2015 Budget
October 20 & 27: Department Budget Reviews
November 3: Public Hearing
November 10: Public Hearing on Property Tax Levy and Revenue Sources
November 24: Adoption of 2015 Property Tax Levy and 2015 Budget

For more information and to view budget documents, visit shorelinewa.gov/budget.

DID YOU KNOW?

This summer, car wash fundraisers used the City of Shoreline's loaner car wash kit a dozen times to help keep our streams, lakes, and Puget Sound clean. By using this simple device, they kept soaps, oils, heavy metals, and other contaminants out of our waterways.

Join them in keeping Shoreline's waters clean by washing your car on your lawn, at a professional car wash, or find a charity car wash using a car wash kit! Contact the Surface Water Department at (206) 801-2450 with questions, or to reserve a kit.
Join us for a **Creature Double Feature** - Saturday, October 11

**MONSTER MASH DASH 5K**

Check in begins at 8:00 a.m.

The City’s 3rd annual family fun run & walk on the Interurban Trail. Registration now open: $10 adults/$5 kids

**ZOMBIE PREPAREDNESS & Family Safety Fair**

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 
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- Learn to build a survival kit and make a plan
- Meet fire and police staff and tour their vehicles
- Learn basic first aid and CPR techniques

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- Centers for Disease Control

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