



To the Community, City Council and City Staff  
January 4, 2016

*My monthly report on my activities, ensuring that I remain accountable and connected to our community.*

## Save the Date: STATE OF THE CITY

**SATURDAY, January 23  
1:00 PM**

**Mukilteo City Hall**

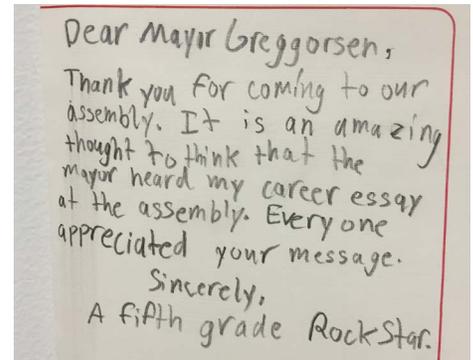
Join Mayor Gregerson to hear the 2016 State of the City presentation: a look at the last year and a look forward at the City of Mukilteo in 2016.



Mayor Gregerson volunteered at the Domestic Violence Services shelter, helping to prepare and wrap presents for the families.



Chief Macklin helped a young boy do some holiday shopping as part of the Shop with a Cop program. Kids were given \$100 to shop with at Fred Meyer's.



Mayor Gregerson received this amazing note from a Serene Lake student, in appreciation of her visit to the school this month.

## IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND MOBILITY

- Participated in a conference call with Congressman Rick Larsen, and heard an update about the recently passed FASTAct for federal transportation funding. Expanded bike and pedestrian funding should help us implement our Bike Transit Walk plan.

## SUPPORT A HEALTHY ECONOMY

- Met with Alefa Eserjose, local McDonald's franchise operator. We talked about the community impact of their franchise, and her interest in supporting local nonprofits. She said not enough people ask them to provide support, and she's always looking for ways to give back.
- Met with Diane Kamionka of the NW Innovation Resource Center. We discussed their efforts to support new entrepreneurs and inventors. I hope to be able to connect her with other aspiring entrepreneurs, and to identify successful Mukilteo businesses that can provide mentorship and support to continue to grow our economy.
- Attended the Council's Economic Development Committee. We discussed the proposed development agreements for Sector 3, near the Staybridge, and Pacific Seafood's new property. Planning Manager Glen Pickus explained the way that the City can use development agreements to ask for additional improvements that are not required by the code.

## A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY

- Celebrated Glenda Durst and

- Bill Dillon's 20 years of service in our Police Department.
- Attended the State Interoperability Executive Committee as a representative of the Association of Washington Cities. Shared updates from AWC, including work to study barriers to local infrastructure investment and to understand the impacts of large and frequent public records requests. There was extensive discussion about standardizing communications models- how first responders identify themselves and who they're contacting over public safety radio systems. The group also oversees the development of the FirstNet system, a nationally standardized public safety communications system.
- Attended the Live Healthy 2020 Physical Activity workgroup, and previewed a new website interface to allow for data tracking and cooperation.

## WATERFRONT

- Attended the Mukilteo Multimodal Ferry Terminal Project and Tank Farm Coordination Meeting, along with representatives from WSF, Sound Transit, Port of Everett, Island County, NOAA and the Tulalip Tribes. Island County Transportation Planner Doug Cox shared the work that the City of Clinton is doing to expand their economic development, and become more than just a ferry stop. He also shared that Clinton and the County are excited to be a part of our parking feasibility study to search in partnership for ways to resolve parking challenges. NOAA is continuing their study of new building options. I shared a concern that a resident had shared with me about lighting on the pier being bright and bothersome



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at night. WSF construction managers will work to ensure light disruptions are minimized. The City is helping to arrange a meeting to look at Edgewater Beach access path, which has suffered some storm damage. We will work to make sure the Port of Everett or WSF can take action to shore up the road.

- Reviewed traffic modeling for different options for the SR525 bridge over the railroad tracks. Washington State Ferries has studied the impacts of one or two southbound lanes from the ferry terminal up to 84th Street.
- Attended the Domestic Violence Services monthly board meeting. We discussed their efforts to create a warm and wonderful holiday season for the families at the shelter, as well

as ensuring the DVS facilities remain safe in any unforeseen circumstances. We welcomed new board member, Sheriff Ty Trenary.

## FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

- Continued to meet with Finance Director Doug Volesky to track final 2015 expenditures, and ensure that we finish the year strong.

## SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH

- Attended this month's Mukilteo Youth Advisory Committee meeting briefly, to make sure they were kicked off and ready to go. We have an energetic group. They heard from Council Vice President Lord this month about program management and skills to ensure success.
- Attended the Mukilteo Youth Coalition meeting. We talked about ideas for successful projects in the coming year. Kamiak Sophomore Bailey Kouchajki shared his idea of wristbands with a hopeful message on the outside, and the crisis hotline number printed on the inside. The group was excited about making this happen and sharing these wristbands at all schools and in the community.



Harbour Retirement Center kindly presented a lovely flower arrangement to Mayor Gregerson in appreciation of her bimonthly visits to the Center.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Visited Harbour Pointe Retirement Center and shared some city updates. I also heard the stories of the women who attended the coffee, some of whom have grown up in Mukilteo and are happy to be here still. We also talked about the Sector 3 development proposal, and the concept of expanded mix use. They liked the idea of new retail to visit, but wanted to make sure there were safe places to walk to get there.



Mayor Gregerson's attempt to make a Lighthouse holiday cookie!

- Attended Electroimpact's Annual Christmas Dinner, which was held at the Future of Flight this year. It's wonderful to see the success that this important Mukilteo business continues to experience.
- Attended a fun social with the Mukilteo Seniors Association. I had a great time chatting about the holidays and the association's plans for the new year.
- Attended the December luncheon of the Mukilteo Seniors Association. It was a lovely lunch held at the Presbyterian Church. I brought along my uncle, and treated him to lunch! It was nice to see the energy and spirit of the association.
- Met with Kevin Baron, Mukilteo

- resident and current UW student studying informatics. We discussed city data and information and his interests.
- Met with Saeed Soleimanpour to hear his concerns about an unexplained noise and vibration that has been heard at his home for a long time.
- Attended the Comcast Town Hall, an opportunity for interested residents to ask questions and share concerns about their service. This will influence our negotiations for the Comcast franchise.

## LEADERSHIP

- Participated as a speaker in a webinar about what it means to be a woman Mayor. I shared the challenges and opportunities, and encouraged those listening to consider taking the plunge! It's valuable to have more women in executive leadership roles, and is a priority for me to encourage other women to run for office.
- Visited Serene Lake Elementary for their Careers Assembly, and shared information and answered questions from a 5th grade class. It was an honor to talk with these young leaders!
- Attended a meeting of the Women in Leadership Taskforce, to discuss our recently launched survey and efforts to prepare for several focus groups and research in January. I'm looking forward to the results of our research on leadership in the County, and how we can best support and encourage new and current women leaders.

## A GREAT TEAM

- Awarded our Employee of the Quarter Award to Officer Colt Davis and Supervisor of the Quarter Award to Permit Super-

visor Shawna Gossett. Officer Davis was honored because of his work coordinating multiple community outreach and education events, such as Shop with a Cop, Coffee with a Cop, Citizens' Police Academy, Women's self-defense classes; his work representing the police department on multiple boards and committees such as the Cultural Advisory Committee through Snohomish County Superior Court, Japanese Gulch workgroup, Mukilteo Youth Coalition; as an expert taser and defensive tactics trainer providing training to officers throughout Snohomish County; mentoring other employees; and coordinating safety plans and various education/outreach presentations with all schools within the City of Mukilteo. Shawna was awarded for coordinating the creation of the new parking pass program. She worked with every department to determine the best way to implement the program, created a parking pass booklet for staff and Park Rangers, responded to the majority of the calls and emails on the program with grace and dignity, even when she encountered unsatisfied customers and visitors, and managed the issuance of approximately 3,700 passes. Implementation of the parking program has not been easy. Shawna is also working on a mentoring program on problem solving and decision making.

- Participated in the City Holiday Party and Gift Exchange. We had so much fun!
- Visited Detective Lance Smith at Overlake Hospital. I chatted with his wife and shared my wishes for his continued recovery.



Mayor Gregerson's nephew Westley is getting bigger- and even cuter!



Mayor Gregerson and First Gentleman Jeff Wakeman visited his family in Greeley, Colorado this winter- and enjoyed a (very cold!) white Christmas!