



To the Community, City Council and City Staff

December 7, 2015

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

2015 Action Agenda: Completed!

Blue Ribbon Commission: Transportation Taskforce



In June, the City Council affirmed the formation of the new Wise Investments in Transportation Taskforce, which will address transportation needs, priorities and funding strategies.

Business License Reform



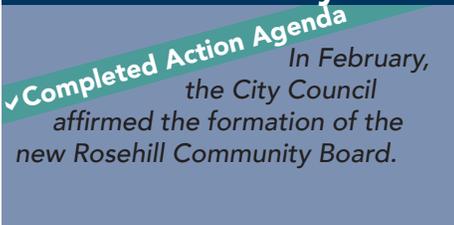
The 2016 Budget included options for business license fee reform that supports small and new businesses. The new fee would be less complicated and be revenue neutral for the City.

Prevention-Oriented Public Safety



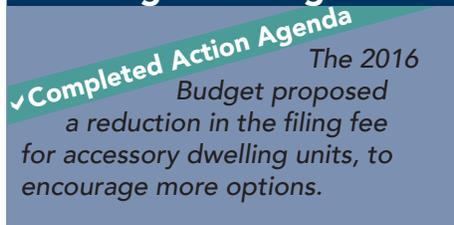
The 2016 Budget includes a full-time fire marshal, as well as funding for resident training and other prevention activities. A focus on prevention and preparation will ensure our community will continue to be a place with safe, strong neighborhoods.

Rosehill Community Board



In February, the City Council affirmed the formation of the new Rosehill Community Board.

Encourage Housing Choices



The 2016 Budget proposed a reduction in the filing fee for accessory dwelling units, to encourage more options.

2014 Action Agenda: Completed!



Edgewater Beach Access:

In June, 2014, Mayor Gregerson celebrated the opening of access to Edgewater Beach Park.

Preserving Our Streets: In January, 2014, Mayor Gregerson enacted a moratorium on chip sealing our streets and directed staff to assess alternatives. In 2015, we tested another technique that meets Mukilteo standards for cost and quality, and now continue to evaluate our options for appropriate pavement preservation.

Human Resources: The City's Human Resources Manager, Julie Good, continues to provide support and resources to city employees, and reduce city liability concerns.

Japanese Gulch: Mayor Gregerson celebrated the purchase of Japanese Gulch in February, 2014. The Gulch Master Plan Committee is now hard at work, envisioning the future for our Gulch trails and habitat.

Fire Regionalization: Mayor Gregerson presented a negotiated contract for fire service with Fire District 1 to the City Council in July, 2014.

Domestic Violence Services: In the 2015 budget, Mayor Gregerson included the services of a Domestic Violence Service Coordinator, bringing support to Mukilteo's most vulnerable populations. In 2016, in recognition of her leadership on this issue, she was appointed to the Domestic Violence Services Board.

Green Team: Mayor Gregerson founded the City's Green Team, which is meeting regularly, sharing and assessing ideas to make our City more sustainable.

IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND MOBILITY

- Attended the Council's Transportation Committee meeting.
- Attended some of the Wise Investment in Transportation Taskforce meeting, where they discussed the committee's next steps as well as the results of the recent community meetings about our bike and pedestrian needs.
- Attended a celebration of the Connecting Washington bill, which provides historic investment in transportation, including \$15.1million for the Harbour Reach Road extension, the first new road/bike/pedestrian route in Mukilteo in years. It also includes funding for the WSF Mukilteo terminal and other projects throughout Snohomish County, including the funding ability for Community Transit. These are important projects that will reduce congestion and provide options for commuters and anyone traveling throughout our state.

SUPPORT A HEALTHY ECONOMY

- Met with Himalayan Dog Chew CEO Sujana Shrestha and Suman Shrestha to discuss their business in Mukilteo and their desire for growth and support of the Nepalese economy.
- Met with Nathan Tolbert to discuss his ideas for employee benefit options.
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce's monthly breakfast.
- Met with Sean Straub, founder of Experience Everett and other community events. Sean did such excellent work with the Experience Everett newsletter, sharing events with a unique



Mayor Gregerson and the first gentleman, Jeff Wakeman, joined Santa and Mrs. Claus at the tree lighting, welcoming children and families!

and recognizable voice. I look forward to seeing his next project.

- Met with Meghan McKee of Uni-Energy Technology to discuss city news and catch up on UET news.
- Met with John Monroe and Jim Stephanson of Economic Alliance of Snohomish County to discuss their efforts this year and future projects. I shared our priorities for the coming year, and was interested to hear about their initiatives next year to encourage STEM education for younger students.

A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY

- Met with emergency management volunteers to discuss the transition to DEM as our new emergency management provider. It is critical that we keep these volunteers and HAM radio operators engaged, because we will need all the community resources to face a large event.
- Attended a lunch fundraiser for Domestic Violence Services at Outback Steakhouse. We were joined at our table, by chance, by a Mukilteo resident and mom of someone I went

to high school with. We had a delightful time, and all for a good cause.

- Attended the monthly meeting of south Snohomish County Mayors. We talked about the implementation of New World, the data system being used by our police, fire and 911 dispatch systems.
- Attended the Council's Public Safety Committee meeting. We discussed goals for next year and updates from police and fire departments. We also discussed the latest FAA regulations about UAVs (drones). Because of our proximity to Paine Field, all drones have to register with the FAA before they are first used. If you happen to buy one as a holiday present this year, be sure to check out the latest rules!



Like many Mukilteans, Mayor Gregerson shopped small over Thanksgiving weekend and visited some great Mukilteo spots, like Beach Glass in Old Town!

WATERFRONT

- Met with Port of Everett and Sound Transit staff to discuss Sound Transit's place on the waterfront and how to ensure a successful implementation of the binding site plan for the tank farm. It was a very

productive discussion which renewed their commitment to the Sounder station and the future transit center for better bus connections, as well.



New Police Chief Chuck Macklin and Commander Cheol Kang greeted residents and the public at their first coffee open house at Starbucks this month. They answered questions and chatted with the public.

FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

- Hosted lunch for my hardworking, dedicated and wonderful finance department staff. They have put in long hours to craft the budget, and keep the city finances running. I'm proud of them and was happy to share a small bit of appreciation by taking them out to lunch.
- Attended a Council Finance Committee meeting to discuss proposals and responses to their requests for the 2016 budget.

PLAN WELL AND LOOK TO THE FUTURE

- Participated in a call with information technology federal issues expert Blair Levin, with members of our Information Technology and Communications committee of National League of Cities.

SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH

- Interviewed student applicants for the Mukilteo Youth Advisory Committee. Interest has grown for this group, and we now have 15 members. I'm

looking forward to seeing the projects that they collaborate on this year. They have already conducted their first candidate debate, of City Councilmembers, for students at Kamiak.

- Met with Snohomish County Boys and Girls Club staff and Stassa Hansen to discuss funding opportunities for the Club as they work to raise funds for a new Mukilteo Boys and Girls Club.
- Attended the Mukilteo Schools Foundation annual breakfast. As a high school student, I spent time volunteering for a fledgling form of the schools foundation. I'm glad they have grown and become such a successful and supportive part of our education community, ensuring there are opportunities for students and teachers in Mukilteo.
- Welcome several students from the YMCA's My Achievers Program for a tour of City Hall and a discussion of city services. My favorite part was showing the students the server and IT support rooms, where one student exclaimed that it was exactly what he wanted to do when he grew up! Our IT Manager Mary Thomas gave them a great explanation of her work and department.

A SUSTAINABLE CITY

- Attended the National League of Cities conference in Nashville. I was intrigued by the initiative told support "cities of service," and the concepts of impact volunteerism: supporting volunteers who really want to make a difference in their efforts.
- Discussed follow up tasks with Alliance for Housing Affordability Director Kristina Gallant. I think it's important to posi-

tion AHA for future growth and funding, as we work to tackle housing issues in Snohomish County.



Mayor Gregerson was honored to join Community Transit CEO Emmett Heath, along with Todd Morrow, Arlington City Councilmember Jan Schuette, Lake Stevens City Councilmember Kim Daughtry, Deb Osborne and Marysville Mayor Jon Nehring to celebrate the passage of Connecting Washington, and the availability of funding for Swift II, the bus rapid transit line which will run down Airport Road, starting in 2018!

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Visited the University of Washington Urban Planning class, Planning as a Profession, and discussed my career path and journey to becoming Mayor. I really enjoy sharing my story with MUP and CEP students, offering them my somewhat unique perspective on a career in planning.
- Attended the first meeting of a new Women's Networking Group, spearheaded by DVS Director Vicci Hilty and Senior Services Director Carol Wheeler. It was a fun and valuable opportunity to meet other women from throughout the County.
- Visited Ulla Rudd, a Mukilteo resident, to discuss her development proposal for her property and discuss challenges she has faced in moving her proposal forward.
- Discussed final wrap-up feedback from the Lighthouse Festival with staff who coordinated with the Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival Association. Next year,

staff will provide support in a more efficient way, building upon lessons learned this year.

- Attended the annual Holiday Tree Lighting event at Rosehill Community Center. We are so lucky to have Santa and Mrs. Claus available to join us each year!



Council President Bob Champion and Mayor Gregerson welcomed Senator Patty Murray to City Hall in October. They had an opportunity to share our support for project funding for WSF and NOAA, to spur redevelopment of our waterfront.

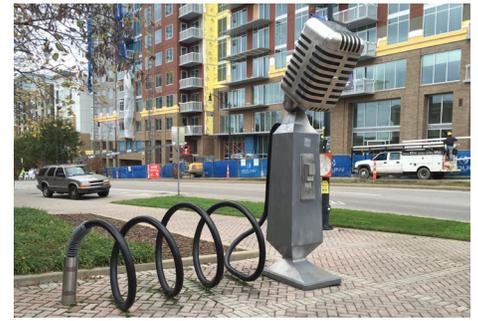
LEADERSHIP

- Attended a meeting of the Women in Leadership Task-force, 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.
- Presented information about city projects and the 2015 Comprehensive Plan to a ITT-Tech class called Quality Management. It was a fun opportunity to share the excellent work that our Planning and Community Development Department did with the plan, and to answer questions about Mukilteo news and projects.

- Attended Senator Maria Cantwell's annual Women of Valor celebration, and heard the stories of several powerful women who are making change and making our state a better place.
- Presented to the Leadership Snohomish County class on advocacy and local government. It was exciting to share my perspective on city issues and my experience as a leader with this group.

A GREAT TEAM

- Shared a few thoughts at a reception for Councilmembers Vanderwielen and Grafer, who are retiring from their Council seats this year. Emily and Linda have been dedicated volunteers for a long time, having both served on the Parks and Arts Commission and on Council for eight years. I will miss their perspectives, but I know they'll both be watching and ready to volunteer in the future.
- Along with Council President Champion, hosted a reception for our volunteers who serve on boards, commissions and committees for the City. It is important to honor and celebrate these volunteers who help the City provide excellent service every day.
- Had lunch with one of our Associate Planners, Linda Ritter, and discussed her work at the city, family, and more. Linda won a drawing as part of our commute trip reduction efforts. I had a delightful lunch with her, I hope it was a worthwhile "prize" for her, as well!



During the National League of Cities Conference in Nashville, TN, Mayor Gregerson noticed this unique bike rack/sculpture with a lot of personality!

2015 Year in Review Highlights



Mayor Gregerson, Chief Alexander, Chief Macklin, and Officer Davis joined Columbia Elementary students on their walk to school in October!



Pioneer of the Year Lillian Anderson, Mayor for a Day Rebecca Serati and Mayor Gregerson celebrate their recognition at the Lighthouse Festival. All three attended or are attending school in Mukilteo, with just 80 years separating their experiences.



Thanks to the work of our Public Works parks crew, and the initiative of Amber Schaffer, we now have recycling in Lighthouse Park! This photo also shows the very first bag of recycling that was picked up from the Park.



A great photo from the Mukilteo Beacon of Mayor Gregerson getting dunked at this year's National Night Out at the YMCA.



Two new signs are on our waterfront, guiding you along a 2.5 mile loop. Plus, in Lighthouse Park, you can enjoy the new Walking Tour! You can follow along the tour here: <http://mukilteowalkingtour.com/>



Mayor Gregerson was pleased to swear in our newest team members, Community Service Officers and Park Rangers Peg Bohan and Lane Byers. Both have excellent experience as park rangers in parks around the country, and parking enforcement experience. They are already making a difference for visitors to the park, as a friendly presence that helps ensure our regulations are followed and enforced.



Mayor Gregerson joined the City Council and County Councilmembers Dave Somers and Brian Sullivan, County Executive John Lovick, and a State Department of Commerce representative to celebrate a contribution of \$1,000,000 that will go towards transportation improvements in Mukilteo, supporting aerospace manufacturing and economic development at the airport. This funding will be paired with a \$15m Connecting Washington grant for the Harbour Reach Extension Road.



Mukilteo City Hall's Twelves show off their fan spirit before the 2015 Super Bowl!



Mayor Gregerson was pleased to welcome Girl Scouts Brownie Troop 44009 to City Hall in March.



In July, Mayor Gregerson was able to share our concerns and testify by phone about a new rail line which would open up access to a Tongue River facility in Montana, potentially bringing more coal trains to the west coast, and through Mukilteo.



In February, Mayor Gregerson was honored to share the importance of transportation funding with Governor Inslee. She was joined by WSF Director of Terminal Engineering Nicole McIntosh, WSF Executive Director Lynne Griffin, and Secretary of Transportation Lynn Peterson.

Mayor's Action Agenda

Business License Reform • Prevention-Oriented Public Safety • Rosehill Community Board
Blue Ribbon Commission: Wise Investment in Transportation Taskforce • Encourage Housing Choices