



## To the Community, City Council and City Staff

May 1, 2017

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



Join us, June 3rd at 10am at City Hall for a community workshop envisioning concepts for a Mukilteo Peace Park. All are welcome.

## April Highlights

This month was all about trying new things and conquering challenges. I danced the waltz, threw out a first pitch for Mukilteo Little League and ran a 5K for Kamiak's UKnighted for Special Olympics fundraiser organized by the Leadership class.

## 2017 Action Agenda

### Mukilteo Strong

We will continue the important work that was started in 2016 by remembering those we have lost and building a stronger community to help prevent future tragedies.

### Honor Green Businesses

We will build on the amazing progress led by our Green Team to encourage and support local businesses in their work to become more sustainable.

### Emergency Preparedness

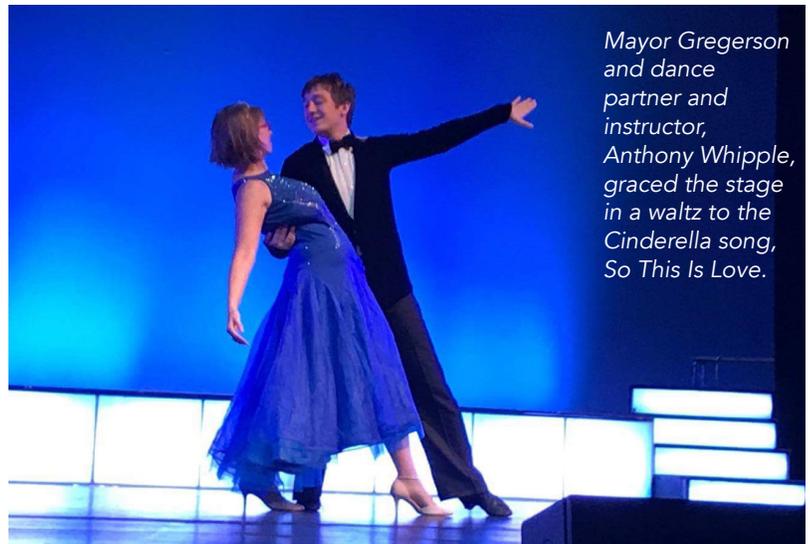
A disaster could strike at any time and families and businesses must be prepared, we will work to increase awareness of readiness kits and family and business plans for emergencies.

### Community Policing

We will build on the successful Citizens Academy and police volunteer programs by engaging teens and young adults in a closer relationship with our Police Department

### Recreation Scholarships

We have worked to return the community to the center of Rosehill's mission, we must now work to ensure access to everyone in Mukilteo—regardless of income.



Mayor Gregerson and dance partner and instructor, Anthony Whipple, graced the stage in a waltz to the Cinderella song, So This Is Love.



Mayor Gregerson and her brave fellow "Dancing With Our Stars" dancers! David Arista, Wendy Poischbeg, Sandy Dunn, Julie Long and (winner) Joe McIlwain all jumped in to learn a dance in one week and perform at the Edmonds Center for the Arts!



Mayor Gregerson celebrated a successful performance (except for that music box turn!) with her dance partner, Anthony Whipple of the Utah Ballroom Dance Company.

## A WELL RUN CITY

- Attended the Rosehill Board meeting, where we discussed the Board's work on a business plan for the center. The Council will consider confirmation of new Recreation and Cultural Services Director Jeff Price at the May 1st meeting. He'll have an opportunity to work with the Board on the business plan and further develop it.
- Conducted interviews for Recreation and Cultural Services Director. I am excited to recommend Jeff Price to the City Council for confirmation.
- Attended a Green Team meeting, with a great discussion about ways to encourage paper-less adoption for our Council and Commission meetings.
- Attended a Rosehill staff meeting to talk about some of their concerns and hear from them about issues facing their day to day work supporting and serving our community.



Mayor Gregerson proudly joined the Mukilteo Little League for the fanfest opening day celebration. She was able to send the pitch over home plate!

## FINANCIALLY SUSTAINABLE CITY

- Attended the Council's Finance and IT Committee meeting, the first for new Director Michelle Meyer. She is doing great work getting up to speed and ensuring we stay on track with all finance duties.



Mayor Gregerson was pleased and honored to welcome State Supreme Court Justice Mary Yu to City Hall for a Women's Executive Leadership Luncheon. Justice Yu captivated the crowd with her story and insights into the Court.

## SUPPORT A HEALTHY ECONOMY

- Presented my State of the City address to the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber members also asked questions about transportation projects and revenue, as well as other current issues in the city.
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce Cheers event, and was pleased to serve as their celebrity bloody mary tasting judge! All of the participating restaurants presented delicious recipes.

## MUKILTEO STRONG

- Met with mental health providers to talk about Mukilteo Strong and efforts to come together this summer as a unified community.
- Met with a consultant to plan the June 3rd Community meeting to discuss Peace Park concepts. I am really excited to see what will come from this powerful conversation.
- Attended the first Kamiak baseball game of the season, where the team honored two special people that they lost last year: Coach Nickerson and player Jake Long. Both families received their jersey's and a special portrait sketched by a Kamiak art student.

## IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND MOBILITY

- Attended the Community Transit Board meeting. We authorized some initial contracts for Swift 2, the bus rapid transit route that will run from the Seaway Transit Center out to Canyon Park. There are 10,000 Boeing and Paine Field industrial employees who work within walking distance of this route and Swift 1, which runs along SR99.
- Attended the Council Infrastructure Committee Meeting. The members discussed funding for pedestrian improvements along SR525, and the possibility of funding improvements through state dollars this year, before the terminal move.

## A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY

- Attended the Domestic Violence Services Board Retreat. It was energizing and powerful to remember the reasons why we are all members of the board, and think about the next direction for the nonprofit.
- Attended a monthly meeting with South Snohomish County Mayors. We mainly discussed the consolidation of SNOCOM and SNOAC, the two 911 dispatch agencies that serve our county. Consolidation should save the City money in the long run (potentially even in the short run) and reduce duplicated services.
- Attended the Council's Public Safety Committee meeting. We discussed a proposed reorganization of the department, allowing for a new community services division including our rangers, crime



Mayor Gregerson presented the State of the City to the Chamber of Commerce, sharing her 2017 Action Agenda and successes from 2016.

- prevention and animal control/ community service officer roles. We also discussed the 911 Dispatch consolidation and recent events in the community.
- Attended SNOCOM/ SNOAC Finance Taskforce Consolidation Meeting. We went through details of what a combined 911 Dispatch agency would look like; what is a ten year financial outlook; what are assumptions underlying that analysis. Consolidation appears to be a cost-savings for the City, with improved service through fewer 911-call transfers between agencies. Right now, when one out of 5 people call 911 and are routed to SNOCOM, they are then transferred with some slight delay to SNOAC. For SNOAC, it's one call in every 50 that is transferred. This mostly impacts callers in the area just south and east of Mukilteo.
- Attended the State Interoperability Executive Committee meeting as a representative of Washington state cities. Learned about the Washington State Fusion Center, an organization that links many law enforcement agencies together to ensure information is shared about potential terrorism, significant criminal activity and protection

of critical infrastructure. They are based out of Seattle and cover the entire state. Information was also shared about FirstNet, the proposed nationwide public safety wireless data system that is being developed. AT&T is the vendor developing the service, and Washington State has an option to review the plan, with the decision being made by the Governor to opt in to or out of the service.



Mayor Gregerson welcome Girl Scout Troop 44210 to City Hall for a tour and discussion about city government and what it's like to be Mayor!

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Attended the Homeowners Association meeting for Harbour Pointe Village.
- Participated in a "Dancing With Our Stars" competition at Edmonds Center for the Arts. I was challenged and expanded my skills for the one week of instruction and rehearsal. I had never had any dance instruction, and learning a slow waltz sounded the most do-able. The precision of the dance was a challenge, but one that I am glad that I took on!
- Thanks to some encouragement from Kamiak Leadership students, I ran a 5k in support of the Kamiak Special Olympics team. I was able to keep running for about 90% of it, which made me proud! The best part was running alongside Kilana, a member of the team. She was

way more popular than me during the race!

- Attended the Edmonds Community College 50th Anniversary Gala and Auction at the Future of Flight. I was happy to be there in support and honor of retiring President Jean Hernandez.



Mayor Gregerson joined Edmonds Councilmembers Kristiana Johnson and Neil Tibbott, along with other electeds and members of the Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties for a spring reception.

## REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

- Discussed staff work at the Alliance for Housing Affordability, including completed work and upcoming goals for the Alliance.

## A GREAT TEAM

- Attended a retirement celebration for the City's longtime Payroll Clerk, Wanda Locke. It was great to see old friends and celebrate her many years of service to the City.

## LOCAL LEADERSHIP

- Held another Women's Executive Leadership Luncheon, with special guest State Supreme Court Justice Mary Yu. Justice Yu was truly amazing, with an inspiring story, a humble attitude, and a commitment to encourage others to advance and take on challenges.