

City Administrator Report

City of Lake Forest Park

Date: February 26, 2026

TO: Honorable Deputy Mayor and Councilmembers

FR: Phillip Hill, City Administrator

CC: Honorable Mayor Tom French
Leadership Team

The City Administrator Report is meant to provide the council, staff and community an update on the activities of the City and on issues that concern the City. This memo will be provided in each Council packet and is divided into key sections.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information about any of the following items and please feel free to contact any of the department heads for additional information.

I. Intergovernmental and local issues update.

Police Department

Notable Incidents

Suspicious

Officers were called to check on a subject who was jaywalking (crossing Bothell Way NE), causing cars to slam on their brakes. Officers contacted the subject and discovered that he had an outstanding warrant. The subject (who said he had just used fentanyl) vomited and appeared to be passing out. Aid was called, and the subject was transported to the hospital.

At 1:40 am, officers found two subjects in the backseat of a vehicle in the mall's upper parking lot having sex. Officers educated them about their actions. They understood and left.

DUI

A traffic stop revealed that the driver was DUI. A blood search warrant was approved by the judge, and after the blood was drawn, he was booked into Lynnwood Jail.

Suicide

A female subject called the police, explaining that she was going through a tough time and wanted to commit suicide. Officers responded, and she was transported to Connections.

A patient in an adult family home was considering suicide. History of several calls related to the same subject. Not enough evidence to warrant a hospital visit.

Harassment

A subject created a fake profile of an LFP community member, and recruiters are calling the victim. The investigation appeared to indicate that the suspect is in a foreign country, so the officers advised the victim to contact the FBI.

Disturbance

Officer responded to a dispute between family members. No physical altercation occurred, but one of the subjects was experiencing a behavioral crisis. Officers contacted RCR (crisis responders) for assistance.

A subject in the mall became argumentative with security personnel. Eventually, he punched a tree outside the mall and yelled at a passerby. He was trespassed from the property.

Domestic Violence

Officers responded to a physical domestic violence call in progress. The suspect was arrested and transported to Lynnwood Jail.

A community member contacted the police because her partner was under the influence of drugs and she was afraid something could happen. Officers assessed the situation, but no crime had occurred, and the reporting person didn't want to cooperate with the police.

Malicious Mischief

An unknown person blew up a mailbox. No leads yet.

APS

Three separate adult protective services reports were investigated during this period. In one of them, an officer assisted the social worker.

Drugs

A rental company returned a vehicle to the rightful owner, but someone had left drug paraphernalia in the vehicle. K9 Bella positively alerted to illicit drugs. Investigation is in progress.

A subject in the Town Center was using drugs in the restroom. He also lit some papers on fire and discarded the burning paraphernalia. He had outstanding warrants and was booked into KC Jail.

Theft

Two subjects stole items from Safeway. Officers responded and discovered that one had outstanding warrants. Both were trespassed, and one was booked into Lynnwood Jail.

There was a call regarding fraud/theft of checks in the 15700 block of Beach Dr. NE. The investigation is in progress.

Officers responded to a theft in progress at Ross Stores. The suspect was apprehended, arrested, and booked into the Lynnwood Jail.

Trespass

A subject at Ross Stores came out of a changing room wearing only underwear and began causing a disturbance. Officers responded, and he was trespassed.

Hit and Run

A subject was hit by a vehicle that left the scene without stopping. The fire department conducted an evaluation, but the subject said he didn't want to speak with the police, so he left before providing additional information.

A separate Hit & Run occurred on Bothell Way NE with no leads regarding the suspect's vehicle.

Assist

Officers assisted a motorist who had accidentally locked her child inside the vehicle.

Officers assisted mall security with a subject who was causing a disturbance. The subject had several outstanding warrants, so he was arrested and booked.

K9 Bella assisted King County with a suspicious vehicle. There was a positive drug alert in the vehicle. Investigation by KCSO is in progress.

K9 Bella assisted Bothell PD with a suspicious vehicle, resulting in a positive alert for drugs. Investigation in progress by Bothell PD. K9 Bella assisted Bothell PD with another suspicious vehicle, resulting in a negative hit.

One of our officers was off duty in Lynnwood when he noticed a disabled vehicle blocking traffic and creating a hazard for commuters. Lynnwood PD refused to respond, so our officer assisted with the problem.

Vehicle Prowl

A vehicle prowl occurred in the 3600 block of NE 156th St. No leads.

IFIT-KC (Independent Investigations Team)

There was an IFIT-KC callout. Commander Adams and Sgt. Walker assisted IFIT with a Seattle PD officer involved in an incident.

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Traffic Safety

Traffic Safety Highlights

- An Officer pulled over a driver for failure to give an officer a safe lane while on a traffic stop. Upon investigation, the driver was showing signs of impairment. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence (DUI) and taken to Lynnwood Jail.

Speed violations:

- 47th AVE NE and Brentwood – a vehicle going 55mph in a 20mph
- 15000-16700blk Bothell Way- Three tickets issued for 58mph in 40mph
- 15700blk of Bothell Way- a vehicle was ticketed for going **72mph** in a 40mph
- 18500blk of 35th- 55mph in a 30mph
- 14800blk of Bothell Way- ticketed for going 62mph in a 40mph

Lights, camera action!

On February 5th an officer pulled over a vehicle for illegal blue lights (in the headlights) and observation of poor lane travel. The vehicle was pulled over where it was found the driver was clearly intoxicated. The driver was arrested for DUI, a blood warrant was issued, and the driver was booked into Lynnwood jail.

Parking:



Which direction in the legal one?



Yep, that's a fire hydrant.



Much closer and you'd be in the building!

Collisions...and then some:

- A vehicle traveling too fast for conditions north bound on Perkins Way struck another vehicle and landed into the creek. One passenger went to the hospital.



- During a traffic investigation, the officer quickly learned that one of the drivers wasn't the owner, didn't have insurance, their license was suspended, and then found out they had a warrant. The driver was then booked into Snohomish County Jail.

Lane travel:

- Multiple drivers were warned about proper lane changes within 200ft. This is a common violation for drivers entering lanes designated for a bus lane.

Left of center:

- Officers made multiple stops, with warnings for driving "left of center." This is traffic violation that officers tend to lead to illegal phone use or drivers under the influence.



Nice ride....

An officer found this custom-made bike outside the first floor of the city hall building and we all want to know.... Who is riding this? And does it actually work?

II. Internal City Information

III. Council Information

IV. Response to Citizen and Council Comments

V. Contract Reporting

VI. Legislative Update

VII. Community Events

VIII. Upcoming City Sponsored Events

IX. Meetings Calendar

Tree Board Meeting (hybrid meeting)
March 4, 2026, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
City Hall and via Zoom

Planning Commission Meeting (hybrid meeting)
March 10, 2026, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
City Hall and via Zoom

City Council Work Session (hybrid meeting)

March 12, 2026, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

City Council Regular Meeting (hybrid meeting)

March 12, 2026, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

North King County Coalition on Homelessness

March 19, 2026, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

City Council Budget & Finance Committee Meeting (hybrid meeting)

March 19, 2026, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

Committee of the Whole meeting (hybrid meeting)

March 23, 2026, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting (hybrid meeting)

March 24, 2026, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom

City Council Regular Meeting (hybrid meeting)

March 26, 2026, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

City Hall and via Zoom