

CITY OF MEDINA

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Date: November 12, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Stephen R. Burns, City Manager

Subject: City Manager Report

- The City of Medina, along with the Points Communities of Clyde Hill, Hunts Point, and Yarrow Point, is currently engaged in mediation with WSDOT regarding the maintenance responsibilities for the SR 520 lids. These discussions began before the bridge reopened in 2016, as the Points Communities sought clarity on maintenance obligations. A follow-up meeting between the Points Communities and WSDOT is scheduled for November 21, 2024. To date, no resolution has been reached.
- On Saturday, December 14th, at 5:00 pm, Medina's Park Board will host the annual Christmas Ships event at Medina Beach Park. The Christmas Ships, featuring the Argosy Choir and a festive boat parade, are scheduled to arrive at 5:35 pm, creating a fun holiday evening for family, friends, and neighbors. A heartfelt thank you to the Medina Park Board members for organizing this wonderful community gathering!
- At the March 25 Council Meeting, the Council approved the 2024/2025 Council Work Plan. The plan lays out Council priorities and projects through 2025 and provides staff direction to ensure these get met. **See attached** for current project status.
- ➤ The City of Medina has been actively engaging with WSDOT and the state legislature to find solutions for reducing noise from the SR 520 expansion joints. This has been a persistent issue for Medina residents since the new bridge opened in 2016.
 - The City of Medina has been working with Sound View Strategies to get legislature to approve funding for the improvement. Sound View Strategies has provided a workplan for the upcoming legislative session **see attached**.
- ➤ At the DSC meeting of Wednesday, October 30, 2024, the committee decided to schedule a Joint City Council and Planning Commission meeting, set for Wednesday, January 8, 2025 to discuss Middle Housing.
- ➤ The annual Employee and Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Overlake Golf and Country Club. We look forward to celebrating together and honoring all the wonderful achievements of 2024!
- Bellevue Fire Report see attached.
- 2024 City Council Calendar see attached.