

City Manager's Report

Tuesday, June 2, 2026





Council Board and Commission Updates



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Upcoming Meeting Snapshot

- Upcoming Hybrid City Council Meetings
 - Regular Hybrid Meeting – Tues., June 16 at 5:00 p.m.
- Boards and Commissions
 - Planning Commission – Wed., June 3 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Parks & Rec Commission – Thurs., June 4 at 5:00 p.m.
 - Utility Board – Tues., June 9 at 5:00 p.m.
 - Planning Comm. Special Meeting – Wed., June 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Visit www.mercerisland.gov/meetings for more information.



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FIFA and the MICEC

- With the World Cup quickly approaching, some changes are coming to the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.
- On match days, the MICEC will remain open with limited services, however regular drop-in programs will not be offered on the following game days: June 15, June 19, June 24, June 26, July 1, and July 6.
- Staff will focus efforts on the MICEC parking lot, opening event parking on a first-come, first-served basis with free parking for MI residents (upon verification) and \$25 for all others via the ParkMobile app.
- For more information, visit the [City of Mercer Island's World Cup webpage](#).

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Every Drop Counts Irrigation Systems Upgrade

- Irrigation systems throughout Aubrey Davis Park are being upgraded with HydroPoint WeatherTRAK LC+ smart controllers, replacing outdated equipment to improve water efficiency and system management.
- The new technology enables weather-based irrigation scheduling, supporting sustainable water use and streamlined maintenance.
- Staff hope to expand smart controller upgrades to additional Mercer Island parks in the next biennium, funded through grants with the Saving Water Partnership.



Luther Burbank Park Waterfront Improvements

- **Major project milestone reached!** Today, the City advertised the Luther Burbank Park Waterfront Improvements project for construction.
- Project design began in 2020 and will provide universal access to the waterfront through dock repairs and reconfigurations; pathway, beach, and plaza upgrades; and utilities and other infrastructure improvements.
- The project has received more than \$5M in state and county grant funding and requires more than 20 permits from 8 federal, state, and local agencies!
- Bidding closes on June 30, 2026, and staff anticipate bringing the bid award to City Council in July with work taking 15 to 18 months to complete.



Upcoming Events

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Paws On Patrol

- We invite you to join us on Saturday, June 6 from 10am - 12pm for a Paws on Patrol meetup at old City Hall.
- Paws on Patrol is a crime prevention partnership between the Mercer Island Police Department and dog walkers in the community to increase the number of eyes and ears out in neighborhoods across the Island.
- Don't have a dog, no problem! All are welcome.
- Learn more about Paws on Patrol and join the pack today: www.mercerisland.gov/paws



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Some Good News

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New Dog Stick Library at LBP

- A new amenity has been added to the Luther Burbank Park Off Leash Area!
- Thanks to the generosity of Henry Keena, who donated, built, and installed a “Doggie Stick Library” for visiting dogs to enjoy.
- The unique addition was created in remembrance of the Keena family dog, Ellie, who loved fetching sticks in the parks off leash area.
- The installation adds a playful and personal touch to the space while celebrating the special connection many community members share with the park and their pets.



Thank you!

