

City Manager's Report

Tuesday, April 21, 2026





Council Board and Commission Updates



TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2026

Upcoming Meeting Snapshot

- Upcoming Hybrid City Council Meetings
 - Regular Hybrid Meeting – Tues., May 5 at 5:00 p.m.
- Boards and Commissions
 - Planning Comm. Special Meeting – Wed., April 29 at 5:30 p.m.
 - Planning Comm. Special Meeting – Wed., May 6 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Parks & Recreation Commission – Thur., May 7 at 5:00 p.m.
 - Utility Board – Tues., May 12 at 5:00 p.m.

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



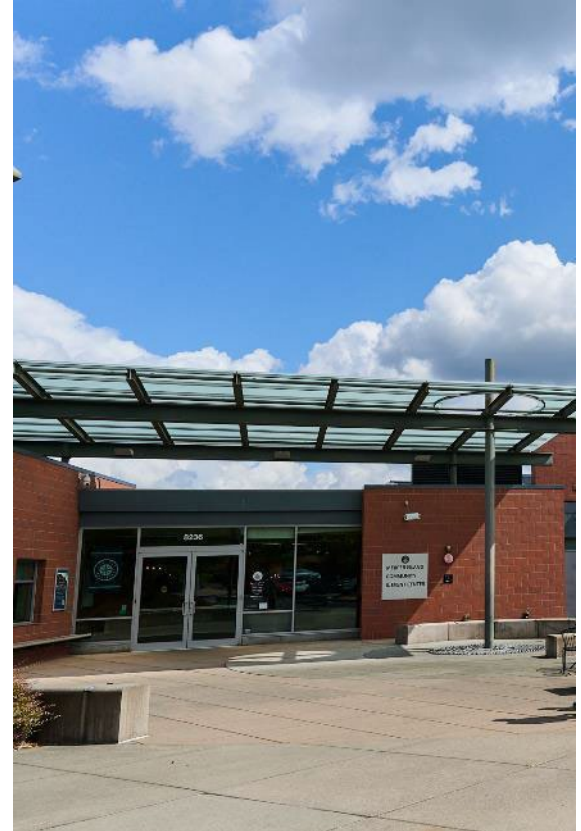
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Annual Boards & Commissions Recruitment Underway

- Our annual Advisory Boards & Commission recruitment is now underway through May 8.
- This recruitment is for positions whose terms expire on May 31, 2026. Appointments for the annual recruitment are scheduled for the May 19 City Council meeting.
- We are looking for volunteers to fill expiring terms on:
 - Arts Council (3 positions)
 - Open Space Conservancy Trust (2 positions)
 - Parks & Recreation Commission (2 positions)
 - Utility Board (2 positions)
- Learn more and apply at www.mercerisland.gov/bc.



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80th Avenue SE Improvements

- The sidewalk improvement project in Town Center, focusing on replacing sidewalks, trees, and lighting along the east side of 80th Avenue SE continues.
- Last week, the contractor excavated for handrail foundations.
- This week, work includes bracing the handrail and pouring concrete foundations. Substantial completion is anticipated by the end of this week, with minor landscape restoration in late April/early May.
- This project has been steadily progressing since it's start in the spring of 2024, and we are excited to see it approach the finish line!



2024 Water System Improvements

- This project replaces over 6,000 linear feet of undersized and aging cast iron water mains and makes improvements to our storm infrastructure along 86th Ave SE and 84th Ave SE.
- Project planning began in 2024, with contractor work starting in early 2025.
- Last week, the contractor completed asphalt grinding and began paving overlays on Holly Lane to West Mercer Way and SE 42nd Street to Boulevard Place.
- Paving for the project is wrapping up this week, with final punch list items to be completed by July.



Marine Patrol Storm Debris Update

- To date, more than 100 tons of debris have been removed through our coordinated partnership with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, significantly accelerating cleanup efforts while reducing City costs by eliminating the need for onshore hauling and disposal.
- Approximately 50% of Mercer Island and partner shorelines have been cleared.
- Ongoing seasonal Cedar River flooding continues to drive debris re-accumulation. Current operations are focused on intercepting and removing large debris at the river mouth to prevent further spread into the lake.

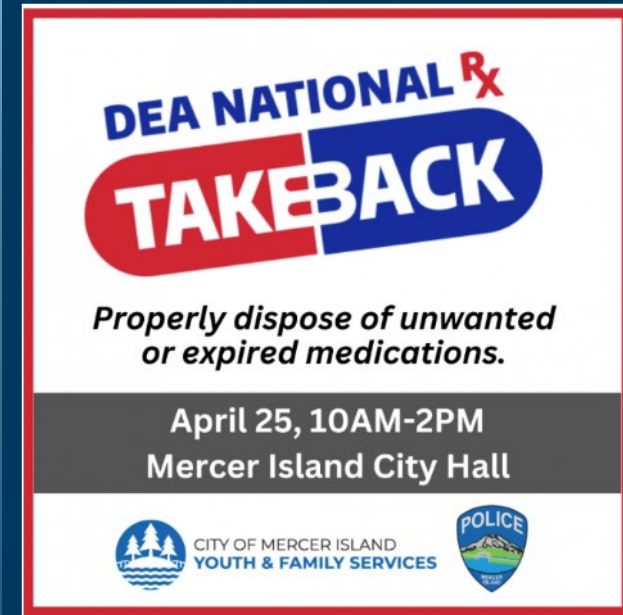


Upcoming Events



DEA Drug Take Back Day

- This Saturday, April 25, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. MIPD will be at the City Hall Loading Dock to host our next Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) National Prescription Drug Take Back Day.
- Officers will be there to collect unwanted and expired medications tablets, capsules, patches, and other solid forms of prescription drugs.
- These events help Americans easily rid their homes of unneeded medications that can easily find their way into the wrong hands.
- For more information on the program, and for year-round safe disposal sites, check out dea.gov/takebackday.



Community Baby Shower

- Recreation staff have partnered with Nancy Stewart (Sing With Our Kids) to host another FREE Community Baby Shower at the MICEC.
- Join us Sunday, May 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for all the festivities.
- This event will celebrate and support new and expecting families in our community.

FREE
Community Baby Shower!

FOR NEW AND EXPECTANT PARENTS
SUNDAY, MAY 3RD, 1-3 PM
MERCER ISLAND COMMUNITY AND EVENT CENTER

RSVP to reserve your gift bag:
Nancy@nancymusic.com

- Gift Bags
- Refreshments and Sharing
- Door Prizes
- Community Resources
- Baby Song Sing-Along
- How Singing Benefits Baby AND You!
- Fill-a-Bag Fun! Gifted Donations
- Family, Friends Welcome!

Presented by Nancy Stewart's Sing With Our Kids
in partnership with the City of Mercer Island



Some Good News

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Spring in the P-Patch

- Spring has officially arrived in the garden following a successful spring cleanup by Recreation and Parks Maintenance staff!
- This season, we're excited to welcome **9 new gardeners** from the waitlist, bringing the program to its full capacity of **65 community members**.
- Community p-patches like this provide valuable access to fresh, locally grown food, promote sustainability, and create meaningful opportunities for neighbors to connect.
- With new garden beds going in, fresh soil and plantings underway, the space is already coming to life and we're looking forward to a vibrant and productive growing season ahead.



Thank you!

