

City Manager's Report

Tuesday, July 15, 2025





Council Board and Commission Updates



TUESDAY, JULY 15, 2025

Hybrid Meetings

- Upcoming Hybrid City Council Meeting
 - No Council meetings in August
 - Regular Hybrid Meeting - Tuesday, September 2 at 5:00 PM
- Hybrid Boards and Commissions Meetings (All Meetings on Zoom)
 - No Board and Commission meetings in August

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



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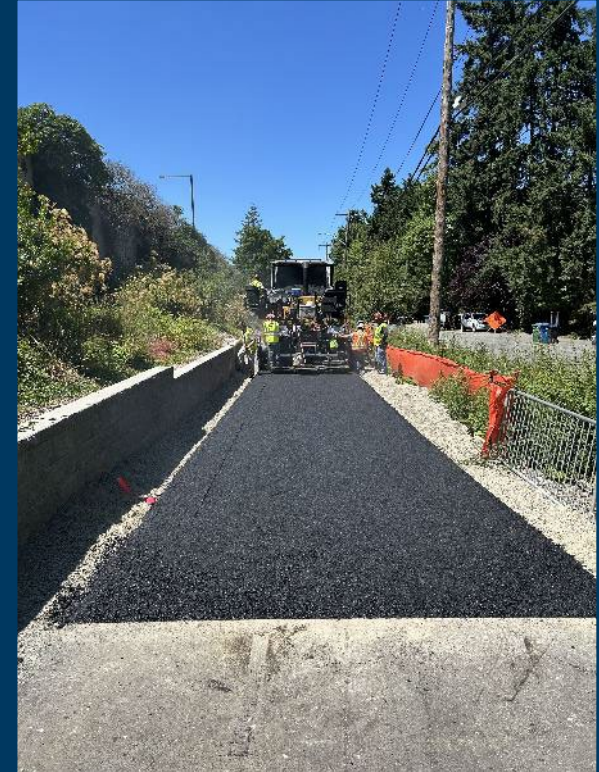
Town Center Parking

- The construction activity at the former Tully's Coffee site is nearly complete!
- Over 100 new parking signs were delivered to the warehouse this week.
- The signs will update the parking regulations in Town Center so that all on-street parking will be converted to 2-hour parking.
- The signs will be installed throughout Town Center over the summer, with the goal of having all signs installed by Labor Day.
- Follow project updates at:
letstalk.mercergov.org/town-center-commuter-parking-project



King County Enatai Project Update

- King County Wastewater Treatment Division's paving subcontractor finished repaving portions of the I-90 Trail between SE 26th Street and Shorewood Drive.
- Restoration work along the trail has been completed and it's back open to the public as of this weekend.
- KC also repaved North Mercer Way between 80th Avenue and Island Crest Way. The roadway was striped and reopened in time for the July 4 holiday.
- Pavement restoration on 78th Avenue SE (between SE 22nd and SE 24th Streets) is planned for late July.
- Visit the project website for more information:
kingcounty.gov/MercerEnataiSewer



Pickleball Court Updates

- Earlier in July, Alloy Arts successfully completed restoration of the *Summer in the Wetlands* mural.
- Work included painting the exposed mural section outside of the courts, repairing sections damaged during asphalt paving last fall, and cleaning and resealing the entire mural.
- City crews will soon establish short, weekly maintenance closures at the LB pickleball courts so Parks crews can blow the play surface and take care of other routine maintenance tasks.
- These short closures will facilitate that work.



Wet Well Restoration

- Mercer Island's pump stations move wastewater through the lakeline to King County for treatment. Most stations are decades old and have had minimal upgrades since the 1960s.
- After a 2024 assessment found deterioration in several stations, targeted repairs and cleaning have been scheduled throughout the sewer system.
- Wet well cleaning was completed at nine sewer pump stations over the past few weeks.
- A crane-equipped work barge, the Seahorse, was used to access hard-to-reach sites while a telescoping camera inspected the interior structure in each station.
- Inspection results will help prioritize pump station improvements continuing later this year.



Upcoming Events

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Native Plant ID Walk

- Join Parks staff Thursday, July 17 from 12-1:30pm for a leisurely walk as we explore Pioneer Park looking for native berries and other plant life.
- You can expect to learn about native plants and their roles in the larger ecosystem.
- We'll also share some plant identification tips and tricks.
- For more information and how to register, check out our Parks and Recreation webpage.



National Night Out – August 5

- LAST CALL!
- MIPD is gearing up for another National Night Out (NNO) event on Tuesday, August 5 from 5 to 8pm.
- MIPD will host an event in the **City Hall parking lot** with food trucks, touch-a-truck, activities, and more.
- Event information and registration is available at www.mercerisland.gov/nno



Summer Celebration Recap

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Parade

- 2025 Summer Celebration was a blast! Very well attended with tons of smiles and fun!
- Over thirty-seven groups plus City of Mercer Island vehicles joined the parade to kick off Saturday's festivities with crowds lining 78th Ave SE from Sunset Hwy to Mercerdale Park.
- A huge thank you to everyone who came out, contributed, and helped make this day so special. From start to finish, it was a beautiful reminder of the power of community, connection, and celebration.



Daytime Festivities

- After the parade, crowds moved into Mercerdale Park and along 77th Ave SE and SE 32nd Street where they enjoyed:
 - Over 70 booths for vendors, sponsors, and community groups
 - Multiple food vendors
 - City booths and Touch-a-Truck
 - Foam party and live bands
- City staff in multiple booths spent time engaging with the community and sharing information.
- We turned the Community Center into a paid parking lot again this year and brought in over \$5550 in sales, which directly supports the event.



Evening Festivities

- Crowds moved to Luther Burbank Park for more food, fun, entertainment, and fireworks.
- A huge thank you to all the staff who worked hard to make this an enjoyable, memorable day and to our event sponsors:

Mercer Island Community Fund, MI Martial Arts, Belle Harbour, John L. Scott, Windermere, The Mercer, Parent Map, Puget Sound Energy, Mercer Island City Lifestyle, Mercer Island School District, Friends of Mercer Island Library, and Dave & Busters.



Thank you!

