

City Manager's Report

Tuesday, December 2, 2025





Council Board and Commission Updates



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025

Hybrid Meetings

- Upcoming Hybrid City Council Meeting
 - Regular Hybrid Meeting – Tuesday, December 16 **to be canceled.**
 - Regular Hybrid Meeting - Tuesday, January 6 at 5:00 p.m.
 - 2026 Planning Session – Friday, January 16 at 9:30 a.m.
- Boards and Commissions meetings are recessed until the new year.

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



City Updates

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Watercourse Restoration Update

- The City is currently managing several watercourse restoration projects focused on stabilizing stream banks, reducing erosion, and enhancing aquatic habitats.
- Subbasin 23.2, in the 4300 block of WMW, was stabilized this past summer by adding logs, root wads, cobbles, and streambed aggregates to the eroded channel.
- Landscape restoration work, consisting of planting native trees, bushes, and ferns, is currently underway in Subbasin 23.2 and will be completed in the next two weeks.
- Installing new plants in fall/early winter helps with establishment and survivability in the spring growing season.



Water Supply Pipeline Replacement

- The City will be replacing a significant portion of the Seattle Public Utilities 24-inch water supply pipeline on a new alignment along SE 36th Street and Gallagher Hill Road.
- Design work is nearly two-thirds complete, with proposed pipe alignments, project footprint, and preliminary cost estimates established.
- Construction is anticipated to begin in spring 2026, pending final design, permitting, and bidding. Full project completion is expected by the end of 2027.
- The City will proactively communicate access and service impacts via the website, social media, signage, and resident outreach.
- To learn more about the project, visit letstalk.mercergov.org/water-supply-line-replacement



Upcoming Events

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December Special Events

A poster for the Holiday Tree Lighting event. The background is dark blue with out-of-focus bokeh lights in shades of blue and white. The title "Holiday Tree Lighting" is written in a large, white, cursive script. Below it, the date and time "THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 5:30 PM, MERCERDALE PARK" are in a bold, teal, sans-serif font. The description "JOIN THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND LIGHTING OUR HOLIDAY TREE. BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY AND ENJOY THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR AND CREATION DANCE STUDIO PERFORMANCES." is in a smaller, teal, sans-serif font. At the bottom, it says "Sponsored by Mercer Island City Lifestyle Magazine." in a small, white, sans-serif font.

Holiday Tree Lighting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 5:30 PM, MERCERDALE PARK

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Two event posters side-by-side. The left poster is for the "Community Holiday Party" and the right is for the "Argosy Christmas Ship". Both have a white background with a decorative border of pine branches, red berries, and gold ornaments. The left poster features a 3x3 grid of nine Christmas-themed postage stamps in the center. The right poster has a similar border but no stamps.

Community Holiday Party

December 19th, 6-8:30pm

Mercer Island Community & Event Center

Argosy Christmas Ship

December 19th, 8:30-9pm

Luther Burbank Park Beach

www.mercerisland.gov/parksrec

First Friday Art Walk

- Discover local art and celebrate community during the First Friday Art Walk.
- This Friday, December 5 from 5-8pm, explore and support the unique shops, galleries, and businesses in Town Center while you meet this month's artists.
- For the Art Walk map and more information, visit www.mercerislandartwalk.com/



Holiday Makers Market

- The Holiday Makers Market returns on Saturday, December 6 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.) at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.
- Shop unique, locally-made gifts, enjoy holiday music and treats, and support our community artisans.
- Get more information about this and all the other upcoming December Special Events on our website.

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Sponsored by: Puget Sound Energy

Presented by: Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce, City of Mercer Island

Some Good News

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MIPD Preschool Visit

- Last month, Mercer Island Police Detective Chase Erickson visited a local preschool to share insights into the role of a police detective.
- He led an interactive activity where students practiced collecting evidence and fingerprints.
- The Mercer Island Police Department appreciates every opportunity to engage with local classrooms and community groups!



No Resident Left Hungry

- YFS and volunteers from the Mercer Island Chinese Association joined the Hopelink mobile food market last month to provide additional food to participants ahead of the holiday. This additional food support was supported by community and MIYFS Foundation donations.
- Food distributed included a turkey breast, flour, brown sugar, vegetable oil, tofu, and baby bok choy.
- YFS will again join Hopelink on their December 17 visit to provide similar holiday food staples. Those interested in accessing this service or donating to support the effort can email miyfs@mercerisland.gov.



Thank you!

