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CITY OF SUMNER NEWSLETTER

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Budget Focus on Capital Projects

On November 20, the Sumner City Council approved its first budget of the 21st century. The 2001 City budget totals \$52,565,600, an increase of 3.4 percent over last year. The focus is on completing many capital projects in 2001. The most notable City projects and programs in the 2001 budget are the following:

- Complete the construction of an expanded and remodeled City Hall facility to accommodate space needs for the next 20 years – with emphasis on customer service-oriented space for Utilities, Public Works, Community Development, and Finance, as well as substantially increased Police Department and Municipal Court space;
- Develop a funding plan, complete the design and initiate construction for the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant;
- Continue work with the State to complete the construction of the SR 167 freeway interchange at 24th Street;
- Coordinate with Sound Transit the completion of the new rail station and restroom facilities;
- Complete the Skate Park project;

- Complete the design and initiate the development of the north-end trail system;
- Acquire property along Salmon Creek to implement the East Sumner Neighborhood Plan;
- Design and construct numerous street improvement projects; including completion of Traffic Avenue and State Street projects, as well as the Puyallup Street Extension and Zehnder Street, with LID and/or private developer financing; and
- Implement the Advanced Life Support (Paramedic) program in the Fire Department, including the training and hiring of paramedics.

There is funding for an additional six staff positions, consisting of three full-time and six half-time positions: One Parks/Groundskeeper, a half-time Community Service Officer for parking enforcement, a half-time Community Service Officer for animal control, a half-time Administrative Legal Assistant, a half-time Administrative Assistant for Human Resources/Administration; a half-time Finance Specialist, one Public Works Operator, and one Sewer Treatment Plant Operator.

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The expansion is to the east of the current City Hall into a former City parking lot.

Expansion of City Hall Under Way

The Sumner City Hall expansion project is well under way with much of the utilities and foundation work completed and walls starting to go up.

The expansion project has literally changed direction since plans were first drawn up. Initially, the expansion was to be to the south where the police station and police parking lot is situated. Examination of that section of the City Hall building, which was an addition made to the original building decades ago, determined the City would be better off tearing it down because of structural deficiencies. The decision was made to eliminate that portion of the building and build the new addition to the east, connected to the original City Hall structure.

The 23,689 square foot addition will have two levels, the first floor housing the Police Department and the second floor other City offices, including Community Development, Public

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I hope you saw the Holiday Bridge again this year. Once again a big "thank you" to the Old Cannery Furniture Warehouse for their 3rd annual gift to our community of a spectacular lighted bridge. Also, thanks to the Sumner Rotary Club and Sumner Promotion Association for the lights and garlands on Main Street and the Heritage Park Gazebo. The town looked beautiful.



Barbara Skinner

Now it's a busy new year. During 2001 we will completely rebuild Traffic Avenue, State Street, and Zehnder Street, and do an upgrade on the downtown Main Street sidewalks, adding benches, tree grates and street lights that match the train station lights. Because of the street projects, it's going to be difficult to get around town this summer and your patience is going to be sorely tried. So please, practice patience. When there projects are finished, you'll agree it was worth the stress.

Our Police Department has lived in a limited space (1,500 sq. ft.) for many years. As the community has grown, so has the number of personnel. More than 30 people, including the Dispatch

Center, must use that tight space. After much study, we are building an addition onto the east side of City Hall. The project will be completed this fall and should meet the space needs of the City for 20 years.

This spring, thanks to a generous local businessman, we'll build a skateboard park. The "Sk8Park" will be located on the southwest corner of the Sports Complex. This site is a good location, is close to the necessary services, and will have good viewing locations. I expect to see many of you watching these athletes practicing and performing in this new sport.

And finally, with a \$400,000 grant and our match of \$100,000, we can begin construction on the Sumner Trail. This is just the beginning of our trail but I learned, while working on the Pierce County Foothills Trail, that once you start a trail people will work to extend it farther. I'm sure the Sumner Trail users will help us connect our trail to the other trails in the region.

It's going to be a busy year. As always, please give me a call at 253-891-3318 or e-mail me at bskinner@ci.sumner.wa.us if you have any questions or suggestions about the City. And remember, practice patience this summer.

Barbara Skinner, Mayor

COUNCIL PROFILE

Mike Connor is a veteran Sumner City Councilman, having served on the Council since 1991. He served through 1998 when he left the Council after an unsuccessful run for mayor. He was appointed to fill a vacated Council position in late 1998 and ran for the position in the 1999 General Election. He was elected to a four-year term.

Besides his work on the City Council, Connor serves on the board for the Sumner Historical Society. During the past year he has served on the City's Community Development and Public Works Committee, the Parks Committee and Youth Committee.

Connor said his main area of concern as a Councilmember is infrastructure and making sure developers and builders meet the City's standards without impact to the residents. He said a major accomplishment during



his years on the Council was completion of the City's Comprehensive Plan, a process that involved participation of hundreds of citizens at more than 350 meetings. Mike Connor As for the future, Connor wants to see a number of infrastructure projects completed this year or as soon as possible. Those include the widening of Traffic Avenue, Thompson Street sidewalks, the Sound Transit train station, Zehnder and Puyallup streets, and the 24th Street East freeway interchange.

Connor works for an Olympia construction firm that is currently building a high school expansion in Maple Valley. He has lived in Sumner for 22 years and has a wife and two adult children.

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Steve Zamberlin	Asst. City Administrator/ Human Resources & Parks
John Doan	Asst. City Administrator/ Project Management
Wendy Shook	Court Administrator
Patricia Bosmans	City Attorney
Susan Clary	City Clerk
Audrey Young	City Treasurer
Leonard Bauer	Comm. Develop. Director
Jeff Flesner	Asst. Finance Director
Dick Moore	Fire Chief
J. Ben Reisz	Police Chief
Bill Shoemaker	Public Works Director
Mary Smith	Senior Center Director

Staff Member Changes

The City welcomes the following employees to their new positions:

- Sergeant Jason Temple
- Sergeant John Galle
- Jeff Engel, School Resource Officer
- John Doan, Asst. City Administrator for Project Management
- Erick Durant, Firefighter/Paramedic
- Jeff Lucas, Firefighter/Paramedic
- Michael Gladstone, Firefighter/Paramedic

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CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

On December 21, the City held its first employee recognition reception in conjunction with the beginning of the holiday season. The newly established employee recognition program is intended to bolster the City's emphasis on customer service and teamwork. It was quite evident that City of Sumner employees appreciate the positive attitude on the part of fellow employees because all the nominations for the annual Teamwork and Customer Service awards came from employees themselves.



The theme of the awards ceremony was "Attitude" and a quote was read aloud before "Attitude" pins were given to the award winners (along with a day off with pay):

"Attitude. The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...I am convinced that life is ten percent what happens to me and ninety percent how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our Attitudes."

Dr. Charles Swindoll

And so it is with City Hall in Sumner where we recognize the importance of Attitude.

Andrew Neiditz, City Administrator

City Employees Recognized for Dedication

A new recognition program was implemented this year to recognize City Staff members for their dedication to go above and beyond. All employees, except for members of the management team, are eligible for the two annual awards. Staff members nominated their coworkers for these prestigious acknowledgements. The two award recipients received a certificate, \$150, and one day off with pay.

The Annual Customer Service Award was awarded to Tim Hyland from the City Shops, who has distinguished himself in his commitment to providing high quality service in the City for over 20 years.

Two Honorable Mention awards were presented to Sloan Clack, Administrative Assistant in the Legal Department, and to Roy Fortier,

Building Official in the Community Development Department. Both of these staff members received a day off with pay.

The Annual Teamwork Award recipient was Warren Peloli, the Parks/Grounds Supervisor. He has demonstrated an outstanding emphasis on cooperation, team building and teamwork in working with other employees and departments of the City.

Honorable Mention was awarded to Alice Jacobson, Records Clerk for the Police Department. Alice also received a day off with pay.

Congratulations to all of the new Employee Recognition Award recipients! Thank you for your dedication to the residents of this community.



Free Train Ride to Seattle for Residents

The Sumner community is invited to attend the Sound Transit Train Station Grand Opening ceremony on March 10, 2000. The festivities begin with an official ceremony and include a free round-trip train ride to Seattle. Special guests include Mayor Skinner, City Council members, Sound Transit officials, as well as local County and State Representatives.

Sound Transit is providing free tickets to be handed out to anyone who would like to ride the train on March 10. At the conclusion of the ceremony the Sounder will begin boarding and disembark for Seattle's King Street Station. At the final destination, guests will be able to celebrate the Grand Opening and learn more about Sounder's services. The festivities will conclude when the Sounder returns to the Sumner Station.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 10 a.m. Opening Ceremony
- 11 a.m. Boarding of Sounder
- 11:20 a.m. Sounder embarks for Seattle
- 12 p.m. Sounder arrives in Seattle
- 1:20 p.m. Sounder returns to Sumner
- 2 p.m. Sounder arrives in Sumner

The free tickets will be made available on February 9 at two locations: the Community Development Department in City Hall, and at the Sumner Library. Tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you have questions regarding the Grand Opening Celebration, please call Taryn Capps at 891-3303.

Residents Asked to Report Downed Signs

The Sumner Public Works Department requests that residents immediately report any downed city signs, such as stop signs, yield signs and warning signs.

During regular weekday business hours, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., citizens can call the Public Works shops at 891-3322. After hours, please report downed signs to the Police Department, 863-6384.

2001 City Budget. . .

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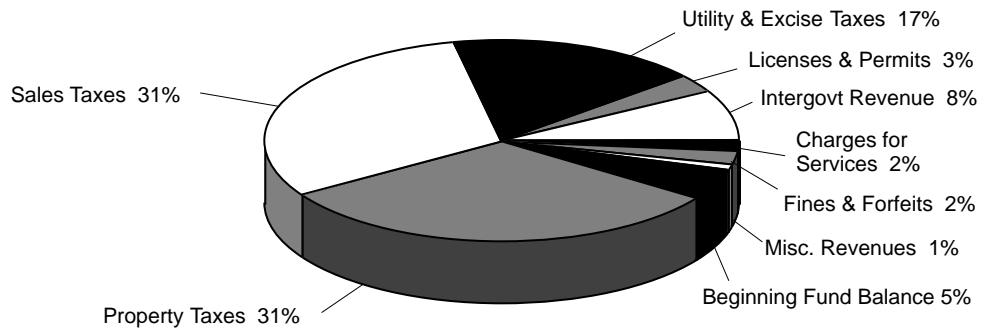
The most visible source of revenue within the City's \$7.79 million General Government fund is the property tax. The County reports a total assessed valuation for Sumner of \$741,949,334, which includes a new construction and improvement value of \$70,215,271. Because the assessed value of the City has grown, the actual tax rate paid by each property taxpayer will decrease from \$3.07 per thousand in the year 2000 to \$2.93 in 2001.

This budget contains seven Capital Project Funds. The most significant capital project in 2001 within the Sewer Capital Asset fund will be the completion of the design and initiation of the construction of the Wastewater Treatment Facility through funds from revenue bond proceeds or loans, financial contributions from the City of Bonney Lake, and fund balances raised through connection fees.

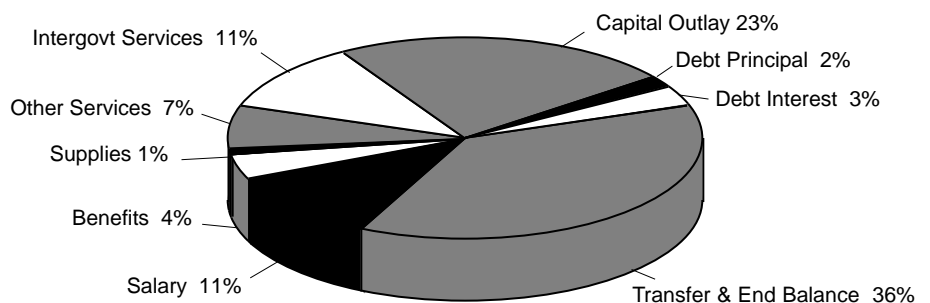
The presentation of the 2001 City of Sumner Budget demonstrates the City's commitment to developing a sound fiscal plan and policy document for the City in order to meet the goal of enhanced service delivery to the citizens of our community. It is very exciting to look forward to Sumner's evolving role in the 21st Century. The City will be able to sustain and strengthen these services by pursuing revenue resources that are intended to limit the liability to our residents. Fiscal stability at all times is a primary goal for the City of Sumner, and it is equally a high priority to focus our attention on quality budgeting, accounting, investing, auditing and financing.

This budget sets forth our mission and a strategy for leading the City in the direction that the Sumner City Council has established through its policy deliberations. 2001 promises to be a year of continuing challenges and significant change. The goals set forth within this budget document will allow the City to manage the rapid growth we are experiencing, maintain and enhance municipal services in a manner that will ensure a safe, secure, healthy, and vibrant city, and work to preserve and protect the character of our community.

2001 GENERAL GOVERNMENT REVENUES



2001 TOTAL EXPENDITURES



Sumner Scenes from the Holidays



Sumner's downtown celebrated the holiday season with its annual Santa parade held Dec. 2. A large crowd turned out under sunny skies for the parade that included the Sumner High School band and drill team, left, and Santa riding on a Sumner ladder truck, below. The Stuck River bridge was lighted for the holidays, below.





CITY HALL CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

- FEBRUARY 1**
Planning Commission,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 5**
City Council Regular Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 8**
Design Commission,
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 12**
City Council Study Session,
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 14**
Citizens'Accountability Panel
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 19**
City Hall Closed, President's Day
- FEBRUARY 20**
City Council Regular Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- FEBRUARY 26**
City Council Study Session,
6 p.m., Council Chambers

MARCH

- MARCH 1**
Planning Commission,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- MARCH 5**
City Council Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- MARCH 8**
Design Commission,6 p.m.,
Council Chambers
- MARCH 10**
Train Station Grand Opening, 10 a.m.
- MARCH 12**
City Council Study Session,
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- MARCH 14**
Citizens'Accountability Panel
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- MARCH 19**
City Council Regular Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- MARCH 26**
City Council Study Session,
6 p.m., Council Chambers

APRIL

- APRIL 2**
City Council Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- APRIL 5**
Planning Commission,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- APRIL 11**
Citizens'Accountability Panel
6 p.m., Council Chambers
- APRIL 12**
Design Commission,6 p.m.,
Council Chambers
- APRIL 16**
City Council Regular Meeting,
7 p.m., Council Chambers
- APRIL 23**
City Council Study Session,
6 p.m., Council Chambers

Daffodil Princess



Amanda Coate is Sumner's 2001 Daffodil Festival Princess.



MARCH 17
St. Patrick's Day
Parade
Main Street,
Sumner

New sidewalks grace Thompson Street

The Sumner Train Station helped the City finish the sidewalk on Thompson Street. A state grant paid approximately three-quarters of the cost of the project to finish the sidewalks between Kincaid Avenue and Traffic Avenue along Thompson Street. The sidewalks are part of completing the streets around the new train station to improve pedestrian access. Revenue from the sale of the City shops to Sound Transit paid for the local share of that grant. Sound Transit also paid for the construction of the new "Station Lane," connecting the Train Station to Thompson Street. Appropriately named, the new street also provides access to the City fire station. The street is now open to two-way traffic and is intended to provide another way for cars to access the new train station. A new traffic signal at the intersection of Station Lane and Thompson will be installed early in the year. It will provide for safer and more timely access for cars, buses and the fire equipment.

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Cemetery863-6345

Court863-7635

Fire (non-emergency) . . 863-5451

Golf Course863-8198

Parks & Recreation . . . 863-5365

Permit Center863-1230

Police (non-emergency) .863-6384

Senior Center863-2910

Utilities826-9400

Sewer Treatment Plant
Odor Hotline891-3294

SK8 Gets New Location and Renewed Support

The City's skate park, called SK8, is moving to the southwest corner of the Daffodil Sports Complex parking lot, along Washington Street. Several major donations are making possible completion of this project. The planning for the skate park started in 1997 and was stalled while the park was designed and the City raised money for construction.

In September, local businessmen Mike Corliss and Bryan Stowe stepped forward to help the City finish the project. The two felt strongly that skaters deserve a quality facility similar to the basketball, baseball, soccer, and tennis facilities already at the complex. Both are also graduates of Sumner High School.

The change of location will provide more space for spectators and landscaping around the skating. This site had been considered previously, but there was insufficient space without losing a significant amount of parking. In order to make the revised design work, St. Andrews Catholic Church will donate about 5,000 square feet at the corner of their property. The additional land means that only a few parking spaces will be lost.

Along with the change of location, the City Council issued a challenge to the City's Youth Commission and the supporters of SK8 to raise the additional money for the change. The Youth Commission helped with the original SK8 design and have advocated for a skate park for 5 years. The need for a skate park has also been frequently cited as important to young people during the annual youth forums.

Construction at the new location will begin in May and should last about two months. It will provide opportunities for novice and intermediate skaters in about 9,000 square feet of skating space. The California firm of Purkiss-Rose.RSI designed the park. They are nationally-known skate park designers who worked with local skaters on the design. Pictures of the design are available at the City's Website: www.ci.sumner.wa.us.

Resource Officer's Beat is Sumner Schools

It's not uncommon to see an armed uniformed Sumner police officer strolling the halls, patrolling the parking lots, and even speaking to a class in Sumner schools these days.

As the City's School Resource Officer, Jeff Engel's beat is the public schools located in the City of Sumner: Daffodil Valley Elementary, Maple Lawn Elementary, Sumner Junior High and Sumner High School. Engel has various duties, but his main role is to have a presence at the schools to make the students feel more secure, and to break down barriers between police and young people.

Engel spends time at all of the schools, whether it's teaching drug education and awareness classes to fifth graders, having lunch with the youngsters at the junior high, or working with campus security and drugs and alcohol counselors at the high school. He occasionally speaks at the high school's "Law and Justice" class. He is available to respond to criminal activity at any school and carries a radio which puts him into direct contact with the police department.

He also shows up at after-school activities such as high school football games and has helped out at school-related community events such as the Christmas Eve community supper put on by Sumner Junior High. He enjoys being around young people and being a part of each school. Students often come to him with general questions about police work and related matters such as traffic tickets.

Engel, 37, has been a Sumner police officer for three years. His position is funded through a federal grant and will continue for two more years.



School Resource Officer Jeff Engel talks with Chad Thresher, a Sumner High School senior, outside the school.

Sumner Firefighter Honored as 'Real Hero'

Sumner firefighter Jay Smith was honored at the American Red Cross Real Heroes Breakfast for his role in saving the life of woman trapped in a blazing house near downtown Sumner last February.

Smith was awarded the 2000 Fire Rescue Award by the Red Cross and received a trophy and certificate at a breakfast ceremony held December 5 in Tacoma.

Smith was one of the first firefighters to arrive midday at the two story house at the corner of Cherry Avenue and Maple Street, just east from where the Sound Transit station now stands. Smoke and flames were coming from the structure and Smith saw a woman through an upper story window trying to attract his attention. He quickly grabbed a ladder, climbed through a second story window and helped the woman and her pet escape down the ladder. The woman was unharmed. The house was destroyed and later demolished.

Smith has been a full-time firefighter in Sumner for four years. He and his wife Shelley live on South Hill. Congratulations, Jay!



Jay Smith

New Arts Commissioners

On December 4, 2000, the Mayor appointed the inaugural Arts Commissioners into service. With the City Council's support to establish an Arts Commission in February of this year, the City actively recruited and promoted the new Commission. Applications for the Arts Commission were due on September 15, 2000. A total of 14 applications were submitted, with each candidate highly qualified.

The Arts Commission consists of seven members and one youth position. The following individuals will serve as

Sumner's first Arts Commissioners:

Lorie Ann Grover	Rick Nelson
Janet Hansen	Paul Sawtelle
Donna Hardtke	Rosella FitzGerald
Cindi Hochstatter	Kevin Kirkpatrick, Youth Rep.

The commission will begin their terms in January and will be having their first meeting/retreat on January 11. The Arts Commission's first tasks will be to assist in the artist selection of the Concerts in the Park series and to seek financial support through grants and donations. The future tasks are outlined in the Arts Strategy, which was written by the 25 members of the Cultural Arts Task Force and recommended the formation of the Arts Commission.

Sumner's Boards and Commissions

There are multiple Boards and Commissions that Sumner residents can serve on in a volunteer basis. The Boards and Commissions have very important roles and assist the City in many areas. Whether the boards are recommending a certain species of a tree for a particular street, or advising the aesthetics on proposed new buildings, the City greatly values the input and suggestions the

Commissioners contribute.

The City appreciates the time and energy given by the people that are willing to help preserve the unique characteristics of our City, as well as plan ahead for the future. If you are interested in participating on one of the boards and commissions below, please request an application through the Community Development Department or City Clerk. Terms expire all throughout the year.

CEMETERY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This committee is responsible for the Memorial Day celebration at the Sumner Cemetery.

Larry Johns
Ken Woolery
Hazel Freehe

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

This commission advises the City on police officer and firefighter compliance with Civil Service rules.

Michael Carnahan
Judd Dockeray
Dr. Patrick Duffy
A. Eugene Hammermaster

DESIGN COMMISSION

As new developments and buildings are constructed in the City, it is the responsibility of the Design Commission to review the plans before the actual building permit has been submitted. This group of volunteers reviews the site plans and makes suggestions on the architecture, landscaping, and location of the project as far as meeting the expectations set forth in the City's adopted Design Guidelines.

Greg Hackworth
Marshall Bennett
David Bisom
Chris Larson, Chair
John Tobias
Paula Jones
Kandi Lovgren

PARKS BOARD

Sumner has a total of eight parks that are located throughout the City. The Parks Board reviews the current condition of the parks. The City has a long-term parks plan and when the time comes to upgrade the

parks it is the responsibility of this Board to make recommendations as to the type of play equipment, benches, etc., that will be integrated into the particular park. The most recent example of their work is the new playground equipment in Loyalty Park.

Lorraine Carnahan
Ken Woolery
Larry Johns
Paul Surek
Jim Woolery

PLANNING COMMISSION

Our City's forefathers had the vision early on to preserve the small-town qualities that make Sumner so special. Even today, the City is well known for our attention to detail in the long range planning. This vision has been maintained, keeping residential areas residential, and industrial areas industrial. The Planning Commission has made several recommendations to the City Council on issues such as rezones, land use issues, the Sounder Train Station, and the proposed updates to the City's Comprehensive Plan, just to name a few.

Matthew Richardson
Tom Myers
Tim Smith
Keith Lvingston
Terri Walker, Chair
Kandi Lovgren
Brent Nalder

URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION

Sumner has been a participant in the Tree City USA program since 1995. The City recognizes the importance of tree maintenance in our parks, streets, and City Buildings. Each year the Urban Forestry Commission works with the local schools to plan the Arbor Day Celebrations. This Commission has also worked on preservation of Salmon Creek

Nolan Burslie
Diane Niemann
William Dugger
Dennis Tompkins
Ben DeGoede
Michael Roosendaal
Sharon Boekelman, chair



YOUTH COMMISSION

Formed in 1995, this Commission is a unique resource to the City Council. The City recognizes the valuable asset that the youth contribute. Having the Youth Commission allows the Council to have the desires and needs of the young Sumner residents' voices heard on all areas from social to environmental.

Laura Aney
Amanda Coate
Jenny Coleman
Megan Davis
Jeff Doan
Josh Duckworth
Ben Eckert
Andy Geense
Ashley Milligan
Ryan Parsell
Jennifer Resuta
Mallory Tweten
Erin Tyrrell



Thank you volunteers!

SUMNER CITY COUNCIL



Mike Connor



Kris Coppin



Dave Enslow



Mark Evers



Leroy Goff



Stuart Scheurman



Ron Scholz

City Council Highlights

Items approved by the City Council, 4rd Quarter, 2000

OCTOBER

■ Approved an agreement with the State of Washington for partial reimbursement of training costs for Sumner Fire Department Fire Fighter I fire suppression training.

■ Approved an agreement with Pierce County Fire Marshal's Office for fire investigative services.

■ Approved a Medical Director Services contract with Dr. James Billingsly to provide medical oversight required when you provide paramedic service.

■ Approved Paramedic Advisor Services contract with retired Fire

Fighter/Paramedic Phil Sulkosky to assist the Fire Department with the start-up of paramedic service.

NOVEMBER

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1934 adopting the proposed 2001 budget.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1935 establishing the amount to be raised in 2001 by taxation on assessed valuation of property of the City and setting the levy rate for the year 2001.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1936 establishing the amount to be raised in 2001 by taxation on the assessed valuation of the property of the City, and setting the EMS levy rate

for the year 2001.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1937 authorizing the City Administration to execute certain contracts without prior individual approval by the Council.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1938 outlining the manner in which underground fuel tanks may be abandoned in place.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1939 establishing an employee recognition program for City employees.

DECEMBER

■ Approved a Lake Tapps Task Force Agreement in Principle agreeing to use best efforts to cooperatively continue to work through a collaborative

process to reach a lasting solution that preserves the Lake Tapps reservoir and takes into account the interests of all participants.

■ Confirmed appointments to the first City of Sumner Arts Commission.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1940 authorizing an amendment to Section 13.36.040 of the Sumner Municipal Code correcting conflicts between Chapters 13.48 and 13.36.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1941 repealing ordinance No. 1933 regarding two-hour parking zones.

■ Approved Resolution No. 1021 accepting a donation of land.

■ Approved the selection of the southwest corner of the Daffodil Sports Complex for the location for the skate park, utilizing a property donation from St. Andrews Church and minimizing the impact on parking and storm drainage.

■ Authorized the Fire Department to purchase a light vehicle from Sunset Chevrolet.

■ Authorized an employment agreement for the position of Assistant City Administrator for Project Management.

■ Adopted Ordinance No. 1945 authorizing an amendment to the 2001 budget.

City Hall Project...

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Works and Finance. The centrally located departments will be more convenient for people who conduct business at City Hall. The dormer and brick-siding architectural design of the original City Hall building will be used. A ground-breaking ceremony was held Nov. 1, 2000. Construction is expected to take one year; however the City expects to be able to begin moving offices into the addition during the summer while demolition work is conducted on other sections of City Hall. All departments will be fully operational during the construction. The contractor is Father and Sons of Tacoma.

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