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**UNIVERSITY PLACE CITY COUNCIL
Special Council Meeting
Saturday, July 12, 2025, 8:30 a.m.**



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**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
3609 Market Place West, Third Floor
University Place, WA 98466**

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*PRELIMINARY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

July 21, 2025
Regular Council Meeting

August 4, 2025
Regular Council Meeting

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City of University Place Council Retreat, July 2025



Council Retreat Agenda Overview

8:30 a.m. - Breakfast

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1:00 p.m. - Duck Daze Briefing/ 30th Birthday Bash Update

2:00 p.m. - Break

2:10 p.m. - City Events

3:30 p.m. - Sister Cities

4:15 p.m. - Closing Comments/Council Direction

4:30 p.m. - Adjournment

Recreation Update

Recreation: Establish a recreation initiative to enhance the quality of life for residents of all ages with a focus on youth and seniors. Partner with organizations to develop tailored recreational solutions, provide ongoing parks maintenance support and program development.



Youth Recreation Update

- School District Interlocal Agreement
- Recreation Partnerships
 - YMCA Partnership
 - Fircrest Partnership



YMCA/UP Partnership

YMCA Recreation Proposal

- UP-branded youth recreation program
 - Ages 5-12 years
- UP resident priority registration
- YMCA administration
- UP/School district interlocal
 - UP responsible for any school district facility loss

YMCA Recreation Proposal Cont'd

- Winter/Spring/Fall leagues
 - Basketball
 - T-ball/Coach Pitch
 - Soccer
 - Volleyball
 - Cross Country
- Summer Clinics (2026)
 - Basketball, soccer, volleyball

YMCA Recreation Proposal Cont'd

Rate Comparison			
	YMCA Proposal*	UP Rate 2015	Fircrest Rate **
UP Resident	\$95	\$75-\$80	\$75 (\$45 Fir)
Non-Resident	\$190	\$80-\$85	\$75

- YMCA members have same rates as UP residents
- ** Fircrest considering \$5-\$10 rate increase for 2025

YMCA Recreation Proposal Cont'd

Timeline

- Marketing/community outreach – September 2025
- Registration for Winter league – November/December 2025
- 1st league launch – January 2026

Specialized Recreation Program

- Evaluate recreation programs for residents with special needs
- Review partnering with County
 - Program offerings: arts/leisure, camps, special events, fitness and sports, etc.
 - Metro Parks Tacoma, City of Puyallup, City of Sumner, City of Lakewood, PenMet Parks
 - \$20,000 total cost, approximately for 100 users (\$191/user)

Senior Recreation Updates

- Existing senior recreation services
 - Community Connection Place
 - Surrounding Communities
- Potential Partnerships
 - YMCA
- Develop senior recreation services webpage



Mondays:

- **Ta'i Chi Chih: 10:00am - 11:00am**
-Incorporates movement of the body to improve your health and energy.
- **Chair Exercise: 12:00pm – 1:00pm**
-Join us with our chair exercise club! Our wonderful instructor will teach you chair exercises to help you stay active, build strength, and improve flexibility.
- **Book Club: 1:00pm – 2:00pm**
(Note: Second & Last Monday of the month)
-Come and join in reading outstanding books and having intriguing discussions. You don't want to miss out!

Tuesdays:

- **Mahjong: 10:00am – 2:30pm**
-This style of Chinese game is played with tiles but has similarities to the card game rummy and is played with four people and 144 tiles.

Wednesdays:

- **Chair Exercise: 10:00am – 11:00am**
-Join us with our chair exercise club! Our wonderful instructor will teach you chair exercises to help you stay active, build strength, and improve flexibility.
- **Social Coffee & Sweets: 12:30pm -1:30pm**
(Note: Second & Fourth Tuesday of each month)
-Come Join us for Social Coffee & Sweets. Board games and cards will be available.

Thursdays:

- **Art: 10:00am – 2:30pm**
-Groups meet and our artists bring their own supplies and enjoy the sunshine through our windows while they paint and socialize.
- **Dominoes: 10:00am – 2:30pm**
-Are enjoyed by a large group of our seniors as dominoes is a fun and easy-to-learn



Break Time

Time to relax and recharge.

Grab some refreshments and snacks.





Economic Development

Economic Development: Foster economic development by prioritizing the diversification of city revenue and strategic collaboration on projects that enhance the quality of life for our residents and drive sustainable growth for our business districts.



Economic Development Update

- Promote City business districts
- Expand awareness of existing businesses
- Wayfinding signs (\$210K total \$160K was ARPA)
- Completion of 27th Street and Town Center business district plans
- Work with partners to collaborate with the County (sewer utility) to improve permitting review times.
- Design and participate in placemaking with owners of significant properties – i.e., Grandview Plaza, façade/frontage improvement program (\$30K) (2026)



Lunch Break

Time to recharge and refuel.

Enjoy a variety of healthy options,
with many thanks and appreciation
to Emy and Crystal!

Housing

Housing: Stimulate affordable housing development in U.P. by incentivizing developers to build condos, townhomes, and other alternative middle housing ownership opportunities. Prioritize the creation of attractive and accessible affordable housing options in the community.



Housing Update

- HB1110 compliance
- Continue Implementation of Housing Action Toolkit
 - Consideration of R3 zone (gentle density) (Planning Commission Workplan – Fall/Winter)
 - Create cottage housing ordinance (Planning Commission Workplan 2026)
 - Improve small lot development standards (Planning Commission Workplan 2026)
 - Pre-approved accessory dwelling unit plans (\$50K budgeted) (RFP Fall/Winter 2025)
- Host development forum, partner with Lakewood (September 2025)
- Continued participation in SSHA³P

Health in All Policies

Health in All Policies: Integrate health considerations into policymaking through a “health in all policies” approach aligned with the Growth Management Act. Establish a checklist for staff and commissions to assess and report on legislative choices, utilizing defined health considerations to ensure comprehensive decision-making with a focus on University Place.



Health in All Policies Update

- Met with TPCHD and reviewed their work in this area
- Defined health in all policies (HiAP):
 - “An approach that integrates health into decisions and policy-making.” – TPCHD
- Develop U.P.-centric checklist
 - Review with commissions for feedback (Fall/Winter 2025)
- Update council bill form to show health in all policies consideration (2026)

Participatory Policy Making

Tacoma-Pierce County
Health Department
Healthy People in Healthy Communities

We connect decision makers and community members to solve problems.



Community members:

Share ideas.



Vote on policy priorities.



Partner with decision makers to plan and act on policy priorities.



Benefits of participatory policy making to community:

- Policy priorities reflect community ideas, are based on evidence, and lead to action.
- The community has a role in influencing decisions that shape their lives.
- Healthy and equitable outcomes for the community.



Learn more and stay updated at tpchd.org/healthequity.

TPCHD Health Analysis Tool

[HEALTH-LENS-ANALYSIS-TOOL.PDF](#)

Name of Proposed Policy or Decision *(ex. Any City, WA Paid Family and Medical Leave Policy)*

City of University Place Hazard Mitigation Addendum 2025-2030

Health Lens Analysis Questions

1. What is this proposal trying to achieve or address?

(ex. This policy is aiming to ensure that all employees in Any City have the opportunity to take care of family and medical emergencies without sacrificing their ability to earn their needed income.)

The Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) identifies risks from natural and human-made hazards and proposes strategies to reduce risks to life, property, and infrastructure. The plan aims to protect public safety and improve community resilience, which directly supports better health outcomes.

2. Which groups of people will be most affected by this proposal?

** see Appendix 2*

Positively affected: *(ex. Low-income employees of small businesses and large businesses not offering sick leave, families and children of these employees, customers at food establishments, etc.)*

Vulnerable and at-risk populations such as the elderly, people with disabilities, low-income households, and residents living in hazard-prone areas. These groups will benefit from reduced risk and better preparedness.

Negatively affected: *(ex. Small businesses who are financially unable to offer such benefits, etc.)*

There are few direct negative effects. However, if mitigation actions are not implemented equitably, some populations could be unintentionally excluded or underserved.

3. Which groups of people who may be affected have you consulted when developing the proposal? Who have you not consulted that might be affected?

Consulted with: *(ex. Consulted with Restaurant Association, City Council, Citizens at town halls, etc.)*

Local residents via the survey, public agencies (i.e., WPEMC, PCDEM, State MIL), and City commissions.

Have not consulted with: *(ex. Have not consulted with people who do not speak English, restaurant workers, etc.)*

Individuals experiencing homelessness. The City will work to get information from the County. Non-English speakers outside of the six languages that were used to conduct the HMP survey (Spanish, Russian, Filipino, Korean and Mandarin Chinese).

4. How would this proposal improve or impair the social conditions of the community?

Examples of social conditions include education, crime and safety, social connections, and access to opportunities, including health care, affordable housing, healthy foods, parks, green space, community services, transit, sidewalks; etc. The HMP enhances social conditions by ensuring continuity of critical services during disasters, and fostering preparedness and public safety awareness, all of which strengthen community resilience.

5. How would this proposal improve or impair the economic conditions of the community?

Examples of economic conditions include employment, income, property value, housing and transportation cost, and cost of living, etc.

The HMP improves economic conditions by reducing the financial burden of recovery from disasters with pre-planning actions and grant awards for pre and post-emergency mitigations.

6. How would this proposal improve or impair the environmental conditions of the community?

Examples of environmental conditions (both natural and built environments) include water quality, air quality, soil quality, main street or mixed use environment, complete streets, etc.

As an example, the HMP supports environmental resilience by addressing urban heat islands by supporting healthy tree canopy preservation and expansion, improving air quality and reducing heat-related illness, and wildfire risks.

7. What are some possible unintended negative health effects of this proposal?

(ex. Implementing this policy could leave food establishments short-staffed, which could lead to additional food safety violations and potential food-borne outbreaks)

Not implementing mitigation measures, such as ignoring infrastructure improvements could pose a risk to life/health safety, and extend the recovery time during and after disasters.

8. What actions do we need to take to ensure this proposal supports health in Pierce County? Whom might you need to work with to accomplish these actions?

(ex. This policy would need to include a funding pool acting as insurance to safeguard small businesses from fronting all of the costs of policy up front, ensuring staffing remains stable and businesses don't suffer. Would need to work with.)

Actions include partnering with FEMA and the State to find funding to implement mitigation measures. Additionally, if FEMA funding decrease in the future and places more responsibility at the local levels, increasing budget set asides for emergencies will be necessary.

9. What actions will be taken to make this proposal supportive of health in Pierce County?

No change (please explain:)	Adopting the HMP already aligns with many public health goals, and health is strongly considered in a variety of mitigation measures.
Remove the following from the proposal:	
Amend the following in the proposal:	
Add the following to the proposal:	

Climate Action Plan

Develop a climate action plan, either stand-alone or as part of the Comprehensive Plan. Look at the intersection between climate action and public safety (wildland/urban interface, coastal properties) and seek solutions. Apply for and seek grant funding to address these issues.



Climate Action Plan Update

- Climate Action will be done as part of the Comprehensive update
 - Apply for the Dept. of Commerce Grant for the new Climate Resiliency Comprehensive Plan Element (2026)
- Begin building foundation for climate element policies:
 - Data and analysis of tree canopy, heat maps (2026)
 - EV charger needs map (2026)
 - Public education, new webpage for climate related information (utility rebates, home weatherization programs, etc.) (2026)

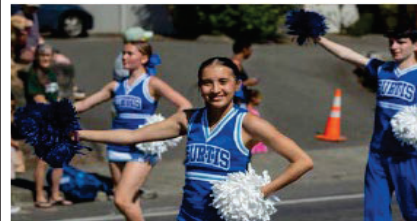


Duck Daze Briefing



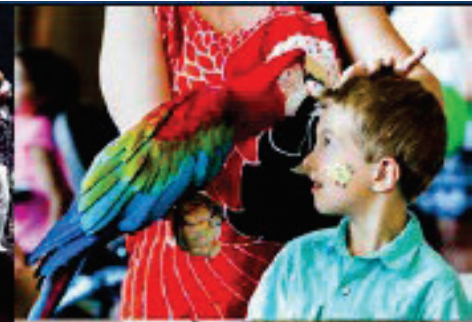
Duck Daze 2025 was one for the record books! The great weather drew a record crowd of participants who enjoyed hours of fun and laughs, beginning with the Duck Daze parade and finishing with food, games and entertainment in Market Square.

These photos capture the joy, friendship and community that Duck Daze celebrates. Relive the memories and share them with your friends and neighbors!

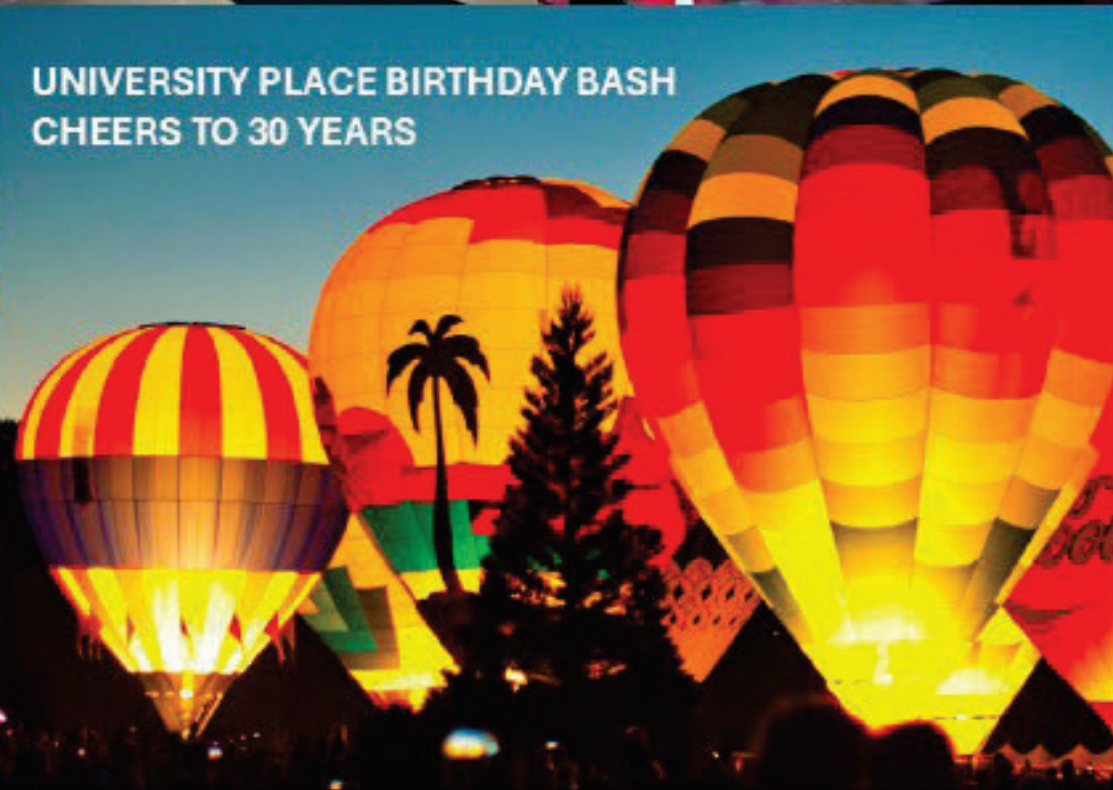




30th Birthday Celebration



UNIVERSITY PLACE BIRTHDAY BASH
CHEERS TO 30 YEARS



Events



Events Budget

Event	2023 Cost	2024 Cost	2025 Budgeted Amount	2026 Budgeted Amount
UP Veteran's Memorial/Memorial Day	\$0	\$1,217	\$1,000	\$1,000
Music on the Square	\$44,965	\$55,085	\$57,693	\$58,858
Oktoberfest	\$29,614	\$28,660	\$31,231	\$31,430
Movies in the Park	\$8,084	\$7,154	\$18,114	\$10,192
Winterfest	\$47,972	\$50,883	\$58,283	\$58,745
Apple Orchard Events (Cider Squeeze/Concerts in Park)	\$5,365	\$6,600	\$6,532	\$6,532
Duck Parade	\$30,152	\$34,028	\$46,007*still finalizing invoices	\$36,504
Twisted Cider Run	\$11,210	\$7,040	\$22,685	\$22,685
30 Year Birthday Bash	N/A	N/A	\$238,000	N/A
Winterfest Tree Purchase	N/A	N/A	\$42,300	N/A
Total	\$177,362	\$190,667	\$241,545	\$225,946



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