

Headlines

News from University Place City Hall



April 16, 2025

Parks Appreciation Day is this Saturday, April 19

Make plans to come out to Colegate Park, this Saturday, April 19, to help perform trail maintenance, weeding and other general cleanup of the park from 9 a.m. to noon in honor of Parks Appreciation Day. The event will be held rain or shine and will also include a tree planting in honor of Arbor Day.



Participants are encouraged to bring their own tools and gloves (make sure they are labeled with owner information) to the park that is located just north of Curtis High School. U.P. Parks will provide additional rakes and shovels for those who do not have their own. University Place Refuse and Recycling will provide volunteers with snacks, water and t-shirts in the staging area behind the Curtis High School tennis courts.

The cleanup is a great way for students to earn three community service hours. Contact **Tony West**, operations manager, at 253.460.6493, with questions or for more information.

University Place Police Blotter

Keep yourself up-to-date with the latest public safety activity in University Place by checking out the U.P. Police Blotter! Chief Burke highlights some of the most notable incidents that the U.P. Police Department responds to. But that's not all - you can also browse through recent Calls for Service to get a better understanding of the local happenings in your area.

Don't miss out on staying informed and being part of a safer community - view the U.P. Police Blotter on the **City website** for updates!



Tree and Sidewalk Repairs Begin this Week on 27th Street West

Beginning today, April 16, the City will be removing trees on 27th Street West in front of the U.S. Post Office. The following week, work will begin on repairs to the sidewalks that stretch from the entrance and exit points to the Post Office parking lot. The inside lane of 27th Street West will be closed while that work is conducted.

When the sidewalk repairs are finished, the City will plant new trees to replace those that were removed.

As always, work crews ask for and appreciate your patience while they complete the project.



Cirque Park's All-Inclusive Playground Slated to Open in May

Finishing touches, including the installation of rubber tile surfacing, are being put on the new inclusive playground at Cirque Park. Designed to be accessible to children of all abilities, the playground will feature equipment that can be accessed by ramps and include elements such as accessible swings and play components that support diverse sensory needs.



Weather permitting, current plans call for the playground to open for use in early May, with an official ribbon cutting celebration scheduled for later in the month. Watch future issues of Headlines for more details.

The Cirque Park inclusive playground is funded through local donations and grants, with support from the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation.

New Construction Underway in Village at Chambers Bay

Construction crews are hard at work at the northeast corner of Bridgeport Way West and 37th Street West, adjacent to the building that houses Five Guys, Orange Theory and MOD Pizza.



Plans call for a new 11,000-square-foot building (*rendering pictured*) to occupy the lot, which will ultimately house four commercial tenants. When finished, the project will complete the portion of the Village at Chambers Bay that stretches from 37th Street to Whole Foods on the east side of Bridgeport Way.

Draft Middle Housing Code Available for Public

Comment



During its March 19 meeting, the U.P. Planning Commission reviewed the City's plans for middle housing, including draft code amendments, design standards and unit lot subdivision amendments. These changes are required under House Bill 1110, which was passed by the State in 2023 to help increase housing supply statewide.

Middle housing refers to housing types that are between (or in the middle of) single-family houses and large apartment complexes. This includes buildings such as townhouses, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, courtyard housing and mother-in-law units (accessory dwelling units).

The City has created a **special webpage** that enables the public to review in greater detail its recommendations for middle housing. It includes illustrations that show what middle housing would look like in areas zoned Residential 1 (R1) and Residential 2 (R2) in U.P. After visiting the webpage, residents are encouraged to email their comments to **Kennith George**, the City's planning manager.



What's UP with Biz?

LifeBridge Church at 4707 Elwood Drive in U.P. will be the location of a free dental clinic on Friday, April 25 and Saturday, April 26. The clinic will open at 7:30 a.m. each day, with patients seen on a first come, first served basis.

Dental professionals will provide cleanings, fillings and extractions to patients who are 18 years or older. No insurance is required. Get all the details **here**.

Volunteer dentists and hygienists hope to be able to see 200 or more patients over the course of the two days, but the total number will depend upon the number of dental professionals who volunteer to participate.

27th Street Business District Draft Plan to go

Before City Council

During its meeting on Monday, May 5, the City Council will hold a study session on the draft plan for the 27th Street Business District.

The draft plan is the result of more than a year of work by City staff, including a community survey that asked residents and business owners for thoughts on what they would like the area to look like in the future. The goal was to identify policies, actions and projects that will support growth, population and employment forecasts for this historic business center.

Additional study sessions and a public hearing will occur later this year. Look for updates in future issues of Headlines.



SPRING 2025

Natural Yard Care Webinars

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Creative Container Gardening with Herbs *With Sue Goetz*
Wednesday, April 16, 7–8:30 p.m.



Herbs are easy to grow and provide flavors, healing properties, and natural uses for home and beauty. Learn how to cultivate your own and save on groceries while reaping daily benefits. Don't miss this chance to transform your garden and lifestyle!

Register at naturalyardcareapril16.bpt.me

Gardening with Canine Companions *With Robin Haglund*
Wednesday, April 23, 7–8:30 p.m.



Gardeners with dogs know the challenges—chewed shrubs, dug-up soil, unexpected messes. Learn effective gardening tips and training tricks to create a garden both you and your furry friend can enjoy. Don't miss out!

Register at naturalyardcareapril23.bpt.me

Questions?

Contact Troy Rowan at trowan@tpchd.org or (253) 649-1839.
Visit tpchd.org/yardcare to learn more.

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Spring Cleaning Just Got Easier – Oversized Brush

Pickup Returns This May!

University Place residents, get ready to clear out those big branches and bulky brush! The 2025 Spring Oversized Brush Curbside Pickup is happening from May 5–16, offering a convenient way to dispose of large yard debris that doesn't fit in your regular yard waste cart.



REFUSE AND RECYCLING

This special service is available to all residential customers, even if you don't subscribe to yard waste service.

Just place your oversized brush out on the same day as your recycling or yard waste pickup during the scheduled weeks—but remember, pickup happens only once in your neighborhood.

Pile Limitations: 1 per household no larger than 6' wide by 6' long by 6' high.

The Oversized Brush Pickup is only for the larger brush and limbs that do not easily fit into a regular yard waste cart. Limbs are removed by machine or pitchfork. Sweeping of small items by the customer can be expected.

Yes, Oversized Brush Includes: branches, brush, and limbs no larger than 6' in length or 4" in diameter. Please stack loose for pickup (no cans, bags, or bundles).

No, Oversized Brush Does Not Include : blackberry, holly, or other thorny vegetation; stumps, limbs larger than 6' or thicker than 4"; small loose items such as grass, leaves, weeds, bark, pine/fir needles, etc. No noxious weeds like scotchbroom or English ivy, etc.

If you are signed up for yard waste service, please make maximum use of your cart before placing brush in a pile. Place your oversized brush in a loose pile at the curb or within five feet of the drivable portion of the roadway for pickup. Make sure the pile isn't in the street or blocking access to mailboxes or fire hydrants.

For more information, visit the **University Place Refuse and Recycling website**.

Sniff Out and Report Pollution

To ensure the health and safety of our stormwater system and waterways, residents are encouraged to identify and eliminate sources of pollution. This includes reporting discharges, spills or dumping of illegal substances into our storm drains. These kinds of items are often identified by:

- Chemical smells
- Foamy residues
- Oily sheen or colored liquids
- Sewage odors
- Muddy construction runoff

Call the City's Illicit Discharge Hotline at 253.208.7925 to report suspicious discharges. City staff will respond, investigate the source and clean up any ongoing pollution.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

AGENDA ITEMS

- DTNW Sponsorships Agreement
- G&O Contract Amendment - Chambers Creek Canyon Trail
- Opioid Abatement Settlement Update (CMR)
- Council Rules of Procedure Amendments
- HB-1110 (Middle Housing) Legislative Compliance

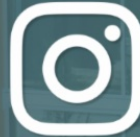


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