# Headlines

News from University Place City Hall



**September 15, 2021** 

**Re-visit Our Anniversary Party Fun** 



If you missed the City of U.P.'s special 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration during the Aug. 25 Music on the Square concert (and even if you were there), be sure to watch this special **recap video** of the event. It captures the smiles, the music, the dancing and the fun the evening offered. More than that, as Council Member Kent Keel said, it is a reminder that over the course of the City's last 25 years, "It's just really special to know that we had a plan, we stuck to the plan and we delivered on the plan. That's what it's all about."

# **City Council Hybrid Meetings**

On Sept. 7, the U.P. City Council held its first hybrid meeting, combining both in-person and remote attendance. This format will continue for the foreseeable future, with the next hybrid meeting scheduled for Monday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

For those who choose to participate in the meeting in person, masks are required. Seating in the Council Chambers has been arranged to make



physical distancing possible. Those who wish to participate remotely can find the evening's agenda and instructions on how to join the meeting on the City's **Events Calendar** when it's available, typically the Friday before the meeting. Questions or comments to be submitted to the Council remotely must be received by City Clerk Emy Genetia no later than 5:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting to be included in the evening's agenda.

# UNIVERSITY PLACE HYBRID CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, Sept. 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

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**Mayor Pro Tem Steve Worthington** 









**Council Member Denise McCluskey** 



**Stan Flemming** 

**U.P. POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS** 

# PUBLIC SAFETY FORUM

Share your ideas and concerns about Public Safety here in University Place, plus learn about department updates from Police Chief Greg Premo.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, 6 P.M. SAVE THE DATE | LOCATION T.B.D.



# **Swing with Moana One More Time**

Relive the fun and smiles of Movie Night in the Park with this **short video**. Watch Moana give hula lessons to eager young dancers, envy the ice cream, and watch as families snuggle under blankets and settle in for a free showing of Disney's "Moana." This two-minute video is a great reminder of the special events that make University Place such a great Place to be!



**West Pierce Fire & Rescue 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony** 

Members of the community joined U.P. Mayor Pro Tem Steve Worthington and West Pierce Fire & Rescue personnel in a moving commemoration ceremony on the  $20^{\mbox{th}}$  Anniversary of 9/11.

The event was held in 9/11 Reflection Park in front of the West Pierce Station 31 on Drexler Drive, where a steel beam from the twin towers is on display. It honored the 2,977 lives lost on Sept. 11, 2001, including 343 firefighters, 60 police officers and 55 military personnel.

West Pierce Fire & Rescue (WPFR) Chaplain Rich Carbone provided the invocation. Following remarks by Mayor Pro Tem Worthington, WPFR Fire Chief Jim Sharp and WPFR firefighter Greg Reimann, the attendees stood in silence for a moving tribute that included a ringing of the fire bell and a solemn bagpipe salute.





### What's UP with Biz?

The Collected Home, a source for creative home décor, will host a special outdoor Pop-Up Shop on Saturday, Sept. 25 from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at their new location at 7902 27th St. W., Suite #9.

Check out the unique creations of several different vendors who offer everything from artwork to hair care products, eye wear, soaps and photography. There will also be live music by Scotty Weber as well as great food.



The boutique will also host a special open house celebration on Thursday, Sept. 30 from 5 to 6 p.m. Discover lots of ways to bring creative, one-of-a-kind design to your home. For more details, be sure to follow them on **Facebook**.

# 2021 University Place Fall Clean-UP and CANNED FOOD DRIVE!

#### When:

Residents NORTH of 40th St W. Saturday,

Oct. 2 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Residents SOUTH of 40th St W. Saturday, Oct. 9 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dispose of and/or recycle some unwanted items and yard waste for FREE!

#### **CLEAN-UP RULES:**

- LIMIT: 1 load per household for all items EXCEPT for yard waste only loads
- Help us be good neighbors by securing & covering all loads
- For safety reasons, children and pets MUST remain in vehicles
- Photo I.D. WILL BE REQUIRED
- No liquids, paint, or hazardous materials (car batteries are OK)
- No loads larger than a regular pickup truck or equivalent small trailer will be allowed
- No regular household garbage will be allowed
- Residential items only NO commercial material or loads will be allowed
- The size of items cannot exceed 5' in any direction (except for appliances and furniture)
- No fuel tanks, enclosed barrels or drums of any kind. Water heaters and propane tanks are OK

# PLEASE SEPARATE ITEMS INTO THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES FOR RECYCLING:

- Wood items: clean, unpainted lumber, pallets, etc.
- Metal items: scrap steel, appliances, lawn mowers, barbecues, plumbing, etc
- Yard waste: limbs, grass, leaves, other vegetation, no stumps or limbs larger than 4" in diameter
  - No DIRT, ROCKS, SOD, BLACKBERRIES, SCOTCHBROOM, or OTHER NOXIOUS WEEDS
- Tires: with or without rims
- Concrete, brick, and stone
- Car batteries

# **September is "Puget Sound Starts Here" Month!**



Pollution from car tires that flows into our waterways is extremely poisonous to Coho salmon. Research shows that the newly discovered toxic chemical associated with tires (6PPD-quinone) is the reason large numbers of salmon are dying in Northwest creeks before they have a chance to spawn. That's why

this year's Puget Sound Starts Here Month campaign is focused on vehicle-related pollutants.

With three small changes to how we drive and take care of our cars, we can keep



pollution out of our creeks, lakes, rivers and Puget Sound. When it rains, pollution from cars wash into storm drains, and then straight into local streams, lakes, rivers, and Puget Sound. Pollutants like oil, car wash soaps and chemicals, and bits of tire dust are bad for water quality and harm people and wildlife, like salmon and orcas, that depend on clean water to survive.

When you wash your car, the rinse water contains harmful pollutants like oil, grease, heavy metals and soaps. If you wash your car on the street or in your driveway, the pollutants run on the street and into the storm drain, and then flow untreated into our local creeks, lakes, rivers and Puget Sound. In most communities it's actually illegal to let that soapy water enter a storm drain. Here are two things you can do instead:

- Take your car to a commercial car wash. Commercial car washes are required to treat their dirty wash water.
- If using a commercial car wash isn't an option, wash your car in a grassy area. The grass and soil will soak up the wash water, preventing it from running down the street into a storm drain.

For more information about taking care of your car in an environmentally-friendly way, visit **Puget Sound Starts with Car Care**.

# Jazz in the Village

Jazz in the Village takes place on Wednesdays from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the Civic Building Atrium! Stop by for a free concert during the lunchtime hour with Eugene Bien on the piano and new featured guests every week!

- Sept. 22 Jennifer Lind and Eugene Bien (Pop, Jazz)
- Sept. 29 Anjali Silva and Eugene Bien (Latin, Brazilian)



## **Do Your Part and Get the Shot**



# What do I need to know about each kind of vaccine?

Vaccines provide excellent protection against severe illness or death from COVID-19. That means a vaccine is your best chance of returning to normal life.

Each is a little different, but your best choice is the vaccine that's available to you now.

- Pfizer:
  - Authorized for people 12 years or older.
  - Requires 2 doses at least 21 days apart.
- Moderna:
  - Authorized for people 18 years or older.
  - Requires 2 doses at least 28 days apart.
- Johnson & Johnson:
  - Authorized for people 18 years or older.
  - Requires 1 dose.

Find your vaccine at **tpchd.org/vaxtothefuture**!

# **Flashvote**

Have you signed up for FlashVote? It's not too late!



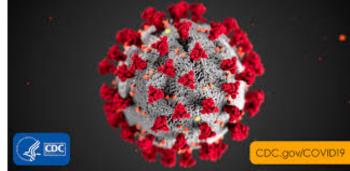
Surveys take less than a minute and give participants an opportunity to weigh in on issues within our local community.



Sign up now to take part in upcoming surveys!

### **Get the Facts: COVID Resources**

As the nation and our region continue to battle the COVID-19 outbreak, be sure to stay informed with accurate information from these official sources:



- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control offers the latest facts and information about COVID-19, including information on travel and return to school or work.

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- The **Governor's Office** provides details about on-going response efforts throughout the State of Washington, including the State's Risk Assessment Dashboard.
- The Washington State Department of Health provides updated statistics on the occurrence of COVID-19 across the State, as well as testing data.
- The Tacoma-Pierce County Department of Health and Pierce County Government provide important local information on testing sites, phased re-opening status and CARES Act funding to support recovery efforts.
- The City of University Place's dedicated COVID-19 info page includes valuable information on resources for businesses and residents, such as local school meal sites and Tacoma Public Utilities' contact information for payment plans or assistance.





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