



# The Town Crier

City of Algona

FEBRUARY 2016

## PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Beginning 2016, payment arrangements will only be accepted **once during a 12 month period.**

Unfortunately, due to the increasing amount of past due accounts, it has become necessary to enforce this policy. It is not our intent to create a hardship, however, it is important to maintain accounts in good standing to avoid liens and/or collection procedures.

### FACT:

Keeping pollutants out of the water isn't just a good idea-it's the law. The Washington State Water Pollution Control Law (RCW 90.48) and the King County Code (KCC 9.12) prohibit the discharge of pollutants to the storm drainage system, surface water and groundwater. Direct dumping of material or polluted stormwater can negatively affect every water body it enters.



## Boeing Auburn Fabrication Site Cleanup

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### Boeing Auburn Fabrication Site Cleanup Update Open House Saturday, February 27, 10 am - 2 pm

Do you want to learn more about the groundwater investigation in Auburn and Algona? Please join the Washington State Department of Ecology at a drop-in open house, where you can see informational displays about the contaminated groundwater study and speak with people from Ecology, state and federal health officials, and the Algona Public Awareness Coalition. Stop by any time to learn more and ask questions.

**When:** February 27, 2016, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Where:** Alpac Elementary School Gym, 310 Milwaukee Blvd N, Pacific, WA 98047

Displays in English and Spanish, with staff interpreters available. Childcare will be provided.



[Bit.ly/EcyBoeingAuburn](http://Bit.ly/EcyBoeingAuburn)

To request ADA accommodation or materials in a format for the visually impaired, call Hannah Waterstrat at (360) 407-7668, Relay Service 711, or TTY 877-833-6341.

### Help with other languages?

ने तुमों शिउ साखकरी पनाथी दिँर लेडी चागे. उा एीकेलेनी सटाव दे किसे भेचर अउे ईँर दुडारीएे नाल गँल करन दसरे किरपा करके 425-649-7181 'उे काल करे। किरपा करके नेट करे. दुडारीएे उक पलुँरए लडी एीकेलेनी नुँ किसे खाररी पारटी नुँ काल करन एी लेउ हेंदेगी. निस दिँर ईँर मिँट उक लेँग सकल है।

Kung nais mo ang impormasyon na ito sa Tagalog, pakitawagan ang 425-649-7181 upang makipag-usap sa isang tauhang miyembro ng Ekolohiya at isang tagapagsalin ng wika. Pakibigyang pansin, manganangailangan ang Ekolohiya na dumayal ng isang nase labas na partido upang maabot ang isang tagapagsalin ng wika, na mearing abutin ng hanggang isang minuto.

Якщо ви хочете отримати цю інформацію українською мовою, будь ласка, зателефонуйте 425-649-7181. щоб поговорити зі співробітником Департаменту Екології та перекладачем. Будь ласка, зверніть увагу, що співробітнику Департаменту Екології необхідно буде запросити для розмови перекладача, що може зайняти до однієї хвилини.

Si necesita información en español, favor de contactar a Luis Buen Abad al 425 649-4485.

### Algona City Council

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The Algona City Council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

The Council conducts workshop sessions the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall

All meetings of the City Council are open to the public

**Council Meetings**  
2nd & 4th Tuesday

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[www.algonawa.gov](http://www.algonawa.gov)



### RATE INCREASES

Due to escalated rates for the purchase of water, as well as King County sewer increases, residential utility rates have increased. Water rates have increased 10%, sewer rates increased 15%, and storm water rates have increased \$2.00. New rates will begin January 2016. Commercial/Industrial rates have increased as well.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

February 13th..... Sweetheart Social at the Filipino Hall  
103 6th Ave N, Algona—5 PM to 8:30 PM  
Come enjoy The Islanders Steel Drum Band while enjoying a delicious spaghetti dinner at this FREE and FAMILY oriented event!



February 20th.....Bricks 4 Kidz  
Council Chambers Algona City Hall  
402 Warde St—10 AM.  
Please sign up at City Hall. Space is limited.

March 19th.....Easter Egg Hunt at Matchett Park  
11 AM ages 2-4; 11:15 AM ages 5-7; 11:30 AM ages 8-12  
We are seeking sponsors to donate prizes such as non-gender specific Easter baskets, games, pre-packaged candy and stuffed animals. Donations need to be received by Tuesday, March 15th.



I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself and express my excitement about being your new City of Algona Event Coordinator. My name is Noah St. Martin and I have been a part of the Algona Public Works crew since 2010. I was given this exciting opportunity and I look forward to bringing you fun community events. If you ever have any comments, questions, or concerns, I am available for phone calls and meetings. I would love to hear your input about the events and activities we provide.



## Mayor's Message for February 2016

### Community Center Update

Building a new community center has been a challenge, but we will prevail. We have been working on receiving grants and other funds to minimize the amount of money we will need to borrow to complete the project, completing a State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) checklist, determining the size and layout we can both afford and fits with our environmental issues and getting ready to apply for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). For those residents and staff that like to proof my message every month, I know that the previous sentence is a run on sentence!! Just trying to illustrate the many issues we are facing to get this project built for the people of Algona.

### Grants and other funds

We have been working to obtain funds from various sources. So far, we have been awarded a \$125,000 grant by the State Legislature for the preliminary work, helping to defray current costs. We have also been awarded a \$500,000 grant by the State Legislature for the building of the Community Center. We received a grant from the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) that we had to return because of the federal regulations and the cost of administering the grant would have exceeded the amount we would have received.

We hope to get this grant again after the completion of the building, when there will be less regulation to comply with. The CDBG grant would have required us to make the whole building comply with all federal regulations, once the building is mostly completed, it would only impact the final stages and simplify the proving that the money was spent only on the Community Center part of the building.

### SEPA

We have completed most of the work on the SEPA. We will be issuing it for general public comment by the end of the month (hopefully!). While we are waiting for the release of the SEPA and the required comment period, we are moving ahead with some of the other issues.

### Financing and CUP

Besides seeking additional grants, we have retained a consulting firm to help us finalize our financing. They are awaiting the final design so that we can more accurately predict the costs. We also have to reach final design in the next couple of months so that we can start the CUP process. Once we have the CUP, we will be able to finalize our cost estimates which is necessary to complete the financing. What a tangled web of requirements to build a simple Community Center and City Hall.

### Remaining Tasks

After we get everything here done, we will have to prepare the bid documents, bid out the project, award the project and then build the project! All of these tasks will be in 2017 since we are already at the time when we need to be bidding the project if we were going to build in 2016.

### Coffee with the Mayor

Coffee with the Mayor is Sunday, February 21 from 10 to noon. January's coffee with the Mayor went well and there were over 10 residents that stopped by to speak with me. We discussed many different topics and enjoyed coffee and donuts. I hope to see you at the February coffee, where one subject will be football withdrawal methods!!

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Office Hours:  
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8:00 AM - 5:00 PM





Don't Forget  
Free Popcorn  
Fridays!

# FEBRUARY 2016

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 Council Workshop 6 PM Council Meeting 7 PM	10	11 Planning Commission 6:30 PM	12	13 Sweetheart Social Filipino Hall 5 pm to 8:30 pm
14	15 CITY HALL CLOSED	16 Penalties posted for past due December bills and notices mailed	17	18	19	20 Bricks 4 Kids Council Chambers 10 am
21 Coffee with the Mayor Council Chambers 10 am	22 Disconnect notices for past due December bills	23 Council Workshop 6 PM Council Meeting 7 PM	24 Water shut off for past due December bills	25	26	27
28	29					