



The Town Crier

City of Algona

MARCH 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.

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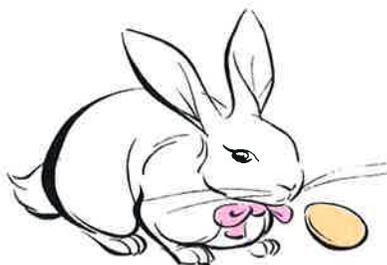
Keeping pollutants out of the water isn't just a good idea-it's the law. The Washington State Water Pollution Control Law (RCW 90.48) and the King County Code (KCC 9.12) prohibit the discharge of pollutants to the storm drainage system, surface water and groundwater. Direct dumping of material or polluted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

Easter Egg Hunt

*Saturday, March 19, 2016—Matchett Memorial Park
402 Warde Street (Behind City Hall)*

Age Groups & Time: 11 AM(2-4); 11:15 AM(5-7);

11:30 AM(8-12)



Bring the kids with their baskets and hop on over to the park for our annual Easter Egg Hunt.

Search for the **GOLDEN EGG** to win a prize! We are seeking sponsors to donate grand prizes such as non-gender specific Easter baskets, children's games, pre-packaged chocolate bunnies, or Easter-style stuffed animals. Donations need to be received in City Hall no later than Tuesday, March 15th. If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 253-833-2897. Dust off the baskets and get ready to hunt.

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



Auburn School District Early Learning Fair

March 10, 2016; 6 PM to 7:30 PM

Auburn High School Commons—711 East Main St, Auburn

The Auburn School District is hosting an Early Learning Fair for parents/guardians of children ages birth through preschool age. The event is scheduled for Thursday, March 10th from 6 PM to 7:30 PM at Auburn Senior High School Commons located at 711 East Main Street, Auburn. Free dinner to include delicious side dishes and dessert will be provided. Dinner will be served between 5:45 and 6:30 PM.

The fair will offer families the opportunity to talk to community childcare and early learning specialists about community resources. Fun activities will be provided for children by local child care providers and teaching professionals. The school district, in collaboration with kindergarten teachers and early learning specialists, will provide information pertinent to preschool development and kindergarten readiness. Resources for early literacy and strategies for parents to prepare their child for kindergarten will also be available. A special visit from “The Reading Magician” is also planned! Pre-registration is encouraged. Please contact Chelsea Vanderford to register at 253-931-4950, or email Chelsea directly at cvanderford@auburn.wednet.edu. Please provide the number of attendees when you pre-register. Tickets for the free dinner will be issued when you check in at the fair.

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. Thanks!

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE FOR MARCH 2016

City Council to Reconsider Fireworks Regulations and Smoking Ban in Parks

The City Council has requested that administration prepare a fireworks ordinance that is essentially the same as the City of Auburn and City of Pacific. The Valley Regional Fire Authority has requested that we make our ordinance similar to other cities in an effort to make enforcement easier. Our city attorney is working on the document and it will be presented to City Council at the March 22 meeting. Also on the agenda will be discussion regarding a smoking ban in city parks. In an effort to promote healthier lifestyles so that all citizens, including children and youth, can enjoy the parks, the City Council will be considering a tobacco free park policy. Tobacco free and smoke free parks are becoming the norm across Washington State, so it is important to address this issue.

Traffic Calming to be considered by City Council

Following requests by residents, the City Council will be discussing methods of slowing traffic in neighborhoods and possible legislation on what the requirements are for implementing these tactics. They will have their first workshop on this subject on March 22 at 6 PM. Traffic calming tactics can include speed bumps, traffic circles, narrowing lanes and other measures.

Now is the time to be involved if you want to have any input on the subject. Come to the workshop, attend city council meetings and voice your opinion. If you cannot attend, send your comments to the City Council by email to sadies@algonawa.gov, or mail to Algona City Hall, 402 Warde Street, Algona, WA 98001, or you may also deliver your comments to City Hall in person.

Your City Council is interested in your comments on existing or pending legislation.

City Council to consider ordinance banning use of "Jake Brakes"

"Jake Brake" is a type of braking system that opens exhaust valves in the engine, releasing compressed air trapped in the cylinders, and slowing the vehicle. As a result, this braking method can produce high levels of noise. The City Council will be discussing a ban on the use of "jake brakes" at the March 22nd workshop. Please attend if you would like to make any comment.

Coffee with the Mayor

Coffee with the Mayor is Sunday, March 13, from 4 PM to 6 PM. Drop in for refreshments and discussion on any issue whether it's a complaint, question, suggestion, or praise. This is your opportunity to meet with me for any reason!

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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6	7	8 Council Workshop 6 PM Council Meeting 7 PM	9	10 Planning Commission 6:30 PM	11	12
13 Coffee With the Mayor—Council Chambers—4 pm to 6 pm	14	15 Penalties posted for past due January bills and notices mailed	16	17	18	19 Easter Egg Hunt— Matchett Park—11 am
20	21 Disconnect notices for past due January bills	22 Council Workshop 6 PM Council Meeting 7 PM	23 Water shut off for past due January bills	24	25	26
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