

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

A NEW TOWN HALL

This fall, the Council and I have been moving forward with the new Town Hall project. It is my opinion that this project's mission is threefold: (1) to build a facility that is safe and comfortable for our staff as well as being aesthetically compatible in a residential neighborhood; (2) create a floor plan that is compact and efficient; (3) redesign the current property so that public open spaces are more accessible while also complementing the adjacent urban forest.

We presented three preliminary sketches during the community fair so residents could evaluate them and provide feedback. The Council and I are satisfied with the direction the project is taking and have recently engaged our architects, GGLO of Seattle, to

complete the final design of the facility as well as administer the contract bidding process, construction management, and cost containment.

Three community meetings were scheduled so that residents could learn more about the preliminary (not final) design of the building as well as understand the financial strategy for financing the construction. We have one meeting left and would love for as many interested residents as possible to attend.

The meeting will be held on Saturday, November 12 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the home of Bill & Ruth Anderson. Please R.S.V.P. to Town Hall at 206-542-4443 or townhall@townofwoodway.com if you plan to attend.

There is also an opportunity to talk directly with our architectural professionals. We have scheduled a one hour All-Town Workshop on Monday, November 14 from 6-7 p.m. so that the design team can share their assessment conclusions on our current facility, considerations for the new building, and design elements.

One of the exciting aspects of this project is that the Town will be financing either a 25- or 30-year bond to cover the costs of construction, design, sales tax, etc. The bond can be sold locally and it is our goal to finance as much of the bond as possible from local investors. In this shaky economy, I would assert that the little Town of Woodway is a darn good investment! If you are interested, please Continued on page 2



Preliminary Town Hall Design

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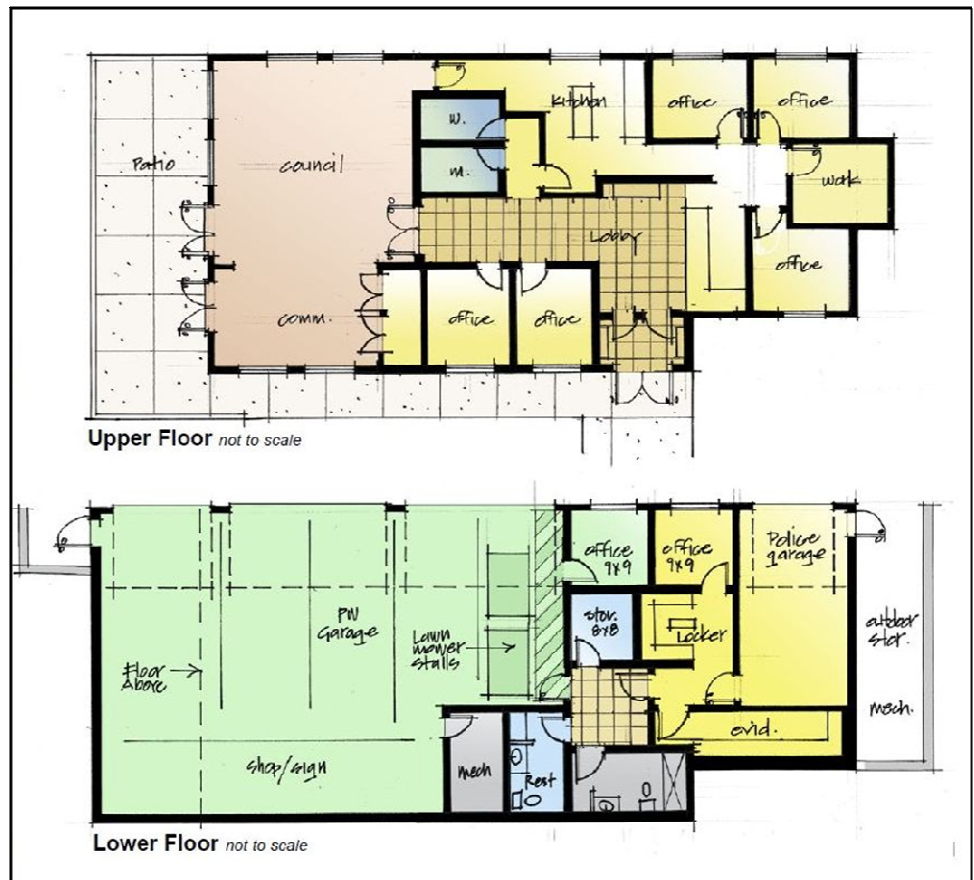
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attend one of the remaining meetings or alert Town staff of your interests for bond purchase.

We are going to have a new building that will reflect what a great community we have. Not only will residents enjoy a beautiful new facility, but the new Town Hall will have the capacity to serve as a community center that residents may enjoy for private functions. I invite you to join the Council and me as we move forward. See you at the community meeting or the All-Town Workshop.



Right: Proposed floor plans
for new Town Hall



POINT WELLS UPDATE

In our previous update, we noted that the owners of Point Wells (BSRE) and Snohomish County elected not to appeal a ruling by the Growth Management Hearings Board. The Board ruled that Snohomish County failed to comply with its own codes and the State's Growth Management Act when it designated Point Wells as an Urban Center. The Board also held that the County's environmental analysis under the State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) was inadequate.

BRSE and the County have stated

that they believe the proposed Point Wells development application is protected from the Board's ruling (i.e., "vested") because they submitted their application prior to the Board's ruling.

Since our last update, the Town Council has decided to work with the community group Save Richmond Beach and to file a lawsuit seeking a court ruling on whether BSRE's application is vested. The Town's lawsuit will be heard by a Superior Court Judge Dean Lum at the King County

Courthouse, located at 4th & James in Seattle, at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 23rd. We encourage residents to attend. It is unclear whether Judge Lum will issue a ruling at that time, or whether the Judge's ruling will occur at a later date.

If you have additional questions about the Town's efforts, please contact our Town Administrator, Eric Faison, at 206-542-4443 or eric@townofwoodway.com. You can also submit a comment to the Mayor or Council at townhall@townofwoodway.com.

2012 BUDGET

The proposed budget for 2012 is a “hold the course” document. There are no major changes; Town staff, Council, and Mayor are all committed to continuing the same limited, yet high quality, level of services.

Here is a quick comparison between 2011 and 2012 revenues and expenditures:

REVENUE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Taxes, fees & permits, and intergovernmental revenues are increasing by 1%.
- The remaining revenue categories remain the same or are decreasing for 2012.

EXPENDITURE HIGHLIGHTS:

- The expenditures are relatively the same as they were in 2011.
- Local programs/services that the Town provides directly have been reduced. General

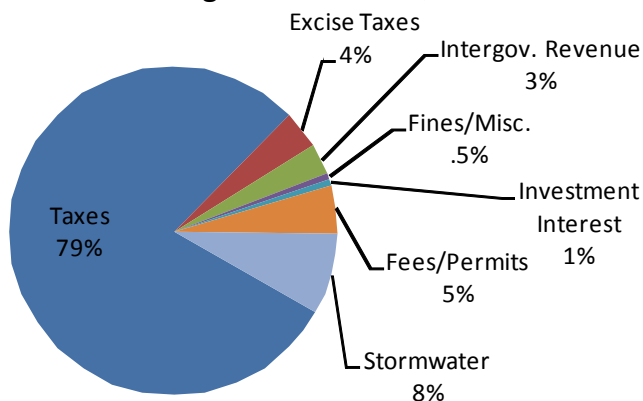
government and public works expenditures have both been reduced by 1%. Contract services have increased (legal costs for land use and public safety have both increased for 2012).

- Our fire, emergency services, and police expenditures are increasing. The tax increase that residents approved in 2009 was intended to help maintain service levels in the future, but unfortunately is instead being used to absorb these increases. We are not alone with the challenge of financing expensive public safety services. Accordingly, the Council has joined other jurisdictions in researching the possibility of all the south Snohomish County cities forming a regional fire authority. Fire & emergency medical services are the Town’s single greatest expense, with

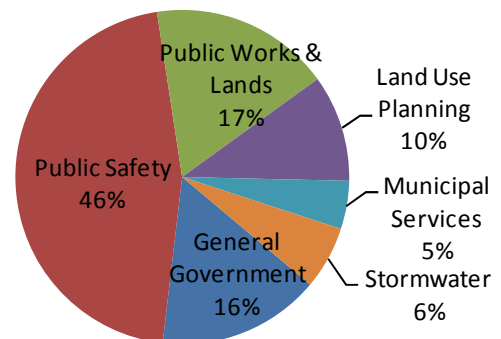
the highest rate of annual increases.

- Woodway is part of a regional emergency response program. Both our county wide emergency radio system and the 911 call center are implementing equipment upgrades for police radios, computers, and software. These expenditures have been added for 2011 and 2012.
- Staff salaries remain the same as in 2011. Medical and retirement benefit rates have increased by approximately 9%. The benefit rates are generated at the state level and passed on to local cities.
- Small equipment purchases in the Public Works Department and the striping of our streets are the only requests for new expenditures.

2012 Program Revenues \$1.5 million



2012 Program Budget Expense \$1.4 million



THE 2011 WOODWAY FAIR WAS A SUCCESS



Thank you for joining us for the 11th Annual Woodway Fair - the parade was joyous, boats were raced, ponies were ridden, pies were eaten, friends were made - see you next year!



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO MADE THE FAIR GREAT

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the 11th Annual Woodway Fair!

Special thanks go to Kelli Terry, chair of the Fair Committee; Jan Teal, Val Rader, Brenda Bush, & Carolyn Echelbarger, Fair Food Committee; John Bush & Dean Nichols, 2011 Regatta Captains; the members of the Woodway Town Council and Planning Commission who cooked

and served the barbeque lunch; Annika Karr, chair of the Pie Contest; the Woodway Public Works crew who set up all of the tents, tables, chairs, and more; the student volunteers who ran our children's activities; and all of our wonderful sponsors.

When you are out and about, please take the time to thank our generous sponsors whose donations allow us to put on such a great Town Fair.

2011 Town Fair Sponsors:

PSE

PACE Engineers

Landau Associates

QFC Edmonds

Five Bistro

The Wooden Spoon

Nama's Candy Store

Revelations Yogurt



Kelli Terry, chair of the Fair Committee. Thanks, Kelli, for all of your hard work!



Brenda Bush & Carolyn Echelbarger, Fair Food Committee. Thanks, ladies, for keeping us fed and happy!



Your hard-working Town Council and Planning Commission members prepare the barbeque lunch.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PIE CONTEST WINNERS!



Thanks to all who entered; the pies were delicious.

First prize went to Pat Tallon [pictured at left] of Woodway Park Road for his cherry pie.

Second prize went to Jill Jacobson [pictured at right] of 239th Place W. for her apple pie.



WEATHER ALERT: The experts tell us that this winter is going to be wetter and colder than the last. Better to prepare outside pipes, plants, and so on now. November has arrived . . . time is running out!

PUBLIC WORKS NEWS: ATTENTION RESIDENTS: GET READY FOR CHANGE!

It's been documented that humans don't like change, especially unplanned changes to our environment. Many residents view Timberlane Road and Woodway Park Road as Woodway's "main street," particularly those who frequently drive the north/south route through Town.

A section of our tree-lined main street will soon look very different. Unfortunately, a serious root disease has infected a stand of cedar trees that are on the west side of Park Road (near the Rosary Heights property). While no one wants to see these trees removed, we have few choices and it's important to act now before further damage occurs.

There are 35 mature Port Orford Cedar trees that are infected with a

root fungus, *Phytophthora lateralis*. Three certified arborists have confirmed the presence of this fungus. The foliage of infected trees first appears slightly lighter in color, then withers, turns bronze, and finally, light brown, working its way throughout the crown of the tree.

Infected trees are often attacked by bark beetles, which speed or alter the rate of drying. Another hazard is that recently killed trees are predisposed to wind-throw (wind damage). All of these conditions create hazardous trees and are subject to removal according to the Town's Tree Preservation Ordinance.

The only way to eliminate the disease from the infected area is to remove the entire tree and root

system. Most, if not all, of these 35 cedar trees will die within the next 3 to 5 years. Removing the infected trees and replanting another less susceptible species is the preferred solution.

The property owner at 23120 Woodway Park Road has submitted a plan to remove these trees. The plan includes tree, stump, and root removal plus a very aggressive replanting plan. The owner will plant 35 new trees, all of which will be 10-14 feet in height at time of planting.

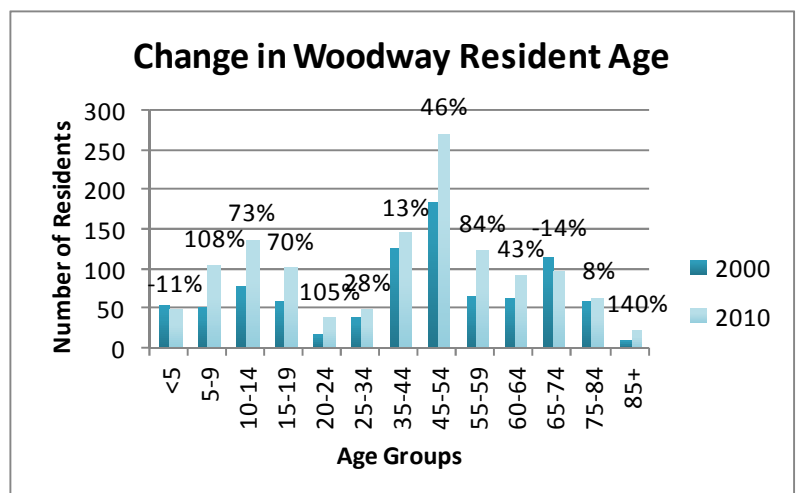
While we all hate to see these majestic cedar trees removed, it is for the best. The Town appreciates the property owners' cooperation in addressing this issue and agreeing to replant healthy and reasonably tall replacement trees.

THE CHANGING FACE OF WOODWAY

According to figures from the 2010 U.S. Census, Woodway is slightly younger and more culturally diverse than it was 10 years ago.

While Woodway's overall population grew 40% from 2000 to 2010, its young population grew at a more rapid pace. The population of children from 5 through 24 years of age increased approximately 90%. The percentages listed at right represent the change in population from 2000 to 2010.

Woodway's population is also more culturally diverse, with the percent of non-white residents increasing from 6% to 12%.



TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

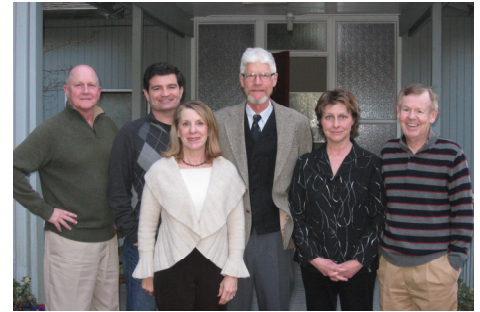
General Government: Heard a presentation by a citizen task-force on their recommendation regarding the potential new Town Hall building. Authorized the mayor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding for inter-jurisdictional housing committee participation. Mayor Nichols presented the 2012 preliminary budget.

Public Works & Lands: Council authorized the mayor to request an NPDES [federal stormwater

regulations] waiver. Held a public hearing on and passed Resolution #11-356, approving the 2012-2017 Six Year Street Plan.

Land Use & Planning: Agreed to proceed with litigation regarding the Point Wells Urban Center Declaratory Judgment.

Public Safety: Authorized the mayor to sign the interlocal agreement with SNOCOM for 911 services. Authorized the mayor to sign the interlocal agreement with Snohomish County relating to



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prisoner transport services.

Building & Municipal Services: Adopted Ordinance #11-529, amending the allowed secondary building/property uses.

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTES

The Planning Commission has completed their update of the Shoreline Master Program. The Shoreline Master Program lays out policies and regulations for the Town's shoreline areas [200' landward of the high water mark]

and also for the shoreline areas in the Town's Municipal Urban Growth Area [MUGA].

The Town's MUGA includes the Point Wells land in unincorporated Snohomish County. The policies

and regulations would only apply to Point Wells if the Town were to annex the area in the future.

A public hearing will be held in December to present the plan to the public.

THE GARDENER In memory of C. Edward Simons, MD (1923-2011)

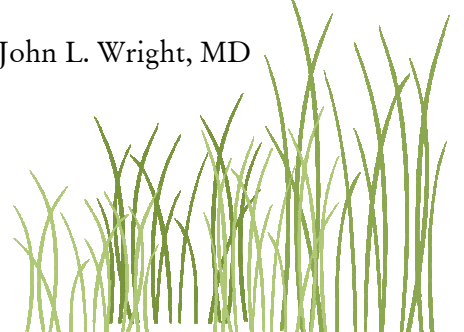
Dr. John Wright, our Town poet, has penned a memorial poem for long time resident, Dr. C. Edward Simons who recently passed away. Dr. Simons and his wife, Carol, have resided in Woodway for 48 years. During that time, they have owned two beautiful properties, raised their children here, and were active in many Town functions.

Your advice, mostly unasked for
but often welcome and helpful:
it's better to break a bracken stem
than root it out,
you can train that green lace leaf
upward, like a child, or that
espalier pear tree around a corner.
You explained the fuzz on
the under-leaf of rhododendrons,
the fishtail ones on Lem's Cameo,
my blood-dark rhodie is named
after a murderous Zulu chief.

With retirement we met on walks,
you in your fine casual wear,
me in Levi's and Costco socks.
We'd touch politics, human nature,
why clover is good for fescue,
dead maple branches burn hot, hot.
I see your garden miraculous, Ed,
so much life, so little light,
hemmed in, as it were, by woods.
Your collection of heath, heather,
rhododendrons and camellias,
the colorful show of scented lilies.

But, Ed, Ed, I never did get
why you heard barking dogs say,
"Ralph, Ralph," "Ralph, Ralph."

John L. Wright, MD





TOWN OF WOODWAY

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Woodway, WA 98020

FALL 2011 NEWSLETTER



TOWN INFORMATION

TOWN HALL DIRECTORY:

Class	Code City
County	Snohomish
Population	1307
Business Hours	9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Town Hall Phone	206.542.4443
Town Hall Fax	206.546.9453
Town Hall Email	townhall@townofwoodway.com
Website	www.townofwoodway.com
Public Works Dept Phone	206.542.0183
Public Works Dept Email	publicworks@townofwoodway.com
Police Dept Email	police@townofwoodway.com
Permit Email	permits@townofwoodway.com
Mayor	Carla A. Nichols
Council Meets	1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Chair	Robert Allen
Planning Commission Meets	1st Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

TOWN HALL STAFF:

Town Administrator	Eric A. Faison
Clerk Treasurer	Joyce Bielefeld
Deputy Clerk/Permit Technician	Heidi K. S. Napolitano
Public Works Director	Terrance R. Bryant, Jr.
Public Works Crew	Bryan Thomas, Jessie Thomas
Town Attorney	Wayne Tanaka
Building Official/Plan Checker	Tom Phillips
Building Inspector	Scott Dorrance
Police Chief	Doug Hansen
Fire Marshal	John Westfall
Town Planner	Bill Trimm
Town Engineer	PACE Engineers
Town Arborist	Elizabeth Walker
Town Hearing Examiner	John Galt
EMERGENCY	911

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Bill Anderson, Elizabeth Mitchell, Mike Quinn, Kent Saltonstall, Tom Whitson

LOCATIONS OF THE TOWN BULLETIN BOARDS:

Town Hall Front Porch
Woodway Park Road at Algonquin Road
North end of Chinook Road
Bella Coola Road west of Makah Road

Timberlane Road at 240th Street S.W.
114th Avenue W. at 239th Place S.W.
Willowick Road, north side