# WOODWAY WHISPER

TOWN OF WOODWAY

# MAYOR'S MESSAGE

# TOWN UPDATE: FINDING A NEW NORMAL

I can't believe the second Whisper for 2020 is coming out so late in the spring, but our usual timeline for communication was interrupted by the Governor's COVID-19 orders. While Woodway has remained its typical "quiet" self, we are definitely part of the larger world and that world is changing daily. We all mourn the death of George Floyd and strive in our own personal way to address the many injustices that are being exposed in our country today. I trust that each of you will approach our country's efforts to address equality with compassion, reflective thoughts, and appropriate action.

You may be wondering if the Town has actually been in operation since mid-March. Things look pretty quiet at Town Hall, not a lot of coming and going plus the weeds along the streets have been growing at record pace. The Governor's orders in late March required a shift in on-site activity to only address "essential services." Policing and public safety issues were the only focus of staff working in Woodway for several weeks; Public Works staff were limited to checking the Town's roads for safety issues,

stormwater management, and park safety.

When Town Hall closed, the office staff worked to set up work-from-home procedures. All the usual activities of the Clerk's office and permit counter were shifted to electronic transactions and working remotely. Applications for various permits and building activities were received and processed even though the Governor's orders prohibited contractors from starting new projects.

Our elected officials were also affected by the Governor's orders and could only deliberate on essential matters. All public meetings had to be remote, so now our meetings are held via a live-streaming application. Residents are able to participate in these meetings with a bit of advanced planning. Check the website for dates of meetings and instructions on how to "log in" to the meeting.

Now that Snohomish County has entered Phase 2 of reopening, our usual activities have resumed. Staff have been issued personal protective equipment and are following the Governor's orders for workplace safety, including physical distancing measures and additional workspace disinfection. While Town Hall remains closed, we are planning for re-opening in Phase 3, as allowed by the Governor's reopening schedule. Please see the article on page 6 that details how to access Town services now and in the future.

I must admit it feels good to be communicating with all of you. I hope our Woodway families are healthy, busy trying to create "normal," and eagerly getting outside to enjoy our walking paths.

Stay positive and continue to work on protecting yourself and others.



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# POLICE CHIEF'S MESSAGE ON CURRENT EVENTS

By Doug Hansen, Police Chief

Woodway Residents,

Like many of you, I was deeply disturbed and shocked by the video of George Floyd's arrest and untimely death in Minneapolis. Police take an oath to protect and serve the public, and that did not happen in Minneapolis.

As a member of the Snohomish County Sheriff and Police Chief's Association, I suggested to the Association's members that we write a letter to all residents of the county regarding police conduct in the George Floyd case, to give the people of Snohomish County an idea of how we collectively feel and to provide the public with

assurances that we would not condone the type of conduct that resulted in his death. The letter was signed by the Sheriff and all the police chiefs in Snohomish County. You can read this letter on our website: <a href="https://www.townofwoodway.com/Documents/police/SCSPCA%">https://www.townofwoodway.com/Documents/police/SCSPCA%</a>
20Message%20Floyd,pdf.

With the killing in Minneapolis and others throughout the nation, there has been an understandable number of questions raised about police policies and procedures. Because the Town contracts with the City of Edmonds for police services, I want to assure you that the officers of the Edmonds Police Department are a highly trained, dedicated, and

professional group of officers. There is a letter on our Town website from the Edmonds Police Chief, Acting Chief Lawless, where he answers some of the common questions and concerns that have been asked about use of force and other police procedures. You can read the letter on our website: <a href="https://www.townofwoodway.com/">https://www.townofwoodway.com/</a>
<a href="https://www.townofwoodway.com/">Documents/police/2020-06-05%</a>
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Lastly, I want those who live in Woodway to know that each of our officers shares a common commitment to our oath to serve the public and protect everyone in our community.

# THE PSYCHOLOGY OF FIREWORKS

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

What is it about fireworks that causes people to rebel against common sense, safety, and local laws? What causes that itch to light a match and stick it close to a version of gunpowder? Why? Every year the media reports cases of blown off fingers, fires, and the negative results of fireworks.

For many years, Woodway has banned fireworks but starting around 11 pm on or around July 1, the show begins. Each year, I try to come up with a snappy message to appeal to residents. We follow that up with signs attached to the "Welcome to Woodway" entrance posts and have even sent post cards to everyone in Town reminding them of our fireworks ban. Clearly, these measures have not done the trick since once the holiday is over, the Council usually hears from residents that the fireworks were worse than ever!! Granted it is hard to determine the location of a "boom"; many times, the source of

the fireworks is in nearby municipalities.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we've all learned the importance of community, self-discipline, and healthy lifestyles. We've probably learned the most about personal actions for the greater good. Let's add restraining from lighting off fireworks as our newest accomplishment.

Woodway, you can do it!! No Fireworks!!

# THE 2020 WOODWAY TOWN FAIR IS CANCELLED

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

It is with a great deal of sadness that I am announcing that this year's Woodway Community Fair will be cancelled. If we ever needed an event to celebrate community, this would be the time, but the health risks are just too great. The potential for a COVID-19 outbreak by sponsoring a large gathering of

all ages would not be prudent at this time. I remind myself that we have a future to look forward to and that will include the 2021 Community Fair.

# KEEP UP THE PHYSICAL DISTANCING WHILE WALKING AND BIKING IN WOODWAY—SIX FEET APART KEEPS US SAFE

# REMEMBERING MARY LOU BLOCK

Mary Lou Block

By Peter Block

Mary Lou Block passed away on April 3, 2020 at Sunrise of Edmonds, following a seven-year

battle with Alzheimer's. With her husband, Peter, and family, Mary Lou had been a resident o f Woodway since 1973. She enjoyed a 30year career in with planning the City of

Edmonds, City of Everett, and Snohomish County. She was the first woman to be elected to serve as an Edmonds Port Commissioner and she relished the 14-years she served in that capacity.

Mary Lou often conferred with Woodway Town officials to discuss

Town issues. She also co-led an effort to have Woodway join the Sno-Isle Library system.

Mary Lou was a talented artist; her favorite medium was colored pencil drawing. She is survived by Peter, as well as her children Mary Ellin and Daniel (Joanie), and her grandchildren, Connor and

Lauren. She also leaves behind many friends in Woodway and neighboring communities.



The Block Family



Colored pencil drawing by Mary Lou titled, "A Hat Full of Shells"

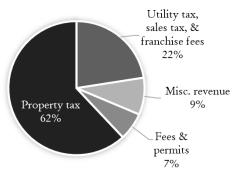
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# 2019 BUDGET REPORT

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

Each year I submit a budget summary to the community. If you would like more details, please don't hesitate to contact me. Below, I've included comparisons of our main budget categories so you can evaluate 2018 vs. 2019. As you can see, our budget remains fairly stable each year.

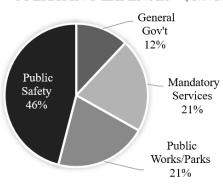
2019 OPERATING REVENUES - \$1.86M



Operating Revenues	2018	2019
Property Tax	64%	62%
Utility tax, sales tax, & franchise fees	25%	22%
Miscellaneous revenue	7%	9%
Fees & permits	4%	7%

We are fortunate in that most of our revenues are consistent from year to year. Property taxes and utility taxes are the primary revenue sources for our operating budget; they make up the majority of our revenue and they do not fluctuate dramatically from year to year. That means that Woodway does not experience the ups and downs of the economy due to sales tax and B&O tax from commercial outlets. Building activity is variable; it is hard to predict who is going to remodel, sell their home, etc. Our staff still looks at historical data in order to establish budget levels.

2019 OPERATING EXPENSES - \$1.89M



Operating Expenses	2018	2019
General Government	12%	12%
Mandatory Services	22%	21%
Public Safety	47%	46%
Public Works/Parks	19%	21%

We have more control over our expenditures, and we work hard to keep things in budget. Our public safety costs comprise the majority of our expenditures and they are established by contract with a modest (3%) annual increase. Town staff represent the next highest expenditure and the core staff are stable and committed to their respective positions. We fortunate that we have not experienced staff changes in the last few years. Probably our biggest expenditure category that is subject to change are legal costs and tree management. Predicting which outside parties will name Woodway as a party to litigation (think utility district or code enforcement issues) and which trees are prone to root virus disease or strong winds are next to impossible. Again, Town staff is vigilant to identify as many variables as possible when creating our budget documents.

So those are the challenges and here are the results for 2019. In actuality, 2019 was a good year for Woodway. Our year-end financial picture was strong; providing another yearly extension before a community-wide vote for a levy increase vote. I must caution everyone that the current tumultuous 2020 year influenced by COVID-19, restrictions and an economic downturn will most definitely affect the Town's 2020 budget. It is too soon to make any predictions but trust me, Town's staff and I are watching the numbers.

# 2019 SUMMARY OF SERVICES & MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Summary of Services			
Public Safety	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	
Woodway police officer hours	2,590	1,177	
Call-outs by Edmonds officers	72	n/a	
Fire and EMS responses	65	71	
Building Department – Permits Issued			
New Homes	2	3	
Other Building Permits	6	19	
Clearing/Grading	7	6	
Short Plat	1	0	
Environmental Protections			
Tree Permits	66	38	

Total	1,350
Population:	-,
Zoning	# of
District	Homes
2 acres	129
1 acre	52
1/3 acre	201
1/4 acre	88

- Opened the History Pavilion located in the Town Hall front lawn displaying the Town's history and community values.
- Expanded the trail system and installed an outdoor exercise station in Deer Creek Park with a grant from Verdant Health Commission.
- Completed structural repairs to Town Hall

- Joined the MyBuilding Permit.com permit portal, which will allow for improved processing and communication focused on all aspects of building permits. We hope to have the system up and running before the end of 2020.
- Initiated a monthly email from the Mayor to residents highlighting Town happenings
- Received a "clean" audit from the State Auditor's Office. The 2019 audit of the 2017 & 2018 records was the first time the Town's financial records were audited in addition to the regular accountability audit.

# GYPSY MOTH ERADICATION

By Terry Bryant, Public Works Director

Gypsy moths pose a significant threat to Woodway's forests and parks. They cause extensive ecological damage and have been known to defoliate entire forests. Gypsy moths reproduce rapidly, with each female laying 1,000 eggs or more. Early detection and eradication is critical to controlling this invasive species.

The Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) has been searching for these invasive pests for decades. Last year, the WSDA found gypsy moths in Woodway. This May, the WSDA sprayed an organic substance that is safe for humans and domestic pets over Woodway on three separate occasions to eradicate the gypsy moths.

WSDA has informed Woodway that they will continue to include our town in the annual hunt for these pests to ensure the gypsy moths were eradicated in those areas.

State law gives WSDA authority to trap invasive pests on private property. Trappers will place approximately 20,000 gypsy moth traps this summer. In the past, trappers would attempt to obtain permission from property owners before hanging traps. This year, due to COVID-19 concerns, WSDA has a "no-knock" policy, and trappers will place traps without first contacting homeowners. This is to protect both the community and WSDA employees. If you have questions, visit the WSDA Gypsy Moth website: <a href="https://agr.wa.gov/gypsymoth">https://agr.wa.gov/gypsymoth</a>.

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# What Does Woodway look like in Phase 2?

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

The Governor lifted several restrictions when Snohomish County moved into Phase 2 on June 5. The primary focus was to allow some commercial activities to commence with extra safety measures for the public and employees. Barber shops, hair salons, domestic cleaning services, construction, and landscaping services were approved to operate, but only if personal protective equipment and safety measures were in place.

At risk populations (65+ years old) are encouraged to remain self-quarantined.

People are now allowed to gather

with no more than 5 unrelated individuals per week, preferably in outdoor settings. Non-essential travel is limited to activities that have been Phase 2 approved. Woodways' walking trails are open, but the John Bush Play Area remains closed.

Workers who have been working from home are encouraged to continue remote work.

Phase 2 will be with us for at least three weeks and possibly longer if case infections begin to spike. We began Phase 2 on June 5 so we can expect this phase to last until at least June 26. Although Town Hall remains closed, services will continue to be available by phone, email, and on our website during the remainder of Phase 2.

As laid out in the Governor's Phased Re-Opening Plan, Government Offices will be allowed to open to the public once the jurisdiction moves into Phase 3. When we reopen Town Hall, we will have physical distancing requirements and other precautions in place to safeguard the public and staff.

Please visit our <u>COVID-19</u> webpage for more information and links to resources, documents, and, after Snohomish County moves into Phase 3, details on what the Town Hall re-opening will look like.

# PHASE 2 CONSTRUCTION RESTART

Good news for residents with open construction permits!

### CONSTRUCTION RESUMES

Effective June 5, all limitations on construction activity are lifted for Snohomish County, if:

 The employers and employees can meet and maintain all requirements listed in the Phase
 2 - Construction COVID-19 Requirements document, including creating and maintaining a comprehensive COVID-19 exposure control, mitigation, and recovery plan; and

• The employers and employees conduct only those activities that are allowed under their county's phase status.

Prior to restarting construction, the homeowner must send an email to the Town confirming that they have the requisite plan, that the plan meets the requirements of the

Governor's proclamation, and that the plan is posted at the job site and available for inspection while construction activities are taking place. Failure to provide the requested email or comply with the posting requirements may result in sanctions.

Please visit our <u>COVID-19</u> webpage (found on our website in the "Your Government" menu) for a link to this document and other information.

# GOVERNOR'S INSLEE'S PHASED RE-OPENING PLAN

### PHASE 1

#### HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS

• Continue to stay home

#### RECREATION

• Some outdoor recreation (hunting, fishing, golf, boating, hiking)

#### **GATHERINGS**

- None
- Drive-in spiritual service (one household per vehicle)

#### TRAVEL

• Essential travel and limited non-essential travel for Phase 1 permissible activities

### BUSINESSES/EMPLOYERS

- Essential businesses open BUSINESSES/EMPLOYERS
- Existing construction that Remaining manufacturing meets criteria
- Landscaping
- Auto/RV/Boat/ORV sales
- Retail (curbside pick-up orders only)
- Car washes
- Pet walkers

### PHASE 2

### HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS

• Continue to stay home

#### RECREATION

• Outdoor recreation involving fewer than 5 people outside your household (camping, beaches, etc.)

### **GATHERINGS**

• Gather with no more than 5 people outside your household per week

#### **TRAVEL**

• Essential travel and limited nonessential travel for Phase 1 & 2 permissible activities

- Additional construction phases
- In-home domestic services (nannies, housecleaning, etc.)
- Retail (in-store purchases Bar areas inside allowed with restrictions)
- Real estate
- Professional services/ office-based businesses (telework strongly encouraged)
- Hair and nail salons/ barbers
- Pet grooming
- Restaurants/taverns at less than 50% capacity, party size max of 5 (no bar-area seating)

### PHASE 3

### HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS

• Continue to stay home

#### RECREATION

- Outdoor group rec. sports activities (50 or fewer people)
- Recreational facilities at less than 50% capacity (gyms, public pools, etc.)
- Professional sports without audience participation (horseracing, baseball, etc.)

#### **GATHERINGS**

 Allow gatherings with no more than 50 people

#### TRAVEL

 Resume nonessential travel

#### BUSINESSES/EMPLOYERS

- Restaurants/taverns at less than 75% capacity, party size max of 10
- restaurants/taverns at less than 25% capacity
- Customer-facing governments services (telework strongly encouraged)
- Libraries
- Museums
- All business activities not yet listed except nightclubs or events larger than 50 people

### PHASE 4

• Resume public interactions, with physical distancing

**HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS** 

#### RECREATION

 Resume all recreational activity

#### **GATHERINGS**

• Allow gatherings with more than 50 people

#### TRAVEL

• Continue nonessential travel

#### **BUSINESSES/EMPLOYERS**

- Nightclubs
- Concert venues
- Large sporting events
- Resume unrestricted staffing of worksites, but continue to practice physical distancing and good hygiene

High-risk populations are currently defined by CDC as: persons 65 years of age and older; people who live in a nursing home or long term care facility; and people of all ages with underlying medical conditions (particularly not well controlled), including people with chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma, people who have serious heart conditions, people who are immunocompromised, people with severe obesity, people with diabetes, people with chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis, and people with liver disease.

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# HELP WOODWAY: REMOVE IVY FROM YOUR TREES

By Terry Bryant, Public Works Director

Due to our new reality of staying home and practicing physical distancing, many residents have turned their attention and energy into gardening and yard work. We recommend that you include ivy removal as part of your various projects. Here's why:

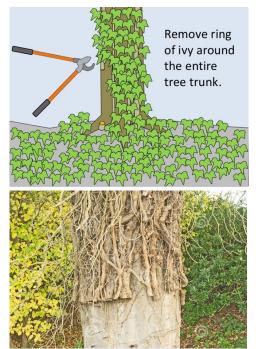
Hedera helix (English Ivy) and its more common, almost look-alike relative Hedera Hibernica (Irish Ivy) came to the Americas in colonial times. In the Northwest, we consider it a pest.

As ivy grows and matures, its long stems become thicker and intertwined with other stems on the same surface. The vines grow up and have roots anchoring them to trees; this is where the damage to our trees begins. The tiny roots can sneak into cracks in the tree bark or limbs, opening the way for rot and other diseases. The climbing, thickening ivy becomes heavier and heavier with time. The weight and thickness put the trees at risk from wind, rain, and snowstorms. In addition, ivy deprives its host-tree of light and air, and also shuts out the light needed by the under-story shrubs and ground plants.

What can we do about this growing menace?

- Don't plant it.
- Remove it from your property, especially from trees.
- Cut only the vines from around the tree being careful not to cut the bark of the tree

- Replace it with native plants.
- Help remove it from our parks and greenspaces by volunteering.



Tree with ivy cut and removed from the base of the trunk.

# PHYSICAL DISTANCING AND PUBLIC WORKS

By Terry Bryant, Public Works Director

Public works employees are among our unsung heroes during this COVID-19 global crisis. Let's give a nod to the workers in orange vests who manage our roads, rights-ofway, parks, playgrounds, and other services that are critical to maintaining our quality of life. With physical distancing requirements, it's anything but business as usual for our crew as they adjust to this pandemic just like the rest of us. This department has pivoted and have come up with new plans to get the work done.

You can help them by limiting inperson interaction. If you need assistance, call the Public Works office at (206) 542-0183, or the Director's mobile phone at (425) 290-2130. If you see the crew in the field, please maintain physical distancing of six feet and wear a mask. It will be greatly appreciated, and we will all get through this together.

# POINT WELLS UPDATES

By Eric A. Faison, Town Administrator

#### BSRE'S APPLICATION

In our January newsletter, we let everyone know that Snohomish County was accepting public comment on recent submittals related to Point Wells. Specifically, Blue Square Real Estate (BSRE), the owner of Point Wells, submitted two variance requests to the County to support their application to redevelop the site. BRSE requested variances to increase the 90-foot building height limit to 180 feet and to allow for taller buildings in setback areas adjacent to homes in Woodway. They also requested that restrictions on development within a landslide hazard area be modified to allow for a secondary access road, a Sounder rail station, and several mixed-use buildings. These requests were part of a larger redevelopment application, submitted after the Superior Court granted BSRE a one-time opportunity to revise and resubmit their application to meet County code requirements.

In a recommendation to the County Hearing Examiner, County staff is recommending that the requests be denied and that the overall project be rejected due to substantial conflicts with County code. A public hearing before the Hearing Examiner will be scheduled, likely in the Fall. Once dates are finalized, the County will provide notice of the hearing.

If you have questions about the County's recommendation or the County's process, please contact Ryan Countryman by phone at 425-262-2304 or by email at ryan.countryman@snoco.org.

#### ANNEXATION

In other news, there has been a significant development regarding the State's annexation laws. In this year's legislative session, the State Legislature created a new method of annexation. This new option allows a city and county to enter into an agreement annexing an area such as Point Wells into a city,

without the property owner's permission. If an adjacent city, fire district, or utility district serving the area requests to be party to the agreement, they have a right to join. If they request to join but do not agree with the contents of the agreement, the area cannot be annexed by this method.

While the new law took effect on June 11, the Town has not submitted a request to the County to begin the annexation process. And we do not anticipate doing so this year and a final decision will involve extensive discussion between the Town Council and the community. The Town is currently working with the City of Shoreline on the development regulations that would be applicable to Point Wells should the Town annex Point Wells. This work has been delayed due to limitations on meetings under the Governor's COVID-19 proclamations. We hope to complete the draft regulations later this year and present them to the Town's Planning Commission for public hearings.

ARE YOU RECEIVING THE MAYOR'S MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER?

IF NOT. VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO SIGN UP!

WWW.TOWNOFWOODWAY.COM/HOW DO I/EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS.PHP

SHARE THIS LINK WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE EVERY HOME SIGNED UP Page 10 WOODWAY WHISPER

# TOUGH LOVE - HOW TO KEEP COYOTES WILD

By Carla A. Nichols, Mayor

Reprinted from the March 2016 Issue

So where are you on the animal lovers' continuum? Are you sympathetic and want to feed certain critters? Do you figure that it's tough out there in the wild and animals need our help? Or do you feel you should just leave them alone, let nature work it out? This dilemma has a special impact on our resident coyote population.

We each approach this issue differently. Many residents who love animals want to help coyotes, which they believe means feeding the coyotes. In reality, that compassion is the last thing they need. When coyotes see humans as a source for food, they begin to approach humans rather than leave them alone. This approach behavior can be very threatening, especially for those out walking their dog or their children and who come face to face with a coyote.

As a community, we need to get organized on how we are dealing with our resident coyotes. We have learned from professionals with the United States Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) that our coyotes are getting mixed messages. The most humane and compassionate approach is to not feed them, directly or indirectly. This means

not leaving pet food outdoors; not feeding squirrels, raccoons, etc.; and not leaving domestic animals outside because they become targets for the coyotes.

The next step is to make the coyotes uncomfortable when in the presence of humans. Making loud noises (even using a small air horn), throwing rocks, etc., will do the trick. This is an important point: coyotes can be retrained to not approach humans if they are exposed to enough examples of negative encounters.

Incidents where a resident scares off a coyote are reinforced by neighbors doing the same things. Negative experiences add up; it doesn't take long for the coyote to start avoiding particular areas.

Town officials receive many complaints about coyotes. We can't do much about it unless we have a strategy and, most importantly, that ALL RESIDENTS carry out that strategy by following these three simple steps:

- Don't feed them, directly or indirectly
- 2. If you see them, yell at them or use an air horn
- 3. If you observe repeated examples of approach behavior, report it to Town Hall.

Andy Cleland, USDA Wildlife Specialist, made a presentation to the Council and citizens in January. He reiterated the importance of keeping wildlife wild and wanted to share the following hard truths:

"A fed coyote is a dead coyote. Feeding coyotes usually results in loss of fear of humans. If the steps you outlined aren't followed, it is highly likely that two things are going to happen:

- 1. The coyotes will lose their fear of humans to the point where they are a danger to human health and safety. Bottom line, people may be bitten.
- 2. Because people are afraid of the coyotes, either before or after someone has been bitten, they find a way for the coyote to be killed because relocation isn't legal or humane.

"Reminding citizens that they are creating a dangerous situation for humans often doesn't work, but when they find out that the coyote will likely be killed because of their behavior they are willing to change how they interact with coyotes."

Let's get organized. Tough love can work!!

# TOWN COUNCIL CORNER

### **General Government:**

- New Councilmember Andrew DeDonker took his oath of office.
- Designated Councilmembers as representatives to regional organizations.
- Approved Resolution 2020-418:
   Sales and Use Tax for Affordable and Supportive Housing.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-610: Regular Meeting Time, changing the regular meeting time to 6 pm.
- Approved Resolution 2020-419:
   Fee Schedule.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-612: Changes to Woodway Municipal Code Chapter 3.32: Fee Schedule.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-613: Changes to Woodway Municipal Code Chapter 3.24: Funds.
- Approved Resolution 2020-420: Authorizing the Mayor to Utilize the Emergency Powers Granted Under Chapter 2.36 Woodway Municipal Code and Chapter 38.52 RCW.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-614: Employee Benefits Changes.
- Authorized the Clerk-Treasurer to execute an amendment to the

- ICMA-RC Agreement: New Optional Provisions to Provide Coronavirus-Related Relief, which would give employees additional options due to COVID-19.
- Reviewed the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2019 Finance Report.
- Reviewed revised 2020 budget estimates due to COVID-19.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-616:
   Sales and Use Tax for Affordable Housing.
- Authorized the Mayor to execute the Interagency Agreement between Town of Woodway and Washington State Department of Commerce (CARES Act Reimbursement Contract).
- Reviewed the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2020 Finance Report.

## Land Use & Planning:

- Reviewed and discussed proposed changes to Woodway Municipal Code chapters 16.10: Environmentally Critical Areas, 16.12: Tree Preservation, and 16.08: Clearing and Grading.
- Approved Ordinance 2020-611: Changes to Woodway Municipal Code:

- Section 1.04.010: Definitions;
- Chapter 16.08: Clearing and Grading;
- Chapter 16.10: Environmentally Critical Areas; and
- Chapter 16.12: Tree Preservation
- Authorized the Mayor to sign the amendment to the Settlement and Interlocal Agreement with City of Shoreline extending deadlines that cannot be met due to COVID-19 meeting restrictions.

### Public Works & Lands:

 Authorized the Mayor to enter into an agreement for the Kulshan Road Stormwater Infrastructure Relocation Project.

### **Building & Municipal Services:**

 Approved Ordinance 2020-615: Amending Woodway Municipal Code Sections 3.32.010: Fee Schedule and 12.04.050: Permit Expiration allowing for permit fee waivers and extensions for projects that could not be completed due to COVID-19 construction restrictions.

REMEMBER: NO FIREWORKS IN WOODWAY!!!

### TOWN OF WOODWAY

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**SUMMER 2020** NEWSLETTER



## TOWN INFORMATION

### TOWN HALL DIRECTORY:

Class Code City Snohomish County 1350

Population Public Works Director **Business Hours** Town Hall closed due Public Works Crew Permit Counter Hours to COVID-19. Scott Wynne

Town Hall Phone (206) 542-4443 Public Works Phone (206) 542-0183

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Mayor Carla A. Nichols

Council Meets 1st & 3rd Mondays, 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Chair Per Odegaard

1st Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Planning Commission Meets

### TOWN HALL STAFF:

Town Administrator Eric A. Faison Clerk-Treasurer Heidi K. S. Napolitino Deputy Clerk/Permit Tech Jill McCammon Terrance R. Bryant, Jr.

Collin Harlow Greg Rubstello Town Attorney Building Official/Plan Checker Tom Phillips **Building Inspector** Scott Dorrance Police Chief Doug Hansen Fire Marshal Derek LaFontaine Town Planner Bill Trimm

Town Engineer **PACE** Engineers John Galt

Town Hearing Examiner

**EMERGENCY** 911

### TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Brian Bogen, Andrew DeDonker, Elizabeth Mitchell, Mike Quinn, & Tom Whitson

#### LOCATIONS OF THE TOWN BULLETIN BOARDS:

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