City of Ruston

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October 2020

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Open M-F 9am-5pm

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- City Council Meets: Tuesday, November 3, 2020 and Tuesday, November 17, 2020
- The City Council Meeting of Tuesday, November 3, 2020 will be held virtually
- Please refer to the Ruston website at <u>www.rustonwa.org</u> for updates on the November 3, 2020 Council Meeting
- Planning Commission: Watch the bulletin board and the website for meetings scheduled.

Mayors Corner

The 52nd Street project is in its final phases with only street signs left to install. We have been working extremely hard to set the stage for potential grant opportunities. By setting the stage I mean getting the projects identified through our 6-year Transportation Improvement plan and then beginning as much of the engineering as we can afford in preparation for the application process. Our early efforts have proven to be vital as we have secured grants because of how far along the projects are. There is anticipation that the federal government will be significantly investing in infra-structure projects after the first of the year. We want to make certain we are well positioned to capitalize on the availability of those funds.

City staff had an opportunity to meet with Silver Cloud management to discuss their planned opening. They expect to have a soft opening this spring and then be fully on-line in the June-July timeframe. While they provided us with an overview of all that the Silver Cloud will have to offer, it was nice to share the benefits of having a business in Ruston; from lower sales tax, to guest's safety while walking our city streets. The Silver Cloud Hotel will truly be a destination resort.

With City Hall remaining closed due to the pandemic we will be taking steps to ensure we are ready for reopening. Those steps will be the modification of current workspaces to meet the social distancing requirements to protect residents and staff. This is a long overdue facelift and we look forward to welcoming you all back in the not too distant future.

Hope you and your family are well – and remain safe.

Thanks for reading – your mayor – Bruce Hopkins

From the Police Department

As the nighttime hours lengthen please note most car prowls occur after dark and occur when car doors are not locked. Please remove all purses, wallets and valuables from your car each night. And please lock your car doors.

The car racing club nuisance the Puget Sound region has experienced is thankfully slowing. Our neighbors at Point Defiance will be putting in gates at the boat launch/marina and Anthony's Restaurant/Vashon ferry terminal parking lots very soon. Hopefully, this will discourage these clubs from frequenting areas adjacent to our City.

Most of all, your police officers and I would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the support shown to the Department. We notice and we thank you.

Thank you. Nestor Bautista, Chief of Police

From the Fire Department

Our three recruits, currently in Fire Academy, had their training burn last weekend and they all excelled. In fact, all three are company commanders. They will be starting their Hazmat training soon.

With flu season approaching, we have been told it will be a tough one. Please do all you can to be safe from the flu and COVID. Don't be afraid to call 911 for issues.

As always, please call 911 for any emergencies. Much appreciated - Sara Anderson - MSO Ruston Fire

From the Public Works Department

Fall is upon us so now is the time to prepare for winter. Disconnect garden hoses, drain irrigation systems, and shut off and drain water leading to outside faucets. Insulate exposed pipes, values and faucets, cover footing or foundation vents. Shut off your water before you leave home for any extended period of time. Make a list of equipment that needs to be turned off during an outage such as computers, TVs, and security systems. Stock up on batteries, flashlights and non-perishable food and water. Have a list of emergency contacts readily available. Keep cell phone charged.

Stay safe and be prepared. Thank you. The Public Works Department

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253-798-4721(24 hour) Use dispatcher number to request a Ruston
Police officer contact you for urgent non-emergency responses

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