

Burien City News

CITY OF BURIEN NEWSLETTER

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CITY COUNCIL MESSAGE

The Nov. 6th General Election arrives quicker than people may think. Registered voters will start receiving their ballots in the mail the last few weeks of October. If you haven't registered to vote, you have until Oct. 8 to do so.

We hope residents of the affected North Highline area will take time to learn about the proposed annexation before casting their vote. Many of the questions people have about the annexation are answered in this newsletter. Voters can also attend an upcoming information session being held prior to the election in the annexation area. City staff members will be there to present information and answer any questions.



(Top left, clockwise) Lucy Krakowiak, Rose Clark, Joan McGilton, Gerald Robison, Brian Bennett and Bob Edgar. Not pictured: Jack Block Jr.

We'd like to congratulate the Finance Department for earning another clean audit for the City. The state Auditor's Office sends an auditor to Burien City Hall every year to pore through the City's books and turn up any discrepancies. This is the 13th consecutive year of "no findings" in the audit which is great news for the City. Taxpayers like to know that their money is being spent properly.

We'd also like to acknowledge the City employee wellness programs that have earned the City the WellCity Excellence Award and a reduction in health insurance premiums that will save about \$15,000 in 2013.

— Your City Council

North Highline Voters to Decide Whether to Join Burien

Voters living in the unincorporated area of North Highline – including White Center, Top Hat, Beverly Park, Glendale, and portions of Boulevard Park, Riverton Heights and Shorewood – will cast ballots in the Nov. 6 General Election on whether to annex to the City of Burien.

The ballot measure will require a simple majority vote for approval. Only residents in the proposed annexation area are allowed to vote in the election. Residents who are not registered to vote must register by Oct. 8. Ballots will be mailed to registered voters on Oct. 17.

North Highline residents can learn more about the annexation at City-sponsored informational sessions (see below). City staff will be available to discuss the annexation and answer any

Annexation Informational Sessions

Sept. 13: Beverly Park Elementary School, cafeteria, 1201 S. 104th Street, 6 pm

Oct. 18: Cascade Middle School, cafeteria, 11212 10th Ave SW, 6 pm

questions. Check the City's website at www.burienwa.gov/annexation for more information.

The annexation will likely take effect in spring 2013 if approved, completing the annexation of all of Burien's Potential Annexation Areas to the City and increasing Burien's population to 65,000. In 2010 the City of Burien annexed the southern portion of North Highline after residents voted in favor of joining the City.

New Ballot Drop Box in Front of City Hall



The drop box is at 400 SW 152nd St.

The Nov. 6 General Election is being conducted in King County entirely by mail. Ballots will be mailed to registered voters on Oct. 17. The ballots can either be mailed back, or deposited in a ballot drop box. One is located at the front of Burien Library/City Hall, 400 SW 152nd St. (across from Australian Pie Company).

Ballot drop boxes are open 24-hours a day. By law, ballots cannot be accepted at ballot drop boxes after 8 p.m. on Election Day. Follow the instructions on the ballot envelope. Place the ballot in the security envelope, seal all envelopes, sign the outer envelope, and deposit your ballot packet into the box.

Ballot packets are collected regularly and delivered to the elections facility where they are processed with other returned mail ballots. The signature on every ballot is checked against the voter's registration file and, if it matches, the ballot moves forward.

13th STRAIGHT PERFECT AUDIT FOR BURIEN



The Washington State Auditor's Office reported that for the 13th consecutive year the City of Burien has received a clean opinion on the financial statements and no findings of non-compliance in an audit of the City's 2011 financial statements. A representative from the State Auditor's Office earlier this year spent eight weeks at City Hall conducting a routine annual financial and legal compliance audit of the City. The audit was completed in June.

• This newsletter is being sent to residents of North Highline to inform them about the proposed annexation.

GOVERNMENT SERVICES

CITY HALL.....	241-4647
E-Mail burien@burienwa.gov	
Website: www.burienwa.gov	
City Hall North: 11846 Des Moines Memorial Dr.	
Community Center.....	988-3700
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Planning Division	248-5510
Building Division	248-5520
Code Enforcement.....	248-5507
CITY ATTORNEY	248-5531
CITY COUNCIL	241-4647
Brian Bennett, Mayor	
Rose Clark, Deputy Mayor	
Jack Block, Councilmember	
Bob Edgar, Councilmember	
Lucy Krakowiak, Councilmember	
Joan McGilton, Councilmember	
Gerald Robison, Councilmember	
CITY JOB LINE	248-5534
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE	248-5508
FINANCE	241-4647
FIRE DEPARTMENT	
Fire District #2	242-2040
North Highline F.D.	243-0330
HUMAN RESOURCES.....	248-5504
PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES	
Website: www.BurienParks.net	
14700 6 th Ave. SW	988-3700
Moshier Art Center.....	242-7752
POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Precinct #4, 14905 6 th SW	296-3333
PUBLIC WORKS.....	248-5521
24 hr. street or drainage concerns.....	391-1620
SENIOR PROGRAM	
14700 6 th Ave. SW	244-3686
OTHER NUMBERS	
Citizen Complaints	248-5530
Parking Complaints/	
Police Tip Hotline	205-0969
ANIMAL CONTROL	812-2737
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	575-1633
DISTRICT COURT (Burien Courthouse)	
601 SW 149 th St.	296-0144
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATE	
(425) 961-0618 Cell Phone (206) 947-3852	
BURIEN LIBRARY.....	243-3490
BOULEVARD PARK LIBRARY.....	242-8662
WHITE CENTER LIBRARY	243-0233
SCHOOL DISTRICT (Highline)	433-0111
SEWER	
SW Suburban Sewer Dist.	244-9575
Midway Sewer	824-4960
Valley View Sewer	242-3236
SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE	
151 SW 156 th Street	243-0289
WATER DISTRICTS	
Water District #20	243-3990
Water District #49	242-8535
Highline Water District	824-0375
Seattle Water.....	684-5900

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE FOCUSES ON LAND USE

The City of Burien is continuing the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan, which was started in 2011. This year the City’s annual Comprehensive Plan review and update is focusing on the land use and community character elements, with special focus on establishing long-range land use designations for the North Burien area. Zoning designations will also be adjusted to be consistent with the long-range land use vision.

The purpose of the State-required review and update is to incorporate changes in the State Growth Management Act, as well as changes in Puget Sound Regional Council’s Vision 2040 and the King County Countywide Planning Policies.

The Comprehensive Plan expresses a community’s vision of itself, the community it would like to become, and the philosophical underpinnings for any planning activity. It is a key element in the land use planning process and has become a framework for all subsequent land use regulation activity.

Burien's first Comprehensive Plan was adopted in November 1997 and has been amended

several times since then, most recently in December 2011.

The initial plan is based on the Burien Vision, an expression by residents in 1997 of what the community should be in the future. The City updated the Burien Vision in 2011, based on what residents believed the community should be in 20 – 30 years.

The Comprehensive Plan update has been split into phases. Phase 1, completed in 2011, updated the transportation element coinciding with the creation of Burien’s Transportation Master Plan. Additionally, the City incorporated new goals and policies reinforcing its commitment to healthy eating and active living.

The Planning Commission will be formulating a Phase 2 recommendation for consideration by the City Council in the next two months. The City Council is expected to act on this phase before the end of the year.

Residents will have various opportunities to provide input into this planning process. Watch for notices of related public hearings and meetings on the City website: www.burienwa.gov.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISCOUNT PROGRAM

Early in 2012, the City of Burien began participating in the National League of Cities (NLC) Prescription Discount Card Program, a collaborative program with CVS Caremark to offer a prescription drug discount card to Burien’s residents. Since then, this free program has saved Burien residents a total of over \$2,000, averaging 22% savings in the cost of prescription drugs.

The card provides a discount that can offer a savings of up to 20% off the retail price of most prescription drugs. There is no enrollment or membership fee or restrictions based on age, existing health coverage or income level. The card can be used at participating pharmacies by residents and their families for prescriptions that are not covered by insurance.

Any Burien resident can have and use the card. Here’s how:



- Go to www.caremark.com/nlc and select “Print Card Now” and follow the easy steps
- Pick up a card at the following City facilities:
Burien City Hall, 400 SW 152nd St., Ste. 300
Burien Community Center, 14700 6th Ave. SW

Most major retail pharmacy chains such as Bartell's, Rite Aid, Walgreens, CVS, Wal-Mart and grocery store pharmacies accept the prescription discount card. Residents just need to show their card when purchasing medication at a participating pharmacy. For a complete list of participating retail pharmacies visit www2.caremark.com/nlc/ or call toll-free 1-800-516-1873.

For more information, visit www.caremark.com/nlc or call toll-free 1-888-620-1749.

North Highline Annexation Election

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the annexation process?

Only registered voters within the proposed annexation area will have an opportunity to vote on the annexation at the November 6, 2012, General Election. The annexation will require a simple majority vote to pass. If approved, the annexation will likely occur in spring 2013.

How will annexation affect taxes for residents in the annexation area?

The combined overall change in property and utility taxes for the average household in the annexation area would be an increase of about \$140 per year.

The property tax rate will decrease from \$14.07 to \$13.74 per \$1,000 assessed value beginning the second year of annexation. For property with an assessed value of \$200,000, this would result in a reduction of \$65.

The City levies a 3% utility tax on electric and a 6% utility tax on cable, gas, garbage and telephone utilities. Based upon usage, the average impact is estimated to be an additional \$205 per year paid by utilities customers.

Taxes for current Burien residents would not be affected by the annexation.

How are businesses affected by annexation?

Businesses in Burien pay an annual business license fee and a 0.05% Business & Occupation Tax. The cost for a business with gross receipts of \$250,000 and fewer than 40 employees would be: B & O Tax, \$125/year; Business License, \$90/year.

How are government services affected by annexation?

Upon annexation to the City of Burien, residents would continue to be served by special districts or King County in the case of police and district courts. The following services would be provided by Burien:

- Animal Control
- Building Permits
- Planning & Economic Development
- Human Services
- Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
- Road Maintenance
- Surface Water Management

Does my school district boundary change?

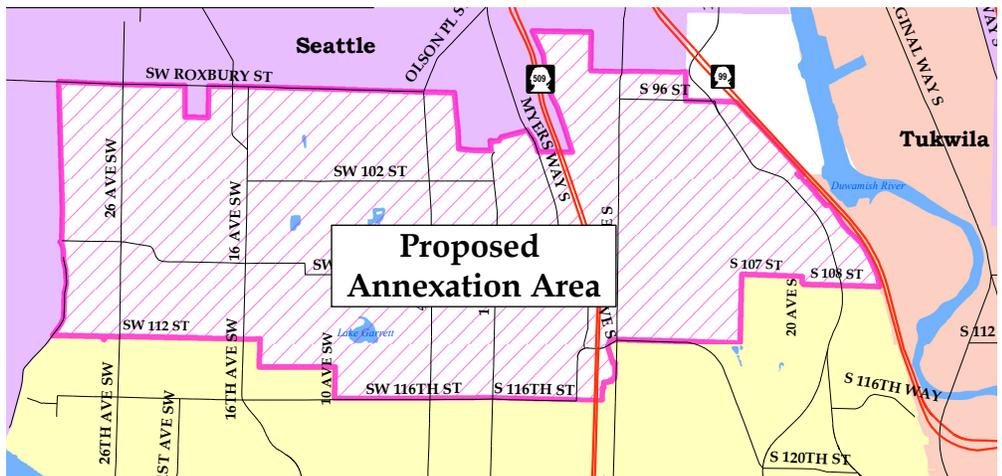
No. School district boundaries are not affected by annexations.

Will my address change?

Residents can use either "Seattle" or "Burien" in the address and mail will be delivered as long as the proper zip code is included.

What is the financial impact of the annexation on the City's overall budget?

A recent independent financial analysis concluded that the cost to provide City services within the proposed annexation area would be offset by projected revenues, including the State sales tax credit the City would receive for up to 10 years.



To see if you live in the annexation area, call (206) 248-5510 or see www.burienwa.gov/annexation

Will the annexation change fire and emergency services?

If annexation is approved, responsibility for fire and EMS services in the newly annexed area would transfer to District #2. Inter-local agreements are being drafted formalizing mutual aid operations similar to those that are currently in place.

How will police service change?

King County Sheriff's Office currently provides police services to both Burien (contracted) and the annexation area. Deputies who currently provide service will likely be the same with a simple change in uniforms and car markings. The annexed area will have at least the same level of service. The storefront sheriff's office in downtown White Center will remain.

Will the zoning on property change?

Upon annexation, the City would adopt an interim zoning map that would likely apply the existing Burien zoning districts that are most comparable with King County's existing zoning in the annexation area. Over time, the City would work with residents and business owners to prepare comprehensive plans and zoning maps for the annexed neighborhoods.

Will residents' sewer or water provider change with annexation?

No. Residents and businesses in the annexation area will retain their current water and sewer service providers after annexation.

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Does Burien have a code enforcement program to address a specific problem or eyesore?

The City has a full-time code enforcement staff that regularly responds to code enforcement concerns. The City generally does not search out violations; rather, the staff responds to specific complaints from residents who file a Citizen Action Request.

Do households on a septic tank have to switch to sewer?

No, approval of the annexation will have no impact on the continued use of existing on-site disposal systems (septic tanks) which are operating in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

If the area is annexed, who will maintain the streets and alleys?

Burien's Public Works Department would be responsible for road maintenance. Streets in the potential annexation areas will be added to the City's weather-related street maintenance prioritization system. The City also repairs potholes that are reported by residents.

How would annexation affect public parks in the proposed annexation area?

Parks within the annexation area would be transferred from King County to the City of Burien. Steve Cox Park, 1321 SW 102nd St., is considered a regional park and it will continue to be managed by the County.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Visit us online at www.burienwa.gov/annexation
- Email your question to: annexation@burienwa.gov
- Call Annexation Info Line: (206) 436-5555

Gov. Gregoire Tours Burien Rain Garden, Seahurst Park



Burien Parks Manager Steve Roemer explains renovation plans at Seahurst Park to Gov. Gregoire, center. Left is Burien Council member Joan McGilton; Anthony Wright, Executive Director of Puget Sound Partnership; and right, Marlla Nhoon, co-chair of Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA 9).

Gov. Christine Gregoire on July 18 toured projects in Burien that restore and improve the health of the Puget Sound. Gregoire visited a rain garden in Burien's Seahurst neighborhood that was built to prevent polluted runoff from entering Puget Sound. Gregoire also visited Seahurst Park, where more than 1,000 feet of bulkhead was removed to improve fish habitat and provide a public benefit by increasing access to the beach.

Additional removal of seawall is planned for the upcoming Phase 2 of the project, which is being conducted under a partnership between the City, the Army Corp of Engineers and Washington State Fish and Wildlife. Due to the construction, **Seahurst Park may be closed to the public from October 2012 until May 2013**, with only limited access to upper trails. The existing playground will be moved closer to the lower parking lot and new picnic shelters will be constructed. The governor also visited the newly renovated Environmental Science Center and saw high school students learning about Puget Sound.

Puget Sound Starts Here – Where You Live, Work and Play

Puget Sound is polluted. Most of the pollution comes from things we all do each day – driving cars, fertilizing lawns, walking dogs. The pollution affects not only the whales, fish, and other animals in the Puget Sound and streams, but also people. Pollution makes it unsafe in some places to eat fish, clams and mussels, or swim.

There is good news! Each of us can do things to help clean up Puget Sound. Here is a list – and for more ideas, visit www.PugetSoundStartsHere.org.

- Wash your car at a commercial car wash instead of in the driveway or street.
- Fix oil leaks in cars and boats.
- Pick up dog poop with a plastic bag and throw it in the trash.
- Use compost instead of fertilizer to keep your lawn green.
- Pull weeds by hand instead of using pesticides or weed-and-feed.
- Make low-cost cleaning solutions with baking soda using recipes online at <http://pugetsoundstartshere.org/at-home-and-more/household-cleaning>.
- Remove invasive weeds like ivy, holly and laurel, and replace with native plants.



For more information, or to get involved in stream stewardship projects nearby, contact the Miller-Walker Stream Steward at (206) 296-1909, or find information online at www.kingcounty.gov/environment/watersheds/central-puget-sound/miller-walker-creeks.aspx.



New Sidewalks on SW 132nd St.

This summer 1,750 feet of new sidewalk was constructed on the north side of SW 132nd Street between Ambaum Boulevard SW and 6th Avenue SW, near Hazel Valley Elementary School.

The project also included 300 feet of storm-water improvements on 8th Avenue SW (SW 132nd Street to SW 131st Street).

CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS

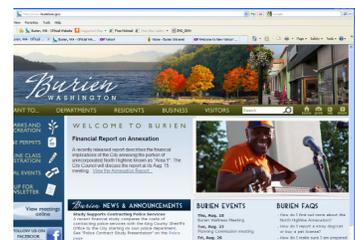
The Burien City Council adopted the following legislation from 3/19/12 to 8/6/12:

ORDINANCES

- **Ordinance 560:** Amending Title 19 of the Burien Municipal Code related to zoning. 3/19/12
- **Ordinance 561:** Updating and consolidating code enforcement regulations. 4/16/12
- **Ordinance 562:** Updating and revising criminal and traffic codes. 3/19/12
- **Ordinance 563:** Amending Criminal Code relating to false statements to police officers and 911 dispatchers. 7/16/12
- **Ordinance 564:** Amending business license regulations for peddlers and solicitors. 8/20/12

RESOLUTIONS

- **Resolution 329:** Establishing the dates, times and place of City Council meetings. 3/19/12
- **Resolution 330:** Requesting the King County Director of Elections to hold a Special Election in conjunction with the General Election on November 6, 2012, for the purpose of placing on the ballot a proposition concerning the annexation of certain property known as the North Highline Area "Y" Annexation Area. 4/2/12
- **Resolution 331:** Recognizing the Highline Communities Coalition. 5/7/12
- **Resolution 332:** Adopting the Transportation Master Plan (TMP). 5/7/12
- **Resolution 333:** Authorizing application for State Funding Assistance for a Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) Project, to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). 5/7/12
- **Resolution 334:** Authorizing the City Manager to provide written notice to the owner/developer of Parcels IV, V, and VI of the Town Square development site of the City's intent to exercise its right to repurchase said parcels pursuant to Section 23.2.3 of the June 29, 2005, Disposition and Development Agreement between the City and the owner/developer. 6/4/12
- **Resolution 335:** Adopting the 2013 through 2018 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). 7/2/12
- **Resolution 336:** Establishing the 2012 Comprehensive Plan Docket. 7/2/12



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CARES Opens New Burien Animal Shelter

Burien's animal control provider CARES (Community Animal Resource & Education Society) opened its new shelter in mid-July after receiving required permitting and approvals from the City and passing a final inspection by the King County Health Department.



Burien Deputy Mayor Rose Clark cuts the ribbon at the CARES shelter grand opening July 24.

The non-profit group CARES began providing animal control services for Burien in July 2011. The City decided in 2010 to save taxpayers money and provide localized service by contracting out animal control services instead of joining Regional Animal Services of King County. The City estimates it will save some \$290,000 in 2013 by contracting with CARES over participating in the County program.

CARES is responsible for enforcement of animal control laws, pick up of strays, dangerous and injured animals. They also provide sheltering and adoption services. The new shelter, at 909 SW 151st St., just west of Ambaum Blvd. SW, has 16 adult cat "condos" plus four larger spaces for a mother cat and her kittens. Individual stalls are available for up to 15 dogs.

The shelter's regular hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am - 6 pm. After hours, pet owners can leave a message. Call CARES at (206) 812-2737. Calls will be returned within 24 hours. In an emergency situation, such as animals that are a threat to public safety, contact the Police Dept. by dialing 911.

Lost pets will receive a free ride home the first time they stray from home if they are wearing a Burien license. An impound fee, a violation fee and kennel fees will be charged to owners of stray dogs found without a license.

Purchase or renew pet licenses in-person at:

Burien City Hall, 400 SW 152nd St., Ste. 300,
8 am. - 5 pm., Monday - Friday

CARES, 909 SW 151st St.
10 am - 6 pm, Tuesday - Saturday

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Does CARES respond to barking dog complaints?

CARES does not respond to noise complaints about barking dogs. CARES recommends nicely asking the dog's owner to do something about the barking.

2. Does CARES pick up feral cats?

CARES is not obligated by its contract with the City to pick up feral (untamed) cats. Neither the City or CARES has the facilities to quarantine or rehabilitate feral cats.

3. Does CARES accept surrendered dogs and cats?

CARES accepts owner-surrendered dogs and cats for a fee ranging from \$75 - \$125.

4. Where is the CARES office and when is it staffed?

The CARES office is located at 909 SW 151 St. It is open and staffed Tuesday through Sat-

urday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Phone (206) 812-2737. More information on CARES is on the CARES website.

5. When can a caller expect the phone to be answered by a CARES staff member?

The phone should be answered by a CARES staff member when the office is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Phone messages are generally returned within 24 hours.

6. What is the City's policy on euthanasia?

Under its contract with the City, CARES must provide for the adoption, transfer or humane disposal of unclaimed animals after holding them for a minimum period as follows:

* Licensed dog or cat - At least 120 hours after owner contact.

* Unlicensed animal: - 72 hours from the time of impoundment.

Throwing a neighborhood party can be good crime prevention

by Sgt. Henry McLauchlan

On the evening of August 7, "National Night Out" kicked into gear in Burien as it did in cities and communities all over the United States. As I drove all over the city and tried to visit as many of the 40 neighborhood events the Police Department had registered, I marveled at how successful this program had become.

When I arrived at the next get-together of about 40 neighbors and a great barbecue, a gentleman said, "you are the third cop we have had stop by tonight". I complimented him on the number in attendance and the good time they all appeared to be having. He responded, "Give me a reason and I'll throw a party." As one of many who help coordinates these events, I began to wonder if his reason for having this "party" was the same reason that the Police Department helps sponsor this national event.



Sgt. McLauchlan

National Night Out started in 1984, is held on the first Tuesday in August. The event originally was designed to increase community awareness about police anti-crime programs. Police departments and community activists realized that without community involvement, law enforcement might be missing the best crime prevention tool available: the not-so-simple act of bringing neighbors together to get acquainted, look out for each other, and call the police when something requiring police action happens.

The biggest value from the police perspective isn't necessarily the information we provide, but the relationships that are established or rekindled. It is important for the police to develop partnerships with its communities, and maybe even more important for neighbors to get to know each other. It seems simple but knowing your neighbor and them knowing you stops crime better than any alarm or large dog. By being aware of the activities in your neighborhoods and keeping an eye open for each other, crime can be significantly reduced.

So as the gentleman said, "throw a party," invite your neighbors, get to know each other and help make your neighborhoods safer. Do it on National Night Out, or anytime of the year.

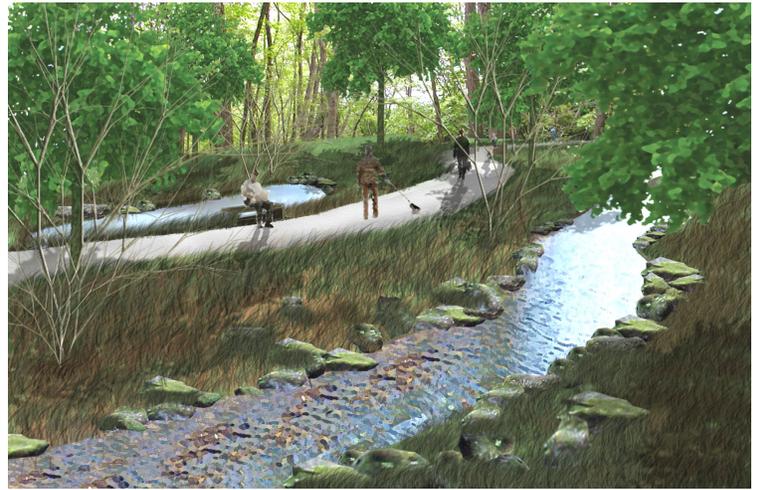
For information on "throwing a Block Watch Party" call Burien's Community Service Officer Nicki Maraulja at (206) 296-3333.

New Linear Park is Central Feature of the NERA

Phase 1 of a linear park with a shared-use path (for pedestrians and bicyclists) will be constructed along the Miller Creek corridor as part of implementation of storm water improvements in the Northeast Redevelopment Area (NERA).

The park and trail will expand recreation opportunities for the surrounding community and neighborhoods, as well as employment opportunities in the NERA. A master plan for the corridor will be developed to program the park and estimate costs for a full menu of improvements. Then, Phase 1 improvements will be constructed concurrently with storm water facilities and creek enhancements.

Landscaping and park features will be integrally designed with storm water features, maximizing usable public space. As part of rehabilitating habitat functions of the Miller Creek corridor, the park will be planted with native trees and landscaping. Interpretive panels at creek and wetland overlook points will provide educational information about the creek corridor enhancement, as well as low-impact development and sustainability features of the project. Benches are proposed in select locations to provide resting and viewing opportunities.



A paved path is planned along the Miller Creek corridor in Northeast Burien.

Other potential features, such as trailheads, exercise stations, picnic tables, public art, viewing platforms and boardwalk segments are being considered and may be included in future phases depending on available funds. Watch for notices of public meetings that will be held in late fall 2012 to seek input on the project.



ARTS-A-GLOW 2012 Lantern Festival & Procession

Saturday, Sept. 8 5 -10 pm
Dottie Harper Park, 421 SW 146th
FREE!

A magical evening in the forest! Lantern art and performers will be around every corner, and there will be face-painting, and tea and treats. New this year will be dinner food trucks! Make your own lantern and join the procession at dusk...don't miss it!

For more information and lantern-making directions, see www.burienwa.gov/GLOW

OVERNIGHT TRIP for SENIORS

September 11-13

Celebrate 10 years of this award-winning program! Held at the beautiful Falls Creek Retreat Center, this facility includes hiking trails, tennis courts, bonfire, and horseshoe pits. Lovely rooms have linens provided. Hot tubs, espresso bar, and ice cream shop also on site. Lots of fun activities scheduled throughout the two-night trip.



Camp Wrinkle offers a variety of amenities.

\$250. Fee includes ALL costs.
Registration deadline: September 4



NIGHT of the PUMPKIN

October 19 6:30 - 9 pm
\$6 per child fee (under 1 free)

Burien Community Center
www.burienparks.net
or call (206) 988-3700

- Bonfire
- Costume Contest
- Food Vendors
- Puppet Theater
- Carnival Games
- Face-Painting

Recreation Guides No Longer Being Mailed

Starting this fall, Recreation Guides will only be mailed to customers who've registered for a program during the last two years. If you haven't been a program registrant but live in Burien and would still like a mailed copy, call (206) 988-3700.



View our beautiful digital brochure at: www.RecreationGuide.BurienParks.net
Online registration is easy, convenient, and one click away!

Noticias de Burien

Para nuestros lectores hispanos

Sep 2012

Los electores de North Highline votarán por la medida de unirse a Burien

Electores que residen en el área no incorporada de North Highline, incluyendo White Center, Top Hat, Beverly Park, Glendale, y partes de Boulevard Park, Riverton Heights y Shorewood, votarán en las elecciones generales del 6 de noviembre para aceptar o rechazar la medida de anexión a la Ciudad de Burien.

Sesiones informativas

Sep 13: Cafetería de Beverly Park Elementary School, 1201 S. 104th Street, 6 pm

Oct 18: Cafetería de Cascade Middle School, 11212 10th Ave SW, 6 pm

La medida que aparecerá en la papeleta se podrá aprobar por mayoría simple. Solo los residentes del área de la anexión propuesta pueden votar en la elección. Los residentes deben inscribirse para votar por lo menos 30 días antes de las elecciones. Los electores inscritos recibirán la papeleta por correo a finales de octubre.

Las elecciones generales del 6 de noviembre se celebrarán por correo solamente en el Condado de King. Las papeletas serán enviadas a los electores inscritos el 17 de octubre. Los electores pueden devolver la papeleta por correo, o depositarla en un buzón de papeletas. Hay un buzón de papeletas delante de la Biblioteca y Alcaldía de Burien, en el 400 SW 152nd St.



Los residentes de North Highline pueden informarse sobre la anexión en sesiones informativas presentadas por la Ciudad (vea recuadro para fechas). Representantes de la Ciudad estarán presentes para hablar sobre la anexión y contestar preguntas. Habrá información escrita disponible en español.

Nuevo refugio para animales en Burien

El proveedor de servicios de control de animales para Burien, CARES (Sociedad Comunitaria de Recursos y Educación sobre Animales, por las siglas en inglés), abrió su nuevo refugio a mediados de julio, en el 909 SW 151st St, tras recibir los permisos y aprobaciones correspondientes de la Ciudad y someterse a una inspección final del Departamento de Salud del Condado de King.

CARES, un grupo sin fines de lucro, comenzó a proveer servicios de control de animales para Burien en julio de 2011. En 2010, la Ciudad decidió ahorrar el dinero de los contribuyentes y proveer servicios locales al contratar un servicio de control de animales en vez de unirse a Servicios Regionales de Animales del Condado de King. La Ciudad calcula que ahorrará \$290,000 en 2013 al recibir servicios de CARES en vez de participar en el programa del condado.

Las horas de operación regulares del refugio son de martes a sábado, de las 10 de la mañana

a las 6 de la tarde. Después del cierre, los dueños de animales pueden dejar un mensaje. Las llamadas serán contestadas dentro de 24 horas. Llame a CARES al (206) 812-2737. En caso de emergencia tal como un perro agresivo y peligroso, llame al Departamento de Policía al 911.

Los animales perdidos serán llevados a casa gratis la primera vez que se pierden si llevan una licencia de Burien. Se aplicarán cuotas de incautación, de infracción, y de perrera a los dueños de perros sueltos hallados sin licencia.

Para renovar o comprar una licencia de mascota:

Alcaldía de Burien
400 SW 152nd St., Ste. 300,
8 am – 5 pm de lunes a viernes

CARES
909 SW 151st St.
10 am - 6 pm, de martes a sábado

DÍA DE LOS NIÑOS

8 de septiembre
De las 10 de la mañana a
las 3 de la tarde
Estación de Bomberos 28
15100 8th Ave. SW



El Distrito de Bomberos 28 del Condado de King invita a las familias al Día de los Niños anual del Departamento de Bomberos. El año pasado, 1,000 niños asistieron al evento. Las actividades incluyen las siguientes:

- Exhibición de camiones de bomberos, ambulancias, y coches de policía.
- Demostraciones de técnicas de extracción de un vehículo, rescate en altura con sogas, y otras.
- Instrucción de seguridad para niños (prevención de incendios, quemaduras, electricidad, ferrocarril, y práctica de escape de incendios).
- Sorteos con premios, globos, dulces, y perritos calientes.
- Juegos inflables, pintura para la cara, el Oso Smokey, el Mariner Moose, juegos, y más.

Festival y procesión de linternas

Sábado, 8 de septiembre, de las 5 a las
10 de la noche
Dottie Harper Park, 421 SW 146th

¡Una tarde mágica en el bosque! Habrá arte con linternas y artistas en cada esquina, pintura para la cara, té y refrigerios. Este año, por primera vez, habrá camiones de comida. Haga su propia linterna y participe en la procesión al anochecer. ¡No se lo pierda!

Para más información e instrucciones para crear una linterna, visite www.burienwa.gov/GLOW

BURIEN RECIBE SU 13ª AUDITORÍA PERFECTA CONSECUTIVA

La Oficina del Auditor del Estado de Washington informa que por 13º año consecutivo, la Ciudad de Burien ha recibido una auditoría satisfactoria de sus estados financieros, sin ninguna determinación de irregularidad, tras una inspección de los estados financieros de la Ciudad para 2011. Durante ocho semanas en la Alcaldía, un representante de la Oficina del Auditor llevó a cabo una auditoría rutinaria anual de los registros financieros y legales de la Ciudad. La auditoría se completó en junio.

BURIEN GREEN SCENE



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Don't Toss It!

Cleaning out materials in your house or at work? Try to find a new home for these unwanted items, instead of throwing them away. Here are some tips for keeping useful materials out of landfills, while giving items a new home.

Burien locations that accept the following donations:

Furniture/Clothing/Household Items

- Goodwill
12808 Ambaum Blvd Sw, Burien
(206) 957-1020
- Saint Vincent de Paul
13445 1st Ave S Burien
(206) 243-6270
- Salvation Army
16033 1st Avenue South, Burien
(206) 438-4546
- Value Village
131 Sw 157th St, Burien
(206) 246-6237

Canned and boxed food:

- Highline Area Food Bank
18300 4th Ave S, Burien
(206) 433-9900
- White Center Food Bank
10829 8th Ave SW
(206) 762-2848

Recycling services are FREE for Burien apartments and condos!

Burien apartments and condominiums that have garbage service through Waste Management, can receive FREE recycling service! This includes a recycle Dumpster or cart(s) plus free pick-up service.

The City can:

- Set up your new recycling program. We can also visit onsite to determine cart or Dumpster placement.
- Educate tenants at your property.
- Provide information about recycling other materials - such as computers and fluorescent lights. Most apartment/condo properties are not utilizing all of the free recycling services available.

If you would like to get recycling added or increased at your property, please contact the City's recycling specialist, Sam Wilder, at (206) 763-0739 or at recycling@burienwa.gov.

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City Earns WellCity Award of Excellence

The City of Burien has met the Association of Washington Cities WellCity standards and earned a 2% discount on Regence/Asuris medical premiums in 2013.

WellCity has three levels of recognition to encourage program growth and longevity. Burien earned the WellCity Award of Excellence, the highest level of recognition, which requires completion of all required items and earning the award in three consecutive years. The City of Burien is one of 84 employers in Washington that earned the WellCity Award.

KIDS' DAY

September 8
10 am to 3 pm
Fire Station 28
15100 8th Ave. SW



King County Fire District #2 invites families to Burien's annual Fire Department Kids' Day. Last year, 1,000 kids attended the event. Kids' Day will include:

- Display of fire engines, ladder truck, aid units and police vehicles.
- Auto extrication, high-angle rescue, and other demonstrations.
- Safety instruction, police ID cards and fire escape practice for children.
- Prize drawings, balloons, candy and hot dogs.
- Inflatable air toy, face painting, Smokey Bear, Mariner Moose, games, etc.

This event focuses on injury prevention, interesting displays and demonstrations, and most of all - FUN for everyone!



Last year's Wellness Fair was held under sunny skies and attracted a large crowd.

Free Community Wellness Fair Saturday, Sept. 15

Burien's Community Wellness Fair will be held on Saturday, September 15, 10 am – 3 pm in Burien Town Square. Free medical screenings, free preventative and diagnostic information, demonstrations, entertainment, and lots of giveaways will make this a fun, informative and exciting day for all. Exhibitors will be on hand to showcase their roles in making Burien a Wellness Center.