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WATCHING OUT FOR FEDERAL WAY — MAYOR FERRELL ATTENDS THE WESTRIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING



On January 22, Mayor Jim Ferrell and Federal Way Police Chief Andy Hwang presented at the Westridge Homeowners Association annual meeting in Federal Way.

The Westridge community met with the Federal Way Police Department to discuss implementing Flock Safety cameras to ensure community safety and best practices surrounding a partnership action plan.

The Flock Safety cameras, like the one pictured below, use advanced technologies, like License Plate Recognition (LPR), to collect evidence for law enforcement. The evidence provided by these cameras has been crucial in making arrests. Contact us anytime if you'd like to invite Mayor Ferrell and Chief Hwang to your homeowners' association community meeting!



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TRADITIONS AT FEDERAL WAY INVITES MAYOR FERRELL AND FWPD TO ITS RETIREMENT HOME MEETING



In keeping with the theme of community safety, we appreciate our friends at Traditions at Federal Way inviting Mayor Ferrell and FWPD Chief Andy Hwang to discuss valuable crime prevention strategies with residents there during a meeting on January 24.

Mayor Ferrell and Chief Hwang listened carefully and received valuable resident feedback. The City of Federal Way takes pride in collaborating with our community partners to connect and create a safer environment for everyone.



TRADITIONS
AT FEDERAL WAY

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EFFICIENTLY PRESERVING THE PAST: THE FWPD RECORDS UNIT ENSURES SMOOTH OPERATION

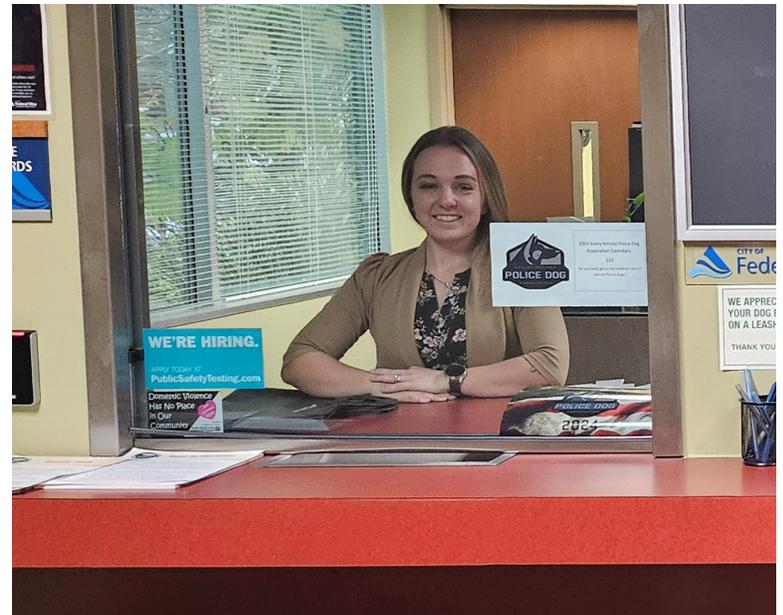


Our FWPD Records Unit is crucial in ensuring officers have the necessary information to carry out their duties effectively. It involves managing data entry, statistical reporting through the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS), and scanning hundreds of case documents daily. Most of the unit's responsibilities are under strict deadlines and require extensive attention to detail.

The FWPD Records Unit connects law enforcement officers to databases such as the Washington Crime Information Center (WACIC) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Records Specialists enter data from reports, warrants, and orders for national coordination in finding stolen property, missing persons, and criminals. They take pride in this detail-oriented work as it impacts officers, accreditation status, and the community.

The team also provides immediate assistance to officers in the field by utilizing the SafeCity cameras. The FWPD Records Unit is instrumental in helping solve crimes and hit-and-run collisions, find missing people, and catch suspects by providing real-time updates or sharing recorded footage, giving officers an edge in investigations.

The Records Unit works closely with the community by processing online police reports. They also conduct background checks for Concealed Pistol Licensing or firearm purchases and assist with phone or lobby visits. The FWPD Records Unit is your reliable community partner, working relentlessly to meet our community's daily needs!



A Customer-Centric Culture: The FWPD Records Unit operates 24/7/365, with a dedicated team always available to serve the community and its needs. The City of Federal Way would like to recognize and commend the entire team, including Gretchen Sund, FWPD Customer Service Specialist (pictured left), and Sarah Butts, FWPD Quartermaster (pictured right), for their hard work and commitment to serving our Federal Way community!

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MAYOR FERRELL WELCOMES CONSUL GENERAL PRAKASH GUPTA FROM THE NEW INDIAN CONSULATE IN SEATTLE!



Mayor Jim Ferrell welcomed Consul General Prakash Gupta and the delegation from the new Indian Consulate in Seattle to Federal Way for a tour on January 22. The City of Federal Way is committed to establishing a solid partnership with our friends at the Indian Consulate in the greater Seattle area. The City of Federal Way is proud to support India, which celebrated its 75th Republic Day on January 26!



MAYOR FERRELL JOINS REGIONAL MAYORS AT THE 75TH REPUBLIC DAY OF INDIA CELEBRATION IN SEATTLE!



Mayor Jim Ferrell (pictured above on stage) said he was privileged to participate in the 75th Republic Day of India celebration in downtown Seattle on January 26, along with other regional mayors! The Consulate General of India in Seattle did a fantastic job organizing a memorable event. The City of Federal Way appreciates Consul General Prakash Gupta's invitation to our Mayor!



MAYOR FERRELL VISITS THE OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FACILITY PROPERTY TO EVALUATE ITS STRUCTURES



On January 26, Mayor Ferrell visited the Operations and Maintenance Facility property on 28th Avenue along with our Public Works Director, EJ Walsh, and City Administrator Brian Davis to assess the structures.

The structure's foundation cannot be older than the 1970s, and the logs are severely degraded and damaged. Both buildings contain asbestos, which will require remediation even if demolished. It is important to note that the structure to the right is not a log cabin but a stick-frame building with cedar siding.

To learn more about the history and background of the property, the City of Federal Way will obtain documents from King County. However, before making any final determinations, we will need to go through the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) process.



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MAYOR FERRELL RECEIVES VALUABLE FEEDBACK FROM THE RECENT MEETING OF THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION



The Human Services Commission plays a crucial role in developing the human services program in Federal Way. Mayor Ferrell showed his support by attending their meeting at City Hall on January 22. The Mayor carefully listened to everyone and received excellent feedback from the Commission. The Human Services Commission consists of nine appointed residents who work collaboratively to evaluate funding requests, review the performance of human service agencies, and assess the quality of human service delivery.

DOWNLOAD THE FREE 'EYES ON FEDERAL WAY' APP!

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Eyes on Federal Way

The advertisement features a smartphone displaying the app's interface, which includes a map and various icons. To the right of the phone is a stylized blue eye logo with hands. The text 'Available Now!' is in a light blue font, and 'Eyes on Federal Way' is in a large, bold white font. There are also buttons for 'Download on the App Store' and 'GET IT ON Google play'.

We rely on our community to help us maintain a clean and safe environment in Federal Way. We urge you to download the “Eyes on Federal Way” app from the App Store or Google Play today. With this app, you can easily report non-emergency issues such as graffiti, road potholes, street litter, or shopping carts blocking sidewalks. Your collaboration makes a big difference!



COUNCIL'S CORNER



Hello Federal Way,

I was honored to be elected by my colleagues as Council President for the next 2-years. The Council also voted to eliminate the position of Deputy Mayor. The Mayor presented a plaque to Councilmember Susan Honda, thanking her for her service in that position for the last 6-years. I personally hope that future Councils will rotate the Council President position among the members.

We'll be holding our Annual Retreat on February 3rd at Dumas Bay Centre beginning at 8:00 a.m. We welcome members of the public to join us!

Some items that we'll be discussing include:

- Councilmember rules regarding attendance at meetings
- A downtown update
- Town Center 3 (TC-3)
- The Light Rail Extension
- An update on changes to the Commons Mall
- Capital Finance Issues
- The City's Operations & Maintenance Facility

Please work together with us as we make Federal Way a place we are proud to call our home!

Thank you,

Linda

Linda Kochmar

This week's Council happenings:

- **Comprehensive Plan Ad Hoc Committee**, January 29 at City Hall, 5 p.m.
- **Arts Commission Commission Regular Meeting**, February 1 at the FWCC, 8 a.m.
- **Parks & Recreation Regular Meeting**, February 1 at City Hall, 5 p.m.
- **City Council Retreat**, February 3 at Dumas Bay Centre, 8 a.m.

Planning Ahead:

- **Land Use & Transportation Committee (LUTC) Regular Meeting**, February 5 at City Hall, 5 p.m.
- **City Council Regular Meeting**, February 6 at City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- **Parks, Recreation, Humans Services & Public Safety Committee (PRHSPSC) Regular Meeting**, February 13 at City Hall, 5 p.m.



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UPCOMING EVENTS IN FEDERAL WAY!

STATE OF THE CITY

ADDRESS BY
MAYOR JIM FERRELL

"Welcome Home"

Thursday, February 15, 2024
at 6:00 p.m.



Mayor's State of the City FREE EVENT

Federal Way Performing Arts & Event Center
31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S
Federal Way, WA 98003



BUSINESS SAFETY SUMMIT

The Federal Way Business Safety Summit is an opportunity to gather experts, leaders, and professionals to discuss, learn, and strategize for a safer work environment.



Wednesday
February 21st, 2024



Time
09:30am- 11:00am

HOSTED BY

***The Federal Way
Police Department***

Small & large retail business owners/managers
Corporate Retail Partners
Loss Prevention Personnel

Encouraged to attend!

For more information contact
Tiffany Clemmings
Tiffany.Clemmings@cityoffederalway.com
or 253-835-6707

Zoom:
Meeting ID: 849 1266 2169
Passcode: 909354





Sweetheart Ball

February 17





Neighborhood Connection

TOWN HALL MEETING

*Join Mayor Ferrell, City Councilmembers, and City of Federal Way staff
for a Neighborhood Connection Town Hall Meeting
at the NEW Olympic View Elementary School in Federal Way!*

Thursday, March 7 at 6 PM

(Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.)

**Olympic View Elementary School
Commons Room
2626 SW 327th Street, Federal Way**



ACT & SING



ACTING & MUSICAL THEATRE CLASSES

Have fun developing your acting skills while creating characters using movement, voice, and creativity. We'll use theatre games, improvisation, group scenes, and more to develop the skills all actors need for their acting training as well as interpersonal skills needed for success in everyday life.

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FREE CLASS PRESENTATION FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY ON LAST CLASS DAY.

2 SESSIONS AVAILABLE!

JAN 20 - MARCH 2
APR 13 - JUNE 1

SATURDAYS
ACTING: 9:30 - 10:30 AM
MUSICAL : 10:45-11:45 AM

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876 SOUTH 333RD STREET

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UTILITY TAX REBATE PROGRAM

\$100 REBATE

ENROLLMENT PERIOD: JANUARY 1 – MAY 30, 2024

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You may be eligible if you can answer **YES to all** of the following questions:

- You lived within the incorporated limits of the City of Federal Way in 2023 YES NO
- You paid household utilities, which are in your name, in 2023 ...*..... YES NO
- The annual gross household income in 2023 did not exceed the following: YES NO

* *Income of every member of your household over 18*

| ANNUAL GROSS HOUSEHOLD INCOME* | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD | MAXIMUM ANNUAL INCOME |
| 1 | \$47,950 |
| 2 | \$54,800 |
| 3 | \$61,650 |
| 4 | \$68,500 |
| 5 | Please call 253-835-2506 |

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- U.S. Individual Tax Return Form 1040 for 2023 (if one was filed);
OR
- Bank statements for November and December 2023 (if no income tax return was filed) showing all sources of income including Social Security Income .
AND
- One copy each of utility bill paid in 2023 for the following utilities only:
 - Gas, Electric, Water, Sewer, Garbage, and Telephone/Cell Phone/Cable
 - Documentation must show the bill was paid.
 - DO NOT send original bills. Paperwork will NOT be returned.

Please mail or bring your application to the address below:

Federal Way City Hall
 Finance Department
 Attn: Utility Tax Rebate Program
 33325 8th Ave South
 Federal Way, WA 98003-6325

CONTACT

Have questions or need assistance, please contact the Utility Tax Rebate line at 253-835-2506 or visit us at Federal Way City Hall.

[If you want to learn more, please click on this link](#)