

## Upcoming City Council Agenda Items October 21, 2014

### 6:00 p.m. Workshop Meeting:

- [Budget Reviews](#) for Public Safety, Public Works, and Support Services departments

### 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting:

- [Public Hearing](#) on 2015 Revenue Sources
- [Public Hearing](#) on Ordinance 2279 regarding 2015 Property Tax Levy
- [Public Hearing](#) on Resolution 1320 to Approve Water Use Efficiency Program Update for 2014 - 2019
- [Action](#) to approve Compensation Study and adopt Ordinance 2278
- [Discussion](#) of Land Use Element Update
- [Discussion](#) on Utility Rate Forecast

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In addition, a 2" top dressing of recycled asphalt is added to the driving surface and then compacted to create an asphalt-like surface. The use of ground asphalt allows the surface to bind together better than gravel, reducing potholing and the need for maintenance by 75%.

With every alley the City renovates, several tons of gravel is reclaimed to be used for fill in other areas. This also allows water to run to an appropriate conveyance system, reducing our need for maintenance.



## Alley Renovation and Maintenance Program

The Street Department has started their fall alley renovation and maintenance program. This is a new program which started two years ago in an effort to reduce the amount of maintenance needed on the driving surfaces of our gravel alleys.

For more than 20 years every gravel alley in town has had gravel added to its surface in order to fill potholes and smooth out the bumps. Not surprisingly, the gravel build-up over time is tremendous.

Staff's new approach is to cut/grade down the driving surface and reshape the alleys, allowing water to run off the driving surface into the street storm water conveyance system. In

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The ground asphalt is a byproduct of the City Transportation Benefit District road renovation program. Every road that is ground in preparation for new asphalt goes back into the alley maintenance program in an effort to reduce cost and use recycled products.

## Carnegie Annex Roof Repairs



Chris Soren applying a coating on the roof in an effort to plug all the leaks in the old roof.

The Snohomish Carnegie Library originally opened in 1910, and served as the City's library until 2003, when the Sno-Isle Library system constructed a new facility on Maple Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Street on July 31, 2003.

In 2012 the Carnegie building went through a structural and seismic retrofit project, which included a new roof to start the preservation process. This project did not include the annex portion because it is to be removed as part of the future Carnegie renovation project.

The City has been leasing the annex of the building since the library vacated the building in 2003. The 1968, 7500 square foot annex building is slated for demolition in the coming years, but it will continue to be leased until the City is ready to start construction.

The old annex has seen better days, but City staff has done a great job keeping things maintained. The annex roof is in dire need of replacement, but staff is trying to hold it together for another couple years. This is the second time staff has coated the roof in the last 4 years. Great job!!

# CONGRATULATIONS!



Mike Thomas has just passed the Water Distribution Manager 1 Exam from the Washington State Department of Health. Mike came to work for the City of Snohomish in July of 2013.

To become certified, applicants must meet specific experience, education, and examination requirements. The general knowledge test consisted of questions in the following content areas; administrative duties, DOH regulations, equipment maintenance, disinfection, math, system design, security, and safety procedures. A competent certified operator must be able to perform duties without endangering public health. Operators must also have the necessary skills, ability, and judgment to properly operate and maintain the facilities and infrastructure.

Some of Mike's daily duties include water main service, installation, and repairs, hydrant flushing, and taking chlorine residual water samples. Having qualified and well-trained water staff plays a vital role in keeping the City's water systems well maintained, operational, and to ensure customers are supplied with safe and reliable drinking water.

## **2014 Calendar:**

### **Public Safety Commission**

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 – 5:00 p.m.

Fire District Training Room

1525 Avenue D