



Kenmore NEWSLETTER

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Kenmore City Hall Opens in Mid-May: Events Planned for May 8 and May 22

The City of Kenmore celebrates the opening of the new City Hall with two special events – an Open House and a Dedication Ceremony. The new City Hall is located at 18120 68th Ave NE.

The Open House is scheduled for Saturday, May 8 from 10 a.m. to noon and provides an opportunity to tour the entire City Hall prior to the move-in date. There is no formal program, but there will be the chance to get a good look at the entire facility. Please bring canned food to support the National Association of Letter Carriers annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Canned food will be donated to the local Hopelink food bank.

The Dedication Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 22 from 9:30 a.m. to noon and will feature a formal program and other activities. The formal program begins at 10 a.m. with Congressman Jay Inslee invited to be the guest of honor. Other dignitaries have been invited but are not confirmed as of this date.

The City will move into the new city hall over the May 15 weekend and will be opening for business on the afternoon of Monday, May 17.

Project costs are well within the total project budget of \$14,421,721 approved by the City Council in March 2009. The project is being completed on schedule.

The City Hall will be one of Kenmore's first projects developed



The solar panels located along the edge of the roof are already generating power. Construction of the plaza along NE 181st Street is underway.

under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification standards. The project is on-track to receive a LEED Gold rating. The building features a green roof, rain garden, solar panels, raised floors, water efficient plumbing, energy efficient lighting and controls, pervious pavement, and other environmental features. King County awarded a LEED grant for the City Hall project. Puget Sound Energy is awarding a Conservation Grant, recognizing energy saving features in the building's design.

With the realignment of the NE 181st Street and 68th Ave NE intersection, a new space was created in front of the City Hall. Earlier this year, the City Council voted to proceed with design and construction of a plaza on that space for public gathering and informal outdoor use. Doing this work while contractors were mobilized on the site was more economical.

Graham Contracting is the general contractor and the City's project management consultant is OAC Services, Inc. Weinstein AU is the architect of the new City Hall. Susan Zoccola has created a sculpture suspended from the entry and lobby ceiling consistent with City policy to direct one percent of capital project budgets to public art.

For more information, visit the City's website at www.cityofkenmore.com/cityhall or call 425-398-8900.



The new Kenmore City Hall is on-track to receive a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Rating. Building features include a vegetated roof.

Central Segment of SR 522 Improvement Project Nearing Completion

The SR 522 Improvement Project is reaching completion. The contractor is completing private property restoration work along the project corridor, especially in the vicinity of Rite Aid. At the end of April, the temporary signal modifications at 68th Ave NE and SR 522 will be removed and landscaping maintenance along the south side of the roadway will continue.

In May, the last of the wood power poles will be removed, completing the undergrounding phase of work. Interconnecting the traffic signals is the last major portion of the contract. Washington State Department of Transportation will continue to monitor and adjust the signal timing.

Restoration at individual properties continue, including curb work and minor landscaping.

Thank You

The City sends a big thank you to all businesses, residents and visitors for your patience as construction wraps up in this corridor.

Stay Informed

Follow the project's progress at www.KenmoreSR522.com. If



A vehicle drives through the new traffic signal at 68th Ave NE and NE 181st Street. The new traffic signal provides convenient and safe vehicle and pedestrian travel through this area. A new traffic signal was also installed at 73rd Ave NE and NE 181st Street.

you have questions or concerns regarding the project, please contact us at 425-398-8900 or at info@KenmoreSR522.com.

Don't Let Your Food Go to Waste

The average single-family household in King County throws away about 470 pounds of food scraps and food-soiled paper every year. As a result, more than one-third of the County's garbage is made up of food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard debris—the largest percentage of the waste stream.

Kenmore residents who subscribe to yard waste service can now recycle all their food scraps and food-soiled paper in their yard waste carts. When you recycle food scraps rather than throwing them in the garbage, they are turned into nutrient-rich compost for local gardens and parks. Here are tips to get started:

Find the best kitchen container for you

Food scrap collection can be as simple as using a plastic container or a paper bag which can be recycled along with the food. Containers designed specifically for food scrap recycling now come in a variety of styles from stainless steel to ceramic and bamboo and are locally available in many stores.

Gather it all up

Food scraps that can be recycled include meat, fish, bones, vegetable and fruit trimmings, bread, pasta, egg shells and

coffee grounds. You can also put in food-soiled paper such as used paper towels, napkins, coffee filters, even pizza delivery boxes.

Avoid the "ick"

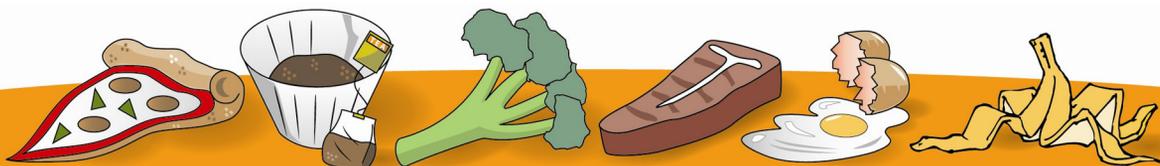
If you're concerned about odors or fruit flies, place your food scraps in compostable bags, a closed paper bag or store in the refrigerator or freezer until collection day. Empty your collection container every few days into the yard waste cart.

For more tips, visit www.recyclefood.com.

Is your company a Best Workplace for Recycling and Waste Reduction?

Kenmore businesses that are committed to recycling and waste prevention are invited to apply for King County's 2010 Best Workplaces for Recycling and Waste Reduction list. Last year, 65 businesses qualified for the list and were recognized for their strong efforts.

To apply, fill out the online application at <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/garbage-recycling/best-workplaces.asp>. The deadline to apply is May 24. The list will be announced to local media in June.



Recycle Food. It's Easy To Do.

King County Sheriff's Marine Unit Offers Public Education Opportunities

As you gear up for summer fun, make sure you're educated on water safety. The King County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit offers public and school education opportunities to contract customers and unincorporated residents.

Safer Boating Course (Mandatory Boater Education)

Washington State passed a law in 2005 requiring boat operators to take a boater safety education course. Regularly scheduled classes are posted online under the Washington State Parks website, www.parks.wa.gov/boating. Groups of 10 or more can also request custom classes.

River and Moving Water Safety

This class is intended for young adults ages 16 to 28. This age group has been identified by Washington State as being the highest risk for drowning.

Marine Unit Facility Tour

Get a tour of the Sheriff's Office Marine Unit facility and information/education about water safety. The tour is primarily for middle school ages and up, and groups including student academies, Boy and Girl Scouts, school field trips, and home study children.

Community Fairs

King County can participate in your local event by providing an educational display, including Marine Unit equipment and assets if available.

Grade School Presentations

Topics include water safety, hypothermia information, personal protective equipment, "Reach, Throw, Don't Go" water lifesaving/survival tips, and more. Classes include a Bill Nye Class following the Disney outline (primarily for grades 2-4) or an interactive Charlie the Tugboat class (primarily for K-2), which uses our robotic boat to help teach young



The King County Marine Unit participates at the Kenmore Junior High School Academy where students learn about their mission, boating safety and equipment.

children. Courses normally run 40 minutes, but can be created around the time frame that teachers request. Assembly-style presentations are also available. Presentations are also available for groups such as younger Boy and Girl Scouts.

Invasive Species Awareness

This is a new local threat and emerging hot topic, which the marine unit is beginning to incorporate into the Safer Boating Course. The marine unit can provide information about this or incorporate it into any other educational opportunity.

If you are interested in scheduling a class or event, call Sergeant Jim Knauss, KCSO Marine Unit, 206-205-0579. For additional questions call Robin Rask, KCSO Contracts Unit, 206-205-0470.

A Big Thank You to the Spring Egg Hunt Sponsors

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Kenmore Village Status

The City of Kenmore and Urban Partners signed a Disposition and Development Agreement (DDA) in 2007 that outlines the terms for the sale and development of the 9.6 acre City-owned property between NE 181st Street and NE 182nd Street, west of 68th Ave NE in downtown Kenmore. Economic conditions have affected the original schedule of the Kenmore Village project and several minor amendments since 2007 have adjusted the project development and closing dates.

The City and Urban Partners have been negotiating terms of a proposed amended DDA for the last several months. At the May 17, 2010 Kenmore

City Council meeting, the proposed terms of an amended DDA will be presented to the City Council, to be followed by Council discussion.

Since the proposed amendments to the DDA incorporate earlier amendments and include additional substantive amendment language, a public hearing is required prior to any Council action authorizing the City Manager to execute the amended agreement.

A public hearing is scheduled for the May 24, 2010 City Council meeting and citizens attending the hearing are invited to provide oral and/or written comments concerning the proposal.

Recycle Your Computer, Monitor, and TV for FREE

E-Cycle Washington is a program that provides responsible recycling of computers, monitors and TVs in our state. Starting January 2009, electronics manufacturers in Washington are taking responsibility for the cost of recycling these products. For consumers, small businesses, school districts, small governments, special purpose districts and charities, recycling is provided free of charge at authorized collection points.

Why E-Cycle?

Recycle: It is estimated that millions of pounds of unwanted electronics are thrown in the trash in Washington each year. Electronics can contain toxic materials such as lead, cadmium, mercury and hazardous chemicals that can harm human health and the environment. E-cycling keeps these and other materials out of our landfills and incinerators and conserves natural resources and energy

required to make products from scratch.

Reuse: Many materials in these products can be re-used in new products if handled properly, conserving the resources and energy needed to recycle and reprocess existing units as well as reducing the need to manufacture virgin parts. Some unwanted electronics still work and can be made available secondhand to people and organizations who may not be able to afford to buy new equipment.

E-cycling helps us all take responsibility for the products we make, buy and use from the beginning to the end of their useful lives.

For more information

To find out more about E-Cycle Washington, data destruction, drop-off locations and how to dispose of items not covered by the program, visit www.ecyclewashington.org.

Additional E-Cycle Washington Information

Recycling of these products is free under the law:

- Computers
- CPUs (Towers)
- Laptops
- Computer Monitors
- Televisions

For larger quantities, call 1-866-779-6632.

Your E-Cycle Location:

St. Vincent de Paul
7304 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore

Phone: 425-483-9497

Hours: Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Accepts: Computers, Monitors, Televisions 25" or smaller

City Considers Animal Control Services Changes

The City of Kenmore is reviewing potential changes to how animal control, licensing and sheltering services are provided to residents. The City, along with most other cities in King County, has an interlocal agreement with King County to provide these services. Revenue from pet licenses has supported the services, but has not been sufficient to cover the costs of services. King County's subsidy to the program has been approximately \$2 million per year.

In 2009 the King County Council directed the County Executive to work toward new contracts with the cities on a cost recovery model. A new regional model for animal control services has been developed, with cities sharing the costs on an allocation model. Cities are determining if they want to participate in this regional model for animal control.

Final costs will be determined once it's known how many cities will participate. Kenmore has a relatively high per capita licensing rate, and under the regional model, if licensing revenues exceed the service costs, the City will recover the difference.

Shelter capacity throughout King County is limited. Kenmore, along with other North King County cities, will propose a contract for sheltering services for dogs and cats with Progressive Animal Welfare Society (PAWS). The contract will be presented to the City Council for consideration in May.

Final recommendations on participating in the regional model for centralized licensing, animal control field services, and base support for county shelter services will be considered by the City Council in May. New contracts with King County would be in place effective July 2010.

For further information please check the City's website or call 425-398-8900.

Community Invited to Comment at Public Hearing on Shoreline Master Program

The Kenmore City Council will continue a public hearing related to the update of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) on Thursday, May 27 at 7 p.m., to be held at the Northshore Utility District, 6830 NE 185th Street.

The public hearing was opened March 29, 2010. The proposal includes amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and development regulations to update the City's SMP, which governs development within 200' of Lake

Washington, the lower reaches of the Sammamish River, the main stem of Swamp Creek, and floodplains and associated wetlands.

Additional information is available on the City's website www.cityofkenmore.com/shoreline or at City Hall. Citizens attending the hearing are invited to express their views by oral and/or written comments concerning the proposal. Council will also continue deliberations.

City Manager's Corner

Growing up in the Midwest, the arrival of May and those May flowers always promised to be in bloom were the marvelous signs of spring, the school year soon to end, and all the joys of summer.

This year May in Kenmore, along with the coming of spring, also brings promising new times to the community. Of course, at the end of this April, Earth Day and those events supporting it at various locations in the area also showed the promises of the future.

In the City of Kenmore, May will be highlighted by the ribbon cutting ceremony of the new City Hall, scheduled for Saturday, May 22 at 10 a.m. with Congressman Jay Inslee invited to be the guest of honor. Other dignitaries have been invited but are not confirmed as of this date. The activities begin at 9:30 a.m.

Also brightening the month of May is the second major road section (two out of three!) of SR 522 now completed with the last three-quarter of a mile of the three-mile project continuing the search for funding. The Mayor and City Council have been meeting with various state and federal representatives to help secure funding for this last remaining segment, so critical to regional transport. With sidewalks and bicycle paths fully in view and in use by the public, along with the new transit lanes, the total benefit of this improvement can be seen. Things are looking favorable for some federal and state assistance financing the construction



USPS District Manager Katherine Nash, Bothell Postmaster Eugene Williams, State Rep. Maralyn Chase, Kelly Marquardt of Congressman Jay Inslee's staff, and Kenmore Mayor David Baker celebrate the opening of the new Kenmore branch of the United States Postal Service on April 26, 2010. The post office relocated to the former city hall to allow the King County Library System to start construction of the new library.

of the last portion of this project, which extends from 65th Avenue NE to the western City limits.

The Northshore Fire District's new regional fire station is clearly rising quickly, and the construction of the Kenmore Branch of the King County Regional Library may have broken ground at the location of the old Kenmore Post Office Branch by the time this newsletter reaches you.

The new location of the Kenmore Post Office is in the previous City Hall. It opened its doors on Monday, April 26, thanks to the support and patience of the King County Regional Library System and Executive Director Bill Ptacek.

Recent City government actions included the City addressing the condition of the St. Edward State Park Carole Ann Wald Pool on behalf of the State of Washington, the owner of the pool, and attempting to identify the costs and timing of the possibilities of opening the pool. The report to the Council and the community should be available by the end of the summer, as the study is likely to begin by the end of

May or early June.

To provide the best quality of local government public services at the lowest possible cost for such services, the City has recently added some new employees, one replacing contractual services.

Previously the City relied on contracts with neighboring cities or private firms to perform Chief Building Official and Plans Examiner functions for planning building permit processes. Byran Hampson has joined the City to serve as the City's first Chief Building Official.

Samantha Woyak has joined the City as the Permit Specialist in the Community Development Department, filling a vacant position. These appointments are effective as of the week of April 19, 2010.

As summer approaches, the City continues to look to a bright future.

Sincerely,

Fred Stouder, City Manager

Allied Waste and Teamsters Sign Contract

The City of Kenmore contracts with Allied Waste for garbage and recycling services. Allied Waste employees from Teamsters Local 174 signed a 4-year term contract, 92 percent voted in favor of the new contract. No disruption in garbage services have occurred in Kenmore related to the labor negotiations.

City Installs Basketball Court at Rhododendron Park

On March 22, 2010, the Kenmore City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a contract in the amount of \$28,743.75 with Court Games, LLC for the construction of a full-size basketball court at Rhododendron Park, 6910 NE 170th St. The work is scheduled to begin in late April for estimated completion in June 2010.

The construction of a basketball court is an improvement included in the City Council adopted master plan for Rhododendron Park.

Other recent park improvements include a new widened vehicular access to the park, improved and expanded parking, new play areas with additional play equipment, a new picnic shelter, pedestrian access trails and walkways, additional site furnishings, landscaping, and a new automatic irrigation system.



A new playground area with additional play equipment was added to Rhododendron Park in 2009.

Students Invited to Attend Scoop on Cool Careers Event

Congressman Jay Inslee's Scoop on Cool Careers is an event that offers students an opportunity to learn about "Cool Careers" from the people who work in these positions in our community. The event is held at the Microsoft Conference Center, McKinley Room on Saturday, May 22 from noon to 2 p.m.

The event will showcase local men and women involved in interesting careers and can speak to students and their families about the importance of taking science and math in school.

For more information and/or to reserve a spot, contact Congressman Inslee's office at scoop.inslee@mail.house.gov or 206-361-0233.

City's Website Features Map with Current Development Project Information

Community Development regularly receives inquiries about current development projects occurring within the City limits. To increase the availability of information, the City has included a map with current development project information on the website at www.cityofkenmore.com/currentdevelopment.

The map features current City projects, long plats, short plats, and multifamily/commercial projects once a notice of application has been published. Each marker includes the project name, file number, notice of application, and status of the project.

If additional information is needed, please contact the Community Development Department at 425-398-8900.



Notices of Application Issued for the Period of Dec. 2009 – March 2010

1) 6413 NE 159th St

Kenmore File No. VAR2009-046

Zoning variance application to reduce the minimum rear yard setback and to allow construction of a patio cover. The site is zoned R-6 and is located on the 15th fairway of the Inglewood Golf Course. A minimum 20-foot rear yard setback is required on the R-6 zone. The applicant is requesting a variance to reduce the setback in order to allow construction of a patio cover over the existing at-grade patio to provide shielding from errant golf balls originating from the golf course.

2) 18001 73rd Ave. NE

Kenmore File No. CSP2009-041.

New 5-story mixed use building with basement parking garage and 21-stall at-grade parking lot. First floor contains approximately 6,150 square feet of retail space and 1 apartment. Four other stories contain 17 living units.

3) Adjacent to 6233 NE 187th St., in right-of-way

Kenmore File No. COM2009-051

Replace a 37'-tall round wood utility pole and add 3 flush-mount panel antennas and a microwave antenna at the top of the pole. Radio cabinets would be located in an underground vault at the southeast corner of NE 187th St. and 63rd Ave. NE.

A Big Thank You to the Swamp Creek Park Clean Up Event Sponsor



Kenmore Recognized by U.S. Census for Increase in Participation Rate

In March 2010, more than 130 million addresses received a 2010 Census form by mail or hand delivery. The 2010 U.S. Census will document the changes in our nation since the last decennial census in 2000, and tell us how we've evolved as a country. Because census data affect how more than \$400 billion in federal funding is distributed to tribal, state and local governments, the census also will frame the future of our country and our community for the next 10 years.

The City of Kenmore was recognized by the U.S. Census in April 2010 for the "Most Improved" percentage of census forms returned for King County. In the 2000 census, 64 percent of census forms were returned. In 2010 the return rate increased to 73 percent. Thank you for participating in this very important

survey!

Here's what you should know about the 2010 Census:

It's important. Census data are used to reapportion seats in Congress and ensure proper district representation in state and local governments. Information from the census helps determine locations for child-care and senior centers, new roads, hospitals, schools and community centers.

It's safe. By law, the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share respondents' answers with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. All Census Bureau employees take an oath of nondisclosure and are sworn for life to protect the confidentiality of the data. The penalty for unlawful disclosure

is a fine of up to \$250,000 or imprisonment of up to five years, or both.

Finally, census workers will visit households that do not return forms to take the count in person. A census worker is a person hired by the Census Bureau to make sure that neighborhoods get represented as accurately as possible. The census worker's primary responsibility is to collect census information from residences that have not sent back their 2010 Census form. Census worker's can



be identified through a certified badge.

For more information about the 2010 Census and the "Take 10" initiative, visit www.2010census.gov.

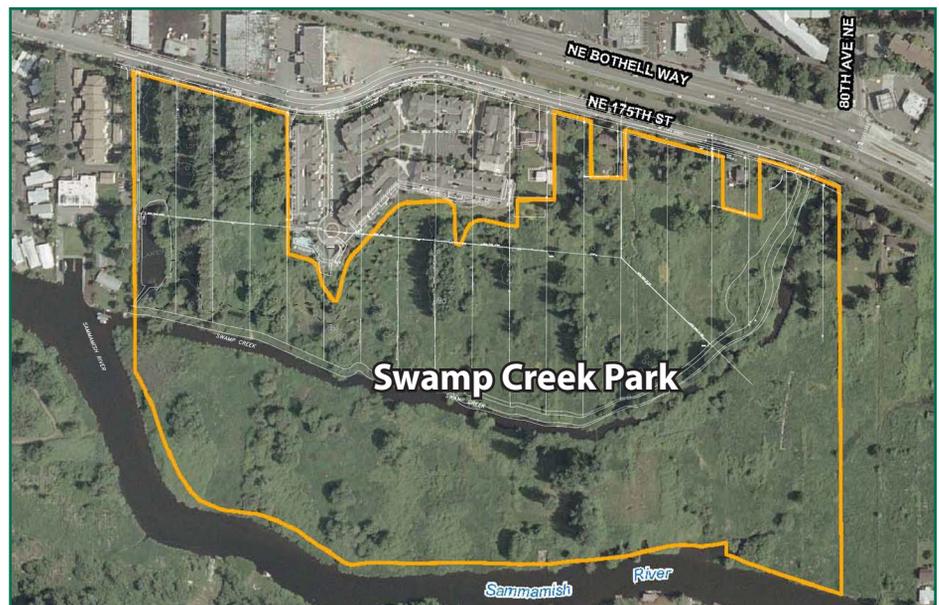
City Council Proclamation Honors Kenmore Air

The Kenmore City Council recognized Kenmore Air on their success in over 60 years in business with a Proclamation that was presented at the April 26, 2010 City Council meeting.

The business was started in 1946 and has grown into a world-renowned seaplane operator and expert in maintaining aircraft. Over 10,000 passengers depart and arrive each year at Kenmore Air Harbor. Kenmore Air has 250 employees in peak season, and is one of Kenmore's largest employers.

Todd Banks, General Manager and grandson of Kenmore Air founder Bob Munro, attended the Council meeting with his wife Jayne and their sons Hunter and Mason.

City Seeking Help from Residents to Determine the New Name for Swamp Creek Park



The Kenmore City Council narrowed the list of potential names of the newly acquired Swamp Creek Park from more than 20 to four and is requesting that the community make the final decision. Here is the list of names to vote on:

- Meanderer Park

- Nature Trails Park
- Squire's Landing
- Trailwalk Park

To place your vote, please contact the City of Kenmore at cityhall@ci.kenmore.wa.us or call 425-398-8900 by the end of May.

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Community Calendar

Tibetan Monks

Bastyr University, May 24 - May 28

A group of Tibetan monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery in India will spend five days on campus to create – and destroy – a sacred sand mandala, a spiritual exercise that honors impermanence. For more information visit www.bastyr.edu.

Arts of Kenmore

The Arts of Kenmore is a nonprofit organization whose goal is to encourage and promote both passive and active participation in all forms of the arts for the enrichment of the community. The organization sponsors events each year so that the community may enjoy performances by musical, visual and other arts groups. For more information visit www.artsofkenmore.org.

City Special Events

Visit the City's website at www.cityofkenmore.com/events to find out about upcoming spring and summer events such as the recycling event, concert series and more.

Kenmore Heritage Society

The Kenmore Heritage Society is a nonprofit organization celebrating and recording Kenmore's history. For more information visit www.scn.org/kenmoreheritage.

*All events are free

City Meeting Information

Kenmore City Council holds meetings on the second, third, and fourth Mondays of the month. Meetings are open to the public, and public comments are accepted at the beginning of the meeting. Meetings are currently held at the Northshore Utility District, 6830 NE 185th St. and begin at 7 p.m. In June, meetings will be held at the new Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE. Meeting agendas and schedules are available on the City's website at www.cityofkenmore.com/council or call the City Clerk's Office at 425-398-8900.

Downtown Task Force holds meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7 p.m. at the Northshore Utility District, 6830 NE 185th St. For meeting agendas, visit www.cityofkenmore.com/meetings.

Planning Commission meetings are currently on hold.

Kenmore Library Advisory Board holds meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Kenmore Library at 7 p.m.

Good Numbers to Know

Police/Fire Emergency	911
Police Precinct	206-296-5020
Fire Department Headquarters	425-486-2784
Flooding/Drainage (after hours)	206-296-8100
Street Concerns (after hours)	206-296-8100
Building Permits	425-398-8900
Land Use	425-398-8900
General Questions	425-398-8900
Animal Control	206-296-PETS
Allied Waste	206-682-9730
Kenmore Library	425-486-8747
Kenmore Senior Center	425-489-0707
Puget Sound Energy	425-454-2000
Northshore Utility District	425-398-4400