



City Manager Weekly Report June 21, 2024

Redondo Boarding Floats/Docks Update

The new Redondo boarding floats/docks were recently removed as the new pile hoops were too tight, causing an unsafe condition during high and low tides. The new pile hoops were picked up this Thursday from the galvanizers and they are currently being mounted to the docks. Marina staff will tow them to Redondo and install everything on Wednesday of next week.

Community Decarbonization Grant Award

The City of Des Moines is officially a Community Decarbonization awardee! The Department of Commerce announced \$72.6 million in funding for 71 projects across 24 Washington counties. These projects will include solar, hydrogen fueling, microgrids and more in communities most impacted by carbon pollution and climate change.

Des Moines was awarded \$228,200 for solar installation on our Des Moines Senior Activity Center. This was a competitive grant with a short window of time to apply. A big shout-out to Executive Administrative Analyst Rochelle Caton, and Citizen's Advisory Committee member, Ryan Crompton, for their efforts and being instrumental in securing this grant.

Grant funds will include a full roof replacement of the Senior Activity Center. It is estimated that the Solar Panels will offset over 50% of the monthly electrical costs.

This community decarbonization grant award is supported with funding from Washington's Climate Commitment Act. The CCA supports Washington's climate action efforts by putting cap-and-invest dollars to work reducing climate pollution, creating jobs, and improving public health. Information about the CCA is available at <https://climate.wa.gov/>

Read the full Climate Commitment Act dollars press release [here](#)



We are very much looking forward to working with the Community Carbonization coordination team and CCA on this project!

We welcome the community to stay tuned for updates along the way and we look forward to

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a celebratory gathering once the work is complete!

Camp KHAOS Starts Monday!

The Parks & Rec Department is working hard with summer camp staff to prepare for 80 campers to arrive on Monday, June 24th for Camp KHAOS! Lots of games, field trips, arts and crafts, and swimming will be happening over the next 10 weeks. We can't wait to see you all! For more information, and to sign up to join in the khaos – click here: [Camp Registration](#)

Midway Park Open Space Design

The design work for the expanded Midway Park, funded through the King County Parks Capital and Open Space Program grant, will provide a place for family gathering, increased opportunities for physical activity, and community engagement. We continue working with our consultant team, City staff, and community members on this Midway Park Open Space Design. We're excited to see design concepts come to fruition and we'd still love your input in shaping this community park. Take the survey and give us your feedback!

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MIDWAY PARK OPEN SPACE DESIGN

We want to hear from you!

With Conservation Futures Tax grant award funds, the City of Des Moines has acquired additional parcels to expand Midway Park. The design work for the expanded Midway Park, funded through the King County Parks Capital and Open Space Program Grant, will provide residents of all ages and abilities with increased opportunities for physical activity, family gathering, and community engagement. Potential improvements to the expanded Midway Park include:

- Updated community garden
- Additional play structures + site furnishings
- Additional picnic pavilion
- Passive/active open space areas
- ADA accessible loop path
- Restroom facilities
- Formalized parking
- Food truck area

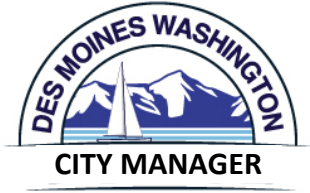
SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

TAKE THE SURVEY
Give us your feedback on improvements to Midway Park!

For additional questions, comments or translation services, contact the City Project Manager, Nicole Nordholm, at NNordholm@desmoineswa.gov.

Southside Leadership Conference

Are you an emerging young professional? Consider attending the Seattle Southside Chamber and Success Foundation's Leadership Conference on Friday, July 19, 2024. You'll learn and network, and attend sessions led by industry experts. Gain essential skills and strategic insights for success in today's dynamic business world. Registration information and more can be found [here](#)



Summer has officially begun!

June 20th was Summer Solstice and the official start of summer. Not only are the temps heating up but kids are also getting out of school for the year. Please slow down and watch out for kids while you are driving so we can all have a fun and safe summer!

Meetings of Interest

In addition to day-to-day administrative duties, this week I met with City staff to discuss future renovations of the Founders Lodge in the Beach Park. I met with Mayor Buxton to discuss upcoming City issues. City Hall was closed on Wednesday in observance of the Juneteenth holiday. I met with the Harbormaster and Assistant Harbormaster to talk about several Marina topics such as updating the Marina Master Plan and next steps for dry stack storage construction. Finally, I met with representatives from the Port of Seattle and Panattoni to discuss the Des Moines Creek - Business Park West project.

City Council Meeting Summary

There was no City Council meeting this Thursday as the Council does not generally meet on the third Thursday of the month.

The Council will meet next week (June 27th) for a Regular Council meeting, the agenda and materials can be found [here](#).

The [Municipal Facilities Committee](#) will also meet at 4pm and the [Economic Development Committee](#) will meet at 5pm. The agenda and materials can be found in the links.

Sports Update

“The Say Hey Kid,” [Willie Mays](#) passed away this week at the age of 93. He is widely regarded as one of the best baseball players of all time, and his life was one that transcended sports. Mays was a 24 time MLB All-star, a two time league MVP and a World Series Champion with the New York Giants in 1954. A true legend. In other baseball news, the Mariners continue to win and we now hold an eight game lead over the second place Astros. This is an unusual place we find ourselves in, and I’m not quite sure how to handle it. The Celtics capped off the Mavericks in five games to win their 18th World Championship, congrats to Boston again. The NHL playoffs are finally getting exciting as the Panthers play Edmonton tonight with a 3-2 series lead. I’m hoping the Oilers win this one and take it to game 7. The Sounders play Dallas Saturday night and the Storm take on top ranked Connecticut Sunday at noon. Euro Cup soccer continues all weekend as well.

Have a great weekend!
Tim George
Interim City Manager

