

CITY MANAGER REPORT

THE WATERLAND CITY

MARCH 21, 2025

CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECAP



The following Council/Committee Meetings will be held on March 27, 2025

Economic Development Committee Meeting:

- Sound Code Discussion
- Short Term Rental Discussion
- Long Range Financial Plan and Development Impact Analysis

For more information, or to review packet information, click [here](#)

City Council Meeting:

- South King Housing and Homelessness Partners Presentation
- Washington State Auditor's Office Audit Presentation
- Approval of Vouchers
- Approval of Minutes
- Regulating Use of the Redondo Boat Launch
- 2025 Public Works Engineering Building Basement HVAC Upgrades
- Discussion on Potential King County Parks Levy

For more information, or to review packet information, click [here](#)

For a listing of all future Committee and Council meeting items, click [here](#)



CAMP KHAOS SUMMER 2025 – REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 24TH!

Let us fill your child's summer days with play, fitness, friendship and new experiences under the supervision of caring, experienced camp staff. Leaders plan amazing activities, arts and crafts, outdoor games, friendly challenges, weekly field trips and swimming all around a fun weekly theme. It's all here!

Call 206-870-6527 or visit
www.desmoineswa.gov/daysmart for more information.



THE FUN ZONE @ THE DES MOINES ACTIVITY CENTER



Relax, create, and socialize at The Fun Zone! The Des Moines Activity Center is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Discover a variety of crafts, puzzles, games, and more in a friendly environment where you can spend time with friends or meet new people. And the best part? It's completely free! We always welcome office supplies, puzzles, games, or craft materials donations. Come join us and turn every visit into a new adventure!

HOW DO I REGISTER MY ALARM?

Per Des Moines Municipal Code 9.10: "Alarm system" means a device or series of devices which emit or transmit a remote or local audible, visual or electronic signal indicating an alarm condition that is intended to or causes law enforcement service to be summoned. The purpose of this program is to encourage alarm users and alarm companies to properly use and maintain alarm systems and to reduce or eliminate false alarms which may unduly divert law enforcement from responding to criminal activity. Alarm registration is required for all alarm systems installed in homes or businesses. Register your alarm [here](#) today!



**Register
your
alarm**



STAFF KUDOS

“Good evening Brandon;

“We just wanted to send a thank you to you for all of your hard work reviewing our file. Thank you for the time you spent with Tyler (and thank you Tyler!) brainstorming the best way to get out of our "code loop" with the tricky situation that our property was in.

We really appreciate as well, the time you made for my many visits to the engineering department these past few months to figure out how to get this done.

I'm sure we'll talk again before we're all done with our permits, but just wanted to send this note of thanks.

Wishing you a great week ahead, 😊”

Andrew & Rebecca Bomann

Des Moines Residents

Thank you, as always, to our wonderful and hardworking staff. This Staff Kudos section will serve as a way to recognize and celebrate the hard work and dedication of our City of Des Moines employees, volunteers, Council Members, and more.

SUBMIT YOUR STAFF KUDOS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE KUDOS TO STAFF?

If you want to share a staff kudos with me, email me at KCaffrey@DesMoinesWA.Gov

VOLUNTEER COACHES NEEDED

Can you make a difference in the life of a young athlete? YES, you can! Join us in making our Youth Sports Leagues a fun, meaningful, and rewarding experience for all.

- 2-4 hours per week
- All supplies, schedules & practice plans provided
- Flexible practice times
- 1 mandatory Coaches Meeting per season
- Focus on player growth—on and off the field!
- Call the Field House at 206-870-6527 to learn more and get involved today!

Volunteer to Coach

Give a little. Get a lot!



HIGHLINE SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTS TWO NEW DIRECTORS



The Highline School Board appointed two new board members at its March 19 board meeting. Dr. Damarys Espinoza will serve as Director of District 4 and Blaine Holien will serve as Director of District 5. The new Board Members will be sworn in on March 24, 2025. More information can be found [here](#).

KATHERINE'S FUN STUFF

This week's guest column features the talented and highly regarded women's basketball player and coach, Shawna Thomas. (Full disclosure: She also used to work in our HR department and is a HUGE basketball fan!) Enjoy Shawna's recap of March Madness! Unfortunately, my bracket is already busted because I had my alma mater, the University of Kansas Jayhawks, going all the way. Out in the first round...what a bummer!



"If April showers bring May flowers then what does March bring? MADNESS. That's right. Yesterday kicked off the NCAA March Madness tournament. It's the time of the year where you and your friends, co-workers, and family members challenge each other by picking your favorite team to have that one shining moment at the end. There were a few upsets last night and ESPN reports there are less than 2% perfect brackets left. Unfortunately, I am not a part of those 2% but I am looking to end on a high note.."

The women's March Madness starts tonight and some great match-ups are on the way. Unfortunately, the Washington Huskies fell short last night and were not able to win a bid into the the tournament. But don't fret because there will be some great match-ups to still watch (especially in the Spokane region).

Good luck to the only Washington team still marching on, the Gonzaga Bulldogs!"



For more detailed information on the events listed, as well as additional events, please visit the City's calendar on the website by clicking [here](#).



**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

MARCH

- March 21 - Attack the Block @ Waterland Arcade
- March 22 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- March 22 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- March 25 - Trivia Night @ Quarterdeck
- March 26 - Watercolor Pansies Paint & Sip @ Marina Mercantile
- March 27 - Economic Development Committee Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- March 27 - City Council Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- March 28 - Live Music – Duo Bravo @ Creole Soul
- March 29 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- March 29 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- March 29 - MomCo DMGC Bingo Fundraiser @ Des Moines Gospel Chapel
- March 29 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- March 31 - Monday Mariner Madness @ Waterland Arcade

APRIL

- April 3 - City Council Study Session @ Des Moines City Hall
- April 5 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- April 5 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- April 5 - Yin Yoga, Aromatherapy & Gentle Acupressure
- April 5 - Des Moines Historical Society Open 1-4
- April 8 - Trivia Night @ Quarterdeck
- April 10 - City Council Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- April 12 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- April 12 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- April 15 - Bingo Night @ Quarterdeck
- April 19 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- April 19 - Eggstravaganza @ the Des Moines Activity Center
- April 19 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- April 22 - Trivia Night @ Quarterdeck
- April 23 - Community Shredding Event @ the Des Moines Activity Center
- April 24 - City Council Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- April 26 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- April 26 - Annual Salmon Release @ Des Moines Creek
- April 26 - SR3 Community Open House
- April 26 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park



MAY

- May 1 - City Council Study Session @ Des Moines City Hall
- May 3 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- May 3 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- May 3 - Des Moines Historical Society Open 1-4
- May 8 - City Council Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- May 10 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- May 10 - South Sound Opening Day Boating Celebration
- May 10 - Art & Wine Walk, DDM
- May 10 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- May 11 - Live Music @ the Quarterdeck
- May 13 - Trivia Nights @ Quarterdeck
- May 17 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- May 17 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- May 20 - Bingo Night @ Quarterdeck
- May 22 - City Council Meeting @ Des Moines City Hall
- May 24 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- May 24 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- May 27 - Trivia Nights @ Quarterdeck
- May 31 - Discovery Day @ MaST Center
- May 31 - Des Moines Creek Park Run @ Des Moines Beach Park
- May 31 - Des Moines Historical Society Open 1-4

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Have an upcoming event you want to share?
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