



Christmas Ship, Bonfire, and Concert on Dec. 8

Join holiday-spirited folk and enjoy complimentary cookies, hot cider, and cocoa on Saturday, December 8, 6:30-9:30 p.m. The Argosy Christmas Ship will anchor offshore in front of Des Moines Beach Park while the Bellevue Chamber Chorus performs holiday songs from 7:10-10 p.m.



The Argosy Christmas Ship will anchor offshore in front of Des Moines Beach Park and later, Redondo.

In Redondo, there will be a community concert in Wooton Park from 7:15-8 p.m. sponsored by the Redondo Community Store. The Argosy Christmas Ship will anchor offshore and the choir will perform from 8:25-8:55 p.m. At 9 p.m., Santa Claus will return to Wooton Park to give out candy canes and join in a community sing-a-long.

There is a \$1 suggested donation or can of food per person to support the Des Moines Area Food Bank. For more information, call Des Moines Park & Recreation Department at 206-870-6527.

Senior Center Holiday Wreath Sale

Des Moines Senior Center is selling holiday wreaths to support its many programs and services. Fresh noble fir wreaths measuring 16 inches in diameter are \$15 each; 22-inch wreaths are \$20 each. Wreaths will be available for pick up at the Senior Center the week of November 19. To place an order call 206-878-1642.



Human Services Advisory Committee Has Openings

The City of Des Moines is now accepting applications for three openings on its Human Services Advisory Committee. This committee is a group of seven mayor-appointed citizens chartered with the task of evaluating and recommending annual funding for human services requests submitted to the City. The committee also serves as advisors to Des Moines City

Council on local and regional human service issues. Committee terms are two years. Applicants must have an interest in and understanding of human service issues in the Des Moines and South King County area. Applications are now available at Des Moines City Hall. For more information please call Sue Padden, 206-878-1642.

New Sports Park Named for Fallen Police Officer

At the meeting of September 27, 2001 City Council passed a resolution naming and dedicating the new Sports Park in memory of fallen Des Moines Master Police Officer Steven J. Underwood. The new park will be known as "Steven J. Underwood Memorial Park".

The 15-acre park will be constructed in phases. The first phase (two softball fields and parking) will be completed in 2002 and open in spring 2003. Future phases will include two soccer fields and one additional softball field, restrooms, concession area, play equipment and trails connecting to the new Community Center.

The main park access is located at 20th Avenue South (off S. 216th Street behind the post office). Future access will be added at 24th Avenue South (at 220th) upon construction of the Community Center.

Park development plans include opportunities for purchase and dedication of tiles and other park amenities. Please contact Park and Recreation Director Patrice Thorell at 206-870-6529 if you have questions regarding the park.

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**Second Annual
Bayside Brunch & Silent Auction**

Anthony's Homeport in Des Moines
Sunday, Nov. 4, 2001
10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

5-Star Anthony's Champagne Brunch
Live Entertainment
\$50 per person

*Sponsored by Des Moines Legacy Foundation &
Anthony's Restaurants. Proceeds benefit the
future Des Moines Community Center.*

City Requires All Dogs and Cats Be Licensed

Des Moines Municipal Code requires that all dogs and cats, six months of age and older, be licensed and have a current rabies vaccination. If you own a dog or cat and have not licensed your pet, now is the time to get into compliance with the law!

Licenses may be purchased at Des Moines City Hall 21630 11th Ave. S. in Des Moines or you may call 206-878-4595 to request an application be sent to

you through the mail. Licenses may also be purchased from the Animal Control Officer at the Des Moines Police Department 21900 11th Ave. S. in Des Moines or at the King County Animal Shelter 21615 64th Ave. S. in Kent.

A current Des Moines pet license is your pet's "Phone Call Home"! It provides identification, and may provide a ride home on the first impound, rather than a ride to the animal shelter.

Volunteers Needed to Tutor Students in Reading

Midway Intermediate, North Hill Primary, Olympic Intermediate and Parkside Primary Schools need volunteers to help carry out WA Reading Corps tutoring programs. Volunteers can be caring people able to help young children with basic reading skills. Current volunteers include neighbors, parents, senior citizens, business people and older students. Training and curriculum are provided. If you have an hour or more per week and could volunteer either during the school day or in an afterschool program, please call: Martha Teigen at the Highline School District: 206-433-2266.



Please Check With Utility Before You Dig!

In order to prevent striking a cable or utility line while digging in your yard, you should call the toll free Utility Locate Service at 1-800-424-5555 with as much advance notice as possible. All the utilities are tied into this system and will come out and mark the location of their lines on your property to prevent accidental dam-

age to a line which may result in a service interruption.

In addition, if any work is required on the City's right-of-way, a permit application is necessary through the Public Works Department at 21650 11th Avenue So. or contact Dave Maresh at 206-870-6522.

Citizens Sought to Advise Water District

Highline Water District is looking for interested ratepayers to help advise the district by serving on a Citizen Advisory Committee. The district is looking for a diverse group of people from all areas of its service boundaries. Applicants must either live or work in the district's service boundaries.

The committee will meet one evening per month at the Highline Water District office in Kent. Members serve one or two years.

For more information, please contact Laurie Van Leuven at Highline Water District, 206-824-0375, ext. 11.

Metro Route 166 Revised

Metro Transit has restored bus service to South 216th Street in Des Moines. Route 166 has been revised to operate along Pacific Highway South and South 216th Street between Highline Community College and downtown Des Moines. Service on Route 166 along South 240th Street between HCC and Marine View Drive has been discontinued. Service on South 240th Street is available on Routes 130 and 132.



INITIATIVE 747

The following is offered for informational purposes only, and is not intended as an expression of support or opposition to the initiative (I-747).

Current Property Tax Limits

State law currently restricts local property tax increases to the annual inflation rate. An exception can be made for an increase up to 6% if a super majority (5) of the City Council declares a "substantial need".

City Property Tax in Des Moines

Des Moines' share of the overall property tax is approximately 12% as indicated in the following chart:

Where Does My Property Tax Dollar Go?



Property tax accounts for 20% of Des Moines' operating budget for parks, police, senior services, courts, jail, finance, street maintenance, etc. Des Moines' property tax increase for 2001 was 2.6%.

Major Provisions of Initiative 747

Annual property tax levy increases would be limited to 1% for jurisdictions under 10,000 population and the lesser of 1% or inflation, as defined by the implicit price deflator (IPD), for jurisdictions over 10,000 population. (Des Moines' population is 29,600.)

The legislative authority of a jurisdiction over 10,000 population that was limited to IPD could increase the levy by up to 1% upon a finding of substantial need by a super majority.

Voter approval for greater increases would be allowed under the existing provisions for a voter-approved levy lid lift.

What taxing districts would be affected?

All regular levies of property tax districts would be affected by the limitation. This includes cities, towns, counties, the state, fire districts, public hospital districts, port districts, and library districts. The initiative does not affect voter-approved special levies, such as local school levies, but it does apply to voter-approved regular levies, such as emergency medical services (EMS) levies.

Financial Impacts on Des Moines

The State Department of Revenue estimates that the impact on Des Moines would be a reduction of \$758,000 over a six year period (unless an annual vote authorized a higher rate). As can be seen from the state chart, the amount increases every year.

2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
(\$29,000)	(\$60,000)	(\$100,000)	(\$141,000)	(\$184,000)	(\$243,000)

What would be the impacts to city service levels as a result of special district and county I-747 losses?

Other jurisdictions, many of which provide services to cities, are more dependent on property taxes for revenue. Counties, which provide jail and law enforcement services to many cities, rely on property taxes for 39% of the operating revenues. Special districts like fire and library districts may rely as much as 90% on property tax.

What is the impact to the state?

The state is estimated to lose \$34,428,000 in state property tax revenue for the 2001-03 biennium (July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003). Local governments will lose \$115,246,000 over the same period (unless a higher rate is authorized by an annual vote).

Revenue Losses to Local Government Under Initiative 747 Taxes Due Calendar Years 2002-2007*

District Name	Losses in CY 2002	Losses in CY 2003	Losses in CY 2004	Losses in CY 2005	Losses in CY 2006	Losses in CY 2007
County Current Expense	(\$9,801,000)	(\$20,438,000)	(\$32,611,000)	(\$45,803,000)	(\$59,709,000)	(\$76,113,000)
County Road	(6,682,000)	(13,927,000)	(22,281,000)	(30,812,000)	(40,003,000)	(50,190,000)
Cities	(19,874,000)	(41,274,000)	(63,669,000)	(86,319,000)	(109,869,000)	(136,625,000)
Libraries	(4,502,000)	(8,971,000)	(13,929,000)	(19,407,000)	(25,853,000)	(32,865,000)
Hospitals	(1,214,000)	(2,422,000)	(3,861,000)	(5,483,000)	(7,229,000)	(9,116,000)
Fire Districts	(7,360,000)	(15,045,000)	(23,178,000)	(31,675,000)	(40,680,000)	(50,713,000)
Metro Park	(338,000)	(707,000)	(1,108,000)	(1,544,000)	(2,016,000)	(2,528,000)
Emergency Medical Svcs	(2,055,000)	(4,008,000)	(6,573,000)	(9,274,000)	(12,128,000)	(15,550,000)
Ports	(3,806,000)	(7,574,000)	(11,846,000)	(16,449,000)	(21,455,000)	(26,901,000)
Other Districts	(361,000)	(957,000)	(673,000)	(1,344,000)	(2,422,000)	(3,569,000)
Total	(\$55,993,000)	(\$115,323,000)	(\$179,729,000)	(\$248,110,000)	(\$321,364,000)	(\$404,170,000)

Assumptions: Current law is not reflective of Initiative 722. The losses assume that no local districts ask for or receive voter approval to exceed the one percent cap. Under current law, for the years 2002 through 2007, local districts will continue to increase their levies by the percent increase taken for taxes due in calendar year 2000. The initiative is

first effective for taxes collected in calendar year 2002. These estimates are based on local property data for taxes due calendar year 2001.

Some local taxing districts may experience a revenue increase due to the initiative.

*Source: Department of Revenue

Voters seeking more information may want to visit websites operated by "for" and "against" groups:

"For" = www.i-695.org

"Against" = www.voteno747.com

Building a Community Center for Des Moines' Future



(Des Moines Community Center Conceptual Artist Rendering)

The City of Des Moines is planning a new multi-purpose, multi-generational Community Center to be located on five acres of city land on 24th Avenue South overlooking Puget Sound. Initial plans call for development of a "core" facility for senior services and general recreation programs. Your input is critical in designing a facility to meet the needs of all segments of our community.

Please complete the following questionnaire and return it postage paid to the City of Des Moines by December 14, 2001.

Please rate the following Community Center programs and services proposed for the "core facility" and "future phases" based on their importance to your family and/or to the community:

Community Center "Core Facility" Programs	High Importance	Moderate Importance	Low Importance
Community Recreation Programs			
Adult Continuing Education			
Computer Lab and Classes			
Cultural Classes; Arts & Crafts, Painting, Photography and Woodworking			
Exercise Classes; Aerobics, Kickboxing, Tai Chi, Yoga			
Fitness Equipment and Weight Room			
Fine Arts Classes; Drama, Music and Dance			
Horticulture; Gardening, Greenhouse			
Rental Spaces with Kitchen; Community or Private Meetings, Parties and Receptions			
Social Dancing			
Special Events and Festivals			
Other:			
Senior Citizen Programs			
Health and Social Services; Wellness Programs, Counseling, Medical Lending Closet and Senior Outreach			
Recreation and Educational Programs; Cards, Arts & Crafts and Informational Courses			

Community Center "Core Facility" Programs	High Importance	Moderate Importance	Low Importance
Senior Citizen Programs - Continued			
Nutrition; Daily Lunch Program and Meals on Wheels, Coffee Bar and Volunteer Areas			
Coffee Bar and Social Area			
Other:			
Youth and Teen Recreation Programs			
Preschool Activities and Indoor Play Area			
Gymnastics and Tumbling			
Arts; Dance, Painting, Arts & Crafts, Drama			
Games Room; Ping Pong, Pool, Computerized Games			
Youth Before School and After School Activities, Day Camps			
Teens; Teen Nights, After School Activities, Leadership and Job Training			
Other:			
Community Center "Future Phases" Programs			
Gymnasium: Basketball, Volleyball, Open Gym, Tennis, Pickleball, Gymnastics, and Locker Rooms			
Performing Arts Auditorium/Banquet Hall with Stage; Concerts, Theatre Performances, Recitals and Special Events			
Senior Adult Daycare Services: Alzheimer's Patient Daytime Activities			
Child Daycare Services			
Other:			

Other Comments: (Please List)

Thank you for completing the Building a Community Center for Des Moines' Future survey. Please fold survey with mailer side out, tape closed (do not use staples) and return to your local post office or postal collection box. No postage is necessary if mailed in the United States.

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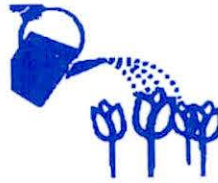
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PARKS & RECREATION

'Adopt a Spot' Program



The Des Moines Park and Recreation department announces its new seasonal planting "ADOPT A SPOT" program. This program is designed to provide great sponsorship opportunities for Des Moines area residents and businesses as well as enhance the beauty of Des Moines.

Currently there are 20 "SPOTS" that have yearly seasonal planting. "SPOTS" include large individual clay pots at Big Catch Plaza, the Lifeboat, areas at the Field House, Beach Park and more.

Each sponsorship will receive a "Citizens for Outdoor Recreation and Parks Stewardship" sign (CORPS) at their "SPOT" which will include their name and/or business logo. Other recognition will include "SPOT CHECKS" in the City Currents, Des Moines Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Brochure and the City of Des Moines web site.

Help us enhance the beauty of our community with your sponsorship in our "ADOPT A SPOT" program. For more information call Park Manager Bill Miller at 206-870-6598 or e-mail him at: bmiller@cityofdesmoines.com.

2nd Annual Snow Day

Saturday, December 22
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The City of Des Moines Parks & Recreation Department is bringing in dump truck loads of snow to the Field House from Snoqualmie Pass for you to play in! This is a FREE event for the whole family! Plus cookies and hot cocoa. Bring a tube or a saucer and plenty of warm clothes.



HANDMADE SOAP MAKING

Using all natural materials, essential oils, scents, herbs, and botanicals, learn to make handmade soap perfect for pampering yourself or to give as a gift. All supplies included.

Saturday, November 10, noon-2 p.m.
Des Moines Beach Park Dining Hall
\$39 per participant

OIL PAINTING CLASS

This class will offer techniques for the beginner as well as the more advanced student.

Wednesdays, November 14-December 19,
No class 11/21 6-8 p.m.
Des Moines Field House
(1000 South 220th)
\$45/5 classes
16 years and older



CARDIO STEP & LIFT

Fun and energizing class designed for all fitness levels!

Mondays/Wednesdays 5:45-7:10 p.m.,
Saturdays 9-10:30 a.m.
Des Moines Field House Gym
\$44/month or \$30 Punch card (6 classes)
or \$5 drop-in rate

Ask about discounts for Marine View Health and Fitness members!

RESIST-A-BALL

Resist-A-Balls are large rubber balls used for developing strength, endurance, flexibility and coordination through different exercises. This class is perfect for all fitness levels!

Wednesdays 7:15-8:15 p.m.
Des Moines Field House Gym
\$15/month or \$30 Punch card for 6 classes
or \$5 drop-in rate
Ask about discounts for Marine View Health and Fitness members!

KICK BOX AEROBICS

A high energy fusion of cardio-aerobics and kick boxing! Be prepared to have a great time and get results!

Tuesdays/Thursdays 6-7 p.m.
Des Moines Field House Gym
\$35/month or \$30 Punch card (6 classes)
or \$5 drop-in rate
Ask about discounts for Marine View Health and Fitness members!

INTRODUCTION TO FENG SHUI

This lecture will explain the history and major principles of this life-changing practice and give students practical information to take home and put into use right away! Please bring paper and pen to take notes.

Wednesday, November 7 7-9:30 p.m.
Senior Center Classroom (22030 Cliff Avenue South)
Cost: \$20

QUILTING

An introduction to quilting - learn color selection, design, and how to create templates.

Mondays, November 5-December 3,
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Senior Center Founder's Lodge (22030 Cliff Avenue South)
Cost: \$40/4 classes

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Quality before and after school child care for 1st - 6th graders living in Des Moines service area and Woodmont Elementary students. Call 206-870-6527 for prices, registration and more information.

FREE TEEN NIGHTS

Come hang out and have fun at the Field House in Des Moines! The third Friday of the month through December there will be basketball, pool, music and games for teens from 13 to 18 years old. I.D. will be required for all participants.

November 16 & December 21
6-9:30 p.m.

WSU VS. UCLA FOOTBALL GAME

Watch the Cougars take on UCLA! Visit campus, meet other teens and have a great tailgate party! This is an overnight trip with accommodations being provided by Boys and Girls Club of Clarkston, Washington. Meet at the Field House (1000 S. 220th).

Saturday, November 3, 6 a.m. to
Sunday, November 4, 4:30 p.m.
12-18 year olds
\$60



DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL



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CITY COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved various property purchases for the Pacific Highway South Project.
- Reviewed Community Center Development Plan Funding Options.

Ordinances adopted:

- No. 1285 extending through October 31, 2001 the non-exclusive franchise with AT&T.
- No. 1286 providing for acquisition of property for the construction of the new Marine View Drive Bridge.
- No. 1287 transferring decision making authority for a variety of land use actions from the City Council to the Planning Agency.
- No. 1288 updating City codes regarding adult entertainment,

adult retail businesses and/or similar uses.

Resolutions adopted:

- No. 909 adopting a Retiree Health Savings Plan for employees covered under the collective bargaining agreement between the City and the Des Moines Police Guild.
- No. 910 setting a public hearing for a street vacation.
- No. 911 authorizing a Boating Facilities Grant Application for Redondo.
- No. 912 supporting Highline School District No. 401, Proposition No. 1, School Capital Facilities Bond.
- No. 913 authorizing, ratifying and confirming an interfund loan from the General Fund to the Miscellaneous Grants Fund for Fiscal Year 2000.

- No. 914 supporting planning and development of a Community Center, directing Administration to perform work necessary to accomplish such project, and authorizing the efforts of the Des Moines Legacy Foundation to engage in fund-raising efforts supporting development of a Community Center.
- No. 915 authorizing the Chamber of Commerce to hold the Nibble of Des Moines.

Held the following Public Hearings:

- Community Development Block Grant 2002 Fund Allocations.
- Preliminary Plat "Mediterranean Heights" at 1211 S. 272nd Street, 13 single family lots.
- Preliminary Plat "Cedar Brook" at intersection of 20th

Ave. S. and S. 240th, PUD Town Homes, 30 units.

Approved the following agreements/bids/contracts:

- Construction contract with Western Asphalt for the 2001 Arterial Maintenance Project in the amount of \$420,358, plus 10% contingency.
- Supplement current contract for professional engineering services for the 2001 Arterial Maintenance Program with KPG to include construction management services in the amount of \$48,533.02, plus a 10% contingency.
- Contract for reconstruction of South 226th Street between 6th and 7th Avenue South, to Ashton Development Co. in the amount of \$63,740.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 8: Public Hearing - Preliminary Plat "Tobin" - 6 single family residential lots.

Nov. 15: Public Hearing - Draft 2002 Budget

Dec. 13: Public Hearing - Pacific Ridge - SEPA Planned Action

(Dates are tentative; please call the City Clerk's office at 206-878-4595 to confirm. City Council meetings start at 7:30 p.m. in the Des Moines Council Chambers, 21630 11th Avenue So.)

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