

CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE



March 6, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 7, 2023; 6pm - City Council Study Session, Multipurpose Center
- March 13, 2023; 4pm- Admin/Finance/Public Safety Committee, Fire Station
- March 14 & 28th 2023; 6pm- City Council Regular meeting including Pickleball Town Hall, Multipurpose Center
- March 15, 2023; 9-12pm- City Hall Closed for staff training
- March 20, 2023; 7pm- Planning Commission Meeting, Multipurpose Center
- March 21, 2023; 4pm- Transportation & Utilities Committee, Public Works Building

For a full list of upcoming events please visit: www.cityofbuckley.com

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PICKLEBALL TOWN HALL

The City of Buckley invites members of the public to provide feedback on a potential partnership between the City of Buckley & Enumclaw Pickleball Association, a non-profit organization.

The Enumclaw Pickleball Association has proposed to construct a 12 court indoor pickleball facility, associated parking and improvements, total estimated value of 2 million dollars. Once constructed, the facility would be gifted to the City and managed by the Parks and Recreation Department. The new facility is anticipated to generate additional revenue for the City of Buckley and provide a location for indoor recreation. In exchange for the partnership, the association has asked that the City commit to a location for the facility to be constructed. The minimum size to accommodate the building and associated parking is approximately 1.5 to 2 acres. The City has evaluated land owned or leased by the City to consider placing the proposed structure and associated improvements.

Three potential locations have been identified:

1. Rainier School APN 0619021000
2. Miller Park Site, APN 0619038007, 0619038005, 0619038006
3. River Avenue Site, APN 8000050210 and 8000050220

The City Council will host two Town Hall meetings during the regular City Council meetings on March 14th & March 28th, 2023 at 6PM in Council Chambers located at the Multipurpose Center, 811 Main Street, Buckley, WA 98321. Individuals may also participate via zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87853943442>.

TUNES BY THE TRAIL HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED!

The summer series will run July 6-August 10 weekly at 11am & 6:30pm. Our 11am Youth Entertainment series is being supported with a grant from the Hometowns Fund and will run during the free summer meals program offered in partnership with the school district. Acts include a reptile show and a magician! Our 6:30pm series is set with the return of some of our community favorite acts from previous summer, including the Abba graphs and BroHamm. We will also welcome in new acts to the stage which feature wide range of music genres for community engagement and excitement.

PASSPORT APPOINTMENTS:

We continue to see an unprecedented demand for passport services. In January we expended our passport appointments to include Thursdays. All appointments are booked through April. There was a [recent news article](#) shared about delays from the US. Department of State due to the demand. We do our best to stay up to date on turnaround times and communicate those with our customers. If you are in need of a passport, please make sure to plan several months ahead!

TABLETOP EXERCISE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 15TH:

In collaboration with the East Pierce Interlocal Coalition for Emergency Management (EPIC-EM); we will be holding a facilitated table-top exercise on March 15th from 9:00 AM – Noon at the Fire Station. City Hall will be closed for staff to attend. This exercise will test the strengths and identify vulnerabilities with activating the City of Buckley Emergency Operations Center.

COUNCIL RETREAT TO DISCUSS FUTURE FINANCIAL FORECAST SCHEDULED:

The City Council will hold a special meeting on April 18, 2023 at 6pm in Council Chambers to discuss the City's long-term, 6 year financial forecast and additional revenue options. Discussion topics include: The financial forecast, the possibility of a Levy Lid Lift, future use of ARPA dollars and future changes to the rates & fee schedule.

WHATS ON THE AGENDA?

Below is a glance at what March- April 2023 Council agenda topics. This is a tentative schedule and subject to change. For the most up to date list please visit the [City's website](#).

March 7, 2023 (study session)

- Foothills Trail Association Update
- Review of Council Vision/ Goals
- City Hall Remodel Update
- Citizen Commission Update
- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Update
- Jefferson Street Vacation- introduction

March 14, 2023 (regular meeting)

- Tentative Action- Citizens Commissions
- Fire Vehicle 35 Replacement Approval
- Pickleball- town hall
- Bevlo Street Professional Services Contract
- ARPA non-profit grant application intro
- Stormwater Management Plan introduction

March 28, 2023 (regular meeting)

- 410 update
- Bevlo Street Professional Services Contract
- Main Street River Ave to SR 410- Professional Services Contract
- Jefferson St Vacation public hearing
- Pickleball- townhall & tentative action
- Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Ordinance
- Stormwater Management Plan Ordinance

April 4, 2023 (study session)

- Introduction to Wildlife Corridors
- Agreement with Food Bank for Buckley Hall
- Urban Growth Area introduction
- TIF fees in on Main Street introduction
- Public Safety Update- Courts, Fire & Police
- Review of Parks Fee Waiver agreements
- Review of Parks Hours

April 11, 2023 (regular meeting)

- Quarterly Financial Report
- Tentative action RE: Council Vision/ Goals
- Spruce Street Improvements- Design Professional Services Contract
- Tentative action: Jefferson Street
- Tentative action: Pickball MOU
- City Hall Design Review- Tentative Action
- Buckley Hall use agreements

April 18, 2023 (special meeting- Council retreat)

- 2024 Budget Forecast

April 25, 2023 (regular meeting)

- TIF fees on main street public hearing
- Tentative action- Parks Hours
- *Tentative* Citizens advisory board appointment

