

# City Administrator Report

## City of Lake Forest Park

Date: January 28, 2021

TO: Honorable Deputy Mayor and Councilmembers

FR: Phillip Hill, City Administrator

CC: Honorable Mayor Jeff Johnson  
Leadership Team

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The City Administrator Report is meant to provide the council, staff and community an update on the activities of the City and on issues that concern the City. This memo will be provided in each Council packet and is divided into key sections.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information about any of the following items and please feel free to contact any of the department heads for additional information.

### I. Intergovernmental and local issues update

#### Legislative Update

*Bills we're watching:*

[House Bill 1189](#), sponsored by Rep. Davina Duerr (D-Bothell), and [Senate Bill 5211](#), sponsored by Sen. David Frockt (D-Seattle), authorizing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) in the state. Using this tool, a city, county, or port can create a financing area to support redevelopment/development by funding infrastructure. Any property tax revenues currently collected within that financing area continues to be collected for its current purposes; however, any growth in the property tax revenue collections resulting from the development/redevelopment can be used to pay back bonds to fund the public infrastructure associated with the development/redevelopment project. Once the bonds are paid, then the increment area dissolves and the growth in property tax collections revert to the typical distribution amongst state and local governments. The bill does not contain a tax increase, does not impact the state budget.

[House Bill 1025](#), sponsored by [Rep. Emily Wicks](#) (D- Everett) and [Senate Bill 5006](#), sponsored by [Sen. Kevin Van De Wege](#) (D- Sequim), gives authority to a city metropolitan park district, recreation districts, subject to voter approval, to impose a one-tenth of 1% of sales and use tax for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, improving, providing, and funding park maintenance improvement. The tax may not be imposed for a period exceeding 10 years, but may be extended for a period of less than 10 years with voter approval.

GMA Climate Change Goal: [House Bill 1099](#), sponsored by Rep. Davina Duerr (D-Bothell), adds climate change as the 14<sup>th</sup> goal of city and county comprehensive plans. It also updates the transportation goal to encourage multimodal transportation systems that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and vehicle miles traveled. The bill directs WSDOT, Commerce and Ecology to publish guidelines that specify the proportionate reduction in GHG emissions within transportation planning organizations or metropolitan planning organizations (MPO).

Commerce is further directed to publish an advisory proportionate share for each county and city in the MPO. Further, several state agencies are directed to create a model climate change and resiliency element that may be used by cities and counties. Lastly, Commerce is directed to update its shoreline master program guidelines to require shoreline master programs to address the impact of sea level rise and increased storm severity.

House Transportation Committee Chairman, Rep. Jake Fey, released a transportation revenue package proposal on January 19. Details include:

- The proposal raises \$26 billion over 16 years
- Revenue is not bonded (this means only a simple majority is needed to approve the bill)
- Key revenues sources include:
  - \$0.18 cents gas tax (10 cents in 21, 8 cents in 22) - indexed to inflation
  - Carbon fee of \$15/ton in 21-23, \$20/ton in 23-25, \$25/ton in 25-27
  - 1% rental car sales tax increase
  - Various weight and user fee increases
- Key investments include:
  - \$4.6 billion for maintenance and operation
  - \$3.496 billion in culvert projects
  - \$6.7 billion in state and local projects (specific projects to be determined)
  - \$8 billion for carbon reduction initiatives, including transit, bike/ped, and complete street grants.

## **Police Department**

Notable Incidents:

On 1/16/2021, multiple 9-1-1 calls were received regarding many vehicles (100+) at 170<sup>th</sup>/522, along with over 200 people. The vehicles were racing, blocking traffic, and driving recklessly. When told to disperse they became aggressive and confrontational with officers. Vehicles continued their behavior between LFP, Kenmore, Shoreline, Richmond Beach, I-5, and Edmonds. This caused significant drain on resources and left many 911 calls pending in all these jurisdictions.

A victim was approached by a male in a vehicle who asked for directions. The victim noted the male had his pants down, intentionally exposing himself to her. The victim was able to photograph the suspect and the suspect's vehicle. The suspect was contacted and arrested. The investigation is ongoing.

Wind storm – Damage and power outages were limited, on duty officers were able to clear downed trees on Perkins by hand. Most notable damage was a large pine tree that fell, crushing two business trucks.



## Meetings

- II. Internal City Information
- III. Council Information
- IV. Response to Citizen and Council Comments

## Community Events

The first Styrofoam Recycling Collection event was very successful! A total of 3.5 semi-truck trailers were packed FULL of Styrofoam. Thank you to Public Works and Albertsons for making this happen in our community!







### **Upcoming City Meetings**

#### **[Tree Board Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 3, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

#### **[Planning Commission Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 9, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

#### **[City Council Work Session Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 11, 2021, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

#### **[City Council Regular Business Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 11, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

#### **[City Hall Closed \(Presidents' Day Holiday\)](#)**

February 15, 2021, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**[City Council Budget & Finance Committee Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 18, 2021, 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

**[City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 22, 2021, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.

**[City Council Regular Business Meeting \(virtual meeting\)](#)**

February 25, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM @ This meeting will be held virtually. City Hall is currently closed to the public. Please review information provided on the agenda, once it is available, for details on how to participate in the meeting.