

Coffee with the Mayor Recap

Date: 7/26/18

Policy Issues	
Topic	Resolution/Action/Notes
New council member	Mayor Smith provided information regarding the selection of William Armacost.
4 th of July fireworks display	There was considerable discussion concerning this issue. The cost of \$20,000 was mentioned.
Concern over panhandlers	There are restrictions on actions that can be taken. If their behaviors remain within bounds, standing at intersections with signs typically falls under First Amendment protections. People are encouraged to contact the Police Department if they believe a panhandler's behavior is aggressive, dangerous, etc., such as disturbing traffic, behavior that is frightening or threatening to persons, etc.

Operational Issues	
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Appreciation	An attendee thanked the City for all the positive things they do. This was very well received by all present.
East Washington Place - Can the City put in a speed bump or speed table?	Public Works will need more detailed information on where and what the problem is. Speed bumps or tables have some unintended side effects such as hindering emergency vehicles, garbage trucks, and plows; creating noise both going over the bump and accelerating away from it. Bumps can be uncomfortable for many, especially older, drivers. Recently the no parking signs on the south side of Washington Place were removed to provide more neighborhood parking and create a narrower street to slow traffic down.
Kiosks put in place during Sequim Service Fest – how are they to be used? There is a board with a sign posted that says do not post anything on the board.	One kiosk has been placed in each of the City's seven neighborhoods. They are there for community use and can be used for garage sales, lost pets, event announcements, etc. They will also be used for emergency communications, if needed.

Is the City going to use Nextdoor?	The City monitors Nextdoor but we are not actively using this platform. We are unable to back up our posts so for public records reasons, we have opted not to participate.
Brownfield Road turnout. Trash is being dumped here. Why does the City not block this off?	Public Works will place ecology blocks there to control access. This will be monitored for effectiveness.
Lavender Festival was very successful	Comments were positive regarding the venue. Debbie Madden from the Lavender Festival was at the coffee and answered any questions that arose.
Rumors about new restaurants coming to Sequim.	No information available.
County Issues	
Topic	Resolution/Action/Notes
Cell phone reception in Sunland is unsatisfactory.	It was suggested contact be made with the cell phone provider.