# Headlines

### News from University Place City Hall



July 6, 2022

## Listen, Learn and Be Informed: Final Public Safety Listening Session is July 14

Don't miss your chance to participate in the last of three public safety listening sessions to learn more about a levy proposal the City Council is considering that would support public safety in U.P., an issue that residents deemed a top priority in recent polling.

The session will be held on July 14 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Those unable to attend in person can **stream it live** or watch it on local cable channels.



Get more insights into how a public safety levy would enable U.P.P.D. to increase staffing, putting the Police Department on par with similarly sized Washington cities. This increased capacity would allow the department to:

- Hire more officers to protect schools, neighborhoods, businesses and parks.
- Reduce the time it takes an officer to reach someone in crisis when they call for help.
- Address the increase in property crime that is impacting the City's businesses and residents.

Prior to this final session, the City Council will have studied this issue during a special working session at the July 5 Council Meeting, with final discussion and possible approval of the public safety levy to be voted on during the Council's regular meeting on July 18.

#### What Does Public Safety Mean to You?



#### Music on the Square Kicks Off on July 20

Make plans to have "dinner out" on Market Square every Wednesday from July 20 to Aug. 31 when Music on the Square returns with Mambo Cadillac, one of last year's fan favorites, taking the stage on July 20 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Mambo Cadillac features some of the Northwest's leading salsa musicians, including Grammy-winning vocalist Carlos Cascante from Costa Rica, Mexican pianist Julio Jauregui and percussionist Tor Dietrichson.



Enjoy live music and dinner from a different food truck each week of the series. On hand for the July 20 event will be Boss Mama, which features burgers and traditional American fare.

On July 27, the Jerry Miller Band will take center stage, offering blues, jazz and rock. Miller is a Tacoma native who Eric Clapton has called "the greatest guitarist in the world." His songs have been performed by Led Zeppelin, the Grateful Dead and Three Dog Night, among others. Providing food truck fare that evening will be Manic Meatballs, with its eclectic offerings of main dishes, sides and desserts.

See the complete line-up of Music on the Square bands and food trucks on the **City Website**.

### 16th CAB Team Digs In at U.P. Veterans Memorial Plaza

Members of U.P.'s Community Connector Partner, the 16th Combat Aviation Brigade at JBLM, came out in force on June 24 to help with the next phase of installments at U.P.'s Veterans Memorial Plaza in Cirque Park.

16th CAB members helped level and prepare the ground before laying paver tiles, more than 130 of which will be inscribed with the names and dates of service of U.P. veterans.



With the tiles in place, the next phase of improvements will entail raising poles for each of the service branches' flags, as well as the U.S. and State of Washington flags.

Later this fall, engraved stone pylons will be installed around the perimeter of the plaza and a dedication ceremony will be held. To stay abreast of all the activities occurring at the site, or to learn how to volunteer for future site work events, visit **www.upveteransplaza.org**.

Photo Credit: Top right photo provided by the 16th Combat Aviation Brigade.







#### TWISTED CIDER 5K REGISTRATION INCLUDES...

5k finisher medal, t-shirt (register by 6/30 to guarantee a shirt/size), collective bib (register by 6/30 to add custom message), complimentary giant pretzel & cider at the finish line.

#### What's UP with Biz

Curious observers may have noticed a lot of demolition work occurring on the site of the old Captain Nemo's at 4020 Bridgeport Way West.

Work on the site began in mid-June to make way for two new businesses, Chipotle and Habit Burger. Both new businesses will feature drive-thru lanes. Construction is anticipated to take several months.



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## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 18, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.

VIRTUAL: WATCH ON COMCAST CHANNEL 21, RAINIER CONNECT

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## Chambers Bay to Host U.S. Women's Amateur Aug. 8-14

Another major U.S.G.A. championship will be held at Chambers Bay when the 122nd U.S. Women's Amateur kicks off on Aug. 8 with qualifying play. The event's semifinals are scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 13 and the final 36-hole match will take place on Sun. Aug. 14.

This is not a ticketed event, but there are a number of volunteer opportunities available for those who wish to help out and extend U.P. hospitality to the participants.



Visit **ChambersBayGolf.com** to learn more.

#### National Night Out 2022 is Aug. 2

National Night Out is less than one month away, so be sure to register your neighborhood event to have it included as a stop on the popular public safety caravan featuring U.P. Police and public safety personnel, West Pierce Fire & Rescue, City Council and Fire Commission members along with City staff. Neighborhoods that wish to be included on the



schedule of stops must register at **UPPublicSafety@cityofup.com** by Thursday, July 28.

For more than 20 years, U.P. residents have turned on the lights, fired up the grills and served up neighborhood potlucks on the first Tuesday in August as

part of the nationwide National Night Out campaign to build neighborly connections and promote police-community partnerships.

Search the internet for National Night Out activities to get ideas and inspiration for how your neighborhood can be a part of this U.P. tradition in 2022.



CORE PRESENTS THE 2022

### Summer Concert Series

THURSDAY EVENINGS IN THE CURRAN APPLE ORCHARD

July 7 July 21 August 4 August 18 The Thunderbirds Maia Santell and House Blend Clave con Jazz First Corps Band's Brass Band

Visit www.curranappleorchard.com for more details!

#### **New Alarm and Pet Licensing Software**

The City of U.P.'s new online licensing system for those who are registering their **home security systems and/or pets** launched on July 1. This new user-friendly platform enables residents to create an account so they do not have to re-enter their information every year. It also offers improved credit card processing abilities.

As a reminder, licensing of **pets** and **home security systems** is required per the University Place Municipal Code.



## **Spread the Word: ORCA Cards Available for Free Rides to U.P. Special Events**

Do you know of someone who could use a FREE ride to U.P.'s amazing summer events, such as Music on the Square or Movie Night in the Park? The City of U.P. has free ORCA regional transit cards to help those who would like to try transit or who lack transportation get to and from special events in University Place.

Simply complete the online form in advance.



#### **Teddy Bear's Picnic Returns in 2022**

Come to the Curran Apple Orchard Park on **Sunday, July 17 from 1-4 p.m.** and join in the fun for the seventh University Place Teddy Bear's Picnic. "For every bear that ever there was, will gather there for certain because, that is the day the teddy bears have their picnic."

Bring your picnic lunch, blanket and your favorite teddy bear (or other favorite animal) to the orchard. Pay tribute to our military families, listen to music by the Harrison Street Band, watch the teddy bears frolic and get your face painted.



After your teddy bear visits the teddy bear health clinic, listens to teddy bear stories, plays teddy bear games, and does yoga, you can join in the Parade of Bears as they romp and play, then march their way around and through the orchard.

The July 17 Teddy Bear's Picnic is a free, fun, family community event in University Place. The event is produced by Dance Theatre Northwest and sponsored by many of our local citizens, businesses and organizations.

This event is rated: Bear-y Fun and approved for all ages.





The best way to survey and engage citizens

### Sign Up Today!

Accessible via your smart device or computer, FlashVote surveys come out intermittently, no more than once a month, and are only 3-5 questions.

They take just a few minutes of your time and provide the City with a clear message of how our U.P. community feels about the given topic.

Visit the **FlashVote site** to sign up!

#### **COVID-19 Resources**

Looking for specific information related to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Here's a list of official sources of information on which you can rely:

#### **U.S. Centers for Disease Control**

- Pandemic facts and information

Governor's Office - Details about efforts and legislation specific to Washington **Washington State Department of** Health - Updated statistics and testing data **Tacoma-Pierce County Department of Health** - Testing sites, vaccine info

Pierce County - Resources for

CDC.gov/COVID19

rent, utilities, mortgages, and much more City of University Place - Pandemic resource updates specific to U.P.

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