



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
AUGUST 2020**

WABA Board Mtg.				No Meeting
Town Council Meeting				No Meeting
Planning Commission	Thursday	8:00pm	August 20 th	remotely

Town WEBSITE: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/	SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703
Town Hall: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov	Building Dept: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov
Mayor: mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov	Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE TESTING BEGINS IN AUGUST: Residents who have lawn irrigation systems, fire sprinklers, or other systems that connect directly to the Town’s water supply are required to have a backflow-prevention device (BFD) installed in the water lines that supply the system and to have that device tested annually. Many residents participate in a bulk-testing program organized by the Town. This year’s testing is scheduled to begin in late August and will proceed without contact UNLESS the BFD to be tested is located inside your residence. In these cases, the tester will contact you to make arrangements for performing the testing with as little contact as possible. Invoices for this service will be mailed to residents in late September or early October.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: The Council’s regular July meeting was held remotely via zoom again – in compliance with Governor Inslee’s Stay-Home Order. The Council conducted the following business:

- The Council adopted the Town’s updated Hazard Mitigation Plan by resolution.
- The Council discussed an interlocal agreement with King County for Road Services which could result in lowered costs for street-repair projects. Additional review of the agreement is needed before the Council will make a final decision.
- The Council reviewed a first draft of the Capital Investment Plan / Transportation Improvement Plan (CIP/TIP) for 2021 through 2026. Councilmember Juhle is spearheading this project, which will be updated and adopted at a public hearing in September.
- The Council reviewed a proposal from Steve Tegeler for placement of the driveway that will serve the lot at 2820 -105th Ave SE created last year by a boundary-line adjustment (BLA) and approved his request to remove a tree on the right-of-way to accommodate the proposed driveway placement. The request demonstrated how the chosen driveway location meets requirements set by the Council when the BLA was approved and minimizes the impact on other trees both on the right-of-way and on the property. It also spelled out the locations of two trees that will be planted to mitigate the removal.
- Councilmember Stowe provided several updates regarding the Stormwater Upgrade Project along SE 27th Street:
 - He has submitted a Quarterly Progress Report to the State as required by our grant.

- He is working to complete a reimbursement request for expenditures made on the project to date.
- He noted that the project started on June 15th with a window of 60 working days (i.e. not including weekends and holidays) and that the project remains on track to be completed within that window. Most of the piping and catch basins are installed; the next task is to saw cut the pavement edges in preparation for installing new speed bumps and a thickened edge to help with drainage.
- Councilmember Howes noted that her work to keep residents informed about details and developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic continues. She has distributed masks provided by King County and has more on the way. The Town's website links to several sources of information that residents may find informative, including King County's new COVID-19 Dashboard, other Public Health information, and CDC Guidelines. And a resident physician has offered to sponsor a COVID-19 webinar for Town residents. She will share details when known. She also noted that the Town's Great Shake Out, a region-wide drill for jurisdictions to test aspects of their emergency plans, will take place again this coming October.
- Mayor Gillem reported that the King County Marine Patrol has informed us that Beaux Arts is their #1 priority for replacement of missing no-wake-zone buoys. The buoys will be free, but the installation will cost about \$5100. The Council approved this expenditure.
- Mayor Gillem also reported that he has reached an agreement regarding the hedge at 106th Pl SE and SE 29th St that should greatly reduce its impact on visibility for vehicles and pedestrians at this intersection.
- The King County Council is proposing that the King County Sheriff be an appointed position rather than an elected one. Councilmembers expressed some concerns about whether this will make the Sheriff less responsive to the needs of the contract cities.

COUNCIL, NEXT MEETING: The Council does not regularly meet in August unless there are pressing issues to address, and it does not appear that a meeting will be needed. The next regular Council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7th. It is highly likely that this meeting will be conducted remotely. Residents who wish to participate may do so by calling in using the numbers and instructions for connecting listed on the meeting agenda; any resident may participate in the meeting by calling in. The Council's monthly meeting agenda is posted on mail stands the Friday before the meeting and on the Town website at <https://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/agendas>. Please contact Clerk/Treasurer Spens if you have questions.

ELECTIONS, PRIMARY: There is a primary election in King County on August 4th! Please remember to return your ballot early; no postage is required. Ballots may be:

- Mailed and *postmarked by election day*
- Dropped off at any county library *ballot drop box by 8pm election day*

If you need to register to vote or vote in person, or have election questions, check out:

- County: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/elections/how-to-vote/register-to-vote.aspx>
- State: <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/>.

Although the deadline to register online or by mail is one week prior to any election, one can register in person through election day, so there's still time! Teens 16 and 17 years old can now pre-register to vote, which goes into effect when they turn 18.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: King County is currently in Phase 2 of COVID-19's pandemic's Phased Re-opening, called "Safe Start", www.kingcounty.gov/Safe-Start. "Safe Start" includes guidance and requirements for face coverings, and was recently modified: https://coronavirus.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/PhasedChart_7-24.jpg.

Governor Inslee extended the pause indefinitely on counties moving ahead in the Safe Start Washington plan. We must do our part; our individual actions really do make a difference. Fewer, shorter, and safer interactions are crucial. Please #MaskUpWA, for the sake of everyone's health so we can all get through this together as quickly as possible.

- More information on what's open in each phase: <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need...>
- A reminder of what counties are in each phase: <https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need...>
- King county or city data: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/health/covid-19/data/daily-summary.aspx>.

FACE MASKS: King County obtained a large number of reusable cloth facemasks and sent them to cities for distribution to all residents. These masks are made of white cotton t-shirt material and have ear loops to secure them. If you would one or two for you and members of your household, Councilmember Howes has a basket of masks available for contact-free pickup on her porch.

MARSHAL REPORT: Remember, your vehicle needs a beach parking sticker or pass if you park in the private beach lots. Please accompany any beach guests you are entertaining and follow the COVID-19 guidelines. If you need to report any crime, contact the King County Sheriff and then Town Marshal Jeff & Marji Jochums.

TOWN SERVICES IN PHASE 2: The Building Department continues to accept permit applications; however, for the safety of our staff and residents, no face-to-face submittals are currently allowed. Applicants are asked to submit all documents and payments online or by mail to maintain social distancing. In addition, all contractors must continue to comply with requirements for providing a safe workspace. Due to recent proclamations from the Governor, it is not known when this will change.

All necessary permits have been issued in the last month for projects here:

2713 – 107 th Ave. SE	Remodel
10010 SE 28 th St.	Shoreline maintenance and playground project
10204 SE 27 th St.	Seismic retrofit

REMINDERS: Please remember we do have our own codes to enforce, including:

- Parking continues to be a problem; any parked vehicle blocking traffic is subject to a violation notice, towing and fines per our Parking Code in Chapter 10.10 at: <https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/>.
- Zoning- Our current zoning reflects changes to the previous definition and what is calculated. Whether your plans end up needing a permit or not, your work may still need a zoning review before the work can proceed. Before starting any work, please contact the building department or consult our Zoning Code in Chapter 18.10 under land use in our Municipal Codes linked online at: <https://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/building-department-permit-center>.

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

BOARD MEETING: There is no meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees in August. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 3rd at 7:00pm.

FIRE PITS: Please only burn paper and wood in our firepits. Glass, aluminum cans, and other trash does not burn completely and requires clean-out by others. Trash and recycling cans are in both parking lots for your convenience.

PLAYGROUND PROJECT UPDATE: Design phase of the project is complete. Project plans and drawings can be found on the WABA web site in the Members' Resource section. Congratulations to Bron Richards and Robin Stefan, along with John Barker, landscape architect, for a wonderful design that will fulfill our dream of a unique play area in tune with our natural setting. And, thanks to the tireless efforts of our fund-raising team, Deanna Tegeler and Alex Burlingame, and members' generosity and enthusiasm for the Woodlands play area, the Board has approved proceeding with constructing the Woodlands phase this year, too. We expect to have a construction contract in a few days and begin site work in mid-August. Meanwhile, our talented squad of DIY members has volunteered to be our 'demolition sub-contractor' saving WABA money. If you would like to watch or take pictures, stop by on Saturday morning, August 8th. Many thanks to Paul Driftmeyer, Aaron Sharp, Tom Garvey and their many helpers for pitching in on this and other projects this summer! A special shout-out for the army of volunteers who delivered and spread the 10-yards of new sand at the kids beach last week; thank you!

SLEEP OVER AT THE BEACH: A very big thank you to Claire and James Gravell for organizing the s'mores and pancakes for everyone who joined in the fun for the sleepover at the beach this past weekend!

WABA WEBSITE: Check out the new and improved WABA website. A new mobile friendly site with greater visual appeal and more new and improved features has launched. Please visit www.waba1908.com soon and see the changes. It is still a work in progress and any feedback is very welcome. Please email Elizabeth Leider with your comments and suggestions.

WELCOME: We have 3 new families to welcome this month! Greg and Olivia Hermann and their two children Charlotte and Gunnar have moved into the former Justus house. Alex and Stephanie Peters and their teens Jessica and Ryan are living in the former McKean house. Jon and Cherie Leffingwell and their teen daughter Brooke have joined Jane in her house. All have joined WABA, so please say hello if you see them on the beach or out and about in the neighborhood.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF? Town Website: <http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/>

● Contact **Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens** about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Dept.:

Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 454-8580.

● Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** about the building department (including permits and variances), issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner, or this newsletter:

Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 269-6985

- To report **Block Watch** concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Jeff/Marji Jochums townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov

Deputy Marshal Robert Heintz

KCSO Non-Emergency Line

(206) 296-3311

NEED TO CONTACT WABA? WABA Members may contact **WABA Clerk Kristin Mange** about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the private beach or its use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book Directory, WABA social events or issues before the WABA Board of Trustees:

WABA Clerk Kristin Mange wabaclerk@gmail.com (425) 502-7382

Web address: <http://waba1908.com/>

Mailing: Western Academy of Beaux Arts, 10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004