

COMMUNITY RELATIONS & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
MAY 7, 2018  
11:00 – 11:30 A.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: MICHAEL STEADMAN, RACHEL YOUNG, CAROLYN COX

STAFF PRESENT: TROY WOO, SCOTT SPENCE, CANDICE BOCK, DAVE SCHNEIDER, JACOB EWING, JENNY BAUERSFELD, KELSEY WILLIAMS, CAROL LITTEN

ACTION: APPROVE COMMUNITY RELATIONS & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AGENDA.

MOTION: MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED BY COUNCILMEMBERS YOUNG AND COX.

**A TOAST TO VETERANS EVENT UPDATE**

STAFF: JENNY BAUERSFELD, COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST

ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

The *Toast to Veterans* fundraiser was held on April 28, 2018, at the Lacey Community Center. The event provided an opportunity for the community to raise money in support of veteran programs at the Lacey Veterans Services Hub.

Our appreciation to Twinstar Credit Union for sponsoring the *Toast and Keepsake Glass*. During the event, \$3,000 was raised, and a link has been created on the City Facebook page for those who wish to donate.

Committee members who attended the event provided feedback and enjoyed the casual format of the evening. Recommendations included offering easier payment options for donors, and checking community calendars prior to selecting a date to avoid event conflicts.

**JAZZ PARTY EVENT**

STAFF: SCOTT SPENCE, CITY MANAGER

ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

Charlotte Dickison & the Sun Valley Jazz Festival will present a *Jazz & Dance Party* June 29 – July 1, 2018, at the Washington Land Yacht Harbor. The event includes twenty hours of live music, a large dance floor, refreshments, and RV parking on-site

This event replaces the annual Dixieland Jazz Festival that was scheduled to perform in 2018.

### **FAITH LEADERS FORUM**

STAFF: JACOB EWING, ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER  
ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

On May 8, 2018, the Lacey City Council met with 25 individuals representing 20 faith groups in the community. This initial meeting was successful in creating relations and engaging in dialogue about the Lacey Food Bank and homelessness. It is anticipated that this meeting will become a model for future meetings and discussions.

### **HONOR WALL DEDICATION: 1-2 STRYKER BRIGADE HONOR WALL**

STAFF: JACOB EWING, ASSISTANT TO CITY MANAGER  
ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

On May 24, 2018, at 6 p.m. the Lacey City Council will honor the 1-2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team by dedicating an Honor Wall in recognition of their outstanding service to the community. The sign will be installed in the Council lobby adjacent to the Council Chambers at City Hall.

### **LACEY FOOD BANK GROUND BREAKING EVENT**

STAFF: JENNY BAUERSFELD, COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST  
ACTION: INFORMATION ONLY

In partnership with the City of Lacey, North Thurston Public School District, the Lacey South Sound Chamber, and Washington State, the Lacey Food Bank Groundbreaking Event will be held at noon on June 12, 2018, at the new site on Martin Way. The first phase of the project will include the Fruit Stand and Victory Garden. To date, one million dollars has been raised for the project.