

## Puget Neighborhood Update

### May 21, 2011

We are sending you this notice of 3 items of timely interest.

- **Water Main Flushing in Puget Neighborhood**
- **Shipping Terminal Community Meeting – June 1st**
- **Pedestrian Plan Survey – online until June 15<sup>th</sup>**

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### City Water Main Flushing

#### Puget Neighborhood: May 23<sup>rd</sup> – June 10<sup>th</sup>

The City of Bellingham Public Works Department will continue its annual water main flushing program on Monday, May 23, 2011. Water main flushing cleans the pipes of mineral deposits that naturally build up on the inside walls of the pipes. If the pipes are not periodically flushed, the build-up can reduce the capacity and the efficiency of the water distribution system. Water used during the flushing operation is de-chlorinated before being discharged into the city storm drainage system.

It is common for the flushing activity to cause temporary discoloration of the water. The discolored water is not harmful to human health or other household uses. If the water in your residence is discolored, run a cold water tap in the bathtub for a few minutes, this should clear your water lines. **To avoid stains on white laundry, customers are advised not to wash white clothes or use their hot water taps when crews are flushing in their area (8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.).** Iron mineral deposits may stain white laundry. Scheduling specific streets depends on crew workload. Public Works vehicles will be on your street the day your water lines are flushed.

From Monday, May 23, 2011 through Friday, June 10, 2011 the following areas will be flushed:

- Lakeway Drive, Whatcom Falls Park, Puget Neighborhood

A map of the numbered flushing districts is available on the City website at <http://www.cob.org/documents/pw/utilities/water-main-flushing-districts.pdf>. Areas 9-13 and 15 will be flushed.

If you have any questions regarding the flushing activity, please contact the City of Bellingham Public Works Department at 778-7700 or email [mgray@cob.org](mailto:mgray@cob.org).

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## **Mayor schedules June 1 meeting to collect shipping terminal comments**

**6 pm  
June 1<sup>st</sup>  
Bellingham Municipal Court**

Bellingham Mayor Dan Pike invites members of the Bellingham community to help local officials identify the scope of environmental review for SSA Marine's proposed Gateway Pacific Terminal at Cherry Point. Pike said his aim is to continue community dialogue and prepare for formal environmental review, which will be conducted by Whatcom County officials once SSA applies for permits.

A meeting hosted by Pike is planned to provide area residents a preliminary chance to identify impacts that should be studied during future review of the proposed project. He said comments collected will be provided to the appropriate regulatory agencies to support a triple-bottom-line approach to reviewing the proposal, considering its environmental, social and economic impacts.

"This is an important decision facing our community, as we try to balance the potential for new jobs and investment in our community with the neighborhood, environmental and other impacts this facility would bring," Pike said. "I want an accurate assessment of both the positive and negative effects on our community. We deserve clear answers about the impacts, how negative impacts might be mitigated, and who would pay for that mitigation," he said.

**For More Information, go to the City's website:**

<http://www.cob.org/features/2011-03-15-gateway-pacific-terminal.aspx>

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## **Bellingham Pedestrian Plan Walking Survey Online until June 15<sup>th</sup>**

The creation of the Bellingham Pedestrian Master Plan is currently underway, and you have an opportunity to help shape this plan with your input.

You have the opportunity to help shape this plan by submitting comments & concerns regarding walking facilities through an online survey. This survey can be accessed via the City of Bellingham Website at this link:

<http://www.cob.org/services/neighborhoods/community-planning/pedestrian/pedestrian-master-planning.aspx>

"The Bellingham Pedestrian Master Plan is being developed during 2011 to help create a safe, well-connected and attractive walking environment for all members of the community," said Ted Carlson, Public Works Director. The development of this plan will consist of four phases: assessing existing conditions, developing a vision for the plan, determining user needs and demands and developing the pedestrian network priorities.

You are likely aware of areas that are functioning effectively and those that would benefit from improvement of some kind. Input about walking conditions in your neighborhood and other Bellingham destinations are vital to the plan.

Phone access and paper comment forms are also available to those without internet access.

The first of two Community Meetings was held May 11<sup>th</sup>. Residents who were not able to participate in the workshop can view the presentation on [BTV10](http://www.cob.org/services/education/btv10/index.aspx) <http://www.cob.org/services/education/btv10/index.aspx>

For more information, visit [cob.org/walk](http://www.cob.org/walk) or contact Kim Brown, Transportation Options Coordinator ([kimbrown@cob.org](mailto:kimbrown@cob.org)), 778-7950).

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## **Puget General Membership Meetings**

### **Moles Funeral Home – Community Room**

2465 Lakeway Drive

- Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 15, 2011 at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 7 p.m.

## **Board Meetings**

Location: to be determined

- Friday, April 15, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 24, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, January 19, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

*Board Meetings are always open for Puget Neighbors to attend. If you are interested, please phone President Mary Chaney for location information. 733-0209*

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## **2011 Puget Neighborhood Board Members**

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| • Mary Chaney    | • Greg McKinney |
| • Marcia Ford    | • Bill Radock   |
| • Diana McKinney | • David Boyd    |

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- General membership meetings and social events to meet neighbors and build community.
- Notice via newsletters, e-mail, website and mailings of events, concerns or celebrations which affect the Puget Neighborhood.
- A voice through the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Committee (MNAC), which articulates and promotes the wishes and concerns of the neighborhood to the ruling bodies of Bellingham and Whatcom County.

**Please become a member today or renew your annual membership.** Use the form below (or send the requested information) along with a check to:

Puget Neighborhood Association  
P.O. Box 28418  
Bellingham WA 98228-0418

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## **Puget Neighborhood Association Annual Membership Form**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 – Household      \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 – Sponsorship  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$5 – Renter/Low Income      \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 - \$100 – Business

➤ ***The Puget Neighborhood Association is a non-profit organization providing an open forum with government and business to address Neighborhood concerns.*** ➤ ***Association***

***Membership is open to all persons living, or owning property, or business in the Puget Neighborhood. All Puget Neighbors are welcome regardless of Association Membership.***

For more information about the PNA, visit [www.pugetneighborhood.org](http://www.pugetneighborhood.org)

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**For More Information**, go to the **PNA website**: [www.pugetneighborhood.org](http://www.pugetneighborhood.org).

- Do you have news to share?
- Do you want to know about something in the neighborhood?
- Send your message now!

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