

## January 2016

### Calendar of Events

Council and Commission meetings are held at City Hall.

**Jan 12** City Council Meeting  
7:00 p.m.

**Jan 18** Martin Luther King Day  
City Hall Closed

**Jan 21** Historic Preservation Meeting  
6:00 p.m.

**Jan 27** Millwood Trail Project Meeting—City Hall  
4:00—6:00 p.m.

**Jan 27** Planning Commission Meeting  
6:00 p.m.

**Happy  
New Year!**

### Mayor Freeman's Message

Happy New Year 2016! We have had a much more "normal" winter this year, resulting in snow plowing and deicing around the City. During snow events, we ask (if possible) to move cars off the street to allow for more complete and safer plowing of the road. With cold temperatures, please consider placing some insulation in your water main vaults to prevent freeze-up, especially if you are going on vacation. The City has planned a number of projects this year; one of our main projects is beginning the planning and design phase of the proposed Millwood Trail, located on the former Great Northern rail line (just south of the current Union Pacific line). We will be hosting our first public meeting on January 27, 2016 from 4 to 6 pm at City Hall. I invite all interested residents on Millwood to attend in order to learn about the project and share ideas and concerns.

- Mayor Kevin Freeman



### Council Report:

At its December meeting, the city council adopted the 2016 city budget. Also a contract with Welch Comer Engineers was approved for the planning and design of the Millwood Trail. Council approved a \$1.10 increase in the base charge for water utility customers which will show on the Feb. 11 utility bill. The council also adopted an ordinance closing bond funds which were not needed any longer, and approved dedication of a 20 ft strip of park land along Frederick Ave for street purposes, to allow construction of perpendicular parking. Council also approved a cost allocation policy for expenses shared among different funds.

### Water Rates:

Water rates will increase with the bills rendered on February 11, an increase of \$1.10 on the basic charge of \$20.00 per month. The increase was approved by city council as called for in the Water System Plan approved in 2014, and will ensure that money is available to pay for necessary capital improvements. The last time the base charge was increased was in 2012.



## Millwood Trail Project

### Public Meeting

The City of Millwood has begun the Planning and Design phase of the proposed Millwood Trail, a bike and pedestrian facility located on the former Great Northern (Spokane & Inland Empire) Railroad right of way between Vista Road and the Trent Ave overpass. The first step in the public participation on this project will be a public forum at the time and place shown above.

Everyone is invited to come to learn about the project and provide ideas and concerns. The trail will provide access to West Valley High School, the city park, and the Millwood downtown district.

The website below will be used for sharing updates on the project.

<http://www.ezview.wa.gov/?alias=1935>

Wednesday, January 27, 2016

4:00 — 6:00 p.m.

Millwood City Hall, 9103 E. Frederick Ave



## What is 2-1-1?

2-1-1 is an easy to remember three-digit telephone number for the purpose of providing quick and easy access to information about health and human services. In Spokane County, the 2-1-1 service is operated by Frontier Behavioral Health. Trained Information and Referral Specialists work with callers to assess their needs, determine their options and provide appropriate programs/services, give support, intervene in crisis situations and advocate for the caller as needed. 2-1-1 Can Help Callers Access the Following Types of Services:

EW2-1-1 provides a single point of access for information about food, clothing, shelter, legal services, employment, utility payment assistance, rental payment assistance, senior services, health care, low income housing, substance abuse, educational services, volunteer opportunities and other social services. Their comprehensive database of services currently lists more than 500 agencies and is updated annually. 2-1-1 is free and confidential. EW2-1-1 can also be accessed via the web at <http://win211.org>.

## Emergency Numbers to keep on hand:

- Emergency.....911
- Call before you dig.....811
- Information and referral.....211
- Crime Check.....456-2233
- Union Pacific Railroad Crisis Line  
(800) 848-8715
- UPRR Public Affairs (503) 249-3079

## Spokane County seeks volunteers for solid waste oversight committee.

A newly expanded committee that will review potential rate changes at Spokane County-operated transfer stations has openings for interested residents.

The Spokane County Solid Waste Advisory Board, which was expanded in November, is accepting applications from private citizens. One resident from each of the three Spokane County commissioner districts will be appointed to serve on the board, which meets from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at the Spokane County Water Reclamation Facility, 1004 N Freya St.

Bill Wedlake, the county's Solid Waste manager, said the expansion of the board represents a renewed effort to collect input from all members of the regional system.

Those interested in applying for a 4-year term should contact Ginna Vasquez, the clerk of the Board of Spokane County Commissioners, at (509) 477-2265. Technical questions should be directed to Bill Wedlake, the county's solid waste manager, at (509) 477-7281.

### City Hall

9103 E Frederick Ave.  
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### Office Hours:

8:00 am—5:00 pm  
Monday thru Friday  
(except holidays)