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MAYOR'S REPORT

As we conclude the first half of 1979, it is time to reflect on some of the accomplishments experienced by the City in the last six months and some of the issues and concerns facing us during the remainder of the year.

ITEM: Interurban Avenue turnback to the City by special action of the State Legislature at my request. This now gives the City of Tukwila ownership of Interurban Avenue within the City borders. I have recommended to the Council the installation of a traffic light at 58th Ave. South and Interurban. They have approved and engineering is now underway.

ITEM: The residential upgrading program is well underway and is causing some inconvenience. Be understanding as the temporary inconvenience is well worth it. Some people have requested not to have their streets improved and the City will honor these requests.

ITEM: Metro has allocated 100,000 additional hours of bus service to the suburban areas of King County. If you have ideas of where these routes should run, please let me know, and I'll pass them on. Your input on this matter is important, as the basis for allocation and route determinations will be ridership. If no significant residential or corporate citizen interest exists, we cannot expect much improvement in the current Metro Bus service to our area.

ITEM: We are now engaged in the library project at the old City Hall. Restoration and conversion should be complete in the next few months, with opening scheduled in the fall. Additionally, we are also working on having the building added to the National Register of Historical Places. The hearing for this addition will be held on August 24th in Olympia.

ITEM: Southgate Community Center has been open and operational now for one year. Parking lot improvements



have been substantially completed utilizing \$25,000 in King County Community Block Grant funds. These improvements will facilitate the growing participation of the many fine recreational programs at the center.

ITEM: Sister Cities affiliation with the City of Ikawa-Cho, Japan, is nearing reality. In September the City will entertain a delegation from Ikawa headed by Mayor Akira Sogabe. At that time each City will trade resolutions formalizing Sister Cities affiliation. Citizen's groups and civic organizations are encouraged to contact my office if they are interested in participating in this most worthwhile and culturally enriching union between cities of different nations.

As Mayor, I look forward to the remaining months of 1979, certain that significant accomplishments can be achieved with the many on-going programs and projects within the City. I remind all of Tukwila's citizens, both residential and corporate, that I welcome hearing your comments, suggestions and concerns. Stop by my office at City Hall or telephone my office at 433-1805.

Mayor Edgar D. Bauch

CITIZENS SERVING THEIR COMMUNITY



Deanna Adair

In a society where the majority of people "don't want to get involved," Tukwila is very fortunate, our citizens are eager to participate. Tukwila is served by nine separate commissions, boards, and committees.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Civil Service Commission enforces the rules and regulations for the hiring and promotion of police and fire personnel. They regulate examinations, appointments, promotions, transfers, reinstatements, demotions, suspensions and discharges within the departments. Serving on

the Civil Service Commission are Steven Phelps, Chairman, Anna Bernhard and Elanor McLester. The meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at City Hall, 7:00 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission serves primarily in an advisory capacity to the city legislative body, making recommendations on subdivisions, rezones, and land use related plans and ordinances. In addition, the Commission is vested with the authority to make decisions on conditional use permits and architectural/site plan reviews. The members of the Planning Commission are Richard Kirsop, Chairman, John Richards, Joe Orrico, Eileen Avery, Jerry James, Leo Sowinski and Steve Welsh. They meet on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at City Hall.

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