

COUNCIL AGENDA SYNOPSIS



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09/20/21	RB		

ITEM No. 7.A.

ITEM INFORMATION

STAFF SPONSOR: RACHEL BIANCHI	ORIGINAL AGENDA DATE: 09/20/21
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AGENDA ITEM TITLE	A weekly update on the City's planning and response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus)
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CATEGORY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Discussion</i> <small>Mtg Date 09/20/21</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Motion</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Resolution</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Ordinance</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Bid Award</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Public Hearing</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Other</i> <small>Mtg Date</small>
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SPONSOR'S SUMMARY	The City is actively engaged in regional efforts to address the coronavirus (COVID-19). Staff are providing the Council with updated information regarding the City's response to COVID-19.
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	<input type="checkbox"/> LTAC <input type="checkbox"/> Arts Comm. <input type="checkbox"/> Parks Comm. <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Comm.
DATE:	N/A COMMITTEE CHAIR:

RECOMMENDATIONS:	
SPONSOR/ADMIN.	N/A
COMMITTEE	N/A

COST IMPACT / FUND SOURCE

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED	AMOUNT BUDGETED	APPROPRIATION REQUIRED
\$	\$	\$

Fund Source:
Comments:

MTG. DATE	RECORD OF COUNCIL ACTION

MTG. DATE	ATTACHMENTS
09/20/21	Coronavirus Report



CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE UPDATE

September 20, 2021

* Denotes All New Content in the Section

ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND CITY OPERATIONS

* Essential Services & City Operations

City Hall is currently open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The City Permit Center will be open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Human Services is open for in-person services Tuesday and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All services remain available remotely. Masks are required at all times in City facilities. City staff that are able are encouraged to work remotely until January 3, 2022.

Total in-person customer volume for the weeks of September 6, 2021:

- Permit Counter: 16
- City Hall: 6
- Human Services: 0

* Human Services

This past week, Human Services staff assisted three households (five individuals). Two Maple Crest households (3 individuals) were assisted with first month's rent (\$1500 for each household). Total allocated last week was \$3925 (\$925 utility assistance). Least amount of rent owing was \$750 the highest amount owing was \$20,000. HS staff continues to refer residents to the EPRAP program for COVID related rental assistance which are being distributed in our community. Staff currently has seven additional households in various stages of the intake process.

Residents and landlords who applied for the EPRAP program can check their status by going to: <https://kingcounty.gov/depts/community-human-services/COVID/eviction-prevention-rent-assistance>

Source	Households Assisted/Ind	Funding Breakdown
General Fund Contracted Partners	1/2	Rent: \$ Utility: \$925
Covid Rental & Utility Assistance	0/0	Rent: \$ Utility: \$
Sewer/Water	0/0	
HB 1406 Rental Assistance	2/3	\$3,000 (Maple Crest households)
Information from the community on total past due rent amount		\$500-\$1,200 = 5 \$1,250-\$3,500 = 7 \$3,600-\$4,000 = 4 Over \$4,000 = 2

* Fire Staffing and Calls for Service

There have been no changes to Fire staffing since the last report.

* Police Staffing and Calls for Service

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* Business Recovery

Business Re-Openings and Closings

Washington's economy is open. Nearly all businesses and public spaces including restaurants, stores, offices, theaters, outdoor events, and other places can operate at full capacity with no physical distancing requirements.

The Delta variant has been spreading rapidly even in King County. In King County during late August the average weekly rate of new cases was the highest since the start of covid-19 (except during last winter). The average daily number of new hospitalizations was ten times higher than during late June. And, although the number of deaths in July was significantly lower than during the start of the pandemic and last winter, it has increased during August and early September.

On August 18th Governor Inslee announced a vaccine requirement for employees working in K-12, most childcare and early learning, and higher education. The vaccination requirement also applies to workers of State agencies. On September 9th President Biden announced that the Federal government will require businesses with over 100 employees to require employees to be vaccinated or get regular testing.

An expanded statewide mask mandate took effect on August 23rd, every person (including customers and employees) is required to wear masks when indoors with someone from outside their household, however, there are exceptions. For example, the requirement does not apply to people who are working indoors by themselves or are vaccinated and only working with other employees. Businesses can adopt more stringent requirements. Under the Governor's Proclamation 20-25.15 businesses are prohibited from allowing customers to enter or remain in an indoor space in a business unless the customer is wearing a face mask. On September 9, the Governor announced that starting on September 13th masks will also be required (for both vaccinated and unvaccinated) for outdoor events with 500 or more attendees.

Due to the surge in the Delta variant leading to high levels of new COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations and increasing deaths, on September 7th King County announced that it is working to develop a vaccine verification policy for some non-essential indoor business activities and other venues. According to the County, full details will be announced after engagement with community organizations, labor unions, businesses, and cities to gather feedback. The County is considering non-essential indoor and outdoor spaces where people gather in close proximity for a prolonged period of time. After finalizing the vaccination verification policy, unvaccinated residents would have at least five weeks to complete their vaccination series before the requirements of the proposed policy go into effect, likely in October.

Business Assistance

There are some government funding programs still accepting applications including the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program and the Small Business Flex Fund. The programs offer low interest loans to small businesses. Through EIDL some small businesses may be eligible for grants up to \$15,000. We anticipate that later this year the State will implement a \$50 million fifth round of the Working Washington small business grant program. The State is also significantly limiting increases in unemployment insurance costs for businesses.

King County is distributing \$145 million of federal funds for residential rental assistance and eviction prevention to tenants and landlords through their Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance Program (EPRAP).

Unemployment

The unemployment claims data report will be included monthly and was included in the packet of the August 23, 2021 Council meeting.


On March 11, 2021 the President signed the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act. The law extended Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC), which is for workers who have exhausted all other benefits, plus the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA), which benefits people who do not qualify for regular unemployment such as self-employed people and independent contractor, for an additional 29 weeks. It also extended the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) which provided an extra \$300 per week for eligible claimants who are receiving benefits from any unemployment program. Those expanded Federal benefits ended the week of September 4th.

MEETING THE COMMUNITY'S BASIC NEEDS

*** Food Resources and Distribution**

<p>Senior Meals, <i>number of meals distributed.</i> Week of 9/13.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Duwamish Curb Café 25 Meals on Wheels 153</p>
<p>Tukwila Pantry</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>Updated information not available by report deadline</i></p>

* Covid-19 Tukwila Overview



Public Health - Seattle & King County COVID-19 Outbreak Summary

Update date
9/15/2021
12 PM

Click on the icons to explore this dashboard:

Overview

Demographics

Geography

Geography over time

Select city to compare: Tukwila

Summary of counts for Tukwila

	Overall				Past 14 days		
	Count	New since last updated	Percent	Rate per 100,000 residents	Compared to King County rate	Count	Percent
Positives	2,391	8	6.7% of all tests	11,839.0	▲	92.00	
Confirmed	2,332	8		11,546.8	▲	90.00	
Probable	59	0		292.1	▼	2.00	
Hospitalizations	114	0	4.8% of all positive cases	564.5	▲	3.00	3.3%
Deaths due to COVID-19 illness	19	0	0.8% of all positive cases	94.1	▲	0.00	0.0%
All PCR test results	34,679	!		171,712.2	▲	98.00	
People tested by PCR	13,391			66,305.2	●	90.00	

Legend: ▼ Lower than overall King County rate ● Similar to overall King County rate ▲ Higher than overall King County rate

Mobile Vaccination Team

The Tukwila Fire Department deployed its Mobile Vaccine Team (MVT) to provide COVID-19 vaccines and is focused on home bound and regional opportunities.

* **Vaccine Update & Locations**

There are many ways for community members to access the vaccine at no cost. Multiple appointments are available at sites in the area, as well as private opportunities. Visit vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov for location and appointment opportunities.

Free COVID-19 vaccinations are offered at pop-up clinics at the Tukwila Village Farmers Market and Westfield Southcenter. Appointments and proof of residency are not required. The Tukwila Village pop-up provides free \$50 gift cards to Fred Meyer. More info at: <https://experiencetukwila.com/event/tukwila-covid-19-vaccination-clinics/>

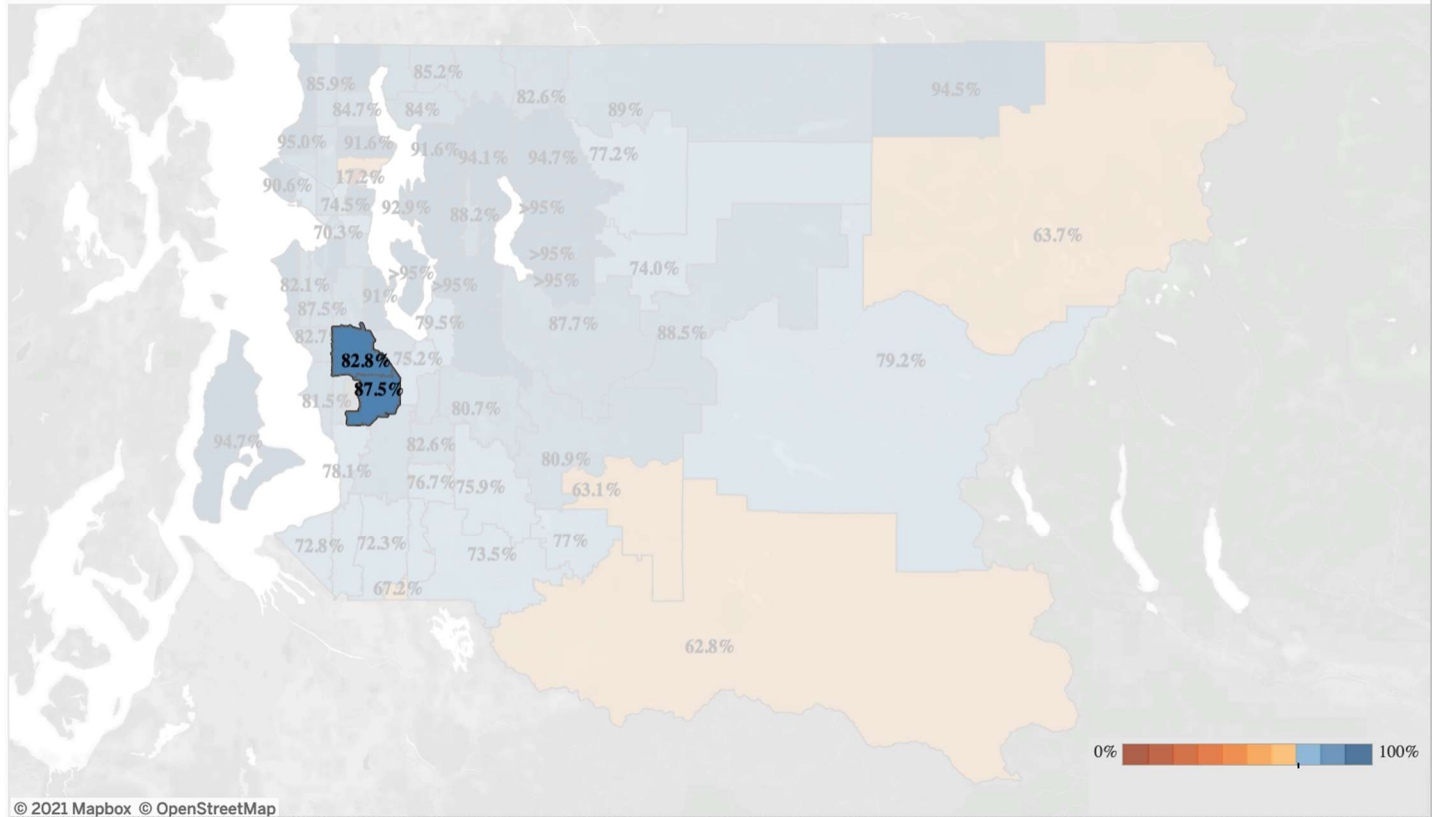
Vaccinations in King County as of September 14, 2021:

- 1 dose: 1,663,262 or 85.2%
- 2 does: 1,543,540 or 79.1%

Below is a zip code map of vaccinations as of September 14, 2021 (percentage of population 12+ with at least one dose) in King County, with Tukwila's two zip codes highlighted:

- 98168: 82.8%
- 98188: 87.5%

Map of KC residents who have at least one dose among ages 12+ years old



Below is a chart of vaccinations by region in King County. Note that South King County has a lower vaccination rate than many other areas in the county.

Table of all KC residents who have at least one dose by age group and regions

		12+ years old	12-19 years old	20-29 years old	30-39 years old	40-49 years old	50-59 years old	60-69 years old	70-79 years old	80+ years old
Overall	King County	85.2%	73.5%	72.2%	80.6%	89.0%	92%	>95%	>95%	>95%
4 Regions	East	92.1%	>95%	83.3%	79.7%	>95%	>95%	93.8%	>95%	>95%
	North	88.5%	74.4%	76.7%	89.7%	94.1%	83.7%	>95%	>95%	94.1%
	Seattle	83.2%	72%	70.7%	85.9%	90.7%	89.6%	84.2%	>95%	89.0%
	South	78.2%	57.1%	64.2%	70.7%	77.5%	88%	>95%	>95%	>95%
10 Regions	Kirkland, Redmond, Bothell, and Woodinville	89.5%	88%	72.2%	85.5%	>95%	91.7%	91.5%	>95%	>95%
	N Seattle and Shoreline	84.0%	71.2%	67.9%	84%	>95%	87.7%	92.3%	>95%	90.4%
	Central Seattle	80.9%	69%	73.9%	89%	82.7%	83.5%	72.2%	90.9%	88.5%
	W Seattle, S Seattle, Delridge and Highline	89.2%	77.7%	73.9%	87.9%	>95%	>95%	>95%	>95%	85%
	Burien, Renton, Tukwila and Seatac	82.2%	65.7%	65.1%	75.2%	88.2%	93.1%	>95%	93.5%	>95%
	Auburn, Kent, and Federal Way	75.7%	53.3%	60.7%	68.1%	75%	89.4%	>95%	>95%	>95%
	South East King County	75.7%	53.5%	68.6%	67.5%	69%	80.8%	>95%	>95%	>95%
	Bellevue, Issaquah and Mercer Island	93.2%	>95%	89.9%	85.3%	94.7%	>95%	89.7%	86.5%	>95%
	East King County	93.1%	>95%	92.2%	67.1%	92.8%	>95%	>95%	>95%	>95%
	Vashon Island	94.7%	82.0%	>95%	>95%	79.9%	75.2%	93.7%	>95%	>95%

* COVID-19 Testing

The following are the number of individuals tested over the past week at the Church by the Side of the Road. This is a regional testing facility drawing individuals from across south King County. All testing locations in the region are seeing a significant surge in the number of people requesting tests. King County has contracted with off-duty officers to provide traffic management along Tukwila International Boulevard and Military Road to mitigate traffic impacts in the neighborhood.

9/14 – 756 individuals tested

9/13 – 756 individuals tested

9/12 – closed

9/11 – 522 individuals tested

9/10 – 558 individuals tested

9/9 – 623 individuals tested

9/8 – 690 individuals tested