

# COLLEGE PLACE IN REVIEW

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## QUICK FACT:

City Water Usage

January 2012

13,703,000

January 2011

13,388,000

YTD 2012

13,703,000

Total 2011

380,907,000

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

BY RICK NEWBY

Several months ago I shared with you that we were in the process of renovating the city website. I am very pleased to announce that the new site is now online and operational.

The website redesign has really been about more than just aesthetics and improved navigation. In keeping with our strategic goals, our objective has been to create a viable platform for conducting business, enhancing communication, and lowering the cost of delivering services to the community. While we have not yet realized all the benefits of this effort, we have established a technological foundation upon which we can build toward service improvements well into the future.

A closely related goal for improving our business model is to encourage greater public participation in planning and feedback activities. The new website provides tools for us to keep you better informed about projects, events, and policies affecting College Place, and for you to share your perspectives regarding the issues that impact your life.

When you get a chance, please take a look at the new site. I am very interested in hearing your thoughts regarding the changes, and learning more about any other features and functions you would like to see added in the future.

May God bless you.

## PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT

The City of College Place has been approved to commence conceptual design of the College Avenue/Rose Street (CARS) Reconstruction Project. The CARS project will reconstruct Rose Street and College Avenue from near the Myra Road intersection west through the Rose Street/College Avenue intersection and then south on College Avenue to Lamperti Street. The project will reconstruct both streets, reconfigure the College Avenue/Rose Street intersection and install one or more traffic signals along the corridor. The project also includes pedestrian improvements as well as water, sewer, and stormwater improvements.

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Phase 1 of the project construction is scheduled to begin in 2013, subject to funding availability. Utility locating, survey and geotechnical activities will be taking place in and along the sides of both streets. Questions and inquires on the project may be directed to 525-0510.

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## SWIMMING POOL SAFETY

Installing a swimming pool or hot tub this year? With spring on its way many of you are having thoughts of pool-side parties in the comfort of your backyard. If you currently have or will be installing an above-ground or in-ground pool, and/or a hot tub, please keep the following in mind.

There are strict guidelines regarding the barrier and gates that must be installed around an in-ground pool or hot tub. These guidelines help provide safety for homeowners and minimize the potential of any accidents while your pool is unguarded. You may pick up a copy of these guidelines at 619 S College Ave in the Annex building or call 525-0510 with any questions you may have.

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## YARD DEBRIS COLLECTION – coming soon!

The City of College Place will have its spring yard debris cleanup the week of April 16– 20. Guidelines for collection are as follows:

- 1 – All debris must be bundled, bagged, boxed, or contained.
- 2 – No item should be over 65 pounds.
- 3 – Yard debris only.
- 4 – 5 items maximum.
- 5 – No bundled brush in lengths over 5'.

Put your debris out the evening before your area is scheduled for pick up. Please locate all yard debris in the street approximately 6 inches away from the curb. **Anything above the allowed amount will be subject to charge.** Remember the City will not begin pickup until April 16<sup>th</sup>.

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## VOLUNTEER POSITIONS OPEN

The City of College Place is taking applications for the College Place Planning Commission. Planning Commission is a recommending body that hears land use requests such as zoning, proposed plats and subdivisions. It also works on planning related items within the City such as the Comprehensive Plan, Urban Growth Area and other City visioning issues.

Planning Commission consists of seven appointed members, currently meeting the third Tuesday of each month with occasional workshops and additional meetings as needed. Applicants should be a resident of College Place and able to attend evening meetings.

Those interested in applying to serve on the Planning Commission may go to our web site at [www.ci.college-place.wa.us](http://www.ci.college-place.wa.us) or request an application from the Planning Department or the City Clerk's office at 625 S College Ave; College Place WA 99324 or by calling 525-0510. Applications will be accepted until **4:00 p.m. Friday, March 16, 2012.**

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## TIME TO UPDATE

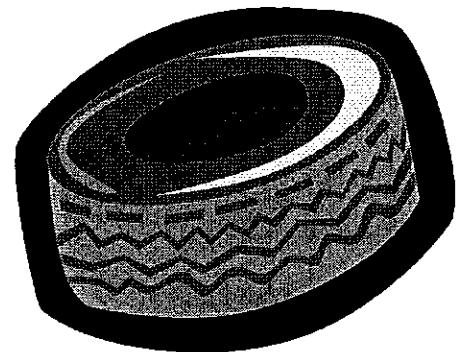
At the beginning of each year, the city updates its Vendors List Roster. The purpose of the roster is to provide vendors the opportunity to provide informal quotations for materials, supplies, equipment and services. Vendors may apply to be on this roster by submitting an application form to the College Place City Clerk. Forms are available at City Hall or on the city's website: [www.ci.college-place.wa.us](http://www.ci.college-place.wa.us). All responsible vendors are welcome to apply. For more information regarding the Vendors List Roster, you may review the College Place Municipal Code Chapter 3:31. The municipal code can be viewed online at the city's website.

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## GOT TIRES?

Recycle them for free! The Walla Walla Joint Community Development Agency, with support from the WA State Department of Ecology, the City of College Place, and Walla Walla County Fire District # 5, is sponsoring a tire recycling event on April 29, 2012. The event will be held at Lions Park in College Place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- The recycling is free for any resident of Walla Walla County, and participants must show ID and proof of residency
- Passenger, light truck, and motorcycle sized tires only will be accepted; no rims
- Residents only, no businesses
- Limit 10 tires per residence



Can't make this event? Have more than 10 tires? If so, plan to join us at our other upcoming tire collection event on May 5th at the Burbank Fire Station. For more information, please call 524-4726 or 524-4717.

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## NEW PAYMENT OPTIONS

We now have the ability to **automatically deduct** your monthly utility bill from your checking account. You must be signed up by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for it to be effective for the following month, and all previous amounts must be paid in full.

**City of College Place**  
 625 S. College Ave.  
 College Place, WA 99324

**Phone Numbers:**

City Hall— 529-1200  
 Court— Ext. 16  
 Utilities— Ext. 11  
 Building/Planning/Public  
 Works/Engineering—  
 525-0510  
 Fire Dept.— 529-6506  
 Police — 525-7778 or 7773  
 Dispatch— 527-1960

We're on the web!  
[www.ci.college-place.wa.us](http://www.ci.college-place.wa.us)

**Municipal Building Hours:**

Monday through Thursday  
 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday  
 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Police Department Hours:**

Monday through Friday  
 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



To take advantage of this new payment method you will need to complete a short form and attach a voided check for account verification. The automatic deduction will occur on the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month or the next business day if the 5<sup>th</sup> falls on a weekend or holiday. You will still receive your monthly statement and it will be noted on the statement that it has been "Paid by EFT".

If the funds are not available at the time of the withdrawal, it will be treated as an NSF, charged back to your account and a \$20.00 fee will be added.

If you are interested in this worry free way to pay your utility bill, you can either stop by City Hall to fill out the form or go to our website at [www.ci.college-place.wa.us](http://www.ci.college-place.wa.us) to print out the form and send it in. (Do not forget to attach a voided check.)

- OR -

If you are interested in using a credit card to pay a city bill we are now offering this service through Official Payments. You can either pay online at [www.officialpayments.com](http://www.officialpayments.com) or by calling 1-800-272-9829. You will need to have your account number available and give them the City Jurisdiction Code of 8000 in order to assure your payment is applied correctly. (Note: Official Payments charges a \$5.95 fee for this service for credit card transactions up to \$300.00.)

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### MARCH

- 5 - VFW Post 466, 7 pm, Fire Station
- 12 - City Council, 7 pm, Council Chambers
- 19 - VFW Post 466, 7 pm, Fire Station
- 20 - Planning Commission, 7 pm, Council Chambers
- 26 - City Council, 7 pm, Council Chambers

### APRIL

- 2 - VFW Post 466, 7 pm, Fire Station
- 9 - City Council, 7 pm, Council Chambers
- 16 - VFW Post 466, 7 pm, Fire Station
- 17 - Planning Commission, 7 pm, Council Chambers
- 23 - City Council, 7 pm, Council Chambers