CITY OF COVINGTON CITY COUNCIL
2016 STRATEGIC PLANNING SUMMIT

Saturday, January 30th   8:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Maplewood Golf Club        4050 Maple Valley Highway, Renton

AGENDA

THE COUNCIL’S PRIMARY GOALS FOR THIS YEAR’S SUMMIT:

1. Agree on whether or not to develop a community-wide strategic plan. If there is consensus to proceed, determine its components and contents, and the timeline and resources to produce it.

2. Discuss a variety of issues, both internal and external, that will help us advance our vision and goals and enable the Council to perform even more effectively.

NOTE: Refreshments will be served at 7:45. Please arrive early to enjoy them so that we can convene the meeting precisely at 8:00.

8:00 Welcome! Review Today’s Purpose — Mayor Wagner

8:05 Review Agenda and Ground Rules — Jim Reid, Facilitator

8:10 Identify Major Accomplishments of 2015 — Council/Management Team

- What were 3–4 accomplishments of the Council in 2015 that you believe will have the greatest long-term benefits for Covington? Why?
- What do management team members think were the most important accomplishments of the past year?
• Is there anything that was not achieved last year that should be accomplished in the near-term future?

8:45 **Review Vision, Mission, Goals** — Council

• Are the vision and mission statements still taking the City in the right direction? If not, how should we revise them?
• Are our current Council goals still valid as tools to achieve our vision? If not, how should we revise them?

9:05 **Discuss Idea of Producing Community-Wide Strategic Plan** — Council

• What is a community-wide strategic plan? What would be its purposes, components, and benefits?
• How would it differ from or complement the Comprehensive Plan, the Council’s long-term goals and priorities, or the budget and Capital Improvement Program (CIP)?
• To provide an idea of its substance, what issues might it address?
• What would be the timeline for producing it? What resources would be needed to get it done?

10:40 **Implementing a Biennial Budget**—Council/Regan Bolli/Rob Hendrickson

• At the 2015 Strategic Planning Summit the Council agreed to work with staff to assess implementing a biennial budget. What is the status of this initiative?

10:45 Break

10:55 **City Vision and Strategy for Public Safety** — Council

• How do we best meet public safety goals in the neighborhoods?
• How do we provide a safe shopping environment and address public safety issues associated with retail development?
How should we work with Home Owners' Associations (HOAs)?

11:30 **Planning City's 20th Anniversary Celebration** — Council/Management Team

- What kind of 20th Anniversary celebration do we envision in August 2017?
- What process should we use to begin the preparations?

Noon Lunch

- Lunch will be provided.

12:45 **Brief Discussion of Assorted Issues** — Council/Management Team

- How should the City proceed on Town Center in 2016? What would Council like to see accomplished by year’s end?
- Should we combine the State of the City and Volunteer Appreciation Event/Dinner or find some other way to show appreciation to our volunteers?
- Should we establish a Youth City Council? For what purpose? How would it function and be staffed? What resources would be necessary?
- What is the latest on the City’s efforts to comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)?
- What are we doing to be more proactive about code enforcement issues such as illegal dumping of yard waste? Is there more the City could do? What resources would be needed? Is there anything the City could do to encourage the public to reduce waste in general?
- Should the City become involved with other South King County cities to address homelessness? Should we raise this issue at the annual Tri-City meeting?

2:00 Break

2:10 **Discuss Council Policies and Operations**—Council/Regan/Sara Springer

- Council members expressed interest in briefly discussing some
policies and procedures that guide how the Council operates.

3:10 Other Issues on the Horizon — Council

- What are other issues of interest that could be topics for future Council discussions?

3:35 Wrap-up: Final Thoughts — Council

- What are we taking away from today’s meeting?

3:45 Adjourn