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No Airplane Noise Reduction in Near Future

The Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) held a meeting on their current Environmental Impact Study, "Greener Skies Initiative," in Federal Way on January 25, 2012 that was attended by an Architectural Control Committee member. Apparently there will be no significant noise reductions, if any, to incoming flights from the south here in Federal Way or along the entire flight path to the airport in this first phase.

This unhelpful finding was rather shocking given the statement in the three-fold pamphlet distributed at the meeting "Recognizing that the Proposed Action is limited to changing aircraft flight paths and does not require new infrastructure, the major emphasis of analysis is expected to be on noise and noise related impacts."

The problem of our noise issue being a real nightmare since the third runway opened was stressed. Some options were suggested that are very cost effective in the short term were suggested for the next phase of the study which is expected to focus on an Optimized Profile Descent (OPD), in effect a rapid steep glide slope descent, which will significantly reduce noise compared to the current long, low altitude route now in place. It was stressed we would like some assurance that it will be part of a forthcoming Next-Gen study, hopefully with Seattle again chosen as a pilot study site.

Apparently, beginning this June or so, there will be testing on the GPS approach method in which computers will handle landings in an optimized way. That is the first step of the OPD—coupled with other landing patterns with in the next few years.

Good news of immediate importance is that just before printing this Covenant Courier tow Architectural Control Committee members assisted Sea-Tac Port Authorities and Federal Way Officials in installing a noise monitor in Marine Hills. That will help a lot in really showing the excessive noise we experience.

We do have a fine mayor and City Council that have a close working relationship with the other affected communities. They all have invested a great deal of time and effort on the noise reduction efforts—and we thank them.



2012 Contributions Are Due Now

Marine Hills is a unique neighborhood in that we do not charge traditional homeowners dues. We simply ask for a small yearly contribution of \$30. The MHACC depends on these contributions to keep Marine Hills beautiful. Unfortunately, many neighbors do not contribute and that causes a budget crunch. The MHACC has two major upcoming projects that we need funding for. This includes our partnership in The Federal Way Safe Cities website as well as the painting/updating of the two entrance signs.

So what does \$30 get you?

- Landscaping of the entrances at 9th PL and 11th PI
- · Water and electricity for both entrances
- Maintenance of Dash Point Rd landscaping in front of Marine Hills
- Plans for freshly painted and updated entrance signs in Spring 2012
- MHACC website (www.mhacc.net)
- Covenant Courier with neighborhood updates and important information (cont. on page 2)

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2012 Contributions (cont. from page 1)

 Dedicated Marine Hills Safe Cities website to be added in 2012 Neighborhood Directory

An all volunteer committee of neighbors committed to the bettering of Marine Hills handles the projects:

- Property Monitors dedicated to enforcing our covenants
- Meeting with city and other officials on problems related to Marine Hills
- Your \$30 pays for liability insurance for the Architectural Control Committee
- Another all volunteer committee handles the landscaping of the entrances.

We can't accomplish all of this without your much appreciated contributions. Please make checks payable to MHACC and send in the enclosed return envelope along with your ballot. Thank you!



"The design of [a] study precludes conclusions about causality. It may be that attractive neighborhoods make sedentary people more active, but it may also be that active people congregate where the setting is attractive and inviting."

David L. Katz

Benefits of Cluster Mailboxes

Throughout Marine Hills you see mailboxes that occasionally have been vandalized. All residents should seriously consider the concept of Cluster Mailboxes.

There are many advantages of having these types of boxes for the homeowner. They provide the security and peace of mind that a locked mailbox can offer. Security is the main draw to these mailboxes with the increase in Identity Theft and Stolen Mail.

With a locking mailbox you can leave your mail in these boxes for several days while away, without fear of theft. For example when you do not have time to Stop your mail for a short time away, you do Not have to drive way over to Twin Lakes Post Office to retrieve your mail upon return; it will be waiting safely in your box. You can also safely insert outgoing mail in these boxes for pickup.

The Cost of cluster boxes varies but is in the range of \$90 to \$110 per resident dependent on the number of mailboxes that are clustered within one unit. This is a small price to pay for the security of knowing your mail will be there when you return home. How about becoming a champion or partnering with some one in your area to get the job done!

The Naughty List

Each year three of the members of the Marine Hills Architectural Control Committee drive the whole neighborhood in an effort to identify properties that are not in compliance with the covenants. The non-compliances range from recreational vehicles and boats not being screened to poorly kept yards to houses not being maintained. Last year the monitors sent fourteen letters to property owners asking them to bring their properties into compliance. Just prior to writing this, the monitors re-inspected those properties to see what improvements, if any, had been made.

There was much good news and a little bad news. The bad news is that there are still six properties that are out of compliance. The addresses of those locations that are not in compliance are: 1161 S 299th PI, 30117 8th Ave S, 30221 8th Ave S, 804 S 296th PI, 29616 9th PI S, and 608 S 291st St.

The good news is that eight property owners heeded the notice and brought their properties into compliance. THANK YOU very much for your efforts. Your diligence to maintain your properties is much appreciated by us on the committee, but more so, by your neighbors. When properties are maintained, the neighborhood looks good and our property values are maintained.

Sources of Income

MARINE HILLS ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE ANNUAL FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR 2011

Sources of income	Dollars		
Ending Balance, December 31, 2010 Contributions 2011	4,286.87 12,915.00		
		Other income	0.00
		Total ledger income balance	17,201.87
Expenses			
Dash Point, Maintenance, Pro-			
jects, Entrance Gardens	1,719.64		
Liability Insurance	1,190.00		
Newsletters & Directory incl.			
Printing and Mailing	1,405.01		
Office Supplies, Copying and			
Mailing	44.80		
Post Office Box Rental	192.00		
Safe Deposit box rental	195.00		
Web site	132.00		
Other Expenses	520.05		
Total expenses	5,398.50		
Ledger Balance as of last entry in this			
worksheet	11,803.37		
Expenses	Percent		
Dash Point, Maintenance, Pro-	24.0		
jects, Entrance Gardens	31.9		
Liability Insurance	22.0		
Newsletters & Directory incl. Printing and Mailing	26.0		
Office Supplies, Copying and	26.0		
Mailing	0.8		
Post Office Box Rental	3.6		
Safe Deposit box rental	3.6		
Web site	2.4		
Other	9.6		

"I have an affection for a great city. I feel safe in the neighborhood of [Marine Hills], and enjoy the sweet security of the streets."

Total expenses

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

100.0

Safe City for Marine Hills

By Fred Konkell and Doug Skinner

Several years ago the City of Federal Way, with grants from several large retailers, initiated a program to improve public safety in the city. Sixteen surveillance cameras were installed in the core business area in an effort to monitor or spot illegal activities. This was how Safe Cities got started in Federal Way.

Safe Cities is:

Dollars

An initiative that unites businesses, city officials, law enforcement, and neighborhoods through a project intended to maximize safety and minimize theft and other crimes in our community.

By working together to address these issues, the City of Federal Way will become a safer place to live, work, and shop

Partnerships are more important than ever to address the magnitude of the threats we now face

When the program started, it was targeted toward the business community, but recently the City has expanded the program to include home owner groups. Two members of the Architectural Control Committee met with Commander Chris Norman of the police department to see if it is feasible to initiate this program in Marine Hills. He was interested in including Marine Hills in the program, and the committee has identified member Anne Farmer to be our liaison with the department to implement the program for our neighborhood. To learn more about the Safe City program, you can log on to the website www.safecityfw.com.

How would Safe Cities help Marine Hills? The city would help us develop a website to be used for rapid communications. When a police report from Marine Hills is filed, an email notice would be sent to everyone who signed up for the program. In essence, it is somewhat like an automated block watch. In addition, Marine Hills residents would be able to post suspicious activities going on in the neighborhood to the site so that all of us could be on the lookout for illegal acts. The end result would be that all of Marine Hills residents would be up to speed on occurrences in our neighborhood.

We hope to have this program in place for Marine Hills in the short term.



The following is a list of those who have paid their 2011 contribution as of March 16, 2012 and thus will receive the Marine Hills Directory (scheduled for delivery Summer, 2012). If others wish to receive a directory, send your contribution with a clearly marked note saying "for 2011 and to be added to directory list." Note, we appreciate your 2012 contribution, but you MUST have paid for 2011 to receive the directory.

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