



# College Place in Review

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## Quick Fact:

City Water Usage  
**January 2017**  
0 (no meters read)  
**January 2016**  
**11,137,000**  
**YTD 2017**  
0 (no meters read)  
**Total 2016**  
395,952,000

## Your City Representatives

### Mayor

Harvey Crowder

### Council Members

Jerry Bobbitt  
Michael Cleveland  
Marge Nyhagen  
Loren Peterson  
Melodie Selby  
Heather Schermann  
Larry Dickerson

### City Administrator

Mike Rizzitiello

## Mayor's Message

Where is the City headed? What's going to happen here in the future? What's going to change? What is not going to change? Those are all questions I'd like your help in answering. We've held one listening session about those questions; two more are scheduled in the future. The first is March 1 at 6:00 PM in Room 100 in Smith Hall at Walla Walla University, the second is March 7, again at 6:00 PM, the Commons Room, College Place High School, 1755 South College Avenue. Both sessions have Spanish translation available. I'd also like you to fill out an on-line survey to answer the above and other questions, keep an eye out for the survey on the City's web page: <http://www.cpwa.us> (Yes, that is a new web address! Be on the lookout for a rollout of a totally new web page in April). What are we going to do with your input? In May the City Council will be looking at your input, along with other data, and putting together a plan to help guide the City's growth over the next several years. Stay tuned!

## **\*\*Attention Utility Customers\*\***

Due to the extreme winter weather many homeowners have experienced broken water pipes. If you have repaired a leak this winter, you may be eligible for a credit on your city bill for excess sewer flow charges. To apply for an adjustment you must submit a completed dispute form and documentation that the leak has been repaired (a bill from the repairman or a receipt showing purchase of parts if you repaired it yourself). Also keep in mind that this bill reflects usage from mid-November through mid-February as we were unable to read meters all winter due to the weather. If you have questions, please contact the utility clerk at 509-394-8509.



## Police Department Town Hall Meeting

College Place Police Department invites you to join the Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at the City Hall Council Chambers from 6:30pm -7:30pm (or however long it lasts). Please bring your questions, concerns, and/or comments. This will be the first Town Hall with our new Chief of Police, Troy Tomaras.

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

**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.



**NEW Phone Numbers:**

Utilities/Finance—394-8509  
Administration—394-8506  
Mayor—394-8505  
Human Resources—394-8508  
Accounts Payable—394-8510  
Building—394-8522  
Fire Department—394-8600  
Fire Chief—394-8605  
Public Works—394-8526  
Planning—394-8524  
City Engineer—394-8525  
City Shop—394-8653  
Police —394-8550  
Dispatch—527-1960

**Transportation Benefit District (TBD)**

**What is a Transportation Benefit District?**

A transportation benefit district is a taxing district that raises revenues for specific transportation projects. Transportation improvements that can be funded through a district include roads and transit service to sidewalks and transportation demand management. Construction, maintenance, and operation costs are all eligible.

**How is a Transportation Benefit District Formed?**

Any city or county may form a TBD by ordinance, following a public hearing, if it finds the action is in the public interest.

**How is a Transportation Benefit District Funded?**

The transportation benefit district is most commonly funded through vehicle license fees or sales taxes. Fees and taxes collected by the District can only be used on transportation projects (roads, sidewalks, etc).

**How Does this Relate to Me?**

As you have probably noticed, there are many streets in our city that are in great disrepair. This is due to very limited funding sources to fix them and maintain them. Your City Council is considering forming a TBD in order to provide these necessary repairs and the related maintenance needed to keep the streets in good shape. The concept of a Transportation Benefit District will be reviewed during the March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017 City Council meeting. There will be a public hearing at the College Place City Council meeting scheduled for March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7:00 pm at City Hall. If you have input, please come and share your thoughts with your City Council.

