



Planning and Land Services

Implementing the 2004 Audit

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Calendar

- Feb 17th** Oversight Committee
Clark County visits to review
their audit implementation
- Feb 23rd** County Council visits PALS
- Feb 24th** Sub-committee working
lunch on LUACs. Audit items 66 & 67
- Feb 24th** Oversight Committee
King County visits to review
their Project Manager Program
- March 3rd** Oversight Committee
- March 7th** Implementation Plan
presented to the County Council
Rules Committee.

Backlog Reduction

PALS staff and the committee are refining the cost estimates and the reduction plan. The final details will be reviewed during the next two meetings.

Space Planning

Our space planning committee led by Scott Sissons will be starting up soon. There are a few new hires expected in late March. Timing is close but we need to look for work space as PW&U begins to relocate to the Plaza.

Counter / Lobby

Lobby activity over the last week:

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| Customers | 467 |
| Average time waiting | 2Hr - 18 min |
| Average transaction time | 1Hr - 32 min |

In the last two editions we reported on the number of customers and corresponding wait times. It was incorrectly reported as weekly averages but were actually monthly averages.

Celebrations



The participation by the oversight committee has been extraordinary. Seldom is more than one member unable to make a meeting. Their commitment to the process will make a real difference.

Feedback

Feedback on last week's issue:

There was no feedback to Vol 6. It helps us put out a better newsletter the more we hear from you. Is there something you want to know about? Let us know.

Web Page

In February we hope to launch an implementation page. The project name will tie into the web page and the newsletter.

New Hires

Marilyn Merlino is a new OA2 in Building Division

Recruitments:

Building Division

- 1 Plans Examiner 2
 - interviews were held on February 10th.
- 2 Building Inspectors
 - interviews scheduled for March 2nd
- 1 CE2, Structural Engineer to be announced in February

Development Engineering

- 2 CE2, Civil Engineer, Ongoing
- 1 CE1, Civil Engineer, Ongoing

Currently re-advertising for 2 CE2 positions and 1 CE1 position. Was recently successful in changing the required qualifications for CE2 position, which should help us to attract more qualified applicants.

Resource Planning

- 4 EB2, Biologists
 - Interviews have been held
- 3 EB1, Biologists,
 - Interviews have been held
- Planner 2, Forest Practice
 - Interviews have been held

Jobs have been offered to two EB2s (two have accepted); jobs have been offered and accepted to two EB1s; Planner 2 (Forest Practices) interviews have not been held - we will use the same recruitment as Advance Planning.

Development Center

- Permit Technician, Closing date February 28th.
- Office Assistant, Waiting for new register

Advance Planning

- Planner 2, Closing date February 18th.

Code Enforcement

- Code Enforcement Officer, An ad will be out by the end of February.