

Auto review firm is newest Port tenant

The Port of Vancouver and Page One Northwest, a company that provides new car reviews to automotive publications, have entered into a lease for warehouse space at the port.

The Vancouver Port Commission today approved the lease, which includes 8,400 square feet in building 2400, which is located near the Panasonic plant on the east end of the port's industrial property.

Page One NW and the port agreed to a three-year lease running September 1, 2007-August 31, 2010. Page One NW is allowed one three-year extension with 180 days notice. Base rent is \$2,856 per month (\$0.34 per square foot per month) with annual increases. The total anticipated revenue from the initial term of the lease will be \$104,832.

The designated space will be used for receipt, delivery, storage, washing, test drive and provide new vehicles for the purpose of auto reviews for various automotive publications.

Save lives and your hard-earned money: Slow down!

The first day of school for students in both the Evergreen and Vancouver School Districts begins on September 4th. That's also the start enforcement in school zones for Vancouver Police. Drivers who may have been traveling through school zones during the summer months at more than 20 mph should be prepared to slow down as the school year resumes.

According to a study of fatality risks to pedestrians, based on vehicle speed, the risk of death to a pedestrian hit by a vehicle traveling at 21 mph is 10%, at 25 mph the risk jumps to 25% and at 30 mph (what some people would consider 'just 10 over' the school zone speed) the risk of death to the pedestrian skyrockets to 75%. If child safety isn't enough of a deterrent to slow drivers down, speeding fines in school zones have increased and are now based on miles over the limit. Previously some fines had a flat rate (e.g. prior school zone violation was flat \$177). Graduated fines also apply for speeding in construction zones.

Below is a chart with some of the common school zone speeding violations and the new fine schedule:

Speed School Zone 1-5 mph over \$189

Speed School Zone 6-10 mph over \$210

Speed School Zone 11-15 mph over \$271

Speed School Zone 16-20 mph over \$353

City of Vancouver seeking forestry commission applicants

The City of Vancouver is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the Urban Forestry Commission. The mission of the seven-member commission is to enhance the city by managing and conserving trees. Applications must be received by Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 5 p.m. There is no city residency requirement.

For applications or further information, contact Myk Heidt in the City Manager's Office at City Hall, 210 East 13th Street, PO Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668-1995, myk.heidt@ci.vancouver.wa.us or by calling (360) 696-8181 or FAX (360) 696-8049.

The advisory role of the commission includes suggesting changes to urban forestry policy and regulation, the administration of the Heritage Tree Program, and the updating of the program's work plan. The commission performs community outreach through tree events, neighborhood association relations, public education, and community recognition. Those who have an interest in urban forestry and the beautification of Vancouver are urged to apply.

The Vancouver City Council appoints commission members. The vacancy is for a mid-term resignation and the term expires in May 2009. The commission meets from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Administration Office, 610 Esther Street, the third Wednesday of each month.

To learn more about City of Vancouver boards and volunteer opportunities visit the city's volunteer web site at <http://www.cityofvancouver.us/boards>.

Calendar

The City of Vancouver's Parking Advisory Committee scheduled for Wed., Sept. 26, 7:30 a.m. at City Hall, is cancelled. <> Clark County residents have another opportunity to recycle their block foam for free Saturday, Sept. 1, at Clark College. Collection hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the "Purple 1" parking lot located at 1900 Fort Vancouver Way, adjacent the to the soccer field. Questions? Call City of Vancouver Solid Waste Services at (360) 696-8186 or Clark County Solid Waste at (360) 397-6118 ext. 4352.

Tuesday on the air

West Vancouver Freight Access Project Kickoff and Groundbreaking (8/7)—6:15 p.m. CVTV
...Vancouver City Council (8/20)—7:30 p.m. CVTV
...Digging Deep: The 60th Anniversary of Archeology at Fort Vancouver—(8/10)—10:45 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Dan Heine and **Judith Davis** making a difference. <> **Ken Cosentino** going out of his way. <> **Eric Toews** breaking the sound barrier.<> **Bonnie Gilberti** getting the news out.<>**Gail Spolar** on double duty. <> **Monday**, sunny, 84. **Tuesday**, partly sunny, 82. **Wednesday**, partly sunny, slightly warmer, 83.