

Collaborating with the City

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Getting Things Done – the three “Ps”

- People
 - Community, communication
- Problems
 - Crime, traffic, safety, lost pets
- Projects
 - Parks, landscaping, sidewalks, events

Neighborhood Services

- Your “one stop shop”
 - Who, what, how
- Start here and learn the ropes
- Build relationships

Other resources

- City Council
 - Speaking, email
- City “Ask a Question”
- Neighborhood Resource Officer
- Kirkland Reporter
 - Articles, photos, recognition
- Blogs (KirklandViews.com)
 - Event publicity

The first “P” — People

Community and Communication

- Website
- Email (Google Groups)
- Facebook
- Meetings
- Events (picnic, egg hunt, work parties)

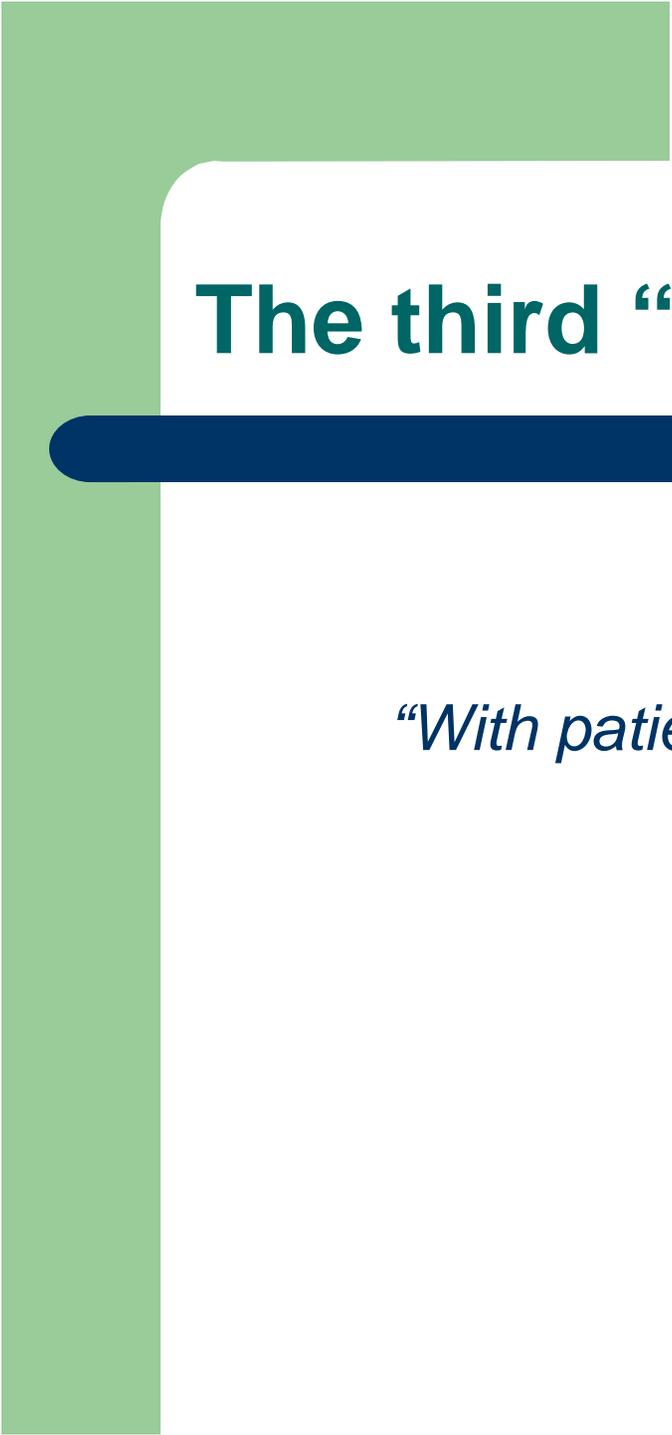


The second “P” — Problems

- Crime
 - Email
 - Neighborhood Resource Officer
- Traffic, safety
 - Neighborhood Services
 - Citizen radar program
- Code enforcement, potholes
 - “Ask a Question”
- Lost pets
 - Email



The third “P” — Projects



*“With patience, persistence, and perspiration,
anything is possible”*









































Lessons Learned

- City personnel – people just like us
- Limited time and money
- Focus on what we CAN accomplish
- Think outside the box
- If one person can't help, find someone who can
- Accept non-involvement - doesn't mean people don't care

Tips for getting things done

- Be organized
- Be patient
- Be persistent
- Be reasonable
- Be nice

Questions?

- Website, email, other
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