CITY OF SEQUIM News

March 2025

Meeting Dates

City Council Regular Meeting Attend in person or online	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Work Session (As Needed)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission (As Needed)	1st & 3rd Tuesday 5:30 p.m.
Parks, Arbor, and Recreation	3rd Monday 4:00 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee	Quarterly—Next Meeting March 3 at 9:00 a.m.
Sequim Arts Commission	4th Monday 3:00 p.m.

Tax Scam Alert



The Sequim Police Department is warning the public that it is common this time of year for tax scam phone calls with callers claiming to be from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and demanding payment for money owed. The public is advised to be cautious and to never give personal information over the phone.

If you receive a call that you suspect is a scam, do not give any personal information and hang up. The Washington State Attorney General's Office has set up an online blog where consumers can report phone scams. Go to https://www.atg.wa.gov/ and search on phone scams.

The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email, text messages, or social media channels to request personal or financial information. To recognize the telltale signs of a scam, visit https://www.irs.gov/help/how-to-know-its-the-irs for more information.

In the Gallery...

"High Schools of the Olympic Peninsula Arts Exhibition" Now through April 21



"Snowfall on the Little Quil" by Jennica Nino

Karen Kuznek-Reese Gallery at the Sequim Civic Center
152 West Cedar Street, Monday—Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Welcome New Employee!

Sebastian Barragan—Maintenance Worker—February 3

Become a Member of the City Team!

Check out our job openings and apply now at https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sequimwa.

Sequim Sunshine Festival
March 7 & 8

Join us as we "Celebrate the Sun" by shaking off the winter blues and looking forward to the spring and summer seasons at the 6th Annual Sequim Sunshine Festival, March 7 & 8. The festival is filled with family-friendly activities that will help us summon sunshine. Go to visitsunnysequim.com for all of the details.



There is still time to sign up now for the Sun Fun Color Run on Saturday, March 8 at 11:00 a.m. https://runsignup.com/Race/WA/Sequim/SunFunColorRun**.** Sponsored by Peninsula Behavioral Health.



The Illuminated Drone Show by Firefly Drone Shows and Sponsored by Sound Community Bank returns bigger and better than ever with 300 drones dancing in the night sky. The Interactive Light Experience sponsored by Clallam County PUD will have new exhibits at Pioneer Park. Enjoy the Sunshine Market, community art projects, family friendly activities by local non–profit organizations, live music including the new "Sunshine After Dark," delicious food and beverages, and more!



Go to https://visitsunnysequim.com to sign up to volunteer and for all of the festival details.

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Don't Let Vegetation Become a Nuisance

As spring begins to bloom, the City wants to remind residents and businesses of the requirement to prevent private vegetation and trees from encroachment on public use of sidewalks, right-of-way, and streets. Fences and shrubs should be 42" and shorter when within 15' of a corner and tree branches over sidewalks should be kept at 7' or taller. This maintains important visibility for cars, bikes and pedestrians. City lights, fire hydrants, and meter boxes must also be kept accessible and unobstructed. We appreciate your help in maintaining access and safety by sprucing up vegetation on your property.

Sustainability Tip

Make Spring Cleaning Green

Spring cleaning can be green cleaning when you choose alternative options that are safer for your family and the environment. It's easy to make effective, inexpensive green cleaning products with baking soda, vinegar, liquid castile soap, and other readily available, non-toxic ingredients. You can find time-tested recipes at the library and on the internet.

Community Open Music Jam

Friday, March 15—6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Swisher Rehearsal Hall at the James Center for the Performing Arts, 506 N. Blake Avenue.



Bring your acoustic instrument, percussion, or voice. The music with lyrics and chords will be provided. All ages and experience levels are welcome.

"Trashion Fashion" Workshop

Saturday, March 29—11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Guy Cole Event Center at Carrie Blake Park



Join us for the "Trashion Fashion" workshop and learn how to create fashions out of reusable materials. Please RSVP by contacting Arts Coordinator Sarah Hurt at shurt@sequimwa.gov.

"Luck is believing you're lucky."

- Tennessee Williams

Code Compliance *CORNER*

Nuisance Properties
What can be done?



We all want to live in a clean and aesthetically pleasing neighborhood. By regulating nuisance violations we deter and prevent conditions that could become potential hazards while keeping the City of Sequim a great community.

There are a number of situations that can constitute a nuisance. Let's discuss the most prevalent ones and what can be done.

- Garbage strewn around the property, multiple garbage bags in piles, broken or neglected items, salvage items, or just plain junk.

* *Are you aware that compulsory garbage service is required for all residences and businesses within the city limits?*

- Household furniture – couches, chairs, and mattresses left outside.
- Appliances – refrigerators, washers or dryers, and other appliances are a nuisance and a safety hazard.
- Machinery/Equipment/Junk Vehicles – old boats, jet-skis, snowmobiles, piles of tires, partially destroyed vehicles, or vehicle parts.
- Unsafe or partially destroyed building.

If any of these items are visible from a public location it detracts from the beautification of the community and causes concern it will attract rodents or other nuisance wildlife looking for food or a place to live.

To report this type of activity or any other concerns, contact the Sequim Police Department at (360) 683-7227 or report online at codecompliance@sequimwa.gov.

Building Inspection Requests

Starting on Monday, March 17 all building inspection requests must be received by noon the day before the requested inspection date. Inspections are scheduled Tuesdays through Fridays, typically between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Inspections are not performed on Mondays.

Inspections requests can be made online at https://cityofsequimwa-energovweb.tylerhost.net/apps/selfservice#/home.

If you are having trouble requesting your inspection through our online permit portal, you may call the Inspection Request Line at 360-683-4908, ext. 2, and leave a message.