CITY OF SEQUIM News

April 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 Board	3rd Monday 4:00 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Committee	Quarterly—Next Meeting June 2 at 9:00 a.m.
Sequim Arts Commission	4th Monday 3:00 p.m.

Rally in the Alley — Saturday, April 26 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (or until dumpsters are full) - No Early Birds Please

The City of Sequim, in partnership with Habitat for Humanity of Clallam County and Olympic Disposal, will hold the next Rally in the Alley on Saturday, April 26 from, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. or until dumpsters are full. Dumpsters will be located at:

- Carrie Blake Park near the Pickleball Courts
- City Public Works Shop at 3rd and Hemlock

Volunteers will be on-site to assist City residents with discarding unwanted items at no cost to the residents. **No tires, appliances, liquid paint, gas, fuel, or oil will be accepted.**

Volunteers, please meet at the Carrie Blake Park location at 9:00 a.m. for assignments. Please contact Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Colleen Robinson at (360) 775-3742 or info@habitatclallam.org for more information.

Celebrate Arbor Day With Us



Please join the City of Sequim as we celebrate Arbor Day on Friday, April 25 at 2:00 p.m. by planting native trees and shrubs along Bell Creek at Carrie Blake Park.

The celebration recognizes Sequim's designation as a "Tree City USA" by the Arbor Day Foundation.

Please contact the City of Sequim Public Works Department at (360) 683-4908 for more information.

Welcome New Employee!

Abraham Blaylock—Police Officer—March 17

Become a Member of the City Team!

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

Congratulations to the Sequim Water Reclamation Facility Team!



Shane Cooper and Dainis Kleinbergs from the Washington State Department of Ecology congratulate City staff members Josh Rees, Timmy Wright, John Christenson, Alicia Davia, and Paul Bucich on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award.

The City of Sequim Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) has received a "Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance" award for 2023 from the Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE). The Sequim Facility has received the award for achieving full compliance with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Only 118 systems out of approximately 300 received the award in 2023.

This is the fifth consecutive year the Sequim Water Reclamation Facility has received this award.

The Department of Ecology evaluates wastewater treatment plants in Washington for their compliance with effluent limits, monitoring and reporting requirements, spill prevention planning, pretreatment, and overall operational demands of the NPDES permit.

Save the date Saturday, April 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the 24th Annual Kids' Fishing Day at the Reuse Water Demonstration Pond on the north side of Carrie Blake Park.

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Sustainability Tip

Earth Day is April 22

In recognition of Earth Day, April is a great month to take action for the environment we all rely on. Join a litter pickup, tree planting, or habitat monitoring effort, adopt a waste reduction or water conservation habit in your household, and transport yourself by walking, biking, or busing. Get inspired by worldwide action at earthday.org to create positive impacts on our home planet.

Do the Core Four to Recycle Right!

There's value in that empty can or box. Recycling is an opportunity for waste materials to be made into something new, and you can help! Here are some simple tricks to make sure you are recycling right in the curbside bin. Only recycle items from these four categories:

- Paper
- Cardboard
- Metal Cans
- Plastic Bottles

Rinse items free of food residue. Focus on recycling materials that are clean and correct to be a better steward of Earth's resources. Visit the Waste & Recycling page on the City of Sequim website for more waste reduction information.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, April 26

Bring your expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs and vaping pens without internal batteries to the Sequim Civic Center, located at 152 West Cedar Street, on Saturday, April 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Syringes and medical waste will not be accepted.

Drugs can also be dropped off anytime during regular office hours Monday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Community Open Music Jam



Friday, April 18—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.

Code Compliance *CORNER*

Standards for Building a Detached Accessory Structure on a Residential Lot - R Zones

Detached accessory structures on residential properties include garages, carports, covered areas, and storage and tool sheds. General standards for detached accessory structures include but are not limited to:

1. **Setbacks.** Must be a minimum of five feet from side and rear property lines, 10 feet from street right-of-way or alley, and no closer to the front property line than the distance to the primary resident facade furthest from the street.
2. **Maximum Structure Coverage.** Must not exceed 1,000 square feet, except for lots of one acre or larger where the maximum coverage is 3,000 square feet.
3. **Maximum Site Coverage.** Site coverage for all detached accessory structures combined is 1,200 square feet or 80% of the primary structure lot coverage, whichever is less, and 1,400 square feet if a ground level accessory dwelling unit is included.
4. **Maximum Structure Height.** Must not exceed the lesser of the roof elevation of the primary residence or 18 feet for lots under one acre.
5. **Maximum Structure Width.** The combined width as measured parallel to the rear property line of all detached accessory structures over 10 feet in elevation must not exceed 40% of the lot width.

Please refer to SMC 18.59 for complete detached accessory structure standards. Permits are not required for structures under 200 square feet, but setback requirements must still be met. Please refer to SMC 15.04 for permit requirements.

Please contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at 360-683-4908 with questions.

City of Sequim Bid Postings

The City of Sequim often looks for contractors to provide services for the City or work on projects. Please check out the "Bids" page on our website https://www.sequimwa.gov/bids.aspx. We encourage women- and minority-owned enterprises and veteran-owned businesses to respond to these opportunities.

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