CITY OF SEQUIM News

October 2026

Welcome New Employees!

Shailah Wood—Police Officer—9/17

Lee Farrell—Maintenance Worker—9/23

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

Comprehensive Plan Update: Public Hearings

The City of Sequim is inviting community members to participate in two upcoming public hearings on the proposed 2025 Draft Comprehensive Plan, its appendices, and proposed Title 18 zoning updates. The Planning Commission opened a public hearing on September 1 and extended it to its meeting on **Tuesday, October 6, at 5:30 p.m**. The City Council is expected to hold a public hearing on **Monday, November 9, at 6:00 p.m.** following a recommendation from the Planning Commission. Please check the calendar on the City website to confirm the date of the City Council public hearing. Both hearings will be held in person at the Sequim Civic Center Council Chambers, 152 W. Cedar Street, with remote participation available.

The Comprehensive Plan provides a long-range framework for topics including land use, housing, transportation, parks, economic development, capital facilities, and environmental stewardship. The related zoning updates are intended to implement the Plan and meet applicable state requirements.

Community members are encouraged to review the materials and provide testimony at the hearing, either in person or online. Written comments may be submitted by email at PlanningDept@sequimwa.gov, online through the City's Draft Comprehensive Plan comment page, or by mail or delivery to the Department of Community and Economic Development at the Sequim Civic Center. All draft materials are available at sequimwa.gov/1301/Comprehensive-Plan, and hard copies are available at the Department of Community and Economic Development in the Civic Center and at the Sequim Library.

2027 Proposed Budget



In accordance with the State of Washington guidelines, City Manager Matthew Huish presented the Sequim City Council with an overview of the Proposed 2027 Budget at their September 28 meeting. Additional budget discussions and public hearings will take place at the November 9 and 23 meetings, which will provide public feedback to the Council. The Proposed 2027 Budget is posted on the City website sequimwa.gov.

Rally in the Alley — Saturday, October 17—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 for City of Sequim residents on Saturday, October 17, 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. No remodeling material accepted.**

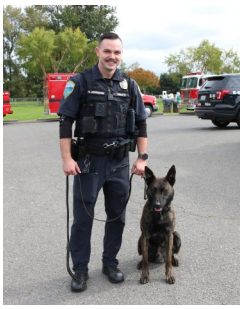
Volunteers, please meet at the Carrie Blake Park location at 9:00 a.m. for assignments. Please contact Habitat for Humanity Executive Director Colleen Robinson at (360) 775-3742 or info@habitatclallam.org for more information.

Public Meetings

The City of Sequim holds regular meetings for the City Council and other boards, commissions, and committees. Please visit the City website calendar at sequimwa.gov for the schedule. Click on the Agendas and Minutes tab for the agendas.

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Public Safety Fair
Saturday, October 3—9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Carrie Blake Park



Members of the Sequim Police Department and Public Works staff will join Clallam County Fire District #3, Community Emergency Response Team, and dozens of local public safety and community service organizations for a fun, free day focused on safety, preparedness, and community connection.

Activities and highlights include:

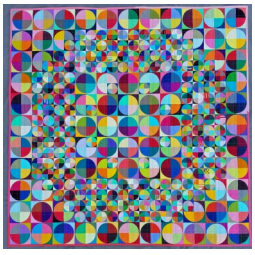
- Touch-a-Truck
- Helicopter landings
- K9 demonstrations
- Live demonstrations and speakers
- Safety house experience for kids
- Indoor and outdoor information booths
- Passport game for kids

Sustainability Tip
Buy It Where You Burn It

In August the first detection of the invasive Emerald Ash Borer was made in Washington state. This tiny pest can devastate forests and agricultural sites and make them more susceptible to fire. What can we do to protect local wood resources and our economy that depends on them? Find notable advice at invasivespecies.wa.gov/campaigns/buy-it-where-you-burn-it/ including making sure to procure wood from a local dealer for home and campsite use.



In the Gallery...



"Beyond the Canvas"
September 4 through October 23.

"Tiny Bubbles" by Marla Varner

Karen Kuznek-Reese Gallery at the Sequim Civic Center
Gallery Hours: Monday—Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Halloween Safety Tips

Halloween is quickly approaching and the Sequim Police Department offers up some safety tips from "Safe Kids Worldwide."

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to child safety. There are several easy and effective behaviors that parents can share with kids to help reduce their risk of injury.

Top Tips:

1. Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors. Since masks can sometimes obstruct a child' vision, try non-toxic face paint and makeup whenever possible.
2. Have kids use glow sticks or flashlights to help them be seen by drivers.
3. Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. Remind them to stick to familiar areas that are well-lit and trick-or-treat in groups. Please be sure to only visit homes with their front porch lights on so you know they are prepared for trick or treaters.
4. Popular trick-or-treating hours are 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., so be especially alert for kids during these hours.
5. When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.
6. Cross streets at the corner and use crosswalks where available,

Hard Fact: On average, children are more than twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than any other day of the year. This year, Halloween falls on a Saturday, so streets might be even busier than usual.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, October 24

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, October 24, 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 October 16



Join the Sequim Arts Commission for the Open Music Jam on Friday, October 16 from 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 and lyrics will be provided. All ages and experience levels are welcome.

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Monday at 6:00 p.m. | City Council First Touch of the Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan

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Hello,

The City of Sequim’s City Council will be conducting an overview of the Planning Commission-Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update on Monday, October 26, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Sequim Civic Center (152 W Cedar St.) in the Council Chambers. You can view the agenda for the City Council meeting here.

During this “first-touch” presentation to the City Council, Department of Community and Economic Development staff will update the Council on the Draft Comprehensive Plan, followed by a City Council Q&A. A Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan will follow on November 9, 2026.

Please note that Public Comments will continue to be accepted through the end of the City Council Public Hearing on November 9. Comments can be submitted via our Online Comment Form or via email at PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov.

Thank You,
The Department of Community and Economic Development

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CITY OF SEQUIM CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Sequim City Council will hold a public hearing on the **Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan**, including its appendices, and proposed amendments and updates to Sequim Municipal Code Title 18, Zoning.

Date: Monday, November 9, 2026 **Time**: Beginning at 6:00 p.m. **Location**: Sequim Civic Center, Council Chambers, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382 Interested persons may attend the hearing in person, view it online at https://www.sequimwa.gov/319/Attending-a-Council-Meeting by clicking the link "Click here for the November 9, 2026, Agenda," or by phone at (253) 363-9585 and entering Conference ID # 286 425 214 838 648, Passcode 5sC6A7Vm.

Any person may appear and be heard. To provide a remote public comment via Teams or phone, fill out the request form here: https://www.sequimwa.gov/1219/Submit-Public-Comments. Registration for remote public comment must be completed by 3:00 p.m. on November 9.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City is conducting its periodic review and update of the Comprehensive Plan under Washington's Growth Management Act. The City Council will receive public testimony on:

1. The **Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Draft Comprehensive Plan** and its appendices; and
2. The **Planning Commission Recommended SMC Title 18 Zoning amendments** intended to implement the updated Comprehensive Plan and applicable state requirements.

The proposed actions are legislative, citywide actions. The 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update package has been prepared under the statutory requirements of the Growth Management Act and establishes the City's long-range policy framework for land use, housing, transportation, capital facilities, economic development, parks and recreation, environmental stewardship, and other topics.

Planning Commission Recommended SMC Title 18 contains implementing zoning regulations and are proposed to implement the updated 2025 Comprehensive Plan, comply with applicable state law, and clarify and modernize the City's development regulations. Proposed amendments include updates to zoning districts and permitted uses, development and design standards, housing-related regulations, and administrative procedures, as well as related corrections and clarifications.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND TESTIMONY: All interested are invited to attend the public hearing in person, by phone, or online and provide verbal comments to the City Council (as described above).

Written comments may be submitted for the public record. Written comments should identify the subject as "**Sequim Comprehensive Plan Comments**" and may be submitted by:

- **Email**: PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov
- **Mail or delivery**: Department of Community and Economic Development, Sequim Civic Center, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382
- **Online**: https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/1tE6j3e7Lp

Written comments received by 4:00 p.m. on November 4, 2026, will be provided to the City Council in advance of the November 9, 2026 public hearing. Comments received after that time will be included in the public record and provided to the City Council **at the November 9, 2026 hearing.**

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan, Appendices, Draft Title 18 Zoning, and supporting materials are available. The staff report will be posted on the website at least seven days prior to the public hearing date.

- Online at https://www.sequimwa.gov/1301/Comprehensive-Plan
- At the Department of Community and Economic Development, Sequim Civic Center, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382; and
- At the Sequim Library, 630 N. Sequim Avenue, Sequim, WA 98382.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: For questions, contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at **(360) 683-4908** or PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov. People needing special accommodations or services should contact the City Clerk as early as possible before the hearing.

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Hello,
The Sequim City Council will hold a public hearing on the Planning Commission's Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan, its appendices, and updates to Sequim Municipal Code Title 18 (Zoning).

The hearing is scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Sequim Civic Center Council Chambers, 152 W. Cedar Street. The public may attend in person, online, or by phone and may provide testimony. Please see the attached public hearing notice for additional details.

Written comments are accepted by email, mail/delivery, or online. Written comments received by 4:00 p.m. on November 4, 2026, will be provided to the City Council before the hearing; later written comments will remain part of the public record and be provided at the hearing. Comments can be submitted via our Online Comment Form or via email at PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov.

Thank you,

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Text us at 360-912-4432
Email us at dced@sequimwa.gov
Make an appointment with staff on permit portal, building or land use questions at this link.

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CITY OF SEQUIM
CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Sequim City Council will hold a public hearing on the **Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan,** including its appendices, and proposed amendments and updates to Sequim Municipal Code Title 18, Zoning.

Date: Monday, November 9, 2026
Time: Beginning at 6:00 p.m.
Location: Sequim Civic Center, Council Chambers, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382
Interested persons may attend the hearing in person, view it online at https://www.sequimwa.gov/319/Attending-a-Council-Meeting by clicking the link "Click here for the November 9, 2026, Agenda," or by phone at (253) 363-9585 and entering Conference ID # 286 425 214 838 648, Passcode 5sC6A7Vm.

Any person may appear and be heard. To provide a remote public comment via Teams or phone, fill out the request form here: https://www.sequimwa.gov/1219/Submit-Public-Comments. Registration for remote public comment must be completed by 3:00 p.m. on November 9.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
The City is conducting its periodic review and update of the Comprehensive Plan under Washington's Growth Management Act. The City Council will receive public testimony on:

1. The **Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Draft Comprehensive Plan** and its appendices; and
2. The **Planning Commission Recommended SMC Title 18 Zoning amendments** intended to implement the updated Comprehensive Plan and applicable state requirements.

The proposed actions are legislative, citywide actions. The 2025 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update package has been prepared under the statutory requirements of the Growth Management Act and establishes the City's long-range policy framework for land use, housing, transportation, capital facilities, economic development, parks and recreation, environmental stewardship, and other topics.

Planning Commission Recommended SMC Title 18 contains implementing zoning regulations and are proposed to implement the updated 2025 Comprehensive Plan, comply with applicable state law, and clarify and modernize the City's development regulations. Proposed amendments include updates to zoning districts and permitted uses, development

and design standards, housing-related regulations, and administrative procedures, as well as related corrections and clarifications.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND TESTIMONY:
All interested are invited to attend the public hearing in person, by phone, or online and provide verbal comments to the City Council (as described above).

Written comments may be submitted for the public record. Written comments should identify the subject as **"Sequim Comprehensive Plan Comments"** and may be submitted by:

- **Email:** PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov
- **Mail or delivery:** Department of Community and Economic Development, Sequim Civic Center, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382
- **Online:** https://forms.cloud.microsoft/g/1tE6j3e7Lp

Written comments received by 4:00 p.m. on November 4, 2026, will be provided to the City Council in advance of the November 9, 2026 public hearing. Comments received after that time will be included in the public record and provided to the City Council at the November 9, 2026 hearing.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY:
The Planning Commission Recommended 2025 Comprehensive Plan, Appendices, Draft Title 18 Zoning, and supporting materials are available. The staff report will be posted on the website at least seven days prior to the public hearing date.

- Online at https://www.sequimwa.gov/1301/Comprehensive-Plan
- At the Department of Community and Economic Development, Sequim Civic Center, 152 W. Cedar Street, Sequim, WA 98382; and
- At the Sequim Library, 630 N. Sequim Avenue, Sequim, WA 98382.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
For questions, contact the Department of Community and Economic Development at **(360) 683-4908** or PlanningDept@SequimWA.gov. People needing special accommodations or services should contact the City Clerk as early as possible before the hearing.

CITY OF SEQUIM News

November 2026

Calendar for 2027 Proposed Budget



The 2027 Proposed Budget was presented to the Sequim City Council in September. The Council is now reviewing it to make any adjustments prior to adopting it in December. The 2027 Proposed Budget is available on the City website sequimwa.gov

The public is invited to attend the following public hearings and provide feedback to the Council.

November 9 – Public Hearing on the 2026 Proposed Budget, Property Tax Levy, Fees and Utility Rates

November 23 – Potential Budget Adoption

Utility Discounts Available for Low Income Residents

Utility rate reductions are available for qualifying low-income City of Sequim residents who receive and pay a City of Sequim Utility Bill.

You may qualify for the City's utility discount if your household income is at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines. If you qualify for the Clallam County PUD discount and/or the Clallam County senior or disabled property tax exemption, you may also qualify for the City's discount.

The exact amount of your discount is determined upon receipt of all of the applications for the 2027 program. Qualifying applicants will see the discounted rates on their February 1 utility bill.

Applications for the 2027 discount are due by **January 15, 2027** and are available at the Sequim Civic Center, DSHS, Sequim Community Aid, St. Vincent de Paul, Serenity House, United Way, and the Shipley Center. Applications can also be downloaded from the City website sequimwa.gov You are welcome to call the Finance office at the Civic Center at (360) 683-4139 with any questions.





Sequim City Offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veteran's Day & November 26 and 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.



Welcome New Employees!

Adrian Passadore, Deputy Police Chief, 10/1

Julianne Coonts, Code Enforcement Officer, 10/19

Become a Member of the City Team!
Check out our job openings and apply now!

Veterans Appreciation Afternoon



Join us in the heart of downtown Sequim at Centennial Place (Sequim Ave and Washington St) for Sequim Veterans Appreciation Afternoon on **Tuesday, November 10,** from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

This free, community-wide event is a chance to thank local veterans, connect with neighbors,enjoy free entertainment, snacks, and drinks, and learn about resources for veterans, service members, and military families. Heaters and fire pits will help keep the celebration cozy. All are welcome.

Sun Fun Color Run Registration Opens Nov. 16!



Registration for the 2027 Sequim Sunshine Festival's Sun Fun Color Run opens **November 16th.**

The Festival takes place on Saturday, March 6, 2027. Keep an eye on City social media and sequimsunshinefestival.com for registration information and all festival updates!

Public Meetings

The City of Sequim holds regular meetings for the City Council and other boards, commissions, and committees. Please visit the City website calendar at sequimwa.gov for the schedule. Click on the Agendas and Minutes tab for the agendas.

CITY OF SEQUIM News

November 2026

Food & Beverage Vendor Applications Open

Applications are now open for food and beverage vendors for the 2027 Sequim Sunshine Festival on Saturday, March 6.

To apply, vendors must submit an online application, complete menu and pricing, and photographs of their set-up and products. The deadline for applications is **Friday, November 20.** Please contact Carrie Kann, Parks and Events Specialist, at ckann@sequimwa.gov with any questions.

Scan here for application!

City's Systems Administrator Wins GovAI Award



Cameron Gann, Systems Administrator with the City's IT Department, is the winner of the 2026 Rising Star Award from GovAI.

The Rising Star Award recognizes people who are newer to AI, learned quickly, and put it to careful use. As an integral leader in the City's adoption of the GovAI internal efficiency tool, Cameron was nominated by City staff for helping staff learn and feel confident using the platform.

Rain Can Carry More Than Water

Take a quick look around your home, workplace, or property. Do you see liquids or materials that rain could carry away?

Oil and automotive fluids. Fertilizers and pesticides. Pet waste. Soap and wash water. Litter and debris. Sediment and leaves. These items can clog drains and pollute local water sources.

Preventing these materials from reaching stormwater systems and waterways is easier than removing them after they've entered the water.

Start at the source. Keep pollutants and debris off the ground and out of storm drains. Every Drop Connects Us. #StormwaterAwarenessWeek

Comprehensive Plan Update: City Council Public Hearing

Community members are invited to participate in an upcoming public hearing on the proposed 2025 Draft Comprehensive Plan, its appendices, and proposed Title 18 zoning updates. The City Council is expected to hold a public hearing on **Monday, November 9**, at 6:00 p.m. following the recommendation from the Planning Commission made on October 6, 2026. The hearing will be held in person at the Sequim Civic Center Council Chambers with remote participation available.

"Flora & Fauna" Exhibition Opens November 6 at Sequim Civic Center

The City and the Sequim Arts Commission invite the community to celebrate the natural beauty and biodiversity of the Pacific Northwest at a new gallery exhibition. An opening reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on **Friday, November 6**. Enjoy light refreshments along with musical entertainment by guitarist Aaron David Smith.



Featuring 34 original works by 34 regional artists, Flora & Fauna explores the plants, animals, habitats, and seasonal rhythms that shape the Olympic Peninsula, Salish Sea, and North Olympic Coast.

The exhibition includes artistic interpretations of native flora and wildlife; birds, marine life, forests, wetlands, and coastal landscapes; and the connections between people and the natural world.

Karen Kuznek-Reese Gallery at the Sequim Civic Center
Gallery Hours: Monday—Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Community Open Music Jam November 20

Join the Sequim Arts Commission for the Open Music Jam on **Friday, November 20** from 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 and lyrics will be provided. All ages and experience levels are welcome. Hosted by Aaron David Smith.

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