

Latest on The Lake

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COMMUNITY HAPPENING



Lake Stevens Goes to Washington D.C.

In May, a delegation from Lake Stevens joined the Economic Alliance of Snohomish County's (EASC) D.C. Fly In, with Snohomish County leaders focused on advocating collective priorities at the federal level. These priorities included infrastructure, transportation, childcare, education, and economic growth. The City of Lake Stevens' delegation also scheduled individual meetings with Representative DelBene, Representative Larsen, Senator Murray, and the Department of Transportation to bring attention to city projects and to seek additional funding opportunities to complete these projects. The projects include the Cedarwood Clubhouse, 36th Street Bridge, culvert replacements and channel restoration, city hall campus, South Lake Stevens Road Multi-Use Path, and the North Cove Boat Launch.

Since 2016, the City has brought in over \$41 million dollars in grant funds dedicated to improving our community and this was possible partially due to legislative advocacy events, like the EASC D.C. Fly In, and continuing to strengthen relationships with our state and federal representatives. It's important for our

elected officials to meet with our representatives and their staff to speak about the city's critical needs and all funding sources available. Meeting with our representatives helps to ensure Lake Stevens is forefront in our representative's minds as they work and as new funding opportunities arise.

Lake Stevens Police Department Receives WASPC Law Enforcement Accreditation Award

In April, the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) Accreditation Team completed their on-site review at the Lake Stevens Police Department (LSPD) to finalize the accreditation's review and findings. Staff met and were in compliance with all 147 standards reviewed. The LSPD received recognition at the WASPC Conference in May. Chief Jeffrey Beazizo accepted the award along with Commander Dean Thomas and Administrative Manager Julie Ubert.



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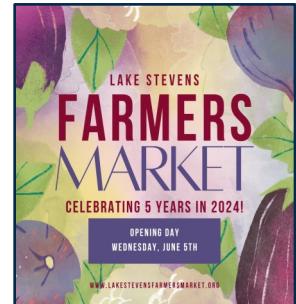
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Upcoming Events

The Parks and Recreation Department is bringing diverse and exciting events to our community. Keep up to date on the latest happenings at Lake Stevens parks on our website: www.lakestevenswa.gov/parks

- ◆ The Lake Stevens Community Garage Sale returns June 1st & 2nd, 9 am - 4 pm.
- ◆ Back for its fifth season, the 2024 Lake Stevens Farmers Market returns to North Cove Park, Wednesdays 3 - 7 pm, June 5th - August 28th.
For more information or to become a vendor, visit:
[https://www.lakestevensfarmersmarket.org/](http://www.lakestevensfarmersmarket.org/).
- ◆ Health and Wellness Festival, North Cove Park on June 23rd, 9:30 am - 4 pm.
- ◆ Movies in the Park, August 9th and 23rd at various parks. Movies will start at dusk.
- ◆ Theater in the Park, August 11th, time will be announced at a later date.
- ◆ Going A Viking: September 7th: A celebration of both traditional Viking life and Lake Stevens High School Vikings, combining interactive historical events and showcase for our high school students and staff.

Visit the City's Community Events page for additional details and other events as they are added and updated at [https://www.lakestevenswa.gov/CommunityEvents](http://www.lakestevenswa.gov/CommunityEvents).



91st Ave SE Sidewalk Phase 1 Transportation Benefit Program Project

The 91st Avenue SE Sidewalk project will complete a continuous pedestrian and bicycle route on the east side of 91st Avenue SE, between 8th Street SE and Market Place.

The new route will provide a pedestrian and bicycle link between nearby neighborhoods, Hillcrest Elementary School, Skyline Elementary School, Lake Stevens Middle School, and the commercial area on Market Place. The project will comply with current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. This route is the first of two project phases that will, together, meet an overall goal of the City's Transportation Benefit Program by providing a continuous multi-modal connection between Market Place and 20th Street SE. Construction is projected to take place summer 2024.

For more information, visit:
[https://lakestevenswa.gov/476/Capital-Projects](http://www.lakestevenswa.gov/476/Capital-Projects)

PSRC Grants Lake Stevens \$4.4 million Toward Main Street Improvements

The City of Lake Stevens Public Works team has been coordinating with the Washington State Department of Transportation on the Main Street Improvement construction project. Originally, this project was 38% grant-funded (\$1.9 million) with a 62% local match (\$3.1 million). After further coordination with Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC), they are now awarding the City additional grant funds, the federal maximum contribution, of 86.5%. With this increase, the city will only be required to invest just under \$700,000, with PSRC contributing approximately \$4.4 million. This is great news as this frees up funds in the Transportation Benefit Program to be used on other projects throughout the City. A big thank you to our Public Works team and to our Federal sponsors for providing additional funding to complete the Main Street improvements!

CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS AT 6 P.M.

JUNE 25 | JULY 9 | AUGUST 27 | SEPTEMBER 10 & 24

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS AT 6 P.M. AS NEEDED

JUNE 4 & 18 | JULY 2 & 16 | SEPTEMBER 3 & 17

You can attend in-person or via Zoom. Please visit the City's website [https://www.lakestevenswa.gov/319/City-Council](http://www.lakestevenswa.gov/319/City-Council) for current agendas with Zoom meeting links.



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