

LATEST ON THE LAKE

Lake Stevens Presents at APWA Conference

August 17-20, 2025

The city had the honor of representing Lake Stevens at the American Public Works Association's Public Works Expo conference in Chicago. The city was asked to present two workshop sessions and to be a part of a panel discussion.

Since successfully completing the American Public Works Association (APWA) accreditation process, the city was asked to share our three-year long journey, lessons learned along the way, and tips on how to bring focus and long-term success to work projects. The presentation, "Doing More With Less by Improving Processes and Culture" session was presented by our Mayor, Human Resources Director, Public Works Director, and Public Works Analyst.

The second presentation session was "Demolishing Waste While Building with Legos" presented by our Mayor, Human Resources Director, and Public Works Analyst. This presentation focused on Lean Six Sigma training and how to problem solve, identify waste, and continuously improving processes.

Our City Administrator was asked to sit on the "What City and County Managers Want Public Works Directors to Know" panel discussion to bring awareness to the importance of strong working relationships and departmental collaboration to ensure communities thrive.

What an honor to showcase the hard work and dedication of our city at a national level. Lake Stevens joined the elite group of 214 other cities across the country who have also received the APWA accreditation. Since receiving an impressive 99.7% full compliance rating, the city has improved customer service, efficiency, and overall safety. Working three years towards the accreditation has created a work culture of accountability and efficiency as well as a bond rating upgrade from Aa2 to Aa1 by Moody's.

Town Hall: Public Engagement Night

October 6, 2025

This is your opportunity to hear what's going on around the lake while connecting with city officials and a chance to ask your questions. Mark your calendars for Monday, October 6, 2025, 7 pm at The Mill. The evening will feature two presentations with Q & A to follow.

Mayor Gailey with our Human Resources Director, Public Works Director, and Public Works Analyst will present "Doing More With Less by Improving Processes and Culture" sharing lessons learned, tips on completing long-term projects, and how the American Public Works Association accreditation process transformed the city's work culture.

Mayor Gailey will also present a City Updates presentation discussing completed, current, and future capital projects while showcasing significant accomplishments and our vision for the future.

Whether you have questions about local projects, community initiatives, or other civic matters, this is an opportunity to engage directly with those shaping our city's future. This event is open to the public. Come prepared to participate in meaningful discussions.

Have you heard the news about the Lake Stevens Boat Launches?

Annual Passes are available for purchase at City Hall and at the kiosk for \$75/year, \$60/year for Lake Stevens residents. The City of Lake Stevens annual pass is accepted at both launches. North Cove Beach and Davies Beach boat launches are a \$10/day fee and offer a \$5/per three-hour short-term parking option.

Parking is enforced at North Cove and Davies Beach boat launches. \$100 citations will be issued for parking violations. Per LSC 7.12.090: Failure to display valid permit or receipt for paying day use fees and cars parked in designated boat trailer stalls. Citations are issued by the Lake Stevens Police Department and directed to the Marysville Court for processing. Citations will be issued for non-payment of fees.

Snohomish County Parks boat launch access passes will no longer be accepted at Davies Beach, after December 31, 2025.

The Discover Pass will no longer be accepted at the North Cove boat launch after November 30, 2025.

For more information visit the City's boat launch webpage: www.lakestevenswa.gov/boatlaunch



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Mark Your Calendars

Visit the city's community event webpage for additional details and other events as they are added and updated: <https://www.lakestevenswa.gov/CommunityEvents>

Community Clean Up: Sept 13, 9 am - 1 pm, Cavelero Mid-High School

Going a Viking: Sept 20, 11 am - 6 pm, Lundein Park

Community Garage Sale: Oct 4 & 5, 9 am - 5 pm

Town Hall: Public Engagement Night: Oct 6, 7 pm, The Mill

Lake Stevens Harvest Market: Oct 11, 11 am - 4 pm, North Cove Park

Livestake Harvesting Workshop: Oct 25, 10 - 11 am, 2202 Hartford Drive

HarvestFest: Oct 31, 4 - 7 pm, North Cove Park

PROS Plan Open House: Nov 10, 6:30 - 8 pm, The Mill

The Mill Open House: Nov 13, 6 - 8 pm

WinterFest: Dec 13, 4 - 7 pm, North Cove Park

Volunteer Opportunities

- Going a Viking
- HarvestFest
- WinterFest

Interested? Visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/34kckw3n>

Lost an item at a Lake Stevens Park?



Scan the QR Code or visit:

<https://www.lakestevenswa.gov/lostandfound>
to submit a Lost and Found form.

Main Street Improvement Project

After a busy summer of construction, the finish line is near!

Once the vault lids are installed and approved by PUD, the contractor will pour the remaining sidewalk sections. In the coming weeks, the construction crew will continue with sidewalk pours, final concrete, and landscaping.

We are excited to share the substantial completion is around the corner, and we look forward to unveiling a renovated, more welcoming, and beautified downtown.

Interested in learning about the city's capital projects? Scan the QR Code!



CITY COUNCIL

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETINGS AT 6 P.M.

September 9 & 23 | October 14 & 28 | November 25 | December 9 & 23

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

September 2 & 16 | October 7 & 21 | November 4 & 18 | December 2 & 16

Attendance is in-person or via Zoom. Please visit the city's website:

<https://www.lakestevenswa.gov/391/City-Council>

for more information including current agendas with Zoom meeting links.



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