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City Holidays
November 11
November 26 and 27
December 25



City NEWS

Sno-King Ice Arena Opening in Snoqualmie

Get ready for ice skating and hockey lessons, adult and youth hockey leagues, figure skating, daily public skating, group events, and more. A new 72,500 square foot twin-sheet ice arena that includes two NHL-size ice sheets is opening in the Snoqualmie Ridge Business Park. The facility includes a lobby/viewing area, a mezzanine with seating/viewing areas, a dry land training area, and gathering spaces for parties and meetings.

On September 8, Mayor Matt Larson participated in the ribbon cutting ceremony alongside Senator Mark Mullet, Sno-King Executive Director Clayton Rodgers, and others.

The Sno-King Ice Arena grand opening is scheduled for October 18. Register in advance to attend the drive-thru event. There will be stations to learn about the Sno-King facility and programs, live demonstrations, special guests, prizes, and giveaways. The event will feature the Figure Skating Disney Princess Team, Sno-King Jr. Thunderbirds, and Mr. & Mrs. Zamboni. Learn more and register at snokingsnoqualmie.com. Location: 35323 SE Douglas St

Relief Funding Provided to Local Businesses and Community Organizations

The COVID-19 health crisis, resulting state shutdown, and phased reopening hit local Snoqualmie businesses hard, including restaurants, retail, and professional services. A few businesses have had to close and others are holding on tight.

The City of Snoqualmie recently disbursed \$435,000 of its Snoqualmie COVID-19 Rapid Relief Program funding to help 77 local businesses and community organizations recover. This emergency program provides working capital grants to small businesses, social service agencies, and community organizations.

Of the \$435,000, \$410,000 will be reimbursed to the City from federal CARES Act funding. Those funds must be used for COVID-19 related recovery expenses but are not required to be given to local businesses. The City of Snoqualmie was able to allocate 100% of the funds to help keep businesses alive and support the local economy. The City received an additional \$20,000 grant from King County and a \$5,000 grant from the Office of King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert for the Rapid Relief Program.

COVID-19 Resources on City Website

The City of Snoqualmie Emergency Management Department is closely monitoring the coronavirus and COVID-19 pandemic, meeting regularly with regional government and health agencies, and assisting local businesses and social service agencies to the extent possible. There are many resources and links on the City's website at bit.ly/SnoqCovid19. If you need more information, assistance, or resources made available in languages other than English, please email jpliego@snoqualmiewa.gov.

Coming Soon! Citizens Academy Goes Virtual

The Snoqualmie Citizens Academy is going virtual this year with videos by each city department. Learn how your city works from the comfort of your home on a schedule that works for you. A certificate will be provided upon completion of all videos.

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Call-for-Volunteers for Parks & Events Commission

New members are needed for the Snoqualmie Parks & Events Commission. Join other commissioners in making recommendations to city staff and council members for topics and initiatives related to parks, trails, recreational facilities, recreational and cultural activities, and other programs. The commission meets via Zoom on the third Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Applicants must reside within city limits and are appointed by the Mayor. Terms are four years. Apply on the city website at bit.ly/SnoqCommissioners.

Blood Drives Continue at Snoqualmie City Hall

The City of Snoqualmie recently hosted two successful Bloodworks Northwest blood drives at Snoqualmie City Hall. Although City Hall is temporarily closed to the public, the Council Chambers have been opened for Bloodworks professionals and donors, with safe social distancing in place and masks required.

Upcoming Blood Drive Dates for Your Calendar:

October 28 and 30, hosted by Mount Si High School

November 4 and 6, hosted by City of Snoqualmie

November 10 and 12, hosted by City of Snoqualmie

According to Bloodworks Northwest, "Blood centers are reporting inventories falling to their lowest levels since the early stages of the pandemic as hospitals resume elective surgeries."

Appointments are required and can be made at bloodworksnw.org; no drop-in donors or guests will be allowed. All donations will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies. More info: bloodworksnw.org/coronavirus

Wastewater Treatment Plan Earns Performance Award

The Washington Department of Ecology named the City of Snoqualmie among the winners of the annual Wastewater Treatment Plant Outstanding Performance Award for 2019, repeating honors received in 2018. The City of Snoqualmie wastewater treatment plant reached full compliance for all criteria meeting state pollution limits and permit requirements, which includes monitoring, reporting, spill prevention planning, pretreatment, and operational demands.

Snoqualmie's water treatment facility treats reclaimed wastewater to such a high level that it can be used safely for non-drinking water purposes such as landscape irrigation, heating and cooling, and industrial processing, among others. More information about the award and why Snoqualmie earned an A+ rating is posted on the DOE blog at ecology.wa.gov/blog.

Comprehensive Plan Docketing Process

The Comprehensive Plan docketing process provides an opportunity to propose changes to the city's Comprehensive Plan, zoning code, or development regulations per Snoqualmie Municipal Code Title 21. Proposals typically address new conditions or emerging issues and may propose changes to city policies or allowed land uses. Any individual, business, organization, or group may submit recommendations through October 31 of each year. Read the Comprehensive Plan on the city website at cityofsnoqualmie.org under 'Smart Growth.' The docket form is on the website Forms Center.