



# CITY OF PACIFIC NEWS

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## City Government

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Don Thomson  
Stacy Oliveira  
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**City Administrator**  
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**Community Development Manager**  
Jack Dodge

**Public Safety Director**  
John Calkins

**Court Administrator**  
Kelly Rydberg

**Public Works Manager**  
Jim Morgan, PE

## Mayor's Message

**Mayor Leanne Guier**

### Happy Spring Everyone!



We are looking forward to a very busy summer around the city. You will be noticing street projects around the city, particularly, 3rd Ave and Pacific Ave. The city will be launching our new website this summer. We should be fully up and running for "port-a-court" by the end of summer. This is a big cost savings for the city not having to transport prisoners to appear on court

days, it will be done remotely. The County Line Levy Project should be completed this fall and design phase for the Right Bank Levy should begin this summer. I have been keeping the County aware of our need for keeping the City Park and our desire to add a Dog Park where the County has purchased properties in White River Estates. These things will need to be incorporated in the designing of the Right Bank Levy. Soon, we will be having community meetings to discuss ideas regarding city hall. Should we build new? What should that look like? What would that cost the city? We are going to want to hear from you. Notices will be sent out to encourage community members to be involved in this major decision and how it would frame our city. As always, I look forward to your comments and suggestions, [lguier@ci.pacific.wa.us](mailto:lguier@ci.pacific.wa.us)

**-Leanne Guier, Mayor**



**Congratulations Leslie!**  
**Our latest grand prize winner**  
**free family bingo night**

## Council Corner

### Council Member Don Thomson

Hello fellow citizens of Pacific, allow me to introduce myself as your newly appointed Council Member.

I was appointed on March 13 this year and it's been a real treat to sit on council and be an active part in making the community better.

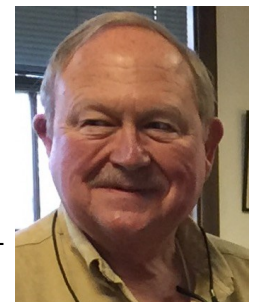
I have lived in the City of Pacific since 1990 and enjoy being a part of the city. I have spent most of my retirement years doing volunteer work in Pacific and I now get to serve in a way to help the future growth of the community.

I've always been a big believer in volunteering. Without volunteers the city doesn't function as well as it could. I've actively volunteered for Pacific Partnerships and was their Vice-President and have spent time volunteering in the senior center. I also attend the jam sessions the City provides every Wednesday night in the East Room.

I feel that the simple solution to a problem has, in most cases, been the best answer. Our decisions must be wiser to serve our citizen and business communities better. These decisions have to be logical and constructive.

I am hoping that in my time on Council I can influence decisions for the better and I strive to continue to make our small city of Pacific a wonderful place to live and work.

**-Don Thomson, Council Member**



## **CITY ADMINISTRATOR/FINANCE**

### **THE CHALLENGE MANAGERS HAVE IN FACILITATING COMMITTED STAFF IN THE MUNICIPAL WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT.**



Managers face a significant challenge in facilitating committed staff in the municipal workplace. The municipal environment is unstable due to the consistent change of leadership, which includes the turnover of elected officials on a regular basis. However, the change of elected leadership does not necessarily equate to the change in staff.

The lack of continuity of managers due to the change in Mayors occurs too often. This facilitates an unstable work setting which is neither productive nor beneficial. Managers must learn to hire the right employees, and establish a healthy workplace environment, promoting long lasting commitments that the Mayor and Council (leadership) supports and facilitates.

Staying long term within any local government is essential because the more time the employee puts in, the more they learn about the City. More importantly they comfortably know the “big picture” of doing things, and adapt better, more efficient ways in serving the Public as well as ensuring compliance with all the rules and regulations enforced by the many intergovernmental entities that play a prominent role in running a healthy local government (City etc.). Making sure that a new employee desires to stay long term is crucial because employees are investments. An employee who chooses to be engaged in the work setting will benefit the organization, productivity, and ultimately customer satisfaction. Happy employees are productive employees!

**-Richard Gould, City Administrator/Finance Director**

## **PACIFIC ALGONA SENIOR CENTER**

Center hours: Monday 8:30AM–4:30PM, Tuesday through Friday 9AM to 3 PM.

**Annual Celebration of Dads** party on **Friday June 16** at noon. Lunch is the classic favorite hot dogs provided by Catholic Community Services. Call for more details and to register.

**Red Wind Casino trip**, **Monday, June 19, 10AM-3PM**. Must be 55+. Includes a free van ride to the casino and 25% off lunch. Preregistration required by 3PM on June 14 by calling 253-929-1150.

**Stone Soup is FREE LUNCH** every Monday, open to the whole community from 11AM-1PM. Then stay for free weekly Bingo 3-4PM.

**Senior Nutrition Program** Catholic Community Services provides lunch each Tuesday-Friday. Lunch is served at noon. Our lunch menu is included in our monthly calendar available at the Community Center. There is a suggested donation of \$3.00 for seniors 60 and older and a charge of \$6.00 for 59 and younger. Call 253-929-1150 for more information.

**-Darcie Thach, Pacific Algona Senior Center**

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### **Monthly Meetings**

<b>City Council Workshop</b> , 1st and 3rd Mondays	6:30pm
<b>Governance Committee</b> , 1st Tuesday	6:30pm
<b>Public Works Committee</b> , 1st Wednesday	7:00pm
<b>City Council Meeting</b> , 2nd and 4th Mondays	6:30pm
<b>Public Safety Committee</b> , 3rd Wednesday	6:30pm
<b>Park Board</b> , 1st Tuesday	6:30pm
<b>Finance Committee</b> , 4th Wednesday	6:30pm
<b>Technology Committee</b> , 3rd Thursday	6:30pm
<b>Planning Commission</b> , 4th Tuesday	6:00pm
<b>Human Services Committee</b> , 4th Tuesday	6:30pm
<b>Pacific Partnerships</b> , 2nd Tuesday, Senior Center	6:30pm

\*All meetings held at City Hall unless otherwise noted.

### **June**

<b>17th</b> —Bike Rodeo—Alpac Elementary	10am-12pm
<b>20th</b> —Free Family Bingo Night	5:30-8:00pm

### **July**

<b>4th</b> —Fourth of July— <b>City Hall Closed</b>	
<b>7th, 8th, 9th</b> —Pacific Days (more information coming soon!)	
<b>18th</b> —Free Family Bingo Night	5:30-8:00pm

### **August**

<b>15th</b> —Free Family Bingo Night	5:30-8:00pm
<b>19th</b> —Terry Home Show and Shine (City Park)	12-4:00 pm

For up-to-date information, tune in to Channel 21 on Comcast or visit the website at [www.pacificwa.gov](http://www.pacificwa.gov)

## **YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES**



### **Free Summer Lunch Program**

Serving lunches **Monday-Friday at noon** in the Pacific Community Center Gymnasium. The program is available **July 5-August 26**. Lunches available to all children ages 1-18. Sponsored by Auburn School District.

### **Family Story Times**

**Fridays June 16th, July 14th, and August 11th, 10AM**, Pacific Community Center (East Room). All ages welcome, ages 6 and younger with adult. Enjoy rhymes, music and movement.

### **The Three Little Pigs Musical Show / Family Program.**

All ages welcome. **Monday July 31st at 1PM** Pacific Community Center, (Gymnasium). Presented by Last Leaf Productions - Sponsored by K.C.L.S.

Summer Program Youth Calendar and activities list available after June 23rd

**\$1.50 Taco Tuesday** offered weekly in East Room from **11-1**. Other menu items as well as to go orders are available. All proceeds from food purchases benefit our youth program.

**-Joanne Futch, Youth Coordinator**

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### **Hot town, Summer in the City**

Summer is soon upon us. The season brings the tending of gardens, playing in sprinklers, washing cars, construction, among other things. The City would like to encourage you to conserve water consumption. Please do not over water your garden or landscaping. Water that goes on the sidewalk or in the street is wasted water. Check out the City website for more conservation ideas at: [http://www.pacificwa.gov/departments/public\\_works/water/water\\_conservation.htm](http://www.pacificwa.gov/departments/public_works/water/water_conservation.htm).

Now that the worst of the winter rains are behind us, many people like to wash the winter dirt from their vehicles. An automatic carwash is a very efficient use of our limited water resource. Car washes recycle the water numerous times. They remove the oils and greases and send them to the sewer system to prevent contamination of our streams, rivers, and lakes. There are two automatic carwashes in the City. One is on Ellingson Road and the other is on Stewart Road.

If you are working with an organization on a carwash fundraiser, we have “Carwash Kits” to help protect the environment. These kits can be checked out at City Hall. Contact: Jim Schunke at (253) 929-1116 or Mike Rodriguez at (253) 929-1119.

There will be several construction activities going on this summer in Pacific:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South between the Interurban trail and Chicago Boulevard - Overlay.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South between the Butte Avenue and Pacific Avenue - Overlay.
- Pacific Avenue between Ellingson Road and 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue SE - Overlay. This project includes some sidewalk repairs.
- Ellingson Road pothole repairs in multiple locations.
- Valentine Avenue between 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SE and County Line Road. This project includes water line replacement, upgrade of road surfacing, and possible drainage improvements.
- The City will be replacing all water meters later this summer.

Summertime is when most of us catch up on the projects around our homes: yard maintenance, house repair and painting, etc. All of the storm drains in the City eventually discharge to the White River or Puget Sound.

If you choose to use herbicides and pesticides around your house to get a greener lawn or reduce the pest, please apply the products per the manufacturer’s recommendation and do not overspray.

Paint cleanup should be contained. Please do not dump any waste in the storm drain system.

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Please consider natural and organic herbicides and pest control:

<http://www.naturallivingideas.com/homemade-organic-pesticides/>

<http://www.naturalnews.com/2017-04-07-top-10-homemade-herbicides-to-tackle-the-weeds-in-your-garden.html>

As the darkness and cold fade away, we seem to grasp for every hour of daylight we can. Staying out later you may notice streetlights not working. If you notice a dark streetlight, please feel free to contact Puget Sound Energy directly at the following website: <https://www.pse.com/accountsandservices/ServiceAlert/Pages/Street-Light-Problem.aspx>

-**Jim Morgan, Public Works Manager**  
[jmorgan@ci.pacific.wa.us](mailto:jmorgan@ci.pacific.wa.us).

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

### **Pacific Comprehensive Plan Updates**

The City has received three (3) requests to make changes to the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map. These requests are listed below.

#### **1. Mosby Request (CP-16-001)**

- “Open Space” to “Light Industrial”
- 18.8 Acres.



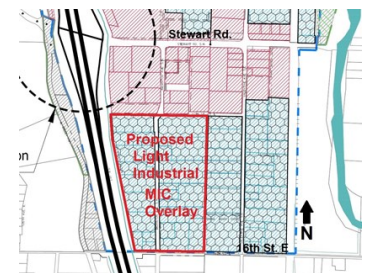
#### **2. Bilbrey (Norm’s Trucking (CP-16-003))**

- “Office Park” to “Light Industrial”
- 3.98 Acres



#### **3. Manufacturing-Industrial Center (MIC) Overlay Extension**

- Extend MIC Overlay to Thornton Ave properties



The Planning Commission will be reviewing the proposed changes in the upcoming months. If you have questions regarding the

proposed map changes please contact **Jack Dodge, Community Development Manager** at [jdodge@ci.pacific.wa.us](mailto:jdodge@ci.pacific.wa.us)



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**A BIG BANG  
COSTS BIG  
BUCKS!**



**REMEMBER:**  
Aerial fireworks and  
explosives are  
prohibited within the  
city limits.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

# **FREE!** BIKE RODEO

The Pacific and Algonia Police Departments will host their annual Bike Rodeo on **Saturday, June 17**, from **10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at AL-PAC Elementary School**. This event is completely **FREE** thanks to our wonderful sponsors. Just make sure to bring your parent, bike, and helmet so you can test your skills on our obstacle course! There will be free bike inspections, helmet fittings, and child ID cards as well as face painting, food, and a goodie bag for completing the obstacle course! To end our day of fun, we have four bikes to give away, generously donated by Cherokee Firearms! The bike raffle will be held at 12:00 p.m. and you must be present to win! We hope to see you there!



## ECRWSS Postal Customer

### FREE FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Third Tuesday of every month. Bring a family member, friend, or neighbor to BINGO and you receive an additional ticket for the grand prize drawing in August of a 24 inch smart TV and Blue Ray DVD player generously donated by Mayor Leanne Guier.

Bingo starts in the Gymnasium 6:00—8:00 PM. Food available to purchase in East Room from 5:30 - 7:30 PM.





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**IF WE CAN'T REACH YOU**

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