

CITY OF PACIFIC NEWS

Mayor's Message

Mayor Leanne Guier

Greetings!

Here we are into February already. I hope our fun with snow is behind us as we look forward to spring and all the exciting things that will be happening around city hall. I would like to take a minute for thanking our public works crews for staying on top of keeping our streets safe and drivable during our snow days. It's a fine balancing act on sanding and plowing with the limited time we generally have snow. I hope you will join me in thanking them for doing such a fine job.

Our Community Development Manager, Jack Dodge, has spent a great deal of time working with the City of Sumner on the Manufacturing Industrial



Center (MIC) designation. This is something I have been a proponent of since I worked on the concept while on the planning commission. I am happy to say This designation has been approved by the Puget Sound Regional Council. I believe this will benefit

the City of Pacific greatly as we move forward on attracting new business to our city as well as funding opportunities for transportation infrastructure. Attracting more businesses to the MIC will generate more revenue that can be used for improving the quality of life for our community. Our Community Services Manager, Corri Lewis, has been very busy as well. Recently she has applied for and received two different grants to improve and enhance the experiences for our seniors and our youth. The most current project happening now is the upgrade of the senior center. Our seniors will be enjoying brand new flooring and a painted center. The seniors will be displaced in the East Room of the gym during the construction process, but it will be worth every minute when they return to the center. I hope you will stop by and see all the new changes.

These are just a couple examples of all of the hard work going on at the city. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated and talented people working in our city. They provide top notch service to our community on a daily basis. Next time you stop into city hall, I hope you will thank them for their dedication to our city. They deserve it!

As always, I look forward to your comments and suggestions, lguier@ci.pacific.wa.us -Leanne Guier, Mayor

Council Corner

What the City Council does and Why Citizens Should Attend Meetings. by Nicole Schunke, Office Assistant

The City of Pacific operates under the Mayor-Council form of government, the most common form of government in Washington. There is an elected Mayor and seven council members that represent the residents of Pacific. The seven council members are elected for four-year, staggered terms. There is a Mayor Pro Tem and a Council President that is appointed annually for a one year term.

Pacific's city council is responsible for passing ordinances and resolutions, and adopting the budget, as well as adopting goals and general policies. The mayor is responsible for carrying them out.

City Council meets four times a month. Committee of the Whole (COW) and Workshops are held on the first and third Mondays and Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays. All meetings start at 6:30pm in the City Hall Council Chambers.

During the COW, council members and the public are made aware of future agenda items to be brought before the council. Workshops are held immediately after the COW to present items to be passed at the council meeting. The regular meetings are held the week after the workshop. Before any ordinances or resolutions are passed at a regular meeting, the public is invited to attend and encouraged to add any comments about the proposed legislation and issues.

Not only do you get to share your opinion on matters before council, attending a council meeting also allows you to better understand local politics. It will give you a view into the work the city is doing and what may be coming up in the future.

It's important to the mayor and council members that citizens get involved and make their thoughts heard. Come share your opinions and let your voice be heard. Hope to see you at the next meeting.

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City Administrator Richard Gould

Department Heads

Community Development Manager Jack Dodge

Acting Public Safety Director Michael Sanford

Court Administrator Kelly Rydberg

> **Public Works** Manager Jim Morgan, PE

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/FINANCE

2018 Tax revenue still strong in the current economic climate

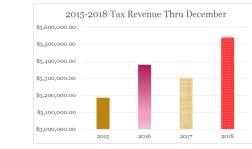
The fourth quarter financial (yearend) reports will be presented to the City Council March 2019.

The most significant revenues are the taxes received in the General Fund. Not only are they the largest "single" source revenue but they also are the most "telling" indicator of how the economy is trending locally.

The growth of tax revenues as of the fourth quarter in 2018 from 2017 was over 7% (\$237,013) and the growth since 2015 has been over 11% (\$352,896)! The City financial staff is currently researching what the most significant indicators for this increase are such as in what is driving the sales tax revenue up by 24.45% (\$1,006,995 for 2018 versus \$809,139 in 2015).

One conclusion that we can make from this is that the economy in the City of Pacific is booming in 2018!

-Richard Gould, City Administrator/Finance Director



PACIFIC SENIOR CENTER 253-929-1150

ROCK THE SOCKS!! The Pacific Senior Center is holding a sock drive now until May 1, 2019, we are asking people of our community to donate a pair of NEW socks. Thank you in advance for your kind donation.

Seniors!! You're invited to the **Red Wind Casino** Monday March18, 2019. Departure is at 10:00AM from the Pacific Senior Center parking lot with the return trip back around 3:00 PM. This day trip includes a free ride to the casino and 25% off your lunch purchase. Pre-registration ends March 12, 2019 at 3:00 PM. You must be **55** years old to attend this event. Sorry no wheel chairs or electric scooters are allowed.

Celebrate **Good Friday FREE** community lunch and **Tea Social** at the Pacific Senior Center April 19, 2019. A sandwich lunch along with chips and will be served noon to 1:00PM. After lunch stay for our tea social until 3:00 PM.

There is such a thing as **Free** Lunch!! Every Monday at the Senior Center, you are invited to enjoy **"Stone Soup"** from 11am-1pm.

<u>Senior Nutrition Program</u> Tuesday-Friday, lunch is served at Noon by Catholic Community Services. There is a suggested donation of \$3.00 for anyone over 60, and a program fee of \$6.00 for those under 60.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Meetings

Committee of the Whole , 1st and 3rd Mondays	6:30pm
City Council Workshop , 1st and 3rd Mondays	After
COW	(.20
City Council Meeting, 2nd and 4th Mondays	6:30pm
Park Board, 1st Tuesday Planning Commission, 4th Tuesday	6:30pm 6:00pm
Pacific Partnerships, 2nd Tuesday, Senior Center	-
*All meetings held at City Hall unless otherwise noted.	6:30pm

March

19th—Free Family Bingo Night 30th—Citizen of the Year April	5:30-8:00pm 6:00pm
12th—Pajama Movie Night	7:00pm
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15th—Tax Day	
16th—Free Family Bingo Night	5:30-8:00pm
20th—Pick up Pacific	
22nd—Earth Day	
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May

5:30-8:00pm

For up-to-date information, tune in to Channel 21 on Comcast or visit the website at www.pacificwa.gov

COMMUNITY CENTER

253-929-1155

Mid Winter Break Pajamas Movie Night - February 22nd @ 7:00 PM Gymnasium

Preschool Discovery Lab - Thursdays April 18th - May 23rd 2019. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Presented by Kids Quest Museum Education Staff.

Ages 2 to 5 with adult.. Space is limited . Please register children for each individual lab session. **6 week course**

Preschool Story Times - East Room Fridays 10:00 AM. March 8th - April 5th - May 3rd 2019.

Painting Classes with Amanda - March 15th 1:00 PM East room Cost \$ 10:00 for 11x14.

Mark your calendar for this year's Citizen's AppreciationDinner 6:00 PMMarch 30th 2019.

Spring Break Pajama Movie Night - April 12th @ 7:00 PM Gymnasium.

Mother's Day Senior & Youth Tea Party May 10th 2019 11:30 AM East room.

Property Tax Relief

12th—Mother's Day

21st—Free Family Bingo Night

Are you a homeowner who is 61 or older? Are you a disabled Veteran? Is your income (after some

deductions) \$40,000 or less? If you can answer yes, then you may qualify for the Property Tax Exemption program. Please contact the Senior Center to make an appointment to talk about this remarkable program though King County.



PUBLIC WORKS Winter's Chill is Upon Us

The sun has set on 2018. The weather of Winter has arrived, bringing us the wind and rain. We ask that you please help to keep the gutters and catch basin grates in front of your house clean so the rain can make it into the drainage system. Those leaves can clog our drains and storm systems, causing flooding and potentially other problems down the line.

We had an ambitious schedule of activities last year. Some of the planned projects were successfully completed or are well on their way to completion:

- Pacific Avenue—Overlay
- Chip Seal of numerous streets throughout the City

The City has some more projects scheduled for Spring:

• Fencing of several City sites

• Construction of sidewalks on Milwaukee Boulevard . Significant projects on the schedule for 2019:

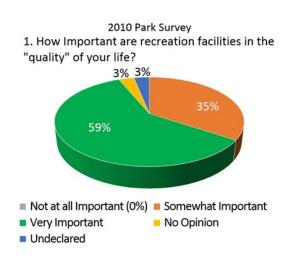
- Finalize replacement of all 1,800 water meters
- Completion of the Interurban Trail .
- Repairs of Milwaukee Boulevard

Jim Morgan, Public Works Manager jmorgan@ci.pacific.wa.us

<u>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</u> <u>New Parks Survey – Help the City</u> <u>Obtain Park Grant Funds</u>

The City needs your help to update the Parks chapter of the Comprehensive Plan. The State has contacted the City and indicated that the Parks chapter needs to be updated for the City to be eligible for State Park grant funds. This Chapter was last updated in 2011 with the last Park Survey conducted in 2010. With your help, the City can update the information from the 2010 survey. You can help by completing the Park survey at the link provided on the City's website or at http://www.pacificwa.gov/.

Just click on the link and the link will take you to the survey. The survey will take approximately five (5) minutes to complete. Completed surveys can be dropped off in City Hall 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday through Friday, or in the drop box at the Milwaukee Blvd. entrance at any time. Survey results will be posted on the City's website. If you have any questions, please contact Jack Dodge, Community Development Manager at jdodge@ci.pacific.wa.us or 253-929-1107.



<u>COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT</u> Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update

Under Washington State law, the City is required to regulate the shorelines of the White River within the City's jurisdiction. Periodically, the City is required to update its shoreline regulations to meet the changing requirements of State law. The City is now undergoing this process. Meetings to review proposed changes are scheduled as follows:

Planning Commission

February 26, 2019 (Public Meeting) 6:00pm March 12, 2019 (Special Meeting If Needed) 6:00pm March 26, 2019 (Public Hearing) 6:00pm

City Council

April 1, 2019 (Study Session) 6:30pm April 8, 2019 (Regular Meeting) 6:30pm April 22, 2019 (Regular Meeting) 6:30pm

Revisions to the Shoreline Designations are summarize below;

- "Reach F" is split into two designations:
 - Expands the "Urban Conservancy" designation waterward of the toe of the new Left Bank Levee in the channel migration area.
 - Shoreline Commercial adjacent to the Mosby Property.
- *"Reach G"* is revised to clearly reflect the parcels within the Pacific Urban Growth Area (UGA) within Pierce County.

If you have any questions regarding the Shoreline Master Program update, please contact Jack Dodge, Community Development Manager at jdodge@ci.pacific.wa.us or 253-929-1107.







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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 held in April for a prize 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.



