

LACEY & Life

Shaping our Community Together

Lacey parks are open! Please enjoy responsibly.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jun 6 National Trails Day

Saturday, June 6, Online Format
See Website for Details

Jun 27 Pioneer Cemetery Walking Tour

Saturday, June 27, 11 a.m.–Noon
Ruddell Pioneer Cemetery
4178 Ruddell Road SE, Lacey

Jul 3 Fireworks Spectacular

Wednesday, July 3, 4 - 11 p.m.
Rainier Vista Community Park



Jul 14 Children's Entertainment

Tuesdays: July 14 - Aug. 11, 6:30 p.m.
Huntamer Park

Jul 8 Summer Concerts in the Park

Wednesdays: July 8 - Aug. 12, Noon
Huntamer Park

Jul 9 Thursday Family Fun

Thursdays: July 9 - Aug. 13, 2 p.m.
Location: Various Lacey Parks

Jul 17 TGIFridays Food, Fun, & Flicks

Fridays: July 17 - Aug. 7, 5 p.m.
Huntamer Park

Jul 25 Cops, Cars 'N Kids

Saturday, July 25
Details: TBA

2020 LACEY CITY COUNCIL

- Mayor Andy Ryder
- Deputy Mayor Cynthia Pratt
- Councilmember Lenny Greenstein
- Councilmember Michael Steadman
- Councilmember Carolyn Cox
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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR LACEY CITY COUNCIL

As we all know, COVID-19 has impacted our lives in many ways. However, there are many things we can be thankful for. We acknowledge and thank Lacey residents, small and large businesses, nonprofits, and other organizations that have come together — making masks, providing meals, donating money, volunteering time, and so much more. We truly have a compassionate community!

We also appreciate the many workers who have kept our community going through this public health crisis. It has not been easy.

As the Governor begins lifting restrictions, it is still very important to follow his directives and practice safety precautions. Working together toward a common goal will help us get back on track as quickly as possible and reduce the risk of setbacks.

We encourage you to continue connecting with your friends and family. A few words of encouragement can make a big difference in their day. And, if you feel you need support, don't hesitate to ask for help. These are challenging times and it's important to take care of yourself.

#LaceyUnited Lacey is strong and resilient, and will be an even stronger community having endured this pandemic. Keep it healthy, Lacey!



PARKS & RECREATION SUMMER EVENTS UPDATE

Our Parks & Recreation Department continues to make adjustments as circumstances change due to COVID-19. We appreciate your patience as we work to bring you safe recreation opportunities.

July 3 Fireworks Spectacular

Due to the uncertainty of when large events will be allowed, we have cancelled the July 3 Fireworks Spectacular. However, we would like to **thank** two of our event sponsors: **Capital Development Company** for allowing us to use their 2020 sponsorship to secure the fireworks contract for next year, and **TwinStar Credit Union** for reallocating a portion of their sponsorship dollars to the North Thurston Public Schools Youth & Family Resource Center during this time of need. We look forward to an amazing event in 2021!



Unfortunately, the 2020 July 3rd Fireworks Spectacular has been cancelled.

Lacey In Tune Summer Events

At this time, we plan to bring you a modified version of our Lacey In Tune summer events (see list on the left). We will keep you up-to-date on our Facebook page and website at ci.lacey.wa.us/LaceyInTune.

We appreciate your support and look forward to returning to what we do best: Providing quality recreation opportunities to our community!

CITY OF LACEY GRANTS HELP SMALL BUSINESSES

Small businesses are the backbone of local economies, providing the foundation for jobs, sales, and services. COVID-19 had an immediate and significant impact on business activity, which affected businesses' ability to pay rent, loans, and other obligations, and retain employees. Their ability to endure this financial hardship is critical to the future recovery of the local economy.

In late March, the Lacey City Council approved \$1 million in emergency grant funds to help qualifying small businesses in Lacey sustain the loss of income due to COVID-19. The program was effective in assisting them with payroll and other operational expenses until federal aid and loans became available. The program awarded 110 grants for a combined total of \$1 million. The City received tremendous appreciation and positive feedback from business owners, employees, and the Lacey community for this grant program.

110 Small Business Grants with:

- A combined total of \$1 million.
- An average award of \$9,090.91 per application.
- An average of 4.87 employees per business funded.
- A combined total of 536 full-time-equivalent employees assisted.



LACEY PARKS ARE OPEN! PLEASE ENJOY RESPONSIBLY



Lacey parks are open for walking, running, and passing through.

Parks and open spaces are very important for wellness during the COVID-19 pandemic, but must be used safely and responsibly. You can still get outside for fresh air and exercise, however, you must follow the new temporary rules.

All City parks and trails remain open during operation hours; however, **some parking lots remain locked** to support social distancing guidelines. Keeping parking lots closed at the larger parks will help avoid regional and group gatherings. Visit ci.lacey.wa.us/VisitParks to see the current list of open/closed parking lots.

Note: Please do not park in adjacent neighborhoods when using the parks. Please walk to your neighborhood park.

KEEP MOVING! Parks are open for walking, running, and passing through. Crowded parks lead to closed parks. Please do your part.

“GO before you go!” Park restroom access may be limited. A reduced level of available staff, and an increased use of parks and the park restrooms, makes it difficult for crews to keep the facilities cleaned to the standard that is critically necessary during the pandemic.

All park group amenities are closed: playgrounds, courts, skate parks, picnic shelters, swim beaches, etc.

Per the governor’s orders, and Health Department recommendations, please use open spaces and trails responsibly:

- Do outdoor activities close to home and only with people in your immediate household.
- If you encounter others, maintain a minimum of 6 feet distance.
- Bring your own hand sanitizer (restrooms may not be available to wash your hands).
- Bring your own face covering.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Take all of your belongings and waste with you when you leave.



All group amenities are closed: playgrounds and equipment, courts, skate parks, picnic shelters, etc.

Reminder: Gatherings of any size are not allowed outdoors, just as they are not allowed indoors. This includes picnics, organized or pick-up athletic games, etc.

HELP FIRST RESPONDERS HELP YOU

Lacey Fire District 3 recently launched a new platform that helps First Responders better serve you and your family during an emergency — **Community Connect**. This free, secure, and encrypted program provides a safe way to provide your critical household information to First Responders before 9-1-1 is called.

Details you can share include:



- Emergency contacts.
- Family members with functional or medical needs.
- Pets in your home.
- Key or gate access details.
- Utility shut-off information.
- Other unique things about your home they should know.

This information will help when seconds count.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1 – Create a Free Account

Sign up using your email, phone number, and address. Visit bit.ly/LaceyCC to learn more and get started doing your part!

2 – Enter Information That Matters Most

Enter valuable information that will help First Responders assist you most effectively during an emergency.

3 – Keep it Updated

Make sure to update your information when it changes so First Responders can always be prepared.

For more information, contact Lacey Fire District 3 at **(360) 491-2410** or info@laceyfire.com.



REMINDER:

Outdoor Watering Schedule June 1 - September 30

Since 2006, the City of Lacey's mandatory watering schedule has helped reduce peak water demand during the summer. This practice actually helps manage demand and keep costs down.

Temporary exemptions are available to water customers with new lawns and landscapes.

To apply for a temporary exemption or get details about the mandatory summer watering schedule, visit ci.lacey.wa.us/odd-even or call Public Works at **(360) 491-5600**.

If your address ends in an:

ODD NUMBER (1-3-5-7-9)	EVEN NUMBER (0-2-4-6-8)
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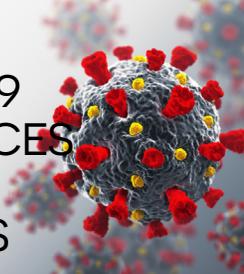
Water on:

Monday	Tuesday
Wednesday	Thursday
Saturday	Sunday



No watering on Friday!

GET COVID-19 RESOURCES & CITY UPDATES



We created a webpage with information, resources, and current status of City programs, services, and closures related to COVID-19. You can find details at: ci.lacey.wa.us/COVID19.



COPS, CARS, 'N KIDS: RE-IMAGINED!

In light of COVID-19 concerns, we're making some changes to our Cops, Cars 'n Kids event this summer. Mark your calendar for **Saturday, July 25** and stay tuned for updates, including details about a community parade featuring car-show participants and more!

