

LFP Times

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Mayor's Corner – Lake Forest Park Proposition 1 – Levy for walkways, safe connections, parks, and recreation



Mayor Jeff Johnson

At its meeting on July 22, the City Council took action to place LFP Proposition 1 on the November 2, 2021, election ballot. LFP Proposition 1 asks voters if they wish to raise property taxes through a levy lid lift to provide reliable funding for the development, operation, and maintenance of parks, recreation and open spaces, trails, sidewalks,

safer pedestrian/cyclist connections, and traffic calming throughout the City.

Approval of LFP Proposition 1 helps fund parks, recreation, and open space projects and services identified in the City's Parks Recreation Open Space and Trails ("PROST") Plan; pedestrian, bicycle, traffic calming, and other safety connection projects identified in City's Safe Streets reports; and projects identified in future parks, recreation and pedestrian/cyclist connectivity plans adopted by the City Council.

If approved, LFP Proposition 1 would result in new revenue of approximately \$2 million annually in the City's regular property tax levy by an increase of approximately \$0.59 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, which brings the total levy rate to \$1.57 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Approval of LFP Proposition 1 would cost the owner of a \$617,000, median-valued Lake Forest Park home about \$366.01 more per year, or approximately \$30.50 per month. Qualifying seniors, disabled veterans and others with disabilities would be exempt, per Chapter 84.36 RCW.

The approximately \$2 million in additional levy revenue would be deposited into a dedicated revenue fund exclusively for the levy proceeds and funds would only be used if identified in a Council-adopted Levy Implementation Plan, which would include eligible projects, operations descriptions, milestones, and costs. The City would annually publish a report on the projects, operations, and expenditures of the levy funds.

Remember to vote on November 2!

–Mayor Johnson

School Zone Cameras begin September 1

On Wednesday, September 1, 2021, Shoreline School District schools will be back in session. Students will be physically back on school grounds and school bell times go back to normal. The flashers and school zone cameras will be active and enforceable beginning September 1, 2021.

The cameras will be active and enforceable during these times:

Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.*

*Wednesday Early Release times are 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 1:40 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.

It is very important to remember that drivers are still required to obey the posted speed limit and lower their speed to 20 mph when children are present in the school zones, regardless of warning flashers and designated school zone times. School classes may not be in session, but other events may be taking place (sports, after school events, etc.). Officers may still issue infractions for this violation.

"Early Release Days" will be held on Wednesdays when there are five days of school in the week (no holidays or non-student days) and release students 100 minutes before the regular end of the school day.

"Half Day Releases" will be held on November 24 (day before Thanksgiving) and June 17 (last day of school) for grades K-12. There will also be half-days for elementary schools and Cascade K-8 for conferences on November 1-5, 2021 and March 7-11, 2022.

The camera system is operational during normal school days. The system is not operational during scheduled school holidays and summer breaks.

For more information, go to www.shorelineschools.org and click on Calendar to view the 2021-2022 school calendar.



Passport Services Update

Passport Service is offered at Lake Forest Park City Hall by appointment only. We are not taking walk-in customers. Applicants can either sign up online (<https://www.cityofflp.com/124/Passports>) to



schedule an appointment or call the City Hall main phone number, 206-368-5440. Appointment hours are Monday, Thursday, and Friday, from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Appointment times have been filling up fast. If you are eligible to use the Renewal form ([https://](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/have-passport/renew.html)

travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/have-passport/renew.html), we encourage applicants to use that form and mail the renewal in themselves.

Current door-to-door processing times are:

- Regular processing: **18 weeks** (includes up to 12 weeks processing and 6 weeks mailing on front and back end)
- Expedited processing: **12 weeks** (includes up to 6 weeks processing and 6 weeks mailing on front and back end), costs an additional \$60 per applicant

Since the REAL ID Act requirements have been postponed to May 2023, it is not necessary to rush to get a passport or passport card if you are flying domestically.

City Hires New Public Works Director

Mayor Johnson is pleased to announce the appointment of Jeffrey D. Perrigo as the City's new Public Works Director. The Mayor began recruiting for a new Public Works Director in May following the retirement announcement of Frank Zenk. Zenk retired in June after serving the City for 29 years.

Jeffrey Perrigo is coming to Lake Forest Park from Fort Worth, Texas, where he has served as the Engineering Manager for the past three years. Prior to that, he was with the City of Durham, North Carolina as Collection System Manager, Civil Engineer IV. He is a licensed Professional Engineer and holds Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering from Tulane University and a Master's degree in Project Management from Northwestern University.

The City is delighted to have Mr. Perrigo join its team and we hope you will join us in welcoming our new Public Works Director.

The Rain is Here, Don't LEAF it to Chance!

The City works to keep drains clear, but with close to 1,800 in town, we could use your help by making sure the storm drains near your home remain clear!



Please do not remove the grates from the drains, as this creates a hazard and does not unclog the system. Instead, rake or blow leaves away from the drain (not into the street). NEVER try

to clear a storm drain or culvert if there is moving water greater than knee deep, and always be wary of traffic when working near a roadway.

Wet leaves are surprisingly heavy, so be careful not to overexert yourself. Debris from storm drains should be placed in yard waste containers. If flooding is severe, or you find evidence of dumping, please call 206-368-5440.

For more information on how you can help the Lake Forest Park Environment, head to: <https://www.cityofflp.com/180/What-You-Can-Do-To-Help-the-Environment>

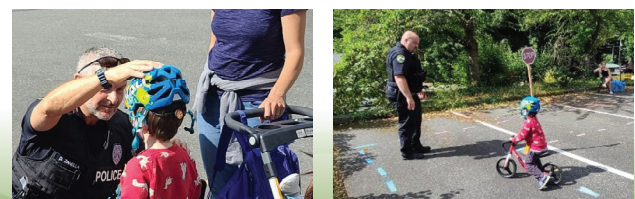
Police Department Holds Its First-Ever Bike Rodeo

On Saturday, July 17, the Lake Forest Park Police Department held a very successful Bike Safety Rodeo, with over 50 kids in attendance! In addition to learning about bicycle safety, they rode their bikes through a chalk course at Lake Forest Park Elementary School. Giveaways included 25 free helmets and drinks and gift bags facilitated by LFPPD Support Services Officer Christian Hansen.



Thanks to Lt. Diego Zanella and Ofc. Hansen for putting on this event for the community. It was very nice to see so many families having fun with the officers and learning about bicycle safety! Special thanks go to Northwest Tri & Bike, Gregg's Greenlake Cycle, and Harvey's Bike Shop for donating so many gifts for the kids.

We look forward to seeing you at next year's event!



Lake Forest Park Accessory Dwelling Unit Survey

The Lake Forest Park Planning Commission has been reviewing the City's Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) code over the last few months to determine if changes to this code could be beneficial. An accessory dwelling unit (ADU) is a small, self-contained residential unit or apartment located on the same lot as an existing single-family home.

At its July meeting, the Commission reviewed the initial results of a web-based survey designed to get some feedback on whether community members thought there was a need to change the regulations. The link to the Commission's survey was posted on the City's



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website through a Newsflash and through the City's Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor accounts for most of the month of June. There were roughly 240 completed surveys which included a significant number

of written comments. For this reason, the Commission is continuing to analyze the feedback prior to reaching conclusions about the results.

Pet Preparedness

Your pets are important members of your family, so they need to be included in your family's emergency plan. Here are a few simple steps you can take now to make sure you and your pets are ready before the next disaster strikes:

- Keep a collar, current license, and up-to-date ID tags on your pet at all times.
- Keep a current photo of your pet in case they go missing.
- Train your pet to be comfortable in an appropriate carrier, box or cage for transport.
- Keep a list of trusted neighbors who could assist your animals in an emergency.



- Tighten and secure latches on birdcages. Fasten down aquariums, and secure cages, hutches, or other enclosures.

Pack a "Go-bag" for each pet in case you must leave home. Items to consider Include:

- Sturdy leashes and/or carriers for transport.
- Muzzles for dogs.
- Food, potable water, and medicine.
- Non-spill bowls, manual can opener and plastic lid.
- Plastic bags, litter box and litter.
- Names and numbers of emergency contacts, local veterinary hospitals, and animal shelters.
- Immunization records and medical information.
- Pet First-Aid kit and handbook.

Remember that animals react differently under stress. The most trustworthy pets may panic, hide, and try to escape or even bite or scratch. A little preparedness now will help you and your pets when the next emergency happens.

Third Place Commons Weekend Music Program

It's a parking lot party! At 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 18, the City of Lake Forest Park will partner with Third Place Commons to present a fun-filled, all-ages outdoor dance party! Bring snacks, blankets, chairs, and sunscreen and boogie down to the rousing standards and good-time party favorites of Rainy City Riff Raff, a longtime favorite of the Third Place Commons Weekend Music program. There will even be a bubble zone for the kids! Don't miss out! Go to ThirdPlaceCommons.org for more on this and other free events.



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CITY HALL

17425 Ballinger Way NE
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M-F: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Phone: 206-368-5440
Fax: 206-364-6521
Web: www.cityofflp.com

PERMIT COUNTER

Mon-Fri: 9:00am - 12:00pm
1:00pm - 3:00pm

PASSPORTS

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Schedule Online at:

<https://www.cityofflp.com/124/Passports>

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Sat: 10:00am - 3:00pm
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MUNICIPAL COURT

M-F: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Phone: 206-364-7711
Fax: 206-364-7712

POLICE

Emergency: 911
Non-emergency: 206-364-8216
Domestic Violence
Victim Advocate: 206-417-8267

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Lake Forest Park Recreation Opportunities with the City of Shoreline



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Do you live in Lake Forest Park and have an interest in recreation? Take advantage of recreation programs offered through the City of Shoreline. Lake Forest Park residents are eligible for a 24-hour early registration period prior to the start of each season's programs, plus an 8% discount on all program fees (not rentals) through the entire year!

This year, the City of Shoreline is separating the camp registration from the overall class registration. To receive notices of the early registration dates, sign up for reminders through the City's website, Facebook and Twitter or keep watch on the City of Shoreline's webpage

(<https://www.shorelinewa.gov/government/departments/parks-recreation-cultural-services/recreation-programs>).

Lake Forest Park also offers scholarship reimbursements for eligible youth and specialized recreation participants who reside in the City and are registered for and attend cultural, recreation, or aquatic programs and camps. For more information, go to our webpage (<https://www.cityofflp.com/396/Recreation-Partnership-with-Shoreline>) or call City Hall, 206-368-5440.

City Council Meetings

City Council Regular Business Meetings

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.

City Council Work Session Meetings

2nd Thursday, 6:00 p.m.

City Council Committee of the Whole Meetings

Monday before the 4th Thurs., 6:00 p.m.

City Council Budget & Finance Committee Meetings

3rd Thursday, 6:00 p.m.

Please check our calendar online for the most current meeting updates.

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