CITY OF SEQUIM News

November 2026

Calendar for 2027 Proposed Budget



The 2027 Proposed Budget was presented to the Sequim City Council in September. The Council is now reviewing it to make any adjustments prior to adopting it in December. The 2027 Proposed Budget is available on the City website sequimwa.gov

The public is invited to attend the following public hearings and provide feedback to the Council.

November 9 – Public Hearing on the 2026 Proposed Budget, Property Tax Levy, Fees and Utility Rates

November 23 – Potential Budget Adoption

Utility Discounts Available for Low Income Residents

Utility rate reductions are available for qualifying low-income City of Sequim residents who receive and pay a City of Sequim Utility Bill.

You may qualify for the City's utility discount if your household income is at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines. If you qualify for the Clallam County PUD discount and/or the Clallam County senior or disabled property tax exemption, you may also qualify for the City's discount.

The exact amount of your discount is determined upon receipt of all of the applications for the 2027 program. Qualifying applicants will see the discounted rates on their February 1 utility bill.

Applications for the 2027 discount are due by **January 15, 2027** and are available at the Sequim Civic Center, DSHS, Sequim Community Aid, St. Vincent de Paul, Serenity House, United Way, and the Shipley Center. Applications can also be downloaded from the City website sequimwa.gov You are welcome to call the Finance office at the Civic Center at (360) 683-4139 with any questions.





Sequim City Offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veteran's Day & November 26 and 27 for the Thanksgiving holiday.



Welcome New Employees!

Adrian Passadore, Deputy Police Chief, 10/1

Julianne Coonts, Code Enforcement Officer, 10/19

Become a Member of the City Team!
Check out our job openings and apply now!

Veterans Appreciation Afternoon



Join us in the heart of downtown Sequim at Centennial Place (Sequim Ave and Washington St) for Sequim Veterans Appreciation Afternoon on **Tuesday, November 10,** from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

This free, community-wide event is a chance to thank local veterans, connect with neighbors,enjoy free entertainment, snacks, and drinks, and learn about resources for veterans, service members, and military families. Heaters and fire pits will help keep the celebration cozy. All are welcome.

Sun Fun Color Run Registration Opens Nov. 16!



Registration for the 2027 Sequim Sunshine Festival's Sun Fun Color Run opens **November 16th.**

The Festival takes place on Saturday, March 6, 2027. Keep an eye on City social media and sequimsunshinefestival.com for registration information and all festival updates!

Public Meetings

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Food & Beverage Vendor Applications Open

Applications are now open for food and beverage vendors for the 2027 Sequim Sunshine Festival on Saturday, March 6.

To apply, vendors must submit an online application, complete menu and pricing, and photographs of their set-up and products. The deadline for applications is **Friday, November 20.** Please contact Carrie Kann, Parks and Events Specialist, at ckann@sequimwa.gov with any questions.

Scan here for application!

City's Systems Administrator Wins GovAI Award



Cameron Gann, Systems Administrator with the City's IT Department, is the winner of the 2026 Rising Star Award from GovAI.

The Rising Star Award recognizes people who are newer to AI, learned quickly, and put it to careful use. As an integral leader in the City's adoption of the GovAI internal efficiency tool, Cameron was nominated by City staff for helping staff learn and feel confident using the platform.

Rain Can Carry More Than Water

Take a quick look around your home, workplace, or property. Do you see liquids or materials that rain could carry away?

Oil and automotive fluids. Fertilizers and pesticides. Pet waste. Soap and wash water. Litter and debris. Sediment and leaves. These items can clog drains and pollute local water sources.

Preventing these materials from reaching stormwater systems and waterways is easier than removing them after they've entered the water.

Start at the source. Keep pollutants and debris off the ground and out of storm drains. Every Drop Connects Us. #StormwaterAwarenessWeek

Comprehensive Plan Update: City Council Public Hearing

Community members are invited to participate in an upcoming public hearing on the proposed 2025 Draft Comprehensive Plan, its appendices, and proposed Title 18 zoning updates. The City Council is expected to hold a public hearing on **Monday, November 9**, at 6:00 p.m. following the recommendation from the Planning Commission made on October 6, 2026. The hearing will be held in person at the Sequim Civic Center Council Chambers with remote participation available.

"Flora & Fauna" Exhibition Opens November 6 at Sequim Civic Center

The City and the Sequim Arts Commission invite the community to celebrate the natural beauty and biodiversity of the Pacific Northwest at a new gallery exhibition. An opening reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on **Friday, November 6**. Enjoy light refreshments along with musical entertainment by guitarist Aaron David Smith.



Featuring 34 original works by 34 regional artists, Flora & Fauna explores the plants, animals, habitats, and seasonal rhythms that shape the Olympic Peninsula, Salish Sea, and North Olympic Coast.

The exhibition includes artistic interpretations of native flora and wildlife; birds, marine life, forests, wetlands, and coastal landscapes; and the connections between people and the natural world.

Karen Kuznek-Reese Gallery at the Sequim Civic Center
Gallery Hours: Monday—Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Community Open Music Jam November 20

Join the Sequim Arts Commission for the Open Music Jam on **Friday, November 20** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Swisher Rehearsal Hall at the James Center for the Performing Arts, 506 N. Blake Avenue.



Bring your acoustic instrument, percussion, or voice. The music and lyrics will be provided. All ages and experience levels are welcome. Hosted by Aaron David Smith.

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