

City Manager's Friday Newsletter

Applicants Sought for Snohomish Planning Commission

Applicants are being sought to fill an upcoming vacancy on the City of Snohomish Planning Commission.

The applications are due to the City Clerk by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 27, 2013, at City Hall, 116 Union Avenue in Snohomish.

The Planning Commission board member term runs for six years. The Commission considers land use, regional and comprehensive plan issues, and makes recommendations to the City Council. The Planning Commission may recommend moratoria and/or interim land use controls and hold public hearings as deemed necessary by the City Council.

Members of the Planning Commission must live within the City's urban growth area boundary. All City board and commission members are volunteers serving without compensation.

The vacancy is created by Planning Commissioner Jane Thorndike's decision not to seek reappointment. The selected appointee's term will begin immediately upon City Council confirmation of the Mayor's appointment. Commissioner Thorndike has served as a Commission Member since August 2003.

Applications are available at City Hall and may also be downloaded from the City web site: www.ci.snohomish.wa.us.

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Parks and Recreation Board
Wednesday, June 26 - 7 p.m.
Snohomish Boys & Girls Club
402 Second Street
(note location)

Upcoming City Council Agenda Items

July 16:

- <u>Public Hearing</u> for adoption of a new 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan
- Action to adopt the master plan for the new wildlife refuge
- Action to approve a resolution in support or opposition of Fire District 4's EMS levy ballot measure
- Action to approve the temporary removal of permit parking zones

The agenda list above is partial and tentative. For further information, click here for the City website:

http://www.ci.snohomish.wa.us/Agendas.htm #CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS

Second KCBS Sanctioned Kla Ha Ya Days BBQ Championship Offers \$7,500 Total Prizes and Awards

Public BBQ sampling, parade, games, beer and wine garden – something for everyone

The Kla Ha Ya Days BBQ Championship is back for the second year with top barbecuing teams from around the Pacific Northwest, Canada, and as far away as South Dakota coming to compete. The July 19-21 event is a Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS) sanctioned qualifying event that will be held in the parking lot of the Snohomish Boys & Girls Club.

"People are expecting the BBQ Championship this year," said competition coordinator Jason Bauer. "We've also added public sampling as a result of many requests last year." Last year's event was also the first time Bauer entered competitively. "I found

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out about the competition and thought 'why not?' I graduated from Snohomish High School and have a lot of family and friends in the area. It is a great time to visit."

Now an Arlington resident, Bauer volunteered to take over the competition duties when James Jones, last year's coordinator, wasn't able to return. "James was a mentor to me and took me to the World Championship in November. It was easy to say yes and keep this fun event going," Bauer added.



James Jones hands the 2012 Kla Ha Ya Days BBQ Championship to Saffron Hodgson, Bush Kitchen BBQ Team.

This year total prizes of \$7,500 will be awarded. Cabela's is one of the sponsors and is donating cash and prizes, too. Competitors will compete in four main categories and the People's Choice Award. A Kids Que is on Sunday 10 – 11:30 a.m. Registration and fee payment can be made online at http://www.klahayadays.com/events/event/kla-ha-yadays-bbg-championship/. Everyone is welcome to compete. PNWBA and KCBS member competitors can earn points for the American Royal World Series of Barbecue in Kansas City or the Jack Daniel's World Championship Invitational Barbecue. "Barbecuing is a time to meet with family and friends, a way to celebrate community," Bauer commented.

Other events celebrating community during Kla Ha Ya Days are the **Frogtastic Kids Fair** on Friday July 19, the **Grand Parade** Saturday at 10:30 a.m., games, airplane rides, a **balloon glow**, music, street fair, food court, and **Local Liquid Arts** beer and wine garden. For a full schedule of events, ask for the brochure with map or go to http://www.klahayadays.com/events/.

Puget Sound Vital Signs

As the Puget Sound region urbanizes, we lose fish, forest cover, and wetlands. Flooding affects our community infrastructure as well as water quality. Take a look at the Puget Sound Partnership dashboard indicator to see ways the City of Snohomish can help protect and improve our environmental quality. While the job is too big for any one community, every community has a role in recovery: http://www.psp.wa.gov/vitalsigns/index.php.



