

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA



City of Lake Stevens Vision Statement

By 2030, we are a sustainable community around the lake with a vibrant economy, unsurpassed infrastructure and exceptional quality of life.

May 2, 2023 - 6:00 PM

HYBRID COUNCIL MEETING - Two ways to participate:
In Person at The Mill, Sawyers Room, 1808 Main Street, Lake Stevens
OR Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88006421246>
or call in at (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID 880 0642 1246

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Discussion Items**
 - A. Historical Society Presentation Historical Society
 - B. City Hall Office Adjustments Russ Wright, Barb Stevens, Anya Warrington
 - C. Sign Code Review Russ Wright
 - D. Lake Stevens Industrial Center Grants Russ Wright
 - E. Impacts of Legislature Decisions Mayor
3. **Adjourn**

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND

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NOTICE: All proceedings of this meeting are audio recorded, except Executive Sessions.

**When you visit a museum, you're leaving with memories,
knowledge and a better understanding for the society and
people that paved the way for life as we know it today.**



*Lake Stevens
Washington*



**Lake Stevens
Historical Society
& Museum**

www.lakestevenshistoricalmuseum.org

THE HISTORIC GRIMM HOUSE

Original Rucker home built for middle management ca. 1903
Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, 1995

LAKE STEVENS HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Enter the museum through the doors of the old High School,
affectionately known as the "Pink Palace"

Visit Mitchell's Pharmacy, which was the hub of the community
from 1920 until moving to Frontier Village in 1960

Facebook: [lakestevenshistoricalmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/lakestevenshistoricalmuseum)
Instagram: [lakestevenshistoricalsociety](https://www.instagram.com/lakestevenshistoricalsociety)

1802 124th Ave. NE / PO Box 874
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

(425) 212-3320



**LAKE STEVENS HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

MISSION STATEMENT

To educate the community about our town's
unique historical past. We accomplish this
by gathering and preserving informational
materials and artifacts, which can be used in
creating a sense of community through
interpretive educational exhibits, programs,
and events.

Began informally in 1981

Adopted by-laws April 14, 1983 and
registered as a non-profit charitable
organization.

GOALS:
CREATE A SENSE OF
COMMUNITY WITHIN OUR
TOWN

SHARE OUR UNIQUE
HISTORY

- Began informally in 1981
- Adopted by-laws April 14, 1983 and registered as a non-profit charitable organization.
- For 42 years volunteers of this organization have dedicated their time and energy towards our mission statement.

Fiscally sound since inception in 1983

2013 \$46,844. (fiscal year July to June)

2014 \$39,708.

2015 \$65,106.

2016 \$68,748.

2017 \$71,854.

2018 \$72,994.

2019 \$75,903.

2020 \$76,078

2021 \$86,504.

2022 \$88,800.

- **Almost doubled savings in the last 10 years**
- **Always able to fund projects and purchases and still save for future expansion.**
- **No debt when the museum opened.**



Total Funds Available \$92,000.

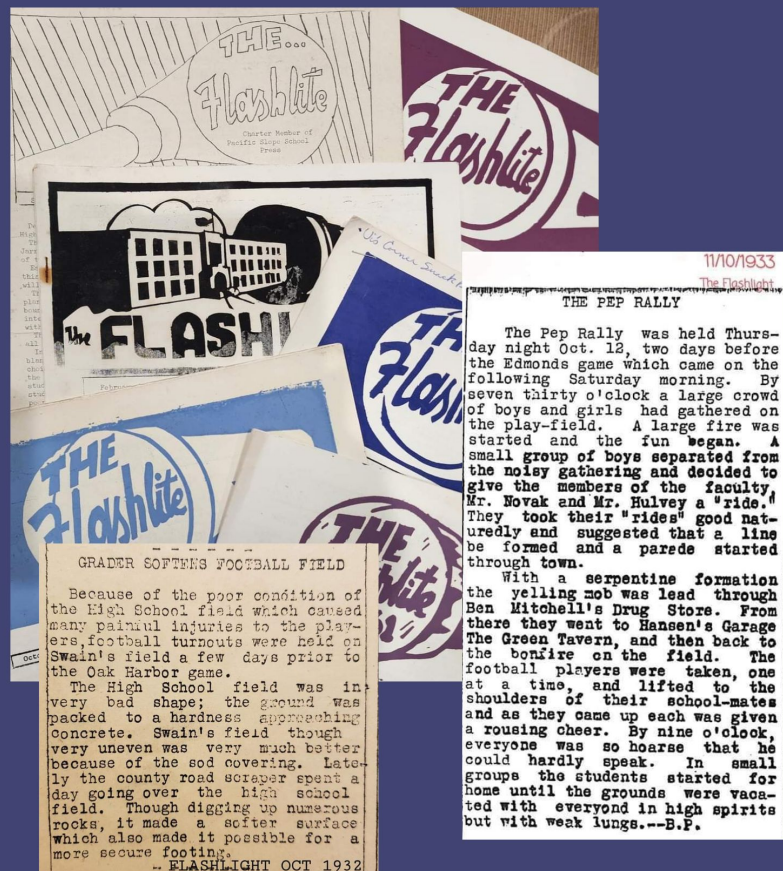
As of 4/2023

Digitized Lake Sevens Newspapers to preserve our history

Sno County Historical Preservation Grants

Received a total of **\$33,600.00**, Our contribution **\$10,395.20**

- 2018 Newspaper Digitization Grant \$8,000
Our contribution \$2,300.00
- 2019 Newspaper Digitization Grant \$11,500
Our contribution \$3,548.50
- 2021 Newspaper Digitization Grant \$11,000
Our contribution \$3,846.75
- 2023 Newspaper Digitization Grant \$3,099
Our contribution \$700.00



2023 Grant
to digitize Newspapers
\$3,099.00



**Grimm House
Fence**



**Grimm House
Brick Patio
From Recycled Bricks**

**Cottage Garden
Planted And
Maintained By The
Lake Stevens Garden
Club**





We have been collecting weathered lumber for various projects



Thanks, Reid, for choosing the Grimm House back steps for your Eagle Scout Project!



Reid McDougall



Additions to Grimm House Backyard





Damaged wallpaper in living room



Damaged wallpaper
in small room
downstairs



Damaged wallpaper
in kitchen

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LAKE STEVENS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AT THE MILL

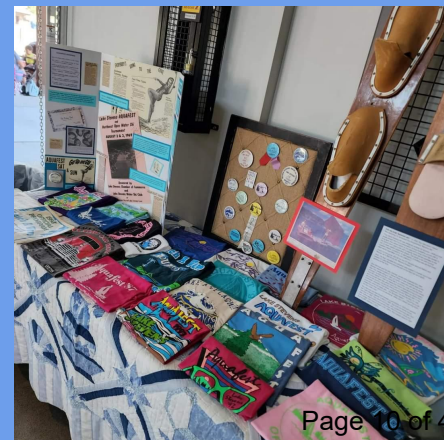
Start a new tradition !!
Get Your Annual Aquafest Photo with the "Chicken" \$2.00
 Donations go towards new museum exhibits
 Suggested Donation Per Person

FIND OUT THE LATEST ON:

- The Grimm House
- Plans for the new museum
- The History of AQUAFEST
- The locomotive in the Lake

"POP UP MUSEUM"
 at the Mill
 During Aquafest

✓ **FRI: 12-6**
 ✓ **SAT: 10-6**
 ✓ **SUN: 10-5**





Grimm House Events

- *Harvestfest
- *Winterfest
- *Easter Egg Hunt





WINTERFEST AT THE GRIMM HOUSE 2022





Lake Stevens Santa

LAKE STEVENS HISTORICAL MUSEUM
12301 N LAKESHORE DR,
LAKE STEVENS, WA 98258



VISIT SANTA WITH HIS SLEIGH
LAKE STEVENS MUSEUM

Santa Photos at the
Temporary Museum



PARTNERING WITH THE COMMUNITY

Partnered with Designer Portraits
2022 Netted \$4,010.00



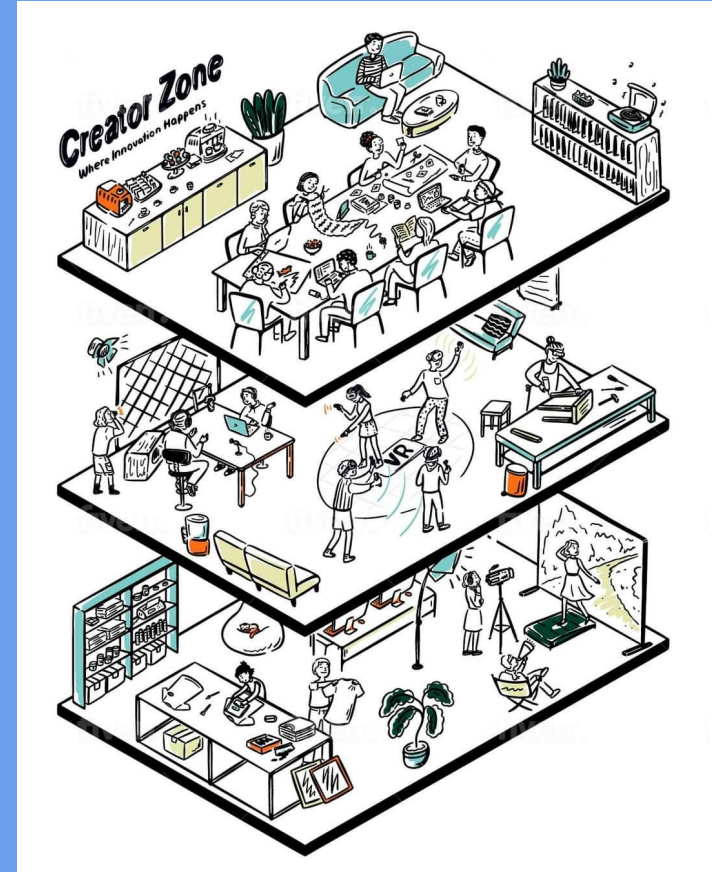
LAKE 2023 CALENDAR

Photos by Lake Stevens Community
Members

2022 Netted \$1,345.00



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LIGHTS CAMERA LOCOMOTIVE

An Art Show & Contest Hosted by Lake Stevens Film Festival and Presented by ACE Hardware, Creator Zone, and the Lake Stevens Historical Society.



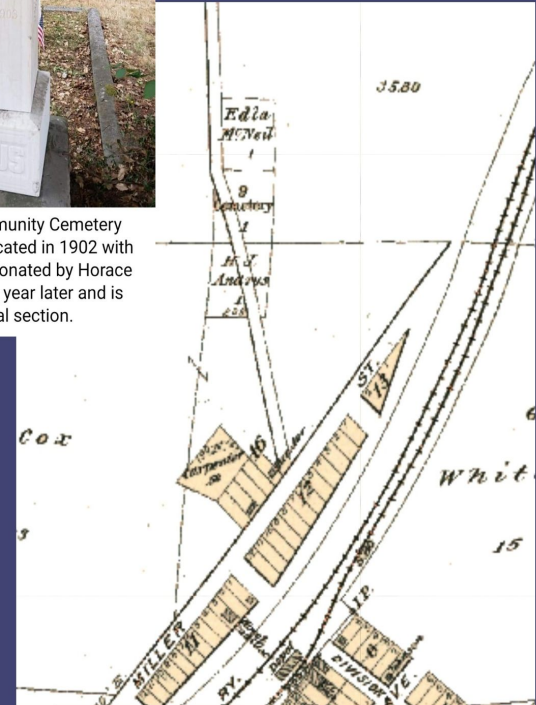
LEGEND HAS IT that in the early 1900's -when Rucker Mill was central to downtown and locomotives hauled lumber by way of a trestle just over the lake's surface-one such locomotive derailed, plunging below the water forever.

Lake Stevens Film Festival



The Machias Community Cemetery was originally dedicated in 1902 with a one acre parcel donated by Horace Andrus, who died a year later and is buried in the original section.

Machias Cemetery



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**"Whether we've been here 40 years or 40 days,
we all yearn to embrace the place we call home.
One way to do so is to see what came before."**



Lake Stevens Historical Museum

Dec 21, 2021 · 🌐

🎄 THE CHRISTMAS HOUSE 🎄

Several generations of children who grew up in Lake Stevens during the mid 60s-late 80s have fond memories of this magical place, lovingly created by LaVaughn and Leonard Sell.

LaVaughn Sell (1929-2013) and Leonard Sell (1926-2018) were well known for their annual Lake Stevens Christmas Display on North Lake Shore Drive. LaVaughn's obituary noted that "After getting home from the swin

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Jill Jenkins

Thank you for sharing this for us! From Phyllis's nieces. Aka Orville and Gloria (Skinner) Anderson's daughters (Dad and mom also graduated from Lake Stevens High school years ago and both sets of our grandparents are from there.) 🥰❤️ It was so nice visiting your museum yesterday. We love our memories of growing up and seeing these Lake Stevens' Christmas lights! Thanks for posting these photos! Such cherished memories. I remember the music playing with the displays there also. 🎵🎄🧁❤️🌟



Douglas Knight

That's a great picture! Just how I remember it and you can see Mitchell's and the CO-OP.

3d Like Reply 1 🌟
Message



Jennifer Conley

I love this! It's perfect and beautiful! I so wish I could travel back in time and experience those times!

3d Like Reply 1 🌟
Message



CONNECTING WITH COMMUNITY THROUGH FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

With no museum to share our history we have had to increase our online presence.



12/23/1987
LS Journal

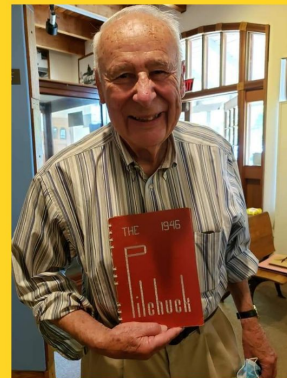




LSHS '66



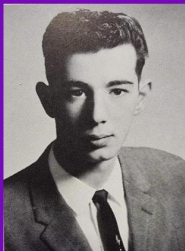
LSHS CLASS of 1955



CONNECTING WITH LSHS ALUMNI



Dan Jubie
LSHS '65



LSHS
1957



SHERRYL
POSEY TALLEY



LENORE
ROGGE POSEY



SALLY
LANDRE WILLIE



Joyce Ingrum
LSHS '55



Jim Knapp
LSHS '75



LSHS
ALUMNI



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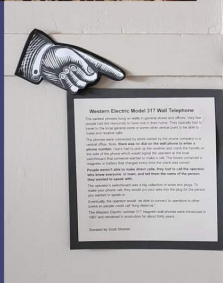
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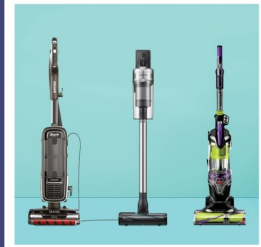
“HANDS ON HISTORY”



Introducing the "Hands On" hand. This new addition to the Grimm House indicates a "Hands On" opportunity for both young and old.



**RUG BEATER
or
CARPET CLEANER**



NOW

- Originally designed by Melville R. Bissell in 1876, the rug beater was used to clean rugs before vacuum cleaners were invented.
- In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the smoke from coal and wood burning stoves would coat the walls, drapes, and carpets.
- Beating carpets in order to shake dust and dirt out of them was part of the weekly cleaning chores.
- Carpets, rugs, clothes, cushions, and bedding were hung over a clothesline, railing, or a special carpet hanger, and the dust and dirt was beaten out of them.
- Rug beaters were made of wood, rattan, cane, wicker, spring steel or coiled wire.
- The rug beater was replaced in the 1950s by the carpet sweeper and then the vacuum cleaner.



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All Entries

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Nov 13, 1893
Hartford, WASH

Nov 13, 1893 ...Object/Artifact 2023.15

Envelope, postmarked Nov 13, 1893, sent from Puget Sound Apiary & Snohomish...

1930 Calenda...Object/Artifact 2023.14

1930 calendar from Kittleson & Loth Auto Clinic, located on the corner of...

Lake Stevens Se... Photograph 2010.001.122

The photo taken in the early 1920s shows the exterior of "Lake Stevens Service &..."

1930 8th Grade Photograph 2010.001.877

8th Grade - Lake Stevens - 1930

Pilchuck Julia Photograph 2010.001.621

Total Entries: 2356 · Julia's wavy, wispy hair and headband. From the time of...

**CATALOGIT:
DATABASE FOR
OUR COLLECTION**

CatalogIt

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CatalogIt is for

Museums

- Art and History Museums
- Historic Houses and Preservation Societies
- Libraries and Archives
- Cultural Centers

1930 Calendar From Kittleson & Loth Auto Clinic

Object/Artif... BUSINESSSES EXHIBIT: MAIN

1930 Calendar From Kittleson & Loth Auto Clinic

1930

Lake Stevens Service and Repair Station, 1920s

American Association For State and Local History

Small Museum Pro is a professional certificate program for history practitioners who work in small history organizations.

Practical guidance and education on a variety of topics.

To receive a certificate, applicants must complete and pass five courses from the program.

Eligible courses:

- Caring for Museum Collections
- Collections Management
- Developing Exhibitions: Planning
- * • Developing Exhibitions: Design (Newly Added!) **Completed**
- Introduction to Financial Management
- Leadership and Administration for History Organizations
- Museum Education and Outreach

1920'S SWIMWEAR



WHAT WAS SWIMWEAR LIKE IN THE 1920S?

- IN THE 1920S MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SUITS WERE NEARLY IDENTICAL.
- SWIMWEAR CONSISTED OF A DEEP CUT, RIBBED WOOL TANK TOP, OFTEN WITH STRIPES.
- THE TOP WAS WORN OVER A SNUG FITTING PAIR OF SHORTS.
- A BELT WAS OFTEN WORN WITH THE TOP.
- WOMEN OFTEN WORE TURBANS OR BATHING CAPS WITH SWIMWEAR IN THE 1920S.

TWO OF THE MOST POPULAR RESORTS ON LAKE STEVENS, DAVIES BEACH AND LUNDEENS, RENTED OUT SWIMSUITS AND LOCKER STORAGE TO THEIR PATRONS.

"I WORKED AT LUNDEENS BATHHOUSE IN THE EARLY 60S. IT COST 10 CENTS TO SWIM AND YOU GOT A BASKET WITH THIS TOKEN FOR YOUR CLOTHES. IT COST ANOTHER 10 CENTS TO RENT A SWIM SUIT IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE ONE."
TERRY WALDEN



SWIMMERS PAID A DAILY FEE OF BETWEEN .10-.25 TO RENT A LOCKER TO SAFELY STORE THEIR CLOTHES IN WHILE THEY SWAM.

TO PONDER:

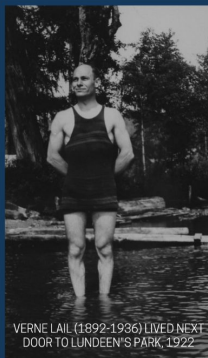
- HOW DOES THIS SWIMWEAR COMPARE TO WHAT YOU WEAR TODAY?
- DO YOU THINK THIS WOULD BE COMFORTABLE TO WEAR?
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"Water-Wings are all made one size, guaranteed to support a person 50 to 250 lbs. on the correct level to float. A large body requires less air than a smaller one; therefore, the wings are made purposely porous so that it should leak a little to adjust itself properly. Enough air always remains in the wings."



EMMA TAUBENECK BARGE (1898-1981) POSING ON THE SHORE AT DAVIES RESORT, 1920-21. SHE IS WEARING WOOL SWIMWEAR AND A TURBAN POPULAR AT THE TIME.

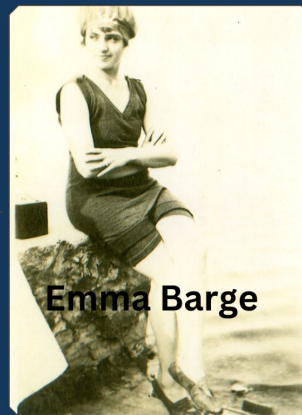


VERNE LAIL (1892-1936) LIVED NEXT DOOR TO LUNDEEN'S PARK, 1922

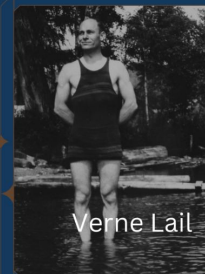


MEMBERS OF THE LAIL FAMILY ENJOYING THE BEACH IN FRONT OF GOTTAGES AT LUNDEEN'S PARK, 1922.

LEFT: BERNICE (1893-1968), WINIFRED (1916-2008), MAURICE (1919-1990), AND MARIAN (1917-1998) AND MOTHER ETHEL (1899-1939)



Emma Barge



Verne Lail



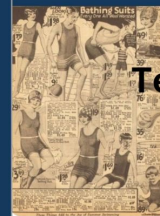
Lail family



Two rental suits will be framed and placed next to informational text panel.

Two rental swimsuits from the 1920s, complete with sewn in "Davies Beach" name tags.

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"ONE DAY I WAS WITH SON BUDDIE AT LUNDEEN'S PARK, BETWEEN 1917-1921."

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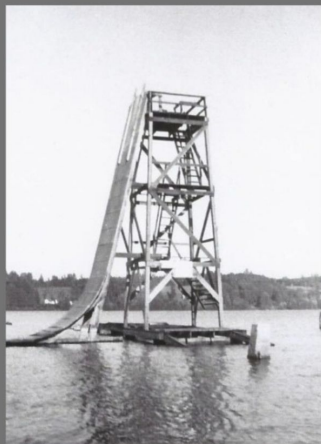
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DAVIES RESORT 1908-1949



1921. Photo courtesy of George Hopkins

Davies Resort Body Slide

1920's. Photo courtesy of Jim Mitchell



Davies Resort, Lake Stevens
Fishing, Camping, Fishing, Swimming,
Boating, Picnicking, Airplane riding

COMPETITION AMONG THE RESORTS

SEVERAL OF THE RESORTS ON LAKE STEVENS ADVERTISED IN THE SEATTLE AND TACOMA PAPERS.

VACATION LAND
(This Week's Special)
A Daily Service Feature of The Times Tourist Bureau
For Further Information Call Times Tourist Bureau—MAIn 8300

BATHING BEACHES ELEVATED BEACHES—Public National Golf Links PLANTER PARK BEACH WILLIAM'S PARK BEACH LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000 LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000 LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000	OCEAN BEACHES LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000 LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000 LAKE WILDERNESS BEACH LAKE LUCERNE—Pleasant 2000	SAILINGS THE ALASKA LINE SOUTHWESTERN ALASKA ALASKA STEAMSHIP COMPANY ALASKA STEAMSHIP COMPANY ALASKA STEAMSHIP COMPANY
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There were several resorts to choose from in the Puget Sound area, each trying to get their share of the tourist traffic.

National Tourist
Official
AUTOMOBILE ROAD MAP
FISHING TACKLE
Kodak, Film, Magazines
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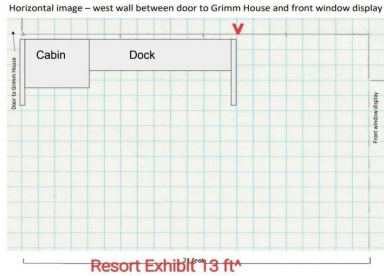
A Vacation You Will Long Remember
Here is a vacation that will stick in your memory for years to come. From Seattle, your first stop would be Silver Lake, then Lake Stevens, and finally Granite Falls. What will make you remember it? Just a relaxing good time. Every sport is at your command. Swimming... canoeing... fishing... golf... tennis... riding... all of them! There are always good crowds at all these places... congenial people like yourself... getting a good time. In the evenings there are the dances... moonlight canoe trips... soft music... singing. What do you take this trip for your vacation?

Moonlit Nights on Lake Stevens and Silver Lake
Dip your paddle slowly into the golden reflection of the moon... cooling breezes and the lullaby of the trees will do the rest. Gather with your group around a bonfire, toasting marshmallows, singing songs... it's great sport!

Granite Falls Trails
The fishermen will want to get up with the sun and take one of the many trails to the home of the trout stream. Sporty divers, they are... to see the wife of the best of fishers. It is worth the time and money of getting there in the morning. The trout stream runs over the hills... it's a sight.

EVERETT
And the Cities of Snohomish County

These ads often described what activities were available at each resort. What activities sound good to you?

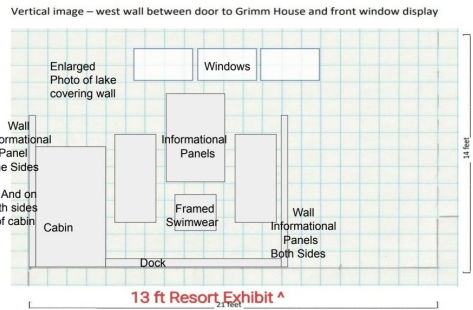


We have approximately 13 feet devoted to this exhibit. The ceilings are 14 feet tall.

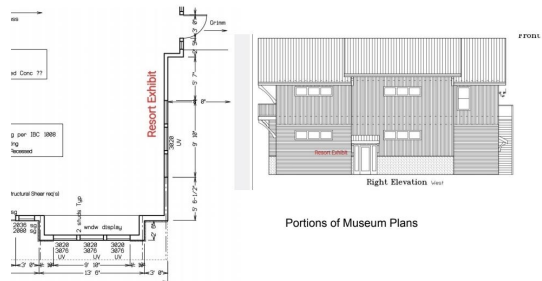
We are building a new museum and it is hard to get feedback from everyone in such a short time span. The walls might be a bit longer or replica cabin shorter.

We may use removable walls behind the exhibit, as well.

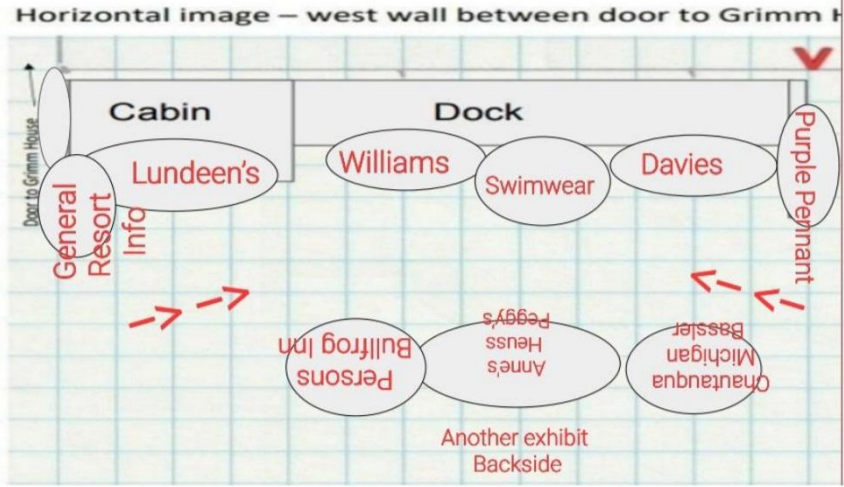
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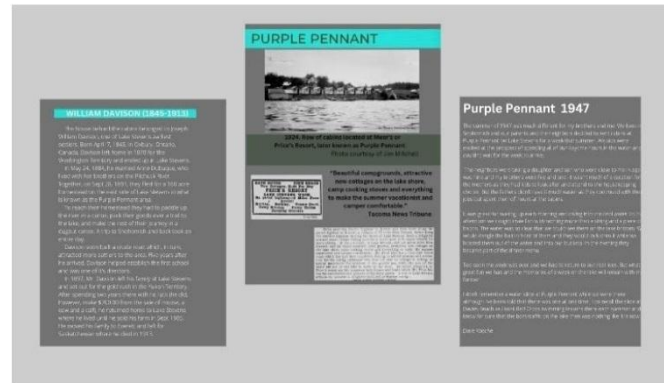
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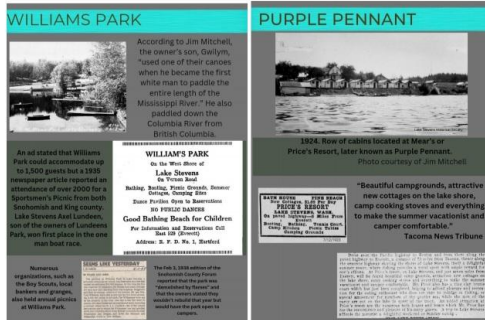
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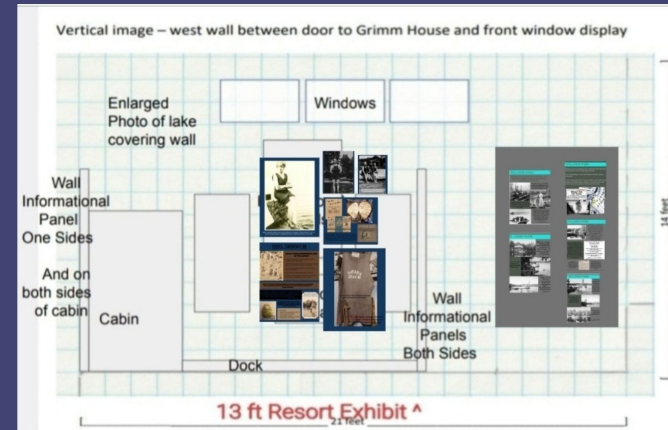
Side Wall

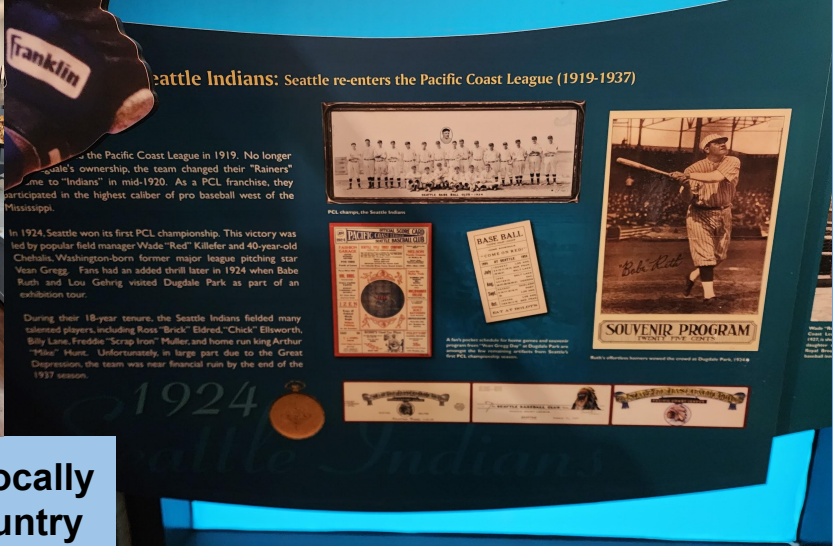


OPPOSITE WALL



Two of many text panels





Visiting Museums Locally And Around The Country To Get INSPIRATION.



12/4/42

Well, boys, here's the start of something we don't know whether we'll be able to finish but it is the first edition of the 'HOME FRONT' NEWS, or WHAT HAVE YOU, and it will be the aim and endeavor of the profound editor of this sheet to give you some Lake Stevens news, much of which you will no doubt have received through letters from your folks or the newspapers. However, we hope once in a while to slip in something that you have not heard before, and this is our justification for starting this endeavor. Pushed for time, we should know better, but we have been away from home, too, and know what a little home news may mean, so here's to it.

First, we want to go back a little and pass out a little old news. There's the matter of that marriage of Mick Hendrix and Helen Berglund. We attended that affair. My wife made me put on a white shirt over my best opposition, said that gentlemen never appeared at weddings with anything else but. We argued a while and finally compromised on the white shirt. As the newspapers always say, it was a beautiful wedding. And it really was. Frank Perdue and Jack Hawkins were the authors and Frank did his best for us. After the soft music, the boys went up to light the candles. It was a true honeymoon. Jack was tall and reached the row of candles, but Frank could only reach the first two, and while we wondered what he would do, he suddenly reached for the one low enough, already lit, and pulled it out of the socket and lit the rest. He afterwards acknowledged that he hoped the candle would pull easily into the socket. After while the music died down and then he struck up with the Wedding March. Mick appeared with Jim as his best man, shaky in the knees (he staggered outwardly). The bridesmaid, the bride's sister, then came down the aisle followed by the bride, who looked mighty nice. We think that Mick got an exceptionally fine girl, and hope that you fellows might do as well when the inevitable time comes. The afterwards had a reception in the basement of the church. Mick and his bride were so at ease, one would have thought that they had performed a dozen times before. Well, there you have the wedding, all except the description of what the bride wore, and that is not in the province of our social editor.

On the way over to the Igloo the other day, we overheard a conversation between Mr. Barnett and two of the elderly gentlemen who make their home at Hillman's. One of the elderly gentlemen was saying he didn't know whether he wanted to go to Heaven or Hell. He said he understood that they had lots of help in Hell, short hours and easy work, for there were so many of them, while in Heaven there were as few that the work was tough and they had to work overtime. So we saying this with such a straight face that we suspect him of a subtle sense of humor. By the way, Mr. Barnett is 87 years old and is really very fine. Mrs. Barnett was in the other day and we asked how she was and she smiled and said, "Oh, all-right, but as well as an old lady like myself has a right to expect." A fine couple and two brave spirits.

The Snohomish County Forum came out with only one sheet last week and we were afraid from the way they talked that the paper was about to expire. This week, however, the paper was back to normal and it is assumed that a lady from Seattle will take over. We are glad it is to continue.

We have had fine fall weather. See by the Seattle paper that we had had 27 or so at look of rain in September. One night this month we had a downpour, so we had more in October but it is not to be complained about, for we have had a fine month. The leaves are at their best, colored by the light frosts we have had.

Wally Myers was home a couple of weeks ago on Curlew. Wally

12/4/42

Well, boys, here's the start of something we don't know whether we'll be able to finish but it is the first edition of the 'HOME FRONT' NEWS, or WHAT HAVE YOU, and it will be the aim and endeavor of the profound editor of this sheet to give you some Lake Stevens news, much of which you will no doubt have received through letters from your folks or the newspapers. However, we hope once in a while to slip in something that you have not heard before, and this is our justification for starting this endeavor. Pushed for time, we should know better, but we have been away from home, too, and know what a little home news may mean, so here's to it.

Home Front News

Nov 1942
to
Aug 1945

Charlie Cockburn
The Editor

The war is tightening down on things at home. You go into the drug store and see the case which held the candy bars bare of a single bar. You buy an ice cream cone and there is one flavor, vanilla, or, if you prefer, sherbet. Bulk ice cream is no longer sold. In Everett, in stores like Holenthal's you notice that all fancy metal goods, like toasters, flat irons, electric stoves and the numerous gadgets are no longer there, and probably will not be for some time after the war is over. You will see Willard Export banking sugar ration coupons and coffee coupons at the bank for which he will issue checks to the wholesale houses for so many pounds of sugar, coffee, etc. The bank now not only handles money but does business in "pounds" of coffee and sugar. You will see lineups at the school registering for fuel oil rationing. Pretty soon it will be canned goods, then meat and what have you. But there is little or no complaining. You follow out there are the ones who are doing the real sacrificing, and that fact is often mentioned when the subject of rationing is brought up. A few of the young sports drive around at a high speed, but not many any more.

The Scouts held a Court of Honor this month in the community hall, the occasion being an extra special one. Three of the boys are up for Eagle Scout, which is a real accomplishment. They are the Sahlben Twins and Harry Davidson. He understands that all three will go into the service shortly. The Sahlben boys are going into the Marines.

We'll be seeing you later. And write us if you are receiving the News and tell us what you are doing.

Cheerio,

The Editor

Well, fellows, for almost three years we have sent you the News. We have tried to send a bit of home to you in each number. The time has now come when you will no longer be satisfied with the news and descriptions of home scenes, but will be straining and looking forward to coming back to the best country in the world, and the best people in the world, those who care for you and love you. This will be the final issue of the News. Many of you will be changing your addresses and we have found recently that many of the News are not forwarded, but returned. Many of you will be in Lake Stevens before new issues can reach you. It is with mixed feelings that we close. Through your letters and through your calls when home, we feel that we have come to know you and that you have come to know us and that we can only thank you for the many kind things you have written about the News and have told us about it. If we have been able to help in the least degree to provide you with a moment when you could forget the war and in spirit be home with us, we feel it is rich compensation for the effort we have put into getting the paper out.

And we cannot close without expressing thanks to those who have so willingly and eagerly helped with the project. For something like two years Mrs. Maxine Watkins assisted by micrographing, folding and mailing the News. In recent months Mrs. Marguerite Bourgeois has helped with the micrographing. Mr. W. Barnes and Mrs. Gertrude Brooks kept the address file up to date. Mr. Nabel Prude and Mrs. Ed Manning superintended the folding and mailing in recent months, and all thanks, too, to the ladies who assisted them. Sgt. E. R. Hunt has been most helpful through the entire period, for some time arranging the addressing of the envelopes by the high school students, and assisting in every way possible. Gordon Branner, the commercial instructor of the school in recent months has taken over the responsibility of addressing some 300 plus envelopes, the commercial class doing the job.

Gosh help (and given in such a spirit) has been an inspiration to us and has made the job possible. And now the words of that song "The Hills of Home" come to mind. May you hum it while in your mind's eye you see "that broken sky line that I know," Pilchuck, Whitehorse, Three Fingers, Liberty, on a moonlit evening across the Lake beyond that path of moonlight on the water. They are silently awaiting your return and for many of you it won't be long. And say it not be too long for any of you.

We are looking for you home.

Cheerio and good luck.

The Editor

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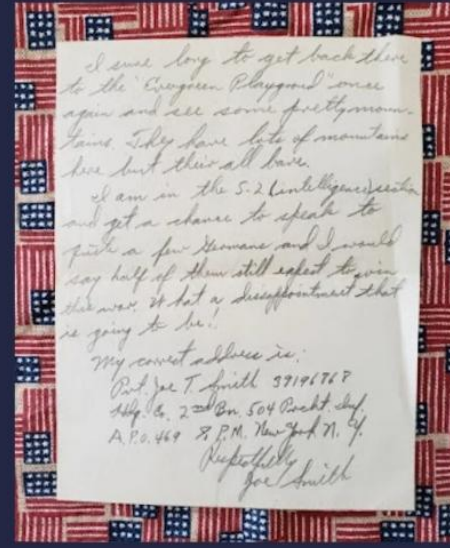
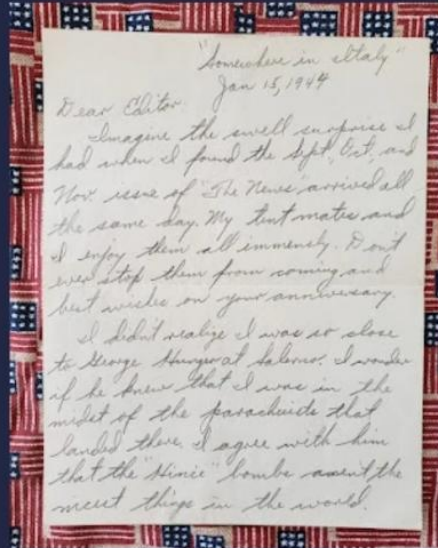
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LOCAL WWII SOLIDERS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



HOMEFRONT NEWS WWII PROJECT

Joe Smith's LETTER TO THE EDITOR





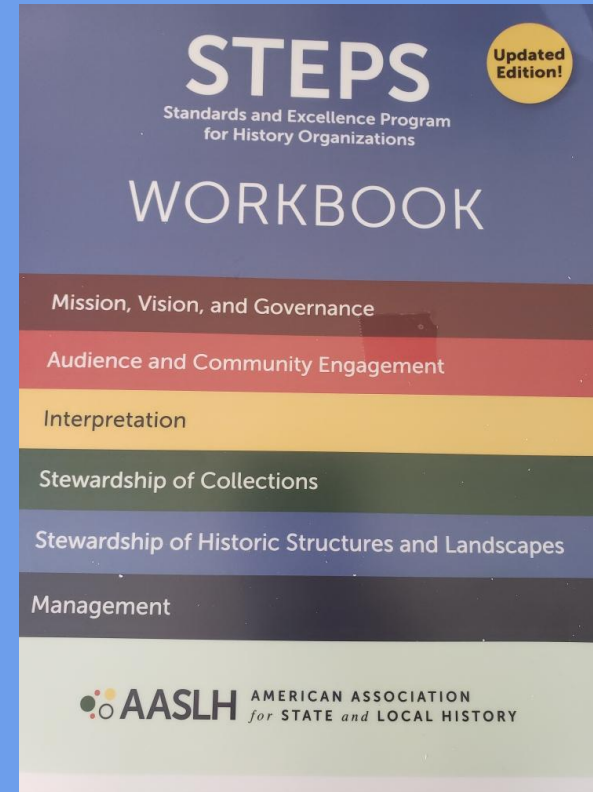
OBITUARY PROJECT:
Collecting obituaries of local residents that provide a glimpse into the history of our town.

**The Standards and Excellence
Program for History Organizations
(STEPS) is AASLH's self-study
standards program**

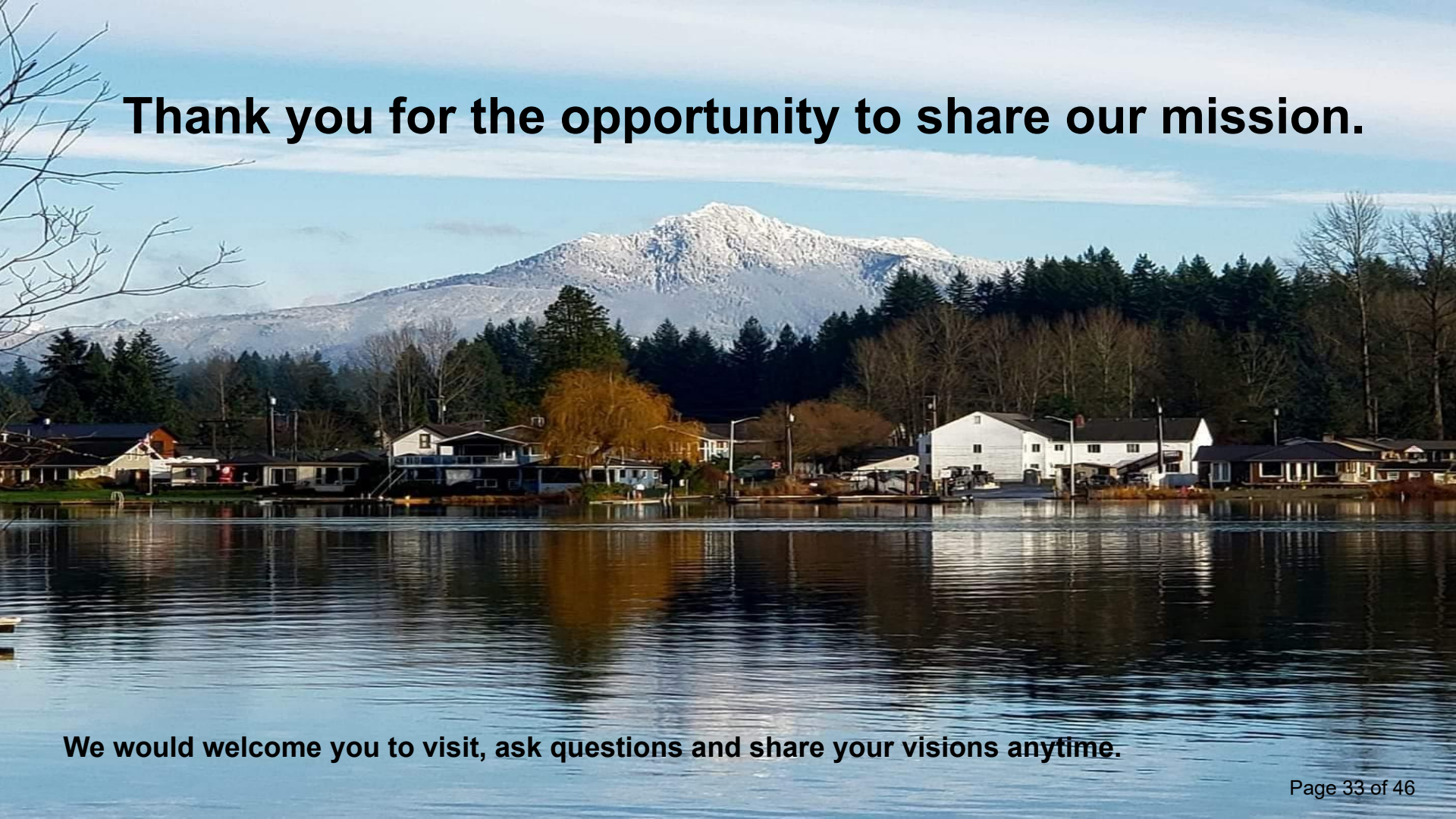
**Designed for small- to mid-sized
history organizations, including
volunteer-run institutions.**

**Each organization reviews their
policies and practices and
benchmark themselves against
national museum standards.**

**The STEPS process helps
organizations evaluate
their work and identify
strengths and areas for
improvement.**



**We have enrolled in the STEPS program
to help us identify our strengths and
weaknesses.**



Thank you for the opportunity to share our mission.

We would welcome you to visit, ask questions and share your visions anytime.

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



Agenda Date: 5/2/2023

Subject: City Hall Office Adjustments

Contact Person/Department: Russ Wright, Barb Stevens, Anya Warrington,
Community Development

Budget Impact: A budget will need to be established for furniture purchase, estimated to be \$8,000 to \$10,000.

Legal Review: No

RECOMMENDATION(S)/ACTION REQUESTED:

No action requested

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

As various departments are adding staff at City Hall and the Public Works Building, according to the approved staffing plans, there are not enough workspaces for current and planned employees.

Currently, there are 36 employees assigned to City Hall and 33 workspaces available in 2023. This number may grow by the end of 2023 and into 2024. Department heads and administration have met to discuss options to increase capacity at City Hall and free up space at Public Works. At City Hall, Planning and Community Development (PCD) have moved the building inspectors into a smaller shared space to allow two cubicles to be converted into three. PCD and Finance will move some staff around to free up room for moving the Risk Manager back to City Hall and future growth. Moving the Risk Manager to City Hall opens up a space at Public Works for the new Senior Civil Engineer. The Finance Department is proposing to modify three workspaces to house five employees. The staff is also recommending that the oversized City Clerk cubicle be converted into two work spaces for future growth. Other adjustments will include identifying opportunities for sharing workspaces if schedules allow this action. As city operations have become less dependent on paper, we will be able to consolidate records storage into a single area.

These initial steps will help consolidate operations for three departments and provide some space for future growth. The proposed adjustments would add four new workspaces and create capacity for two new workstations (one in City Hall and one in the annex). Additionally, the City Hall Annex building, which currently holds 10 employees, will increase immediately to 12 and will create space for a total of 14 in the near future.

There are 44 standard parking spaces at City Hall. Fifteen stalls are dedicated for employee or fleet use. There are also three ADA compatible spots and two electric vehicle spots.

Based on furniture costs from 2017, staff estimates it would cost between \$8,000 and \$10,000 to furnish the new and adjusted workspaces. All existing furniture will be repurposed. Staff will request a budget amendment in the future for furniture.

APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES:

ATTACHMENTS:

None

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



Agenda Date: 5/2/2023

Subject: Sign Code Review

Contact Person/Department: Russ Wright, Community Development

Budget Impact: Staff and attorney review time

Legal Review: No

RECOMMENDATION(S)/ACTION REQUESTED:

No action requested

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

The City Council has requested time to discuss the city's sign code related to temporary non-commercial signs.

On August 7, 2019, the Lake Stevens City Council passed interim regulations for non-commercial signs ([Ordinance 1064](#)) to ensure that the city's sign code was consistent with Reed v. Town of Gilbert. City staff notified the affected political campaigns of the interim changes. This lawsuit found that sign regulations of the Town of Gilbert, Arizona were not constitutional because they applied content-based standards in violation of the First Amendment. The Council requested staff bring back final regulations for non-commercial temporary signs as part of its 2020 work plan. Specifically, the City Council was interested in analyzing sign sizes in rights-of-way and on private properties, duration and spacing. The Council indicated it was not interested in implementing a permit system for these types of signs.

In coordination with the city attorney's office, the staff evaluated nine different city codes. A review of these codes showed the interim Lake Stevens regulations, as drafted by the City Attorney, are comparable with other cities. Number and separation requirements varied, as did duration and permitting requirements. This information was presented to the City Council on February 4, 2020. The City Council held several workshops on permanent regulations for temporary signs and reviewed models from

multiple jurisdictions, and held a public hearing on May 26, 2020. Throughout the process, specific changes were requested. The final regulations adopted in [Ordinance 1089](#) addressed the Council's stated desire for preferred sign sizes, locations and specific rules applicable to public and private areas. The rules in effect are compliant with Reed vs Gilbert and constitutional.

Between August 2022 and April 2023, the city code enforcement officer removed 237 non-compliant signs from the public right-of-way. Every election year, we have reached out to affected campaigns to make sure they are familiar with the city's rules.

APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES:

14.16C.075 Land Use Code Amendments

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Att.1_Ord. 1089 Temporary Sign Regulations

**CITY OF LAKE STEVENS
Lake Stevens, Washington**

ORDINANCE NO. 1089

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE STEVENS, WASHINGTON, CONCERNING NON-COMMERCIAL TEMPORARY SIGNAGE; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT, DEFINITIONS, AND SIGN CODE REGULATIONS REPLACING INTERIM REGULATIONS FOR TEMPORARY NONCOMMERCIAL SIGNS ADOPTED IN ORDINANCE 1070; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1070.

WHEREAS, the Lake Stevens City Council has determined that the adoption of sign code regulations providing consistency with the *Reed v. Town of Gilbert* United States Supreme Court decision as interpreted by decisions from the lower federal courts is necessary for continued enforcement of local regulations addressing the placement of non-commercial temporary signs; and

WHEREAS, as noted by Justice Alito in *Reed v. town of Gilbert*: “In addition to regulating signs put up by private actors, government entities may also erect their own signs consistent with the principles that allow governmental speech. See *Pleasant Grove City v. Summum*, 555 U.S. 460, 467-469 (2009). They may put up all manner of signs to promote safety, as well as directional signs and signs pointing out historic sites and scenic spots”; and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020, the City’s SEPA Responsible Official complied with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) by issuing a SEPA Determination of Non-Significance, complying with SEPA’s procedural requirements; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2020 the proposed amendments contained herein were transmitted to the State Department of Commerce as required by law and the Department of Commerce granted expedited review of the proposed code amendments; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Stevens City Council held a public hearing on the sign code amendments proposed herein on May 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted temporary regulations for noncommercial signs in Ordinance No. 1070 under the provisions of RCW 36.70A.390 and RCW 35A.63.220 and after study and public hearing on proposed temporary noncommercial sign code regulations the City Council has determined the temporary noncommercial sign regulations set forth in this ordinance should be approved and replace the interim temporary noncommercial sign regulations in Ordinance No. 1070; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Stevens finds that the proposed amendments set forth below will provided the necessary consistency with federal case law interpreting the U.S. Supreme Court’s *Reed v. Gilbert* decision, and further the public health, safety and welfare by providing sign code language that promotes traffic and pedestrian safety, by providing needed direction to the users of the public right of ways.

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE STEVENS, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council hereby adopts the recitals expressed above as findings in support of this ordinance.

Section 2. Definition Adopted. The following terms are to be included in Lake Stevens Municipal Code (“LSMC”) section 14.08.010 is hereby adopted to read as follows:

Sign, Commercial. *Commercial sign* means a sign erected for a business transaction or advertising the exchange of goods and services.

Sign, Construction. *Construction sign* means any sign used to identify the architects, engineers, contractors or other individuals or firms involved with the construction of a building, or to announce the character or type of building.

Sign, Electrical. *Electrical sign* means a sign or sign structure in which electrical wiring, connections or fixtures are used.

Sign, Electronic Changing Message. *Electronic changing message sign* means an electrically activated sign whose message content, either in whole or in part, may be changed by means of electronic programming. These signs shall include those displaying time, temperature, and messages of a public or commercial nature.

Sign, Feather or Sail. *Feather or sail sign* means a vertical portable sign that contains a harpoon-style pole or staff driven into the ground for support or supported by means of an individual stand.

Sign, Flashing. *Flashing sign* means a sign or a portion thereof which changes light intensity or switches on and off in a constant pattern or contains motion or the optical illusion of motion by use of electrical energy.

Sign, Incidental. *Incidental sign* means a small sign, emblem or decal informing the public of goods, facilities or services available on the premises, e.g., a credit card sign or a sign indicating hours of business, which does not exceed two square feet in size.

Sign, Noncommercial. *Noncommercial sign* means any sign that is not a commercial sign. This definition also includes signs regarding fund raising or membership drive activities for noncommercial or nonprofit entities or groups.

Sign, Temporary. *Temporary sign* means any sign that is intended and designed to be displayed for a limited period of time, including, without limitation, a sign that is not permanently mounted, painted or otherwise affixed, excluding portable signs as defined by this chapter, including any poster, banner, placard, stake sign or sign not placed in the ground with concrete or other means to provide permanent support, stability and rot prevention. Temporary signs may only be made of nondurable materials including, but not limited to, paper, corrugated board, flexible, bendable or foldable plastics, foamcore board, vinyl canvas or vinyl mesh products of less than twenty-ounce fabric, vinyl canvas and vinyl mesh products without polymeric plasticizers and signs painted or drawn with water soluble paints or chalks. Signs made of any other materials shall be considered permanent and are subject to the permanent sign regulations of Chapter 14.68 LSMC.

Section 3. Temporary Sign Regulations. A new Lake Stevens Municipal Code section 14.68.015 is hereby adopted, to read as follows:

a) General Regulations. Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in this chapter, the temporary sign regulations contained in this section shall be controlling in the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency with any other sign code provision contained in the remainder of Chapter 14.68 LSMC:

1. All signs shall be kept in good repair and shall be maintained in a safe, neat, clean and attractive condition.

2. No temporary sign shall mimic, or be attached to, official roadway signage (stop signs, yield, etc.).
 3. All temporary sign shall be placed in a manner that is safe. Temporary signs shall not block access to structures or parked cars, block vehicular sight distance views at corners or intersections, or block pedestrian walking paths.
 4. No temporary sign shall obstruct or impair access to a public sidewalk, public or private street or driveway, traffic control sign, bus stop, fire hydrant, bench, or any type of street furniture, or otherwise create a hazard, including a tripping hazard.
 5. All signs placed or erected that do not meet these regulations will be removed without notice.
- b) Types of Temporary Signs Allowed. The temporary non-commercial signs types listed below are subject to the specific regulations identified in this section in addition to the further regulations contained in (d) and (e) below.
1. Stake or Picket Signs. A sign supported by a stake or wire frame is considered temporary in nature and may not have any foundational element such as concrete or rely upon any structural support from adjacent fixtures.
 2. A-Frame Signs. A-frame signs must be constructed in a manner to ensure the sign remains in an upright placement and will not spread and expand its footprint beyond the width as originally placed or into designated any walking paths or sidewalks.
 3. Banners.
 - i. No banner shall be placed on any public structure including walls, fences or buildings or over or across any passable roadway, driveway, or alley, unless approved within the confines of an event permit per LSMC 14.16C.065. The permit must specify where the banners will be placed. All banners are to be removed at the end of the event.
 - ii. The maximum size for temporary banners shall be 32 square feet, unless an increase is approved within the confines of an event permit per LSMC 14.16C.065.
 - iii. Temporary Banners on Buildings. Not more than one temporary banner per tenant space may be permitted.
 - iv. If placed above a pedestrian passable area such as a sidewalk, entrance, or access point, the lowest part of the banner must be higher than 8 feet.
 - v. Banners must be constructed in a manner to withstand wind so that the banner substantially maintains its installed position.
 4. Feather and Sail signs.
 - i. The maximum size for feather or sail signs shall be 30 square feet per side (60 square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and shall not exceed 12 feet in height measured from the ground to the top of the sign
 - ii. Feather or sail signs will be allowed in public rights-of-way, within the confines of an event permit per LSMC 14.16C.065. The permit must specify where the sign will be placed. All signs are to be removed at the end of the event.
 - iii. If placed adjacent to a pedestrian passable area such as a sidewalk, the feather or sail sign shall not extend into or above the pedestrian passable area.
- c) Prohibited Temporary Signs. Prohibited signs are those signs not listed in (b) above and include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Inflatable – includes balloons or other gas-filled figures.
 2. Animated – includes any sign with action or motion (including those that flash, oscillate or revolve) or one that involves color changes.
- d) Temporary Signs in Public Right-of-Way.
1. Location. Temporary signs are prohibited from being placed within roundabouts; medians; shoulders; travel lanes; and areas of the public right-of-way that are not accessible by a sidewalk or pedestrian walking path. Temporary signs are prohibited on any public structure including utility poles, walls, fences or buildings. Temporary non-commercial signs in rights-of-way shall not be located adjacent to city facilities or parks.
 2. If temporary signs are placed in the right-of-way, the sign owner is responsible to ensure such placement into the ground does not damage any infrastructure that is located under the surface, including but not limited to irrigation and utility infrastructure.
 3. Temporary signs in residential zones are limited in size to four square feet per side (eight square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and shall not exceed four feet in height measured from the ground to the top of the sign when displayed.
 4. Temporary signs in nonresidential zones including mixed use zones are limited in size to 16 square feet per side (16 square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and shall not exceed six feet in height measured from the ground to the top of the sign when displayed.
 5. Number. Signs shall not be placed within 10 feet of another temporary sign in the right-of-way and shall not otherwise be placed in a manner to create a continuous visual barrier for approaching vehicles traveling at the designated speed limit.
- e) Temporary Signs on Private Property.
1. All temporary non-commercial signs placed on private property shall be placed with the property owner's consent or person in control of the property, such as a tenant.
 2. Temporary non-commercial signs in residential zones are limited in size to 16 square feet per side (32 square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and shall not exceed six feet in height measured from the ground to the top of the sign when displayed.
 3. Temporary non-commercial signs in nonresidential zones included mixed use zones are limited in size to 32 square feet per side (64 square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and shall not exceed six feet in height measured from the ground to the top of the sign when displayed.

Section 4. 14.68.020 Signs Excluded from Regulation. Lake Stevens Municipal Code section 14.68.020 is hereby amended, to read as follows (deletions shown by strikeout; additions by underline):

The following signs are exempt from regulation under this title:

- (a) Signs not exceeding four square feet in area that are customarily associated with residential use. Examples include names of residents, addresses, no parking, no trespassing, home occupations, beware of dog and security signs.
- (b) Non-commercial signs ~~Signs~~ erected/placed by or on behalf of or pursuant to the authorization of a city, county, school district, state or federal governmental agency ~~body~~, for public purposes including legal notices, identification and informational signs, and traffic, directional, or regulatory signs.
- (c) Official signs of a noncommercial nature erected by public utilities.

- (d) Flags, pennants, or insignia of any governmental or nonprofit organization when not displayed in connection with a commercial promotion or as an advertising device.
- (e) Integral decorative or architectural features of buildings or works of art, so long as such features or works do not contain business identification, trademarks, moving parts, or lights, or are not displayed in connection with a commercial promotion or as an advertising device.
- (f) Informational Signs directing and guiding pedestrian and/or automobile traffic on private property that do not exceed four square feet each and that bear no advertising matter.
- (g) School and church: bulletin boards, identification signs, and directional signs that do not exceed one per abutting street and 16 square feet in area per side (32 square feet total) per LSMC 14.68.050(c) and that are not internally illuminated.
- (h) Signs painted on or otherwise permanently attached to currently licensed motor vehicles that are not primarily used as signs.
- ~~(i) Signs proclaiming religious, political, or other noncommercial messages that do not exceed one sign per abutting street and 16 square feet in area and that are not internally illuminated.~~
- (j) Names of buildings, commemorative plaques or tablets, and similar noncommercial signs when carved into stone, concrete, or similar material, or made of bronze, aluminum, or other permanent-type construction, made an integral part of the structure, and projecting no more than two inches from the wall (when installed on a building), or at grade (when installed on the ground).
- (k) Public information stations such as kiosks, bulletin boards, or similar devices used to convey community information.

Section 5. Certain Temporary Signs: Permit Exemptions. Lake Stevens Municipal Code section 14.68.030 is hereby amended, to read as follows (deletions shown by strikeout; additions by underline):

- (a) The following temporary signs are ~~permitted~~ allowed without a permit but are subject to the limitations contained within this chapter:
 - (1) Signs advertising that the property on which the sign is located is for sale, lease, or rent. ~~These~~ may not exceed four square feet in area per side with a maximum of two sides. Such signs, and shall be removed immediately after sale, lease, or rental per street frontage. ~~For lots of less than five acres, a single sign on each street frontage may be erected. For lots with five acres or more and street frontage in excess of 400 feet, a second sign may be erected.~~
 - (2) Off-premises signs for temporary activities customarily associated with residential uses which identify the activity, and location ~~and the person responsible for the sign~~. Temporary activities related to residential uses include those activities that are noncontinuous and occur only occasionally. They include garage sales; sale, lease or rental of single-family residential structures or property; family gatherings; craft shows; etc. They do not include advertising home occupations.
 - i. Such signs may not exceed four in number, except there shall be no maximum number of signs for garage sales, nor ~~six~~ four square feet in area per side with a maximum of two sides.
 - ii. They shall only be allowed during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday through Thursday, or 9:00 a.m. Friday until 8:00 p.m. Sunday, and only when the

person conducting the activity is on-site, except that garage sale signs may be erected for a continuous period not to exceed 72 hours.

- iii. ~~Garage sale signs shall include on their back the name and address of the owner. The signs may be placed on private or public property with the permission of the owner of the property on which the sign is placed. Under no circumstances shall they be placed in the public right of way so as to encroach into a driveway, sidewalk, identifiable unimproved pedestrian walkway, or vehicular travel lanes; or obscure fire hydrants, traffic control devices, or block the vision or pathway of vehicles or pedestrians. No signs shall be posted, tacked, nailed, or in any manner affixed upon any telephone or utility pole, traffic control device, or other such public structure, or on any tree or shrub.~~

- (3) Construction site identification signs. Such signs may identify the project, the owner or developer, architect, engineer, contractor and subcontractors, funding sources, and may contain related information including but not limited to sale or leasing information. Not more than one such sign may be erected per site, and it may not exceed 32 square feet in area. Such signs shall not be erected prior to the issuance of a building land use permit and shall be removed within 30 days after completion of the project.
- (4) Signs attached temporarily to the interior of a nonresidential building window or glass door. Such signs, individually or collectively, may not cover more than 25 percent of the surface area of the transparent portion of the window or door to which they are attached. ~~Such signs shall be removed within 30 days after placement.~~
- (5) Temporary Displays, including lighting, flags, or pennants, erected in connection with the observance of holidays or seasons when not displayed in connection with a commercial promotion or as an advertising device. These shall be removed within 10 days following the holidays or seasons.
- (6) ~~Signs erected in connection with elections or political campaigns. Such signs shall be removed within three days following the election or conclusion of the campaign. No such sign may exceed 16 square feet in surface area.~~
- (7) Signs indicating that a grand opening or a permitted event on a nonresidential site is to take place on the lot where the sign is located. No more than one such sign per frontage shall be allowed. Signs may be erected not sooner than two weeks before the grand opening or permitted event and must be removed not later than three days after the grand opening or permitted event.
- (8) ~~In all residential zones, temporary signs not covered in the foregoing categories, so long as such signs meet the following restrictions:~~
- ~~(i) Not more than one such sign may be located on any lot.~~
- ~~(ii) No such sign may exceed four square feet in surface area.~~
- ~~(iii) Such sign may not be displayed for longer than three consecutive days nor more than 12 days out of any 365 day period.~~
- (9) ~~In the commercial zone districts, temporary signs not covered in the foregoing categories, so long as such signs meet the following restrictions:~~
- ~~(i) Any number of such signs are permissible; provided, that they do not exceed 50 square feet in total area.~~

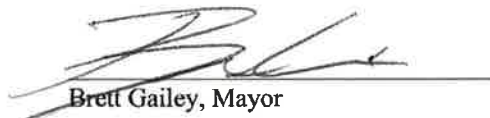
Section 6. Sub-Regional Commercial Zoning Districts. Lake Stevens Municipal Code section 14.68.160 is hereby repealed in its entirety as this zoning district no longer exists.

Section 7. Copy to Commerce Department. Pursuant to RCW 36.70A.106(3), the City Clerk will send a copy of the permanent ordinance to the State Department of Commerce for its files within ten (10) days after adoption.

Section 8. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance should be held to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

Section 9. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five days after passage and publication of an approved summary consisting of the title. On the effective date of this ordinance, Ordinance No. 1070 shall be repealed in its entirety.

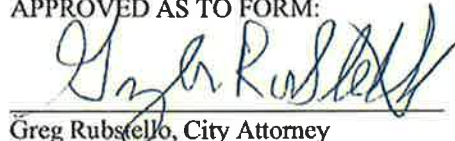
PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor of the City of Lake Stevens, this 26th day of May 2020.


Brett Gailey, Mayor

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:


Kathy Pugh, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Greg Rubstello, City Attorney

PASSED: 5/26/2020
PUBLISHED: 5/30/2020
EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/4/2020

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT



Agenda Date: 5/2/2023

Subject: Lake Stevens Industrial Center Grants

Contact Person/Department: Russ Wright, Community Development

Budget Impact: \$258,000 in grant revenue

Legal Review: No

RECOMMENDATION(S)/ACTION REQUESTED:

No action requested

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Staff applied for a WA State Industrial Site Readiness Grant in October 2022 to design infrastructure improvements in the industrial area. Our request ranked 8th overall; only the top six projects statewide were funded. After the end of this year's legislative session, additional funding was allocated. The Department of Commerce would like to fund the city's project at half of the original amount requested. We have started the contracting process with the Department of Commerce. All funds must be spent by June 30, 2023. We are working to procure engineering services to design a sewer line along 131st and over to Machias Road, along with designing associated stormwater and road improvements along this corridor. Funding will be \$208,000.

In early 2023, staff applied for additional funding through the Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) for planning funds to develop a conceptual design for a sewer lift station in the eastern portion of the industrial area near Machias Road. Our project has made it through the initial screening phase and has been recommended for a final review in front of the CERB in mid-May. The associated funding would be \$50,000 with a \$12,500 city match. The city has previously allocated funding as a placeholder from our Pandemic Recovery Funding for projects in the industrial center.

APPLICABLE CITY POLICIES:

ATTACHMENTS:

None