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Community Calendar

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February 5th at 5:00 PM Economic Development, Tourism, & Events **Commission Meeting**

February 6th at 5:30 PM City Council Workshop

February 8th at 12:00 PM **Civil Service Meeting**

February 8th at 3:30 PM Utility & Transportation Advisory Commission

February 13th at 7:00 PM **City Council Meeting**

February 15th at 4:00 PM Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

February 19th — Holiday City Facilities Closed

February 20th at 7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting

February 21st at 4:00 PM Youth Advisory Commission

February 27th at 7:30 PM City Council Workshop

All meetings/workshops are hybrid, both in-person at College Place City Hall and via Zoom videoconferencing. You can watch live on the City YouTube page at www.youtube.comchannelUCbx3qrqzLDL <u>05NusReSI-g</u>. Meeting information is available at go.boarddocs.com/wa/cocp/ Board.nsf/Public. If you would like to submit a written public comment, email the City Clerk at <u>sstclair@cpwa.us</u> or mail to College Place City Hall at 625 S. College Ave, College Place, WA. 99324 by the deadline outlined in the meeting/ workshop agenda "Public Comment" section.

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COLLEGE PLACE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CP ESCUELA NOCTURNA 509-522-3312 NOV. 27-FEB. 22 **5-7PM LUNES-JUEVES** ¡¡GRATIS!!

509-629-2601

ACERCA DEL PROGRAMA

La escuela Nocturna para Adultos es una oportunidad para que nuestras familias hispanas vengan a la escuela y tomen cursos de su interés en español. Tendremos cuidado de niños disponible y las familias podrán presentarse sin registrarse con anticipación. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con nosotros al 509-522-3312

Clases que ofrecemos

- Preparación de GED
- Educación Financiera
- Blue Zones Clase de Cocina
- Goodwill Centro de Conesxion de Empleo





Well we are midway through Winter. I would be remiss not to thank the Public Works crew for their hard work during the January 2024 snow storm. During this time some of are utility providers are doing significant projects. Pacific Power is changing out power poles along Tamaurson, Larch, Lambert, and Rose. If you have concerns as they do their work, please call them directly at 509-522-7007. Additionally, Ziply Fiber is in the process of constructing their network throughout the community. We are holding them responsible for restoring the right-of-way when its disturbed. If you notice anything amiss, please feel free to contact our Public Works Inspector Mike Holden at (509)-394-8657 / <u>mholden@cpwa.us</u> or contact Ziply staff at 208-400-0602.

The City has finally received the green light from our State and Federal regulatory partners to issue the construction contract for our Lions Park renovation. Nelson Construction will do the work. I am expecting this project to take the majority of the year to implement. Updates on the construction will be posted here: https://www.cpwa.us/residents/lions_park_renovation.php The City is in the process of putting together a RFP for electrical work so Kiwanis Park has a functional electric system. We are aiming for this work to be complete by May so community events such as Movies in the Park and the weekly Farmers Market can be hosted at that facility.

This Spring we will also be issuing construction bids for a litany of public works projects including the reconstruction of NE Damson (Rose to Cargill) that is primarily paid for by a State Transportation Improvement Board grant, the first phase of changing out the mechanical equipment at the Wastewater Treatment Plant that is paid for by state Ecology financing and a community project grant from Representative McMorris Rodgers, and the replacement of Wastewater Lift Station #5 including the reconstruction of SW 1st from Evans to midblock that is also paid for primarily by State Ecology financing.

I am also happy to report the Fire Department received delivery of its new Fire Engine. This is important as keeping our equipment to the Washington Survey and Ratings Bureau (WSRB) age specs allows us to achieve a lower fire insurance rating which keeps insurance premiums on structures lower.

Thanks to a Wildhorse Casino Foundation Grant the City was able to acquire security cameras for around the Meadowbrook Business District and on NE C Street adjacent to Home Depot/Goodwill. Having these cameras is critical to enable the Police to quickly investigate crimes in the area. Also, it was announced that President John McVay is retiring from Walla Walla University at the end of the academic year. He served the University for over eighteen years. He was a great partner to the community and we wish him the best in retirement.





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Utility Payment Platform City of College Place is no longer using Xpress BillPay!

If you have not already, you need to register for the new platform to manage your utility account online. Visit the website or scan the QR code to get started today!



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2024 Events Schedule ★ City Block Party★ May 19th: 1 PM to 6 PM 🗙 College Place Farmers Market ★ May 30th through September 26th Thursdays from 4 PM to 7 PM at Kiwanis Rark \star Movies in the Park \star June 22nd, July 13th, August 3rd, and August 24th at Sundown ★ College Place Freedom Festival ★ June 30th: 6 PM to 10 PM ★ Trunk or Treat★ October 31st: 3 PM to 6 PM College Place Municipal Campus ***Winterfest*** December 5th: 6 PM to 8 PM



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BLUE ZONES PROJECT

Help Yourself and Your Community in 2024

Are you as young (or as old) as you feel? Blue Zones Project–Walla Walla Valley, in partnership with digital health company Sharecare and Boston University School of Public Health (BUSPH), invite you to discover your "real age" by taking the <u>Sharecare RealAge[®] Test.</u> Have you taken the test before? Great! Take it again and see where you have improved - it's important!

This community health survey asks questions about your health and habits. At the end, you will get a result that estimates your body's age based on more than 100 well-being factors. The test takes 10 - 15minutes to complete and is free. You will also receive actionable advice to improve or continue your good health!

Taking the <u>RealAge[®] Test</u> also has a positive effect on your community. The data helps us track the health and well-being of the Walla Walla Valley and guides us to focus our efforts where they are most needed. This is the third annual test conducted in the Walla Walla Valley; your participation is vital to helping us understand how our work has affected residents of the Walla Walla Valley over the past three years. Please <u>take the test</u> and help us support good health for everyone in our community!

