

July 2025

MEDINA SUN

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Seafair 2025

Believe it or not, Seafair 2025 is fast approaching! The Seafair Air Show is an annual event that will be held August 1st through the 3rd over Lake Washington.

According to the Seafair website, the airshow will take place mainly between approximately 11am and 4pm Friday through Sunday. Several years ago, the bulk of the airshow was shifted south of I-90 and no longer directly above the Points Communities. Despite the show being shifted south, a significant increase in vehicle and pedestrian traffic throughout the weekend is to be expected, especially in the south end of Medina.

You will see all of the members of the Medina Police Department throughout the communities day and night as we work hard to keep everyone safe throughout the weekend. During the airshow timeframes, our main focus is on traffic safety, flow of pedestrians and parking enforcement. Illegally parked vehicles are not only a nuisance to the surrounding residences but can also pose a safety threat when ingress/egress of emergency vehicles is restricted and pedestrian visibility is limited. Please remember to drive slowly and be aware of the increase in pedestrian traffic, most notably children. Your help is greatly appreciated in keeping our communities a wonderful place to be!



Council's Corner

Medina has a deceptively sleepy vibe in the summertime. Yet, with schools out, and vacation mode on, City Council and City Staff continue paddling beneath the serene surface—just like the ducks in our Medina ponds (or perhaps in your own outdoor pool).

We've had several staff transitions recently and celebrated Dave Stifler's well-deserved retirement after 32 years of friendly and dedicated service in our Public Works Department. His send-off at City Hall was well attended and heartfelt. We are now finalizing our City Manager hiring process and have welcomed two new employees in Public Works and the Police Department. We look forward to formally introducing our talented new team members as we recalibrate operations and expand our efforts to connect and communicate with residents.

In May, we passed our Middle Housing and ADU ordinances ahead of the state-mandated adoption deadline. Thanks to the long hours and expertise of our volunteer Planning Commission, we're now ready to focus on the impacts these changes will have on our city systems and infrastructure. You are an essential partner in this effort as we balance council and commission responsibilities with our priority to improve communication, service delivery, and all the ways you experience Medina each day.

Your unfiltered and honest feedback helps us improve and innovate. We hear your concerns about noise, e-bike safety, light pollution, trespassing, parking, and right-of-way appearance. Please continue to share your ideas, observations, and challenges with us at council@medina-wa.gov, and watch for your invitation to help beautify Medina.

We hope to see you at Medina Days—or perhaps for a moment of goat zen at Fairweather Park!

MEDINA Days

Wednesday, August 6th

Pickleball Tournament @ Hunts Point courts

Afternoon Warmups at 4:30PM, play begins at 5.

Fun non-partnered format for players age 16+ of all abilities

Sign up link: <https://forms.gle/hC59vioQxMEBdUWB7>

NEW DAY!!! Thursday, August 7th

Concert and Picnic in the Park @ Medina Park

5:30 Music, Fun, Food Trucks (Mexican, Shishkaberry's) & more!

6:30-8:30 Live music by Brothers Hammond

6:00-8:00 21+ Beer/Wine garden (bring ID)

hosted by St. Thomas Church

Friday, August 8th

Block Parties on your block!

Contact: Alex Gray 425-999-2190 email: alexegray@gmail.com

Saturday Morning, August 9th

Parade & Carnival @ Medina Park

Community Parade starts at 10:00 AM. Meet in St. Thomas

Church parking lot for a short parade ending at Medina Park

followed by the 2nd Annual Park Board Pet Parade with prizes and kid's carnival.

Saturday Evening, August 9th

Beach Party, Boat Cruise and Fireworks!

5:30 - 9:30 Live music by Po'okela with Finn Food Truck & more!

4 - 8pm Ice Cream Boat Cruises

Tickets at www.seattlewatertours.com/medina-days

Fireworks hosted by City of Medina

Sunday Morning, August 10th

Hot Cakes & Cars @ Overlake Golf & Country Club

Community breakfast and car show

hosted by Overlake Golf & Country Club

Contact: bhawn@overlakegcc.com

Become a Medina Days Patron today!
Visit www.medina-wa.gov to donate and/or volunteer for this year's event and to see the neighbors on last year's list.

Contacts:

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Police Department:
Non-Emergency: 425-233-6420
After office hours: 911
Emergency: 911
Mayor: Jessica Rossman
Deputy Mayor Randy Reeves
City Council Members:Joseph Brazen, Harini Gokul,
.....Mac Johnston, Michael Luis, Heija Nunn
Interim City Manager:.....Jeff Swanson
Police Chief:.....Jeffrey Sass
City Clerk:Aimee Kellerman
Director of Development Services:.....Steven R. Wilcox
Director of Public Works:Ryan Osada
Director of Finance:Ryan Wagner
Website: www.medina-wa.gov

Critical Areas Ordinance
Open House

Tuesday, July 30 | 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Medina City Hall & via Zoom

Please join us in person at City Hall or online via Zoom for a public open house on the City’s Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) update.
Washington State law requires periodic updates to local critical areas regulations. This open house will introduce the state requirements, outline the City’s process, and provide an opportunity for community input. A second open house and forum will be held in September. For more information, please visit www.medina-wa.gov.

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A Friendly Reminder to
Please Pickup After Your Pets

We live in a great time to be a dog owner. More and more, we are seeing businesses and other establishments becoming pet friendly. This is good news for those of us who love our furry friends and enjoy having them with us. However, there is a danger from the dog poop that many of us leave behind. It is estimated that over 40% of American dog owners do not pick up the poop after their dogs. There are over 89 million dogs in the US, so that means that over 35 million dogs are not picked up after. It’s not the dog’s fault, it is the dog owner’s responsibility.
Dog poop is the #3 cause of water pollution. In fact, it is so dangerous that the EPA has classified dog poop in the same category as chemical and oil spills. 90% of fecal bacteria comes from canines. 1 gram of dog feces contains 23 million fecal bacteria. When a dog poops and the owner does not pick up it, can cause many problems to humans, the environment, and other dogs. When many dog owners choose to not pick up, the dog poop seeps into the soil and after a rain can end up in our waterways. When the poop oxidizes, it releases ammonia. The waste contains bacteria such as E-Coli, Salmonella, as well as hookworm, ringworm, etc. Our waste water facilities do not have the capabilities to solve the dog poop problem. Please be a responsible pet owner
Medina Municipal Code 12.24.010
L. All dog feces shall be picked up by the owner or handler and removed from the public park and/or adjacent private property

2026 City Council Budget Calendar

Join us for one of our City Council Public Hearings
on the 2026 Budget:

Monday, September 8, 2025	Preliminary Budget Hearing
Monday, October 13, 2025	Preliminary Budget Hearing
Monday, November 10, 2025	Property Tax Levy Hearing & Final Adoption of the 2026 Budget