

CITYWIDE NEWS

CITY PARTNERS WITH PACIFIC RACEWAYS, THE VENUE FOR NHRA NORTHWEST NATIONALS



Pacific Raceways has received a grant of \$50,000 from **Federal Way's** lodging tax fund to support the **Flav-R-Pac National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Northwest Nationals**, scheduled from **July 21-23** in Kent.

The City takes great pride in partnering with our friends at Pacific Raceways.

"It has been an excellent community partnership to collaborate with Jason Fiorito, president of Pacific Raceways, and his staff," **Mayor Jim Ferrell** said. "The NHRA Northwest Nationals coverage by **Fox Sports** is expected to garner an audience of around one **million viewers**, which is significant for our area."



The \$50,000 tourism grant means Pacific Raceways will market and promote Federal Way as a must-visit destination before the event. If you watch the race coverage on Fox Sports, you'll notice the cameras capturing banners of Federal Way at Pacific Raceways.

Our Economic Development Director, Tanja Carter, is excited about the upcoming NHRA Northwest Nationals, leading to a fruitful weekend for our nearby hotels and local businesses due to nearly 30,000 attendees. Carter expects many of these racing fans to spend time in Federal Way.

Jason Fiorito, the driver of the No. 68 Fury Chassis Camaro body late model stock car, at the Farmers Market. Fiorito's family has owned and operated Pacific Raceways in Kent since 1960.

The City thanks Pacific Raceways for showcasing hotels on its website for attendees to stay in Federal Way during the event. The Pacific Raceways team participated in a meeting with Federal Way hotels to discuss ways to promote "heads in beds" during the race.

[Click here for information](#) about purchasing tickets for the **Flav-R-Pac NHRA Northwest Nationals**.



CAR AND DRIVER PRE-RACE EVENT AT THE PAEC!

With the NHRA Northwest Nationals just around the corner, the **Drag & Drive** multi-City tour will start at the **Performing Arts & Event Center (PAEC)** in Federal Way. The community is welcome to attend this **free event**. The PAEC expects the cars to arrive at its parking lot at **3 p.m. on July 20**. The event features eight street-legal racecars and their drivers on a multi-stop caravan tour celebrating the racers and their machines. Come out for meet & greets and photo ops with the cars and their drivers on July 20 to celebrate in advance of this nationally televised event at **Pacific Raceways!**



Check out the complete Drag & Drive schedule on page 2!

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Join us July 20th for

D R A G & D R I V E 2023

Follow along with this multi-community event as we travel parade style through Kent, Federal Way and Auburn. Take off from The Place To Race, along with some pretty great street legal race cars, or join us along the way. Our final stop will be at Fan Fest presented by Explore Auburn where we'll kick off the 34th Annual Flav-R-Pac NHRA NW Nationals event at Dave & Buster's: music, food, ticket giveaways, cars and some of your fave drivers!



1:00pm

Leave Pacific Raceways
31001 144th Ave SE Kent, WA



1:30pm

Arrive at Kent Station
417 Ramsay Way Kent, WA

2:30pm

Leave Kent



3:00pm

Arrive at Performing Arts & Event Center
31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S

4:00pm

Leave Federal Way



4:40pm

Arrive at The Outlet Collection Auburn
1101 Outlet Collection Way Auburn, WA



5:00pm

NHRA FAN FEST PRESENTED BY
EXPLORE AUBURN



Don't miss NW Nationals July 21-23, 2023
pacifraceways.com/nhra



IRG SHOWS CITY AROUND THE WOODBRIDGE CORPORATE PARK PROPERTY



Mayor Ferrell received a tour of the **Woodbridge Corporate Park** at the former **Weyerhaeuser campus** from **Los Angeles-based Industrial Realty Group, LCC**, a nationwide real estate development and investment firm, on July 12.

During the tour, **Coby Holley, the Vice President and Asset Development Manager of IRG Realty Advisors, LLC**, showed us around the property, which sits on 425 acres and provides 830,000 square feet of office, industrial, and lab space.

IRG Realty Advisors, LLC has prioritized responsible development and recognizes the importance of maintaining the natural beauty of the **historic Weyerhaeuser site** for our community.

“The sale, redevelopment, and reuse of this iconic property by IRG is important for the future of Federal Way,” **Mayor Ferrell** said. “We look forward to working with IRG to bring additional jobs, businesses, and sustainable development to Federal Way. Our location, support for businesses, and quality of life for our citizens put us in a strong position for the future.”

According to IRG, this project is estimated to restore about half of the jobs lost and create **new employment opportunities in Federal Way**.

IRG purchased the property for **\$70 million in 2016**.

Our City looks forward to tenants moving into the **Woodbridge Corporate Park!**

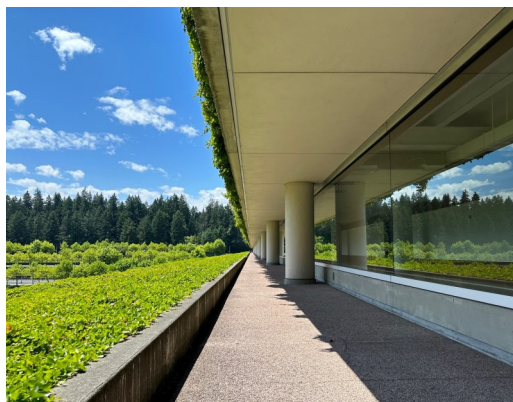
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CORPORATE PARK

INGRESS/EGRESS

REGIONAL MAP

DRIVE TIMES	
Seattle to Woodbridge	30 minutes
Belleuve to Woodbridge	35 minutes
Issaquah to Woodbridge	40 minutes
Renton to Woodbridge	20 minutes
Seacac to Woodbridge	20 minutes
Kent to Woodbridge	15 minutes
Maple Valley to Woodbridge	40 minutes
Auburn to Woodbridge	7 minutes
Tacoma to Woodbridge	20 minutes

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CORPORATE PARK



FWPD WILL HOST ITS ANNUAL RUN WITH THE COPS 5K NEXT MONTH



The **Federal Way Police Department** is looking forward to its annual **Run With The Cops 5K** at our **Federal Way Community Center (FWCC)** on **August 26 at 9 a.m.**

This event is a fundraiser for [Special Olympics of Washington](#) and attracts members of law enforcement from the local area and other first responders.



Approximately 200 participants support the event annually, allowing us to **raise nearly \$10,000 for Special Olympics.**

The run/walk route is an out-and-back from the FWCC while utilizing the **BPA Trail** for safety and the hills to challenge the participants.

Tortoise & Hare Timing will use its sophisticated software to ensure speedy and precise results at the event. The first 200 participants will receive chip timing, and timing sheets will be available at the end of this event.

[Click here to register](#), and if you have any further questions, don't hesitate to email **Lieutenant Bryan Klingele** at: bryank@cityoffederalway.com.



**Special
Olympics
Washington**



DUMAS BAY CENTRE UPDATES



Extraordinary Learning held its 21st Century Leadership conference from **July 10-16** at Dumas Bay Centre, where professionals from all over the United States gathered in Federal Way for the intensive workshop. **Extraordinary Learning** offers coaching to help people and organizations transition into increased productivity with more passion and focus.



Representatives from **FUSION** have visited the Centre several times in preparation for its largest annual fundraiser on **August 2 at 5 p.m.** The theme for this year's FUSION Gala is "Tropical Paradise." [Click here to learn](#) what our friends at **FUSION** are planning for their big event! The City is proud to be an **auction sponsor** during their fundraiser.

PET SUPPLIES PLUS OPENS ITS DOORS IN FEDERAL WAY!



The City thanks **Bob Fischer, owner of Pet Supplies Plus in Federal Way, and his son Brandon** for inviting us to their **ribbon-cutting ceremony on July 15!**

Mayor Ferrell was glad to represent our City at the grand opening!

Pet Supplies Plus, which **officially opened on July 1 at The Commons Mall**, provides a convenient option for pet owners in our community to purchase food and toys for their furry companions.

Pets hold a special place at City Hall, as many of our employees are pet owners.

We acknowledge that pets are an essential part of our residents' family in Federal Way, and the opening of this new store will receive support from the community.

Pet Supplies Plus, known for its fantastic products and excellent customer service, is a perfect example of companies recognizing the value of doing business in Federal Way.

Join us in welcoming Pet Supplies Plus to our community!



RED, WHITE, & BLUES FESTIVAL VIDEO RECAP



As we look ahead to the **29th annual Red, White, & Blues Festival** at Celebration Park next year, the City would like to thank **Dave Jimenez**, our talented videographer, for capturing the unforgettable moments of our July 4 celebration in Federal Way!

Dave did a fantastic job getting video of the event highlights, from the electrifying musical performances to the famous **Elvis impersonator** on stilts, **Mayor Ferrell's** inspiring message, and the fireworks show.

[Click here to watch the recap](#) and relive the excitement!

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community Development staff met with applicants last week on proposed development agreements for the **Kitts Corner and Town Center 3 (TC-3) properties**.

A development agreement is a contract between the developer and the City that would guide the development of each of these properties.

Staff also met with individuals from **El Centro de la Raza** to discuss plans for their current and additional property they would like to purchase. Code Compliance staff worked with the **Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT)** to get an encampment cleaned on its I-5 property south of S 320th Street.

The Mayor's Community Space stakeholder group met for the second time on July 12 to discuss whether the City should explore constructing a new community space and relocating City Hall to the downtown area. In addition, staff are soliciting feedback from residents for the **Comprehensive Plan specific to the latest Human Services Chapter** to guide the work for the next 20 years.

They are hoping for responses by July 31, 2023.

The survey below will take about five minutes to complete. Participating will help our Community Development staff:

1. Hear from people who live and work in Federal Way.
2. Understand the current human services needs of those who live and work in Federal Way.
3. Develop policies and key actions for the future of Federal Way.

[Community Services | Engage Federal Way \(engagefw.com\)](https://engagefw.com)



Our **Performing Arts and Event Center (PAEC)** friends have unveiled their **2023-24 season announcement!**

The season will feature 10 performances, and **tickets will be available for purchase on July 21 at 10 am.**

[Click here for event ticket details.](#) With a wide range of shows, there is something for everyone.

The City appreciates our community supporting the PAEC, and we hope you enjoy the new season's offerings!

COUNCIL'S CORNER



The **Starbucks** on 320th hosted our first **Coffee Meet & Greet** with the City Council and the **Federal Way Public Schools Board of Directors on July 15.**

This event was well attended by the public and allowed for open dialogue between the schools, the Council, and the community.

Our City would like to acknowledge the exceptional barista staff at Starbucks who went above and beyond in serving the numerous customers, including the School Board members and Councilmembers who were present.



City Council is excited about the next coffee chat with our community!



This week's Council happenings:

- Human Services Commission Meeting at City Hall, **July 17 at 5:30 p.m.**
- City Council Special Meeting at City Hall, **July 18 at 5 p.m.**
- City Council Regular Meeting at City Hall, **July 18 at 6:30 p.m.**
- Unlocking New Housing Opportunities, ADU Workshop at City Hall, **July 19 at 3 p.m.**
- Planning Commission Regular Meeting at City Hall, **July 19 at 5 p.m.**
- Arthur Murray Summer Luau Parking Lot Party at Arthur Murray Dance Studio, **July 21 at 8:15 p.m.**

PARKS & RECREATION UPDATES



Our summer camp took its yearly trip last week to **Wild Waves**, and it was a blast!

The Recreation and Community Center teams, counselors, and full-time staff accompanied **183 children** on exciting rides and water park activities.

The kids had a great time and our **Federal Way Community Center** employees demonstrated excellent teamwork with their all-hands-on-deck approach to assist our Recreation department!

We had our first free **Summer Sounds Concert at Steel Lake Park** on July 12. **Jokers Run** played country tunes for over 100 attendees overlooking beautiful Steel Lake!

These free programs are crucial in bringing together the Federal Way community by hosting events in our amazing parks throughout the City.



CELEBRATING 160 YEARS OF THE KING COUNTY FAIR IN ENUMCLAW!



Mayor Ferrell recently joined several other local Mayors and Elected Officials in the opening ceremonies to **commemorate the 160th anniversary of the King County Fair in Enumclaw!** During the event, there was a presentation on the importance of agriculture at fairs and how it benefits communities.

We thank **Enumclaw Mayor Jan Molinaro** for inviting our City and the **Enumclaw Expo Center** for its warm hospitality.

Mayor Ferrell said witnessing their opening ceremonies was a truly unforgettable experience.

