



White Salmon Community Development Committee Meeting

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February 13, 2024 – 5:00 PM

100 N Main Ave and Zoom

Meeting ID: 863 1190 5645

Call In: 1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86311905645>

Welcome

New Business Items

1. Big Art Update
2. Women's History Month in March

Follow Up Items

3. Parklet Program
- [4.](#) Community Member Acknowledgement
5. Neighborhood Watch/Block Party
6. New Mural in Rheingarten

File Attachments for Item:

4. Community Member Acknowledgement

RESOLUTION 2024-XX-XXX

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON,
ADOPTING THE WHITE SALMON COMMUNITY MEMBER
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POLICY**

This resolution establishes a formal policy for acknowledging the efforts and contributions of community members who have significantly impacted the well-being, growth, and development of White Salmon.

WHEREAS, the vitality and strength of White Salmon are largely derived from the dedication, passion, and work of its community members, who contribute their time, resources, and talents to improve the quality of life for all residents; and

WHEREAS, recognizing these contributions fosters a sense of belonging and appreciation among community members, encouraging further involvement and engagement in civic and community activities; and

WHEREAS, acknowledgment of community members' contributions serves as a powerful tool for inspiring others, particularly the younger generation, to actively participate in community development and civic engagement, thereby nurturing a culture of volunteerism and public service; and

WHEREAS, public recognition of individual achievements and contributions can significantly enhance the community's morale and unity, creating a more cohesive and supportive environment for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a formal community member acknowledgement policy provides a structured and equitable process for ensuring that the contributions of all community members are recognized and celebrated, regardless of the scale or visibility of their efforts; and

WHEREAS, such recognition not only honors the individuals but also highlights the diverse ways in which citizens can contribute to the betterment of White Salmon, thereby enriching the community's narrative and collective memory;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITE SALMON AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1

The City Council adapts the following White Salmon Community Member Acknowledgement Policy, as described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated

for reference, for the benefit of employees, managers, residents, and customers of the City of White Salmon.

SECTION 2

The provisions of this Resolution shall be effective immediately.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of White Salmon, Washington. Dated this XX day of XXXX, 2024.

EXHIBIT A

White Salmon Community Member Acknowledgement Policy

Purpose

The purpose of the White Salmon Community Member Acknowledgement Policy is to formally recognize and celebrate the contributions of community members who have significantly impacted the well-being, growth, and development of White Salmon. This policy aims to foster a sense of belonging, appreciation, and unity within the community, encourage further civic engagement, and highlight the diverse ways citizens contribute to the city's betterment.

Scope

This policy is to include all residents of White Salmon, Washington, and encompasses various forms of contributions, including but not limited to volunteer work, community service, innovative projects, and significant acts of kindness. Recognition is open to individuals of all ages and backgrounds, reflecting the city's commitment to inclusivity and diversity.

Nomination Process

- **Timing:** Nominations are accepted on a quarterly basis, with decisions made January, April, July, and October. If there are no nominations, no acknowledgement will be made for that period.
- **Submission:** Nominations must be submitted via a written statement to a designated email address (to be determined). Each nomination should be between 200-500 words, detailing the nominee's contributions to the community.
- **Eligibility:** There is no limit to the number of recipients per quarter, provided they meet the selection criteria.

Approval Process

- The selection of nominees for acknowledgment is merit-based and will be determined by the Community Development Committee in collaboration with the Mayor of White Salmon.
- The Committee and Mayor will review nominations based on the significance of the contribution to the community's welfare and development.
- Final approval of recipients is subject to a review and endorsement by the City Council.

Recognition Materials/Activities

Recipients of the Community Member Acknowledgement will be honored with the following:

- **Planted Tree with Plaque:** A tree will be planted in a public space within White Salmon, accompanied by a plaque recognizing the recipient's contributions.
- **Proclamation:** A proclamation, approved by the City Council and ideally presented with the recipient(s) in attendance at a City Council meeting.
- **Display Material:** Printed material, akin to Heritage Month signage on Jewett, featuring the recipient's photo, nomination details, and other relevant information, displayed quarterly.
- **City Newsletter and Webpage:** A blurb in the quarterly City Newsletter and a feature on the City's official webpage, celebrating the achievements and contributions of the recipient(s).

Acknowledgement Timing

Acknowledgements are scheduled on a quarterly basis, coinciding with the months of January, April, July, and October, to ensure regular recognition of community members' contributions.

Miscellaneous

- **Record Keeping:** A permanent record of all recipients and their contributions will be maintained by the City for historical and archival purposes.
- **Policy Review:** This policy shall be reviewed annually by White Salmon City Staff to ensure its effectiveness and relevance, with adjustments made as deemed necessary.