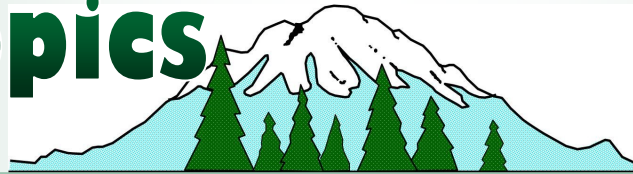


# Town Topics



## Introducing Judge Meagan Foley!



The City is pleased to welcome Judge Meagan Foley as the Fircrest Municipal Court Judge. Judge Foley was appointed by City Manager Dawn Masko and unanimously confirmed by the City Council to fill the remaining term of retired Judge John Miller. Her appointment was effective January 1, 2024, for the term ending December 2025.

"I feel incredibly fortunate to appoint Judge Foley as the City of Fircrest's next Municipal Court Judge. She has a reputation with both prosecutors and defense attorneys as being fair, professional, efficient, and respectful to everyone in her courtroom. The City is incredibly fortunate to have another outstanding judge presiding over our court," stated City Manager Masko.

Judge Foley received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Puget Sound and her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Washington. She started her law career in private practice and then served as a Court Commissioner for Pierce County Superior Court for over 30 years. She was awarded the *Outstanding Jurist Award* in 2019 from the Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association, which recognizes an exemplary jurist who has significantly served or improved the community. Welcome Judge Foley!

## Police: Initiative-2113

### RCW 10.116.060 have been amended to read as follows:

A peace officer may not engage in a vehicular pursuit, unless:

- There is reasonable suspicion a person has violated the law;
- The pursuit is necessary for the purpose of identifying or apprehending the persons;
- The person poses a threat to the safety of others and the safety risks of failing to apprehend or identify the person are considered to be greater than the safety risks of the vehicular pursuit under the circumstances;

It's important to note that the amended RCW 10.116.060 also introduces additional requirements for peace officers. These include completing an emergency vehicle operator course training within the last two years, notifying a supervisor during a pursuit, and developing a plan to end the pursuit using various intervention techniques. It's also crucial to remember that peace officers are prohibited from firing a weapon upon a moving vehicle unless it's necessary to protect against an imminent threat of serious physical harm.

As part of our commitment to ensuring peace officers are fully informed and prepared, the Fircrest Police Department will work diligently over the next 90 days on training and developing our policies regarding vehicular pursuits. This timeline is designed to give everyone involved ample time to familiarize themselves with the amended RCW 10.116.060 and its implications.



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## Public Works: Capital Projects Update

### South Orchard Street Grind and Overlay including Water Main Replacement

This project is to grind and overlay the asphalt of the two southbound lanes on South Orchard St. from Regents Blvd. to the city limit south of Holly Drive. Included in this project is the intersection of South Orchard St. at Regents Blvd./Center St., of which the City of Tacoma has committed to repairing the eastern half of the intersection. Additionally, sidewalk curb ramps and crossing push buttons will be updated to ADA standards. This project is funded by the Transportation Improvement Board (TIB).

In addition to the grind and overlay portion of this project, the old and undersized water main on South Orchard St. from Ramsdell St. to Holly Drive will be upgraded. Since 1995, approximately 35,525 feet of water mains have been replaced throughout the city. This work will take place prior to the grind and overlay and is funded by the water capital fund.

### Emerson Street Sidewalk Extension

This is the third and final phase of sidewalk installations on the south side of Emerson St. from Woodside Drive to 67<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. The project includes ADA compliant sidewalk upgrades, a retaining wall, and bike lane. This is a federally funded project via the Puget Sound Regional Council.

### 44<sup>th</sup> Street West and 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue West Sewer Lift Station Upgrade

This project is to upgrade the last of the seven city maintained sewer lift stations. Key elements of this project include a new wet well and pumps, an updated SCADA control cabinet, and emergency backup power. In addition to the lift station work, we anticipate the concrete, block work, and landscaping to increase visibility and safety at the northeast corner of the intersection. This project is funded by the sewer capital fund.

### Electron Way and Contra Costa Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Upgrade

The pedestrian crossing between the Community Center and the Tot Lot will be upgraded to include Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFD), like the pedestrian crossing on Emerson St. at Thelma Gilmur Park. This project is funded by legislative funding via the Department of Commerce.

### 500 Block of Buena Vista Sewer Main Pipe Bursting

The city began pipe bursting old and failing backyard sewer mains in 2012, following a study that identified it to be too costly to move these sewer mains into the rights of ways throughout the city. Pipe Bursting provides substantial cost savings to the city with no additional cost to the residents, is an effective approach to replace these sewer mains, and helps to reduce inflow and infiltration (I&I). Since the year 2000, approximately 18,715 feet of sewer mains have been replaced throughout the city. This project is funded by the sewer capital fund.



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## Fircrest Parks and Recreation

### Roy H. Murphy Community Center Programs

The Roy H. Murphy Community Center offers a diverse range of enjoyable, interactive, and inclusive programs catering to children, teenagers, and adults alike. Our aim is to curate activities that maximize the utilization of the Community Center while fostering stronger bonds within the community and among its members. For more details on our Community Center and Aquatic Center programs and events, please visit our website.

### Community Center Hours

8 am to 9 pm Monday through Friday  
9 am to 5 pm Saturday and Sunday

### Edwards Family Aquatic Center

The 2023 pool season was the second full season at the Edwards Family Aquatic Center. The facility opened on May 28th and operated 7 days a week 7 am to 8:45 pm through Labor Day, only closing for two sessions in August for staffing shortages. A record number of passes were sold, and the pool was consistently at capacity on days when the weather was near 80 degrees. Based on the information gathered during the past three pool seasons along with feedback from community members and the City Council we will continue to offer the following open swim sessions at the Edwards Family Aquatic Center in 2024.

### Admission:

Open Swim Cost – Resident \$5 | Non-Resident \$10  
Evening Swim Cost – Resident \$4 | Non-Resident \$8  
10 Entries Punch Pass – Resident \$45 | Non-Resident \$90  
Fircrest Resident Season Pass – 1st Pass \$70 | Additional Passes \$40  
As with last year, the Family Season Passes are limited to Fircrest Residents Only. (Punch Cards are available for both Fircrest Residents and Non-Residents)

### Pool Schedule through June 16<sup>th</sup>

These schedules are provided as a reference. Schedule and prices are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, please call 253-564-8188 or visit our website. <https://www.cityoffircrest.net/government/parks-and-recreation/swimming-pool/pool-schedule/>

PUBLIC SWIM SESSION SCHEDULE MAY 28TH - JUN 16TH						
	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
6:30AM	LAP SWIM	LAP SWIM	LAP SWIM	LAP SWIM	LAP SWIM	RENTALS
7AM	6:30-9:30AM	6:30-9:30AM	6:30-9:30AM	6:30-9:30AM	6:30-9:30AM	SEE ONLINE CALENDAR
8AM						8:30-10:30AM
9AM						
10AM						OPEN SWIM
11AM						MID-DAY SESSION
12PM						11AM-2PM
1PM						OPEN SWIM
2PM						AFTERNOON SESSION
3PM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	2:30-5:30PM
4PM	3:30-6:30PM	3:30-6:30PM	3:30-6:30PM	3:30-6:30PM	3:30-6:30PM	2:30-5:30PM
5PM						EVENING SWIM
6PM						6-8PM
7PM						
8PM						
8:30PM						
	LAP SWIM	OPEN SWIM	EVENING SWIM	10 ENTRIES PUNCH PASS	FIRCREST RESIDENT SEASON PASS	
	RESIDENT \$4 NON-RES \$8	RESIDENT \$5 NON-RES \$10	RESIDENT \$4 NON-RES \$8	RESIDENT \$45 NON-RES \$90	1ST PASS \$70 ADDITIONAL \$40	

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OPENING WEEKEND SCHEDULE MAY 25TH - MAY 27TH			
	SAT	SUN	MON
11AM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM
12PM	MID-DAY SESSION	MID-DAY SESSION	MID-DAY SESSION
1PM	11AM-2PM	11AM-2PM	11AM-2PM
2PM			
3PM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM	OPEN SWIM
4PM	AFTERNOON SESSION	AFTERNOON SESSION	AFTERNOON SESSION
5PM	2:30-5:30PM	2:30-5:30PM	2:30-5:30PM
6PM	EVENING SWIM	EVENING SWIM	EVENING SWIM
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**Join us! City Council Meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Tuesday's of the month at 7:00 pm, Council Study Sessions are the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:00 pm, & Planning Commission Meetings are the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.**

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## Parks & Recreation Continued

### Programs

Our Current Active Adult Programs include: Noon Drop-in Basketball for Adults, Adult Drop-in Ping Pong, Adult Drop in Pickleball, Senior Mornings, Barre, Barre/HIIT, Chair Yoga, Gentle Yoga, Yin Yoga, Bridge for Beginners, and Senior Trips.

Our Current Youth programs include: 16 & Under Drop-in Open Gym (weekdays 2-5 pm), Tot Gym, Tot Story Time, Creative Movement Ballet, Wednesday Workouts Basketball Training, Skyhawks Basketball and Volleyball Clinics, Fircrest Youth Baseball, Pee Wee Soccer, Pee Wee T-Ball, and Teen Late Night for Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Events

Check out the upcoming events and find more information on our website at <https://www.cityoffircrest.net/government/parks-and-recreation/community-events/>



**FIRCREST PARKS & RECREATION 2024 EVENTS**

FEBRUARY 9.....	DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE
MARCH 17.....	MEDALLION MADNESS
MARCH 30.....	EASTER EGG HUNT
MAY 3.....	MOTHER AND SON DANCE
JUNE 15.....	COMMUNITY YARD SALE
JUNE 23.....	STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL
JULY 7.....	ROD RUN & PICNIC
JULY 19 & 20.....	FIRCREST FUN DAYS
JULY 20.....	FURRY 4K
AUGUST 22.....	CONCERT IN THE PARK
OCTOBER 2024.....	SCARECROWS OF FIRCREST
OCTOBER 17.....	HAUNTED TRAILS
DECEMBER 1.....	ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING
DECEMBER 2024.....	LIGHTS OF FIRCREST

*See You at the Park!*

## Planning & Building

### HELP PLAN THE FUTURE OF FIRCREST. PROVIDE YOUR FEEDBACK ON THE 2024 DRAFT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.



REVIEW THE PLAN (THE ENTIRE THING OR JUST THE CHAPTERS YOU'RE INTERESTED IN).

PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS VIA SURVEY EITHER IN-PERSON OR ONLINE.

- STOP BY THE COMMUNITY CENTER OR CITY HALL DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AND ASK FOR A PAPER SURVEY, USER GUIDE, AND PLAN BINDER.
- COMPLETE THE SURVEY ONLINE INSTEAD USING THE QR CODE BELOW.

VISIT [WWW.CITYOFFIRCREST.NET/2024-COMP-PLAN/](http://WWW.CITYOFFIRCREST.NET/2024-COMP-PLAN/) TO LEARN MORE.

SURVEYS WILL BE OPEN THROUGH APRIL 30, 2024.



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