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Illegal Dumping into Drains

The City continues to battle the damaging effects from people who illegally dump chemicals into our storm and sanitary sewer systems. These harsh chemicals ruin our wastewater treatment operations and lower the environmental quality of our effluent released to the Yamhill River.

If you observe someone dumping or hooking into these systems, please report this immediately to



City Hall at 503-864-2451 or 24-hour non-emergency dispatch at 503-434-6500. Such activity can be cited in violation of Oregon statute and City ordinance with severe penalties.

4th of July Community Events

Still need plans for your 4th of July? Consider these FREE community events for your family activities:

The Lafayette Fire Department Volunteers will host a pancake breakfast, from 7:00 am to 10:00 am at the Fire Station, followed by a Flag Ceremony at 10:30 am. The station is located at 375 Market Street, behind City Hall.

4th of July festivities continue at Joel Perkins

Park from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, hosted by the Lafayette Community Activities Team. Families can enjoy crafts, face painting, food and fun! PRIZES will be awarded to kids and adults for patriotic costumes and bike decorations.



For additional event information or if you are interested in volunteering, please send an email to lcateam2022@gmail.com.

Water Conservation Tips

As hot summer months arrive, water conservation efforts can help to ease the strain of drought and overuse on local water sources, while still keeping your yard looking nice. Some ways you can conserve water at your home include:

- Water early in the morning before 10:00 am.
- Depending on the weather, it's generally better to water once a week and provide 1 inch to 1½ inches of water.
- Time how long it takes to apply one inch of water by placing a flat-bottomed can about 6feet away from the sprinkler. An empty tuna can works well.
- Do not mow lawns too short; taller grass requires less water. Consider letting your lawn brown out. It will come back.
- Check your yard for wet spots or broken sprinkler heads in irrigation systems. Repair leaks quickly to limit water waste.

Please visit the City website for more water conservation tips: **www.ci.lafayette.or.us** Look for Water Conservation under the Residents section.

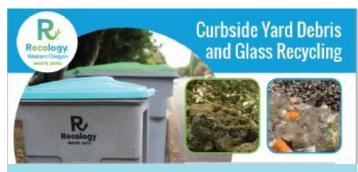


City Maintenance Schedules

Certain City Parks will be closed on the second Tuesday of each month for maintenance. Notices will be posted in the parks affected by the maintenance closure.

Street sweeping occurs on the third Wednesday of every-other month for curbed streets. The next sweeping will be on July 20th.

Thank you for observing these maintenance schedules, and please contact City Hall if you have any questions.



This every-other-week service is available to Lafayette residents by subscription:

- Glass Bottles & Jars, 32 gallon cart: \$7.90/month
- Yard Debris, 90 gallon cart: \$10.89/month

If you would like to add either service, please contact Recology at 503-437-0082 or email rwoinfo@recology.com.

Outdoor Burning Ban in Effect

All outdoor burning in Yamhill County, including Lafayette, is now prohibited. These restrictions include the burning of yard debris; however, barbeques or small backyard fire pits are currently allowed.

If the State issues a Fire Weather Watch or Red Flag Warnings due to dangerous fire conditions, ALL open burning is prohibited. This includes camp fires, portable propane/patio fireplaces and charcoal BBQ's. Emergency planning tools and fire prevention tips for your family can be found at www.ci.lafayette.or.us.

To obtain more information on seasonal burning, please checkout the State of Oregon DEQ's Outdoor Burning Guide at www.oregon.go/DEQ under the Residential section.

