

# AGENDA

## CITY OF GEORGE COUNCIL MEETING

February 17, 2026

Please contact the clerk 24 hours prior to this meeting if you require special accommodations or to request an auxiliary aid.

**In-person meeting—Location:** George Community Hall 403 W. Montmorency Blvd

### AGENDA ITEMS

- 1 CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 PM and Flag Salute
- 2 ROLL CALL
- 3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA -Additions or Corrections to published Agenda
- 4 IDENTIFICATIONS OF CITIZENS WISHING TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS UNDER ITEMS **7 OR 8**
- 5 PUBLIC COMMENT- Maximum 3 minutes per person (15 minutes total meeting time to address the council on subjects that are the council's business "and not involving personnel matters")
- 6 CONSENT AGENDA—All of the items listed below will be enacted by one motion unless a Council member requests an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.  
  
A. Minutes for Regular Meeting 01.20.2026  
B. Claims
- 7 OLD BUSINESS  
  
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8. NEW BUSINESS  
  
A. Brian Nixon property Annexation – Council approval – Alex Kovach  
B. City of George Critical Area Ordinance Checklist work completed for the 2027 periodic update - Alex Kovach



C. Lodging Tax Fund Grant Application for the Community Hall 4<sup>th</sup> of July  
Celebration – Amy Grace

9. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS
10. MEETINGS: Land Acquisition Committee meeting set for 3/06/2026 @ 9:00 a.m.
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss possible real property acquisition- RCW 42.30.110(1)(b).
12. ADJOURNMENTS



CITY OF GEORGE  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
January 20, 2026

**COUNCIL MEETING:** Regular Meeting

**PLACE:** George Community Hall

**PRESENT:** Council Member Melissa Maldonado, Council Member Kate Schooler, Council Member Debby Kooy, Council Member Julia Schooler, Council Member Patty Neff (remote).

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** City Clerk Amy Grace, Public Works Superintendent Aaron Harwood, City Engineer Mike Meskimen, City Planner Alex Kovach; City Attorney Chuck Zimmerman.

**Guests in attendance:** Patric Connelly

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Pro Tem Julia Schooler at 7:00 p.m., followed by the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL: Council Member Melissa Maldonado made a motion to excuse Mayor Juan Villalpando. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0**

**ABSENT:** Mayor Juan Villalpando.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

Citizens wishing to speak under items 7 or 8 identified themselves as follows: Austin Hicks with Live Nation gave gratitude to the City Council and Gray & Osborne. Mr. Hicks said he is eager to see the WWTP feasibility study presentation with emphases on the priority for waste water.

Public comment: Patric Connelly with the Port of Quincy made an announcement stating that The Port of Quincy will host a public Town Hall Meeting on February 12, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at the Quincy Business & Event Center to discuss the Port of Quincy Columbia Basin Power Project.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and approval of vouchers #19460-19496 in the amount of \$192,769.48, and electronic checks in the amount of \$34,914.08. Council Member Melissa Maldonado seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

City Engineer Nancy Wetch presented to Council a power point presentation on the waste water feasibility study. A lengthy discussion followed. Plans of a stakeholder meeting in the near future was discussed.

City Engineer Michael Woodkey presented to Council a change order for the West Montmorency Blvd. Multi-use pathway project.

**Council Member Melissa Maldonado made a motion to approve Change order No. 1 on the West Montmorency Blvd Multi-Use Pathway project. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed**



5-0.

City Engineer Michael Woodkey presented to Council Progress Estimate No. 2 for the West Montmorency Blvd. Multi-Use Pathway project in the amount of \$16,183.25. Mr. Woodkey recommended Council approve Progress Estimate No. 2.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve Progress Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$16,183.25. Council Member Patty Neff seconded. Motion passed 5-0**

City Engineer Jamin Ankney presented to Council the Public Works Board Construction Funding Agreement for the Well 3 Improvements project in the amount of \$2,550,000. Mr. Ankney recommended Council approve and authorize the Mayor to sign.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve the Public Works Board Construction Funding Agreement for the Well 3 Improvements project in the amount of \$2,550,000 and authorize the Mayor to sign. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

City Planner Alex Kovach provided the Council with a report on the Climate Change and Resiliency Sub-Element which explores climate impacts on the City of George.

The City Clerk asked Council to appoint an elected official to be a representative for the City to sit on the Quincy Valley Regional Parks District

**Council Member Julia Schooler made a motion to appoint Council Member Debby Kooy as the City's representative to sit on the Quincy Valley Regional Parks District board. Council Member Melissa Maldonado seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

City Clerk Amy Grace asked Council to authorize the surplus of the old KONIKA MINOLTA copy/fax machine.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to declare the KONIKA MINOLTA copy/fax machine surplus and authorize the Clerk-Treasurer to dispose of it by giving it to the City's current service maintenance provider to dispose of at no cost to the City as the City Council finds the machine has no value. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0**

City Clerk ask the Council for approval and authorize sending her to the 2026 Professional Development "PD II" class in June of 2026.

**Council Member Melissa Maldonado made a motion to approve and authorize sending the City Clerk to the 2026 Professional Development "PD II" class in June of 2026. Council Member Kate Schooler seconded. Motion passed 5-0**

City Clerk asked the Council for approval and authorize sending her to the 2026 WMCA Annual Conference/Class in March 2026.

**Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to approve and authorize sending the City Clerk to the 2026 WMCA Annual Conference/Class in March 2026. Council Member Debby Kooy seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**





COUNCIL COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: Council Member Julia Schooler asked City Planner Alex Kovach if there was any update on the E. Montmorency lighting with PUD. Alex said he would call the PUD and ask again for an update. Council Member Melissa Maldonado asked Alex if there is any update on moving forward with the Parks Plans and an addition of a splash pad. Mr. Kovach said the update to the park and addition of a splash pad will be part of the land acquisition committee meeting. Council Member Kate Schooler thanked City Engineer Nancy Wetch and the Gray & Osborne team for their presentation and update on the WWTP.

MEETINGS: Land Acquisition Committee is scheduled to meet on 1/23/2026 at 9:00 a.m.

The City Attorney announced an Executive Session to discuss possible real property acquisition - RCW 42.30.110(1)(b) that would last 10 minutes. Council went into Executive Session at 9:08 p.m. and at 9:18 p.m. the City Attorney announced an extension to the Executive Session of 5 minutes. The Council came back into the regular meeting at 9:23 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Kate Schooler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Melissa Maldonado seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Approved by the City Council at  
an Open Public Meeting the  
17<sup>th</sup> of February, 2026.

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Juan Villalpando, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Amy Grace, City Clerk-Treasurer





# Land Use Application Cover Sheet

102 Richmond Avenue, PO Box 5277, George WA 98824 - (509) 785-5081 (City Hall)  
(509) 771-6069 or alex@kovacharchitects.com (City Planner)

## INSTRUCTIONS - PLEASE READ FIRST AND ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS COMPLETELY

If you have any questions about this form or the application process, please ask to speak with the planner. All necessary attachments and the filing fee are required upon submittal. Filing fees are not refundable. This application consists of two parts. PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION and PART II, project descriptions and site plan contain additional information specific to your proposal and all required information MUST be attached to this page to complete the application process.

### PART I - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Applicant's Information:  
Name: Brian Nixon  
Mailing Address: 20809 125<sup>th</sup> AVE SE  
City: Kent State: WA Zip: 98031 Phone: 425 442 1619  
E-Mail: bnixon87@gmail.com

2. Applicant's Interest in Property:  
Check One: Owner ☒ Agent ☐ Purchaser ☐ Other ☐

3. Property Owner's Information (if other than Applicant)  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Subject Property's Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 1511000-151109000

5. Legal Description of Property. (if lengthy, please attach it on a separate document)

6. Property Address: 352-352 Hwy 281N Bancey WA 98848

7. Property's Existing Zoning: Urban Heavy Industrial Name of Project: Annexation

#### 9. Type of Application (Check All That Apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Application Meeting       | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Checklist (SEPA Review)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Rezone                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boundary Line Adjustment      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Short Plat Alteration       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Short Subdivision | <input type="checkbox"/> Final Short/Major Subdivision           | <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Areas Review       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Major Subdivision | <input type="checkbox"/> Right of Way Vacation                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning Variance             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use Permit        | <input type="checkbox"/> Development Agreement                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Wireless Comm.   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Final Short/Major Subdivision | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Annexation                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal to HE / City Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plat Alteration               |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Binding Site Plan             |  |  |

### 10. Part II - PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND SITE PLAN (Attach with application)

11. I certify that the information on this application and the required attachments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Property Owner's Signature

Applicant's Signature

Date

Date

FILE/APPLICATION(S)# \_\_\_\_\_ DATE FEE PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT PAID: \_\_\_\_\_



# Grant County Map

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350 HWY 281

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Mailing Address: 20809 125th Ave SE  
Kent, WA

Acre: 17.59

Legal Description: TX# 6823 IN SE 31 19 24  
TAX# 6823 THAT PORTION OF THE  
SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31,  
TOWNSHIP 19 NORTH, RANGE 24 E.W.M.,  
LYING EAST OF THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-  
WAY LINE OF THE U.S.B.R. WEST CANAL,  
SOUTH OF THE STATE HIGHWAY GRAVEL  
PIT SITE DESCR

Land Value: \$83,795.00

Market Value: \$132,945.00

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*Head Camp*

*Track*

300ft

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# City of George- CAO Checklist Summary



## Critical Area Ordinance (CAO) Checklist

### Background

The City's Critical Areas Ordinance, Chapter 17.25 of the George Municipal Code, governs development in and around environmental critical areas. These include wetlands, geological hazards such as steep slopes, flood hazard areas, critical aquifer recharge areas which support potable ground water, and fish and wildlife habitat for priority species.

The Department of Commerce's Critical Area Checklist is an available tool to assist the City in maintaining its CAO so it is consistent with State agencies and legislation.

### Key Findings

#### **Expected Revisions to the existing CAO include:**

- Update how wetlands are delineated, using federal standards.
- Update Definition for:
  - Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas
- Update mapping references that identify Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas and Priority Habitat and Species Areas
- Expand on available resources for the protection of Priority Wildlife Habitat and Species mapped in Royal City and its Urban Growth Area
  - Shrub-steppe (Shrub-Steppe Management Recommendations (2020))
  - Wetlands and Freshwater Emergent Wetlands (Aquatic Habitat Guidelines)

#### **State Agency reviews the City's CAO from 2018 Periodic Update:**

- Update review process and organization in the CAO for clarity.
- Update definition of diseased and dangerous trees
- Protect all potable CARAs and WHPAs, not just the Cities

#### **Opportunity to address local public concerns include:**

- Developer cost to mitigate low quality critical area impacts has little local benefit for residents.
- Partnering with Grant County for Land Banks to mitigate impacts to CAO





# Critical Areas Checklist

A Technical Assistance Tool from Growth Management Services – updated May 2024

<b>Name of city or county:</b> George	
<b>Staff contact, phone, and e-mail address:</b> Alex Kovach, (509) 771-6069, alex@kovacharchitects.com	
<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b> <p>This checklist is intended to help local governments update their development regulations, pursuant to the schedule in <b>RCW 36.70A.130(5)</b>. We strongly encourage but do not require jurisdictions to complete the checklist and return it to Growth Management Services (GMS), along with their updates. <b>However, If the jurisdiction is using a portion of their Periodic Update Grant (PUG) to update the Critical Areas Ordinance, this checklist is required.</b></p> <p>This checklist may be used by all jurisdictions, including those local governments planning for resource lands and critical areas only. For general information on update requirements, refer to <a href="#">A Guide to the Periodic Update Process Under the Growth Management Act – Fully Planning Counties &amp; Cities, 2022</a> and <a href="#">WAC 365-196-610</a>.</p> <p>For additional information, resources, and general checklists pertaining to comprehensive plan and development regulation periodic updates please visit Commerce's <a href="#">Growth Management Act Periodic Update webpage</a>.</p> <p><b>Bold items are a GMA requirement or may be related requirements of other state or federal laws. Underlined items are links to Internet sites and may include best practices or other ideas to consider.</b></p> <p><b>Commerce WAC provisions are advisory</b> under Commerce's statutory mandate to provide technical assistance, <b>RCW 43.330.120</b> which states that the Department of Commerce "...<i>shall help local officials interpret and implement the different requirements of the act through workshops, model ordinances, and information materials.</i>" If you have questions, call GMS at (360) 725-3066.</p> <p><b>How to fill out the checklist</b></p> <p>Using the current version of your critical areas regulations, fill out each item in the checklist. Select the check box or type in text fields, answering the following question:</p> <p><b>Is this item addressed in your current Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO)?</b> If YES, fill in the form with citation(s) to where in the plan or code the item is addressed. We recommend using citations rather than page numbers because they stay the same regardless of how the document is printed. If you have questions about the requirement, follow the hyperlinks to the relevant statutory provision or rules. If you still have questions, visit the <a href="#">Commerce Growth Management Services Web page</a> or contact one of the <a href="#">Commerce planners</a> assigned to your region.</p>	<b>CONTENTS</b>  Instructions..... 1  Overall Requirements..... 2  Wetlands..... 3  Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas..... 5  Frequently Flooded Areas.... 6  Geologically Hazardous Areas..... 7  Fish and Wildlife Habitat Conservation Areas..... 8  Designating and Protecting Waters of the State..... 9  Anadromous Fisheries..... 10  Reasonable Use Exceptions..... 10  Agricultural Activities..... 11  Forest Practices Regulations..... 11  Good Ideas..... 12



## CRITICAL AREAS

Regulations protecting critical areas are required by **RCW 36.70A.060(2)** and **RCW 36.70A.172(1)**. [WAC 365-195-900 through 925](#) provide guidelines. Guidance can also be found in [Commerce's Critical Areas Handbook](#) (2022); the Minimum Guidelines [WAC 365-190-080 through 130](#); Best Available Science [WAC 365-195](#); and Procedural Criteria, [WAC 365-196-485](#) and [WAC 365-196-830](#), and on Growth Management's [Critical Areas](#) webpage.

Regulations required to protect critical areas	Addressed in current plan or regulations? If yes, note where
<p><b>OVERALL REQUIREMENTS</b></p> <p>The CAO includes best available science to clearly designate and protect all critical areas that might be found within the jurisdiction.</p> <p><b>1. Designation of Critical Areas</b></p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.170(1)(d)</b> requires all counties and cities to designate critical areas. <b>RCW 36.70A.170(2)</b> requires that counties and cities consider the Commerce Minimum Guidelines pursuant to <b>RCW 36.70A.050</b>.</p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.050</b> directs Commerce to adopt the Minimum Guidelines to classify critical areas. <a href="#">WAC 365-190-080 through 130</a> provide guidance on defining or "designating" each of the five critical areas.</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-040</a> outlines the process to classify and designate natural resource lands and critical areas.</p> <p><b>2. Definition of Critical Areas</b></p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.030(11)</b> provides definitions for critical areas. Sections (20) regarding geologically hazardous areas; and (48) regarding wetlands were updated in 2010.</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-030</a> provides definitions in the Minimum Guidelines.</p> <p><b>3. Protection of Critical Areas</b></p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.060(2)</b> requires counties and cities to adopt development regulations that protect the critical areas required to be designated under <b>RCW 36.70A.170</b>.</p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.172(1)</b> requires the inclusion of best available science in developing policies and development regulations to protect the functions and values of critical areas. In addition, counties and cities must give special consideration to conservation or protection measures necessary to preserve or enhance anadromous fisheries.</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-196-830</a> provides guidance on protection of critical areas.</p> <p><b>4. Inclusion of Best Available Science</b></p> <p><b>RCW 36.70A.172(1)</b> requires inclusion of the best available science (BAS).</p>	<p>Was BAS documented in the record for the review and updates to the critical areas regulations?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Location in Text: 17.25.150</p> <p>Do your regulations address no net loss and require compensatory mitigation?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Location in Text:  17.25.170 (B)</p>





<p><a href="#">WAC 365-195-900 through 925</a> outlines recommended criteria for determining which information is the BAS, for obtaining the BAS, for including BAS in policies and regulations, for addressing inadequate scientific information, and for demonstrating “special consideration” to conservation or protection measures necessary to preserve or enhance anadromous fisheries.</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-195-915</a> provides criteria for including BAS in the record.</p> <p>5. <b>No net loss</b> of critical area functions and values is a requirement for development regulations in <a href="#">WAC 365-196-830(4)</a>. If development regulations allow harm to critical areas, they must require compensatory mitigation of the harm.</p>	
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<p><b>WETLANDS DEFINITION</b></p> <p>The definition of wetlands is consistent with <a href="#">RCW 36.70A.030(48)</a>.</p>	<p>Is the wetland definition consistent with RCW 36.70A.030(48)?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:</p> <p>[Old No. 17.25.030(46)]</p> <p>17.25.030.UU</p>
<p><b>WETLANDS DELINEATION</b></p>	<p>Are wetlands delineated using the</p>



<p><b>Wetlands are delineated using the approved federal wetland delineation manual and applicable regional supplements</b> in accordance with <a href="#">WAC 173-22-035</a>.</p> <p>See Ecology's <a href="#">Wetland Delineation</a> page and <a href="#">WAC 365-190-090</a> for additional assistance.</p>	<p>approved Federal Wetland Delineation Manual and Regional Supplements?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:</p> <p>[Old No. 17.25.140(2)]  17.25.140.B  Needs Federal Manual added.</p>
<p><b>WETLANDS PROTECTION</b></p> <p><b>Policies and regulations protect the functions and values of wetlands. <u>RCW 36.70A.172(1)</u>.</b></p> <p>Counties and cities are encouraged to make their actions consistent with the intent and goals of "protection of wetlands", <a href="#">Executive Order 89-10</a> as it existed on September 1, 1990.</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-090(3)</a> recommends using a wetlands rating system that evaluates the existing wetland functions and values to determine what functions must be protected. Ecology updated its recommended wetlands rating systems effective January 2015. For information on the rating system, including the July 2018 adjustments to ranges for habitat scores, see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">2014 Updates to the Washington State Wetland Rating Systems</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Washington State Wetland Rating System for Western Washington</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Washington State Wetland Rating System for Eastern Washington</a></li> </ul> <p>For other resources and guidance on protecting wetlands, go to Ecology's <a href="#">Local Wetland Regulations: Growth Management Act technical assistance</a> and see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Wetland Guidance for Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) Updates: Western and Eastern Washington (2022)</a></li> </ul>	<p>Do the regulations use a rating system to determine wetlands protection?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:</p> <p>[Old No. 17.25.140(2)]  17.25.140.B  references WA State Wetland Rating System, but could be more specific.</p>





<p><b>CRITICAL AQUIFER RECHARGE AREAS</b></p> <p><b>Policies and regulations protect the functions and values of critical aquifer recharge areas. <u>RCW 36.70A.172(1)</u>.</b></p> <p><b>Policies and regulations protect the quality and quantity of groundwater used for public water supplies. <u>RCW 36.70A.070(1)</u> and <u>WAC 365-196-485(1)(d)</u>.</b></p> <p>The following references also relate to protection of groundwater resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>RCW 90.44</u></b> – Regulation of Public Groundwaters</li> <li>• <b><u>RCW 90.48</u></b> – Water Pollution Control</li> <li>• <b><u>RCW 90.54</u></b> – Water Resources Act of 1971</li> <li>• <b><u>RCW 36.36.020</u></b> - Creation of aquifer protection area (1985)</li> <li>• <b><u>WAC 365-190-100</u></b> Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas 2023</li> <li>• <b><u>WAC 173-100</u></b> Groundwater Management Areas and Programs (1988)</li> <li>• <b><u>WAC 173-200</u></b> Water Quality Standards for Groundwaters of the State of Washington (1990)</li> <li>• <b><u>WAC 365-196-735</u></b> Consideration of state and regional planning provisions (list) (2010)</li> </ul> <p>The <b><u>Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas Guidance Document</u></b> (2021) provides information on protecting functions and values of critical aquifer recharge areas, best available science, how to work with state and local regulations and adaptive management.</p> <p>Also, consider the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prohibiting or strictly regulating hazardous uses in critical aquifer recharge areas (CARAs) and designating and protecting wellhead areas. See Ecology's guidance on <b><u>Critical Aquifer Recharge Areas</u></b>.</li> <li>• Limiting impervious surfaces to reduce stormwater runoff, as required under Phase I and II municipal stormwater permits. Ecology's Stormwater Manual for Western Washington (2012) includes low impact development (LID) related definitions, requirements, and an LID performance standard. See <b><u>Stormwater Management and Design Manuals</u></b> on Ecology's web page.</li> <li>• For additional guidance on LID resources, see Commerce's <b><u>Incentivizing low-impact development guidebook</u></b>.</li> </ul>	<p>If groundwater is used for potable water, do regulations protect the quality and quantity of ground water?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in text:  17.25.100</p> <p>Are the critical aquifer recharge regulations consistent with current mapping of these critical areas?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in text:  [Old No. 17.25.100(2.B.1)]  17.25.100.B.2.a</p> <p>Add Reference to SWAP Maps from Dept of Health.</p>



<b>CRITICAL AQUIFER RECHARGE AREAS</b>	
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<p><b>FREQUENTLY FLOODED AREAS</b></p> <p><b>Regulations protect the functions and values of frequently flooded areas and safeguard the public from hazards to health and safety. <a href="#">RCW 36.70A.172(1)</a>.</b></p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-196-830</a> provides: "'Protection' in this context means preservation of the functions and values of the natural environment, or to safeguard the public from hazards to health and safety."</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-110</a> directs counties and cities to consider the following when designating and classifying frequently flooded areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Effects of flooding on human health and safety, and to public facilities and services;</li> <li>(b) Available documentation including federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and programs, local studies and maps, and federal flood insurance programs, including the provisions for urban growth areas in <a href="#">RCW 36.70A.110</a>;</li> <li>(c) The future flow flood plain, defined as the channel of the stream and that portion of the adjoining flood plain that is necessary to contain and discharge the base flood flow at build out;</li> <li>(d) The potential effects of tsunamis, high tides with strong winds, sea level rise, and extreme weather events, including those potentially resulting from global climate change;</li> <li>(e) Greater surface runoff caused by increasing impervious surfaces.</li> </ul> <p>Classification of and regulations for frequently flooded areas should not conflict with the FEMA requirements for the <a href="#">National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)</a>. See <a href="#">Ecology's Frequently Flooded areas: Critical Areas Ordinance</a> webpage and <a href="#">44 CFR 60</a>.</p> <p>Communities that are located on Puget Sound or the Strait of Juan de Fuca, or have lakes, rivers or streams that directly or indirectly drain to those water bodies, are subject to the NFIP Biological Opinion (BiOp) for Puget Sound. The biological opinion required changes to the implementation of the NFIP in order to meet the requirements of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) in the Puget Sound watershed. FEMA Region X has developed an implementation plan that allows communities to apply the performance standards contained in the Biological Opinion by implementing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) <a href="#">a model ordinance</a>;</li> <li>2) <a href="#">a programmatic Checklist</a>; or</li> <li>3) on a permit by permit basis as long as it can be demonstrated that there is no adverse effect to listed species. Communities have the <u>option</u> of utilizing their CAOs as part of a programmatic response to address the requirements of the biological opinion. FEMA must approve a community's biological opinion compliance strategy.</li> </ul>	<p>Are frequently flooded areas designated and regulated using FEMA and Ecology guidance?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text: 17.25.120</p> <p>Are you utilizing your CAO as part of a programmatic response to the BiOp?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:</p>
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<p><b>FREQUENTLY FLOODED AREAS</b></p> <p>Additional resources:</p> <p><b>RCW 86.12</b> Flood Control by Counties</p> <p><b>RCW 86.16</b> Floodplain Management</p> <p><b>RCW 86.26</b> State Participation in Flood Control Maintenance</p> <p><b>RCW 86.16.041</b> Floodplain Management Ordinance and Amendments</p> <p><a href="#">WAC 173-158-070</a> Requirements for construction in Special Flood Hazard Areas</p>	
<p><b>DEFINITION OF GEOLOGICALLY HAZARDOUS AREAS</b></p> <p><b>The definition of geologically hazardous areas is consistent with <u>RCW 36.70A.030(20)</u> and <u>WAC 365-190-120(1)</u>.</b></p> <p>"Geologically hazardous areas" means areas that because of their susceptibility to erosion, sliding, earthquake, or other geological events, are not suited to the siting of commercial, residential, or industrial development consistent with public health or safety concerns.</p>	<p>Is the geologically hazardous areas definition consistent with RCW 36.70A.030(20)?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text: [Old No. 17.25.030(18)] 17.25.030.T</p>
<p><b>PROTECTION OF GEOLOGICALLY HAZARDOUS AREAS</b></p> <p><b>Regulations protect the functions and values of geologically hazardous areas and safeguard the public from hazards to health and safety. <u>RCW 36.70A.172(1)</u>.</b></p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-196-830</a> provides: "'Protection"' in this context means preservation of the functions and values of the natural environment, or to safeguard the public from hazards to health and safety."</p> <p><b>Geologically hazardous areas are designated, and their use is regulated or limited consistent with public health and safety concerns. <u>RCW 36.70A.030(20)</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-120</a> describes the different types of hazardous areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geologically hazardous areas include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Erosion hazards</li> <li><a href="#">Landslide hazards</a></li> <li><a href="#">seismic hazards</a></li> <li><a href="#">tsunami hazards</a></li> <li><a href="#">volcanic hazards</a></li> <li><a href="#">channel migration zones</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Are uses in geologically hazardous areas designated and regulated or limited consistent with public health and safety?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text: 17.25.130</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• areas subject to other geological events such as coal mine hazards including: mass wasting, debris flows, rock falls, and differential settlement.</li> </ul> <p>The Department of Natural Resource's Washington Geological Survey <a href="#">Geologic Hazards and the Environment</a> website includes information on earthquakes and faults, landslides, volcanoes and lahars, tsunamis, hazardous minerals, emergency preparedness, historic mines and includes geologic hazard maps that can be accessed from the <a href="#">Geologic Information Portal</a>.</p>	
<p><b>DEFINITION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT AND CONSERVATION AREAS</b></p> <p><b>The definition of fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas is consistent with <a href="#">WAC 365-190-030(6)</a>.</b> The definition of fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas was amended to state that they do not include: <b><i>"such artificial features or constructs as irrigation delivery systems, irrigation infrastructure, irrigation canals, or drainage ditches that lie within the boundaries of and are maintained by a port district or an irrigation district or company"</i></b>.</p>	<p>Is the FWHCA definition consistent with WAC 365-190-030(6)?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:  [Old No. 17.25.110(5)]</p> <p>Move definition to definitions section and add amended language  17.25.030.R.2</p>
<p><b>PROTECTION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT AND CONSERVATION AREAS</b></p> <p><b>Policies and regulations protect the functions and values of fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas. <a href="#">RCW 36.70A.172(1)</a> and <a href="#">WAC 365-190-030(6)</a>.</b></p> <p><a href="#">WAC 365-190-130(4)</a> says local jurisdictions must consult current information on priority habitats and species identified by <a href="#">WDFW</a>. Additional information that must be consulted is available from DNR's <a href="#">natural heritage program</a> and <a href="#">aquatic resources program</a>. BAS regarding biodiversity areas and corridors has advanced significantly. Recent updates and resources include:</p>	<p>Have you reviewed your regulations regarding any applicable changes in management recommendations for priority habitats and species?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>





<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Aquatic Habitat Guidelines</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Priority Habitat and Species maps</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Priority Habitats and Species List</a> (updated June 2023)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Priority Habitats and Species: Management recommendations:</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Landscape Planning for Washington's Wildlife</a> (2009)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Land Use Planning for Salmon, Steelhead and Trout</a> (2009)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Riparian Ecosystems, Volume 1: Science Synthesis and Management Implications</a> (2020)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Riparian Ecosystems, Volume 2: Management Recommendations</a> (2020)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Riparian Management Zone Checklist for CAOs</a> (2023)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Shrub-Steppe Management Recommendations</a> (2020)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Oregon White Oak Woodlands Ecosystems Management Recommendations</a> (1998)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Management recommendations for Washington's Priority Species</a> (by taxa)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <a href="#">Puget Sound Kelp Conservation and Recovery Plan</a> (2020)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Stream Habitat Restoration Guidelines</a> (2012)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Water Crossing Design Guidelines</a> (2013)</li> </ul> <p>"Areas where endangered, threatened, and sensitive species have a primary association" must be considered per <a href="#">WAC 365-190-130(2)(a)</a>. Consult WDFW's <a href="#">Threatened and Endangered Species list</a> and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's <a href="#">Information for Planning and Consultation</a> resources for up to date information on all state and federal listed species.</p> <p>Also see the <a href="#">Puget Sound Partnership's Salmon Recovery website</a> for Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) Plans in Puget Sound.</p>	<p>Location in Text [Old No. 17.25.110(1)] 17.25.110.A (look into shrub step and aquatic habitat specifically)</p> <p>Make Reference to the PHS Mapping.</p> <p>Have you reviewed your regulations regarding any changes in species listings?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text</p> <p>No Known priority species are mapped or identified within City Limits.</p>
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## DESIGNATING AND PROTECTING WATERS OF THE STATE

**RCW 90.48.020** defines waters of the state, which include all surface waters, salt waters, groundwater and all other water courses in Washington. [WAC 365-190-130\(2\)\(f\)](#) recommends designating all waters of the state as fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas (FWHCAs).

Stream types are classified in [WAC 222-16-030](#) with field verification, or an alternate system that considers factors listed in [WAC 365-190-130\(4\)\(f\)\(iii\)](#). See <http://www.dnr.wa.gov/forest-practices-water-typing> to use Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR)'s stream typing system.

Establish riparian management zones to maintain no net loss of riparian ecosystem functions and values.

Designate areas that risk contaminating or harming shoreline resources including tidelands and bedland suitable for shellfish harvest, kelp and eelgrass beds and forage fish spawning areas.

Do you designate waters of the state as FWHCAs?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ N/A

Location in Text:

[Old No. 17.25.110(5.A.4)]

17.25.110.E.1.d

Do your regulations protect waters of the state?

- ☒ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ N/A

Location in Text:

[Old No. 17.25.110(10)]

17.25.110.J

## ANADROMOUS FISHERIES

**Policies and regulations for protecting critical areas give special consideration to conservation or protection measures necessary to preserve or enhance anadromous fisheries.** **RCW 36.70A.172(1)** is the requirement and [WAC 365-195-925](#) lists criteria involved. This requirement applies to all five types of critical areas.

[WAC 365-190-130\(4\)\(i\)](#) recommends sources and methods for protecting fish and wildlife habitat conservation areas, including salmonid habitat. Counties and cities may use information prepared by the United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Recreation and Conservation Office, and the Puget Sound Partnership to designate, protect and restore salmonid habitat. Counties and cities should consider recommendations found in the regional and watershed specific salmon recovery plans (see the [Governor's Salmon Recovery Office webpage](#) and the Puget Sound Partnership's [Salmon Recovery webpage](#)).

[Land Use Planning for Salmon, Steelhead and Trout](#): A land use planner's guide to salmonid habitat protection and recovery (October 2009) is an excellent resource.

Do your regulations give special consideration to anadromous fisheries?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☒ N/A

Location in Text:





<p><b>REASONABLE USE EXCEPTIONS</b></p> <p><b>The Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) allows for “reasonable use” if the CAO would otherwise deny all reasonable use of property.</b> Reasonable use provisions should limit intrusions into critical areas to the greatest extent possible and apply the mitigation sequence as needed for no net loss of ecosystem functions and values <b><u>RCW 36.70A.370</u></b>. Common exemptions include emergencies, remodels that do not further extend into critical areas, surveying, walking, and development that has already been completed with critical areas review under a previous permit. See <a href="#">Critical Areas Handbook, Chapter 3: Structuring Critical Areas Regulations, p.10 (Updated 2022)</a>.</p>	<p>Do you have reasonable use provisions?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Location in Text:</p> <p>17.25.080</p>
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<p><b>AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES (COUNTIES ONLY)</b></p> <p><b>Non-VSP Counties</b></p> <p>Critical areas regulations as they specifically apply to agricultural activities in counties or watersheds not participating in the <a href="#">Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP)</a> have been reviewed, and if needed, revised pursuant to <b><u>RCW 36.70A.130</u></b>. <b><u>RCW 36.70A.710(6)</u></b></p> <p>"Agricultural activities" means all agricultural uses and practices as defined in <b><u>RCW 90.58.065</u></b>.</p> <p><b>VSP Counties</b></p> <p>After watershed work plan approval, <a href="#">VSP counties</a> are encouraged to reference and describe their participation in the program within their critical areas development regulations (<a href="#">WAC 365-196-832</a>). See <a href="#">Critical Areas Handbook</a>, Chapter 5: Protecting Critical Areas in Natural Resource Lands (2022).</p>	<p>Did you review your regulations as they apply to agricultural activities?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Location in Text:</p>
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## FOREST PRACTICES APPLICATION REGULATIONS

***If applicable, regulations for forest practices have been adopted: RCW 36.70A.570.***

**RCW 76.09.240**, requires many counties over 100,000 in population, and the cities and towns within those counties to adopt regulations for forest practices. These are often included in clearing and grading ordinances.

Have you adopted forest practices regulations?

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☒ N/A

Location in Text:

## GOOD IDEAS

**Non-regulatory measures** to protect or enhance functions and values of critical areas may be used to complement regulatory methods. These may include:

- public education
- stewardship programs
- pursuing grant opportunities
- water conservation
- joint planning with other jurisdictions and non-profit organizations
- stream and wetland restoration activities
- [transfer of development rights](#)

**Monitoring and adaptive management** is encouraged in [WAC 365-195-905\(6\)](#) to improve implementation of your regulations. See Commerce's Monitoring and Adaptive Management chapter in the [Critical Areas Handbook](#), Chapter 7: Monitoring and Adaptive Management of Critical Areas (2022).

Are you using non-regulatory measures to protect critical areas?

- ☐ Yes  
☒ No

Location in Text:

Do you have a monitoring and adaptive management program for your CAO?

- ☐ Yes





	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Location in Text:  17.25.020.C.5 Add language that encourages it.
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City of George  
**LODGING TAX FUND GRANT APPLICATION (cont.)**

Name of Organization/Group: GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL  
Organization Mailing Address: PO Box 5064  
GEORGE, WA 98824  
Organization Contact Person: DEBBY KOOY  
Organization Contact Phone & Email: 509 797-5632 georgecomhall@yahoo.com  
Organization Website/Social Media Sites: www.georgecommunityhall.com  
Organization is a: 501(c)3 ☒ 501(c)6 ☐ School organization ☐  
Service Club ☐ Other ☐  
Federal Tax ID # (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ UBI #: 91-1024062  
Funds will be used to: Promote Tourism Activity ☒ Promote/Support an Event ☒  
Support a Tourism-Related Facility ☒  
Activity, Event, or Facility Name: JULY 4 AT GEORGE, WA  
Activity, Event, or Facility Location: CITY PARK + GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL  
Event/Activity Date(s): 7/4/2026 Time(s): 7 AM - 11 PM  
Amount of Funding Requested: \$ 40,885

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby state on behalf of the GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL that these funds will be used for:

Please check which applies:

- ☒ Tourism Promotion Activities or Tourism-Related Facilities or Use  
☒ Event or Festival

I understand the City of George will only reimburse those costs actually incurred by the organization/activity and only after the service is rendered, paid for, and a signed Post Event Report has been submitted to the City, including copies of invoices and payment documentation. DK (Initial)

We affirm that we will not, in any contract we undertake pertaining to this event or activity, unlawfully discriminate against anyone by reason of age, race, color, ethnicity, sex, religion, military status, creed, place of birth, or disability and that we will abide by all local, state, and federal laws. DK (Initial)

I further understand that we must gather documentation relating to the Lodging Tax Post Event Report and submit the completed Post Event Report when applying for reimbursement. DK (Initial)

Debbi Koooy  
SIGNATURE (use blue ink)  
DEBBY KOOY  
PRINT NAME

1/20/2026  
DATE



# GCH BUDGET

## Working BUDGET for 2026

### Entertainment:

Fireworks \$20,000

Sound System Management & DJ \$3,500+

Magician \$2500

Military Brass Band \$2500

Campground Boys, 2 sets for \$1200/accommodations/food

Coffey Anderson \$30,000 (underwritten by VOC)

\$\$\$ Incidentals (hopefully covered by VOC donors): VIP tent, catering, swamp cooler, generator, fencing, backline rentals. Tables and chairs for VIP tent to be borrowed from Grant Co. Fairgrounds

Los Vega de Ucacuaro \$1200

### Other Expenses

Cherry Bomb Run \$1500

Cherry Pie supplies \$1,950

Janitorial & Portables \$2,500

Security \$3,000

Advertising & banners \$2,235

Working Total: \$40,885

## **JULY 4, 2026 at George, Washington EVENT SCHEDULE**

**7:00 am** - Registration for the Cherry Bomb Run (located 2 blocks west of the park on Montmorency Blvd. island)

- July 4 Pancake Breakfast at the GCH kitchen until 11 am

**7:30 am** - Construction of the World's Largest Cherry Pie at Rotary Pie Pavilion by the Georgettes

**11 am – 3 pm** – American History Mobile Museum upstairs at the George Community Hall

**8:30 am** - Cherry Bomb Run start time

**9 am** - Parade Registration & Line-up at Martha Inn parking lot

Open-Air Market and all Food Booths OPEN

**10 am** - Grand Parade on W. Montmorency Blvd.

**11 am** – Patriotic Program at outdoor stage

**At conclusion of Patriotic Program/NOON** –Giant Cherry PIE served with ice cream at the Rotary Pie Pavilion (\$1 donation requested)

**12-2 pm** – Cherry Pit-Spitting Contest

**12:10-12:45** – Magician or Brass Band performance

**12:50** - Introduction onstage of Citizens of the Year

**1:00 pm** – ***The CAMPGROUND BOYS*** bluegrass: Robbie Bennet (fiddle), Pete Goodall (guitar), Ruben Taylor (mandolin), Kent Powell (bass), and Bob Martin (banjo)

**2:00 - 5:15 pm** – DJ Mix

**5:15 - 6:15 pm** – ***LOS VEGA De UCACUARO***

**6:00 – 7:15** - Ticket-holders VIP Meet-and-Greet with Coffey Anderson upstairs in the George Community Hall

**7:00-7:50** – ***The CAMPGROUND BOYS***

**8:00-** Early seating for ticket holders for Coffey Anderson Concert in VIP section

**8:30-10 pm** - ***COFFEY ANDERSON in concert***

**Dusk/10 pm** - FIREWORKS!



**VETERANS OPERATION CREATION  
COFFEY ANDERSON BAND JULY 4, 2026 PROJECTIONS**

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1						
2	<b>BUDGET</b>					
3						
4	<b>Projected Income</b>		\$ 5,000.00	Sponsor - Money Received		
5			\$ 5,000.00	Sponsor - Money Received		
6			\$ 40,000.00	Additional Sponsors		
7			\$ 20,000.00	Ticket Sales		
8						
9	<b>TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 70,000.00</b>			
10						
11						
12	<b>Projected Performance Expenses</b>		\$ 30,000.00	Coffey Anderson & Band		
13			\$ 10,000.00	Backline rental		
14			\$ 3,771.08	Lodging Coffey Anderson & Band		
15			\$ 1,000.00	Food for Coffey Anderson		
16			\$ 1,200.00	Security		
17			\$ 1,000.00	Lighting Engineer		
18			\$ 2,000.00	Lighting		
19			\$ 2,000.00	Food & Drinks for Meet & Greet		
20			\$ 1,000.00	2 Trailers for Entertainers		
21			\$ 1,000.00	Ticket Sales App		
22			\$ 1,500.00	Contingency		
23						
24	<b>Projected Performance Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 53,971.08</b>			
25						
26	<b>Projected Advertising Expenses</b>		\$ 1,200.00	Country Radio		
27			\$ 900.00	Social Media		
28			\$ 600.00	Posters		
29			\$ 500.00	Flyers		
30			\$ 300.00	Banners		
31			\$ 800.00	Columbia Basin Herald + Story		
32			\$ 800.00	Wenatchee World + Story		
33			\$ 750.00	Source One + Story		
34			\$ 200.00	Contingency		
35						
36	<b>Projected Advertising Expenses</b>		<b>\$ 6,050.00</b>			
37						
38	<b>TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$ 60,021.08</b>			
39						
40	<b>TOTAL NET INCOME</b>		<b>\$9,978.92</b>			
41						
42						
43						



# CITY OF GEORGE

102 RICHMOND AVENUE ~ PO BOX 5277  
GEORGE, WA 98824  
PH: 509-785-5081 FAX: 509-785-4880  
CITYOFGEORGE.ORG

## SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPROVAL FOR STAFF USE ONLY:

PERMIT APPROVED: ☐ PERMIT DENIED: ☐

CITY OFFICIAL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT APPLICATION

### EVENT CONTACT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION/SPONSOR: GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL  
EVENT DIRECTOR NAME\*: DEBBY KOOP  
MAILING ADDRESS: PO BOX 5064 GEORGE, WA 98824  
PHONE: 509 797-5632 CELL: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: georgecouncil@yahoo.com  
ALTERNATE CONTACT NAME: ELLIOT KOOP PHONE: 509 797-5632

\*Event director is defined as the activity organizer, promoter, or representative legally responsible for the Special Event. The Event Director is responsible for satisfying all permit conditions and requirements involving the event. The Event director must be 18 years old or older.

### EVENT INFORMATION

EVENT TITLE: JULY 4 AT GEORGE, WA ESTIMATED ATTENDANCE: 6,000  
EVENT DATE(S): 7/4/2026  
EVENT TIME(S): 7 AM - 11 PM  
EVENT LOCATION & STREET(S) INVOLVED: GEORGE CITY PARK  
GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL + W. MONTMORENCY  
DESCRIPTION AND TYPE OF EVENT: 69TH ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

### SPECIAL EVENT CONSIDERATIONS

(Additional Permits or Licenses May Be Required for the Following)

#### PLEASE CIRCLE ANY THAT APPLY TO YOUR EVENT:

Amplified Sound	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
Animals	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
Booths/Commercial Vendors	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
Cooking/Food Service	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
Fireworks/Pyrotechnics	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
Inflatables/Amusement Rides	<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES	<input type="radio"/> NO
Mechanical Rides	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
Multi-Day Event	<input type="radio"/> YES	<input checked="" type="radio"/> NO

Other Special Considerations: USA 250th BIRTHDAY; COREY ANDERSON CONCERT;  
BIGGER CROWD ANTICIPATED, MORE SECURITY NEEDED

Please list any special needs your event may require, such as traffic safety cones, extra garbage receptacles, or portable sanitation stations: TRAFFIC CONES, 4 6-40 DUMPSTERS  
IN PARK, ONE XL DUMPSTER AT MARTHA INU SITE.  
WE WILL ARRANGE FOR PORTABLE TOILETS



PLEASE WAIVE

### CLEAN-UP AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT

**A clean-up / damage deposit is required for applicants of special events in the City Park or Pavilion.**

The Deposit is \$150.00 for events of 50-150 attendees or \$250.00 for events of over 150 attendees. The deposit may be returned after the event if the applicant cleans and restores the area to the same condition as existed prior to the event. If the area(s) used for the event have not been properly cleaned or restored following the event, or if City property has been damaged, the clean-up and damage deposit shall be applied toward the City's costs for cleaning and/or repairing the permitted area(s).

DK (Initial) I have read and agree to the Special Event Clean-up and Damage Deposit Policy

### CLEAN-UP POLICY

**The City of George park, streets, and facilities must be clean and free of litter prior to 10:00 AM on the day following the event.** The City of George is not responsible for any items left behind by the Special Event or its participants.

If any additional cleanup is required, the City shall assess these costs to the Event Director, at the cost of time and materials, as determined by the City Public Works Department.

The applicant must agree to reimburse the City for any costs of time and materials incurred by the City of George for cleaning and/or maintenance to City property occurring in connection with the permitted event.

DK (Initial) I have read and agree to the Special Event Clean-up Policy

### DAMAGES POLICY

Any Special Event causing, or resulting in, loss or damage to City property or equipment will be assessed for the cost of any cleaning or repair, or replacement of equipment, including City of George personnel time, at the cost of time and materials, as determined by the City. The City shall assess these costs to the Event Director. Charges must be paid in full.

**The applicant must agree to reimburse the City for any costs incurred by the City of George for repairing any damage to City property occurring in connection with the permitted event.**

DK (Initial) I have read and agree to the Special Event Damages Policy

### INSURANCE

Those applying for a Special Event Permit to use City of George parks or facilities shall provide the City with proof of commercial general liability insurance, generally in the amount of one-million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limits per occurrence, two-million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate, and an endorsement naming the City of George as an additional insured. Higher limits may be required for certain events. Proof of insurance must be provided at the time of application and cannot be cancelled or reduced without thirty (30) days written notice to the City. **Insurance policies will be required at the time of application for a Special Event Permit.**

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A copy of the certificate of insurance and endorsement is attached.

WILL BRING TO  
CITY HALL  
WHEN AVAILABLE

### CITY OF GEORGE BUSINESS LICENSE

A City of George Business License is required for all vendors participating in the event. Contact: 509-785-5081 or cityofgeorge.org

DK (Initial) I have read and agree to the Vendor Business License requirements.

### NON-EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

For assistance in a Non-Emergency situation, please call Grant County Sheriff Dispatch at 509-762-1160.

For Park Maintenance questions, please call City Hall at 509-785-5081, or after business hours, please call 509-797-5252.

### EMERGENCY SITUATIONS – CALL 911



## INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

In consideration of being permitted to produce this special event or activity or use of any City property or facilities in connection with this activity, the undersigned applicant ("Indemnitor") agrees to the following:

1. THE INDEMNITOR HEREBY AGREES TO RELEASE, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the City of George from any and all liability, claims, demands, causes of action, charges, expenses, and attorney fees (including attorney fees to establish the City's right to indemnity or incurred on appeal, resulting from involvement in this event whether caused by any negligent act or omission of the City or otherwise. This agreement shall not apply to any liability resulting from the sole negligence of the City.
2. THE INDEMNITOR AGREES to reimburse the City for any loss, theft of, or damage to City property, equipment and/or facilities.
3. THE INDEMNITOR AGREES to comply with all applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and requirements including, but not limited to, not admitting more attendees than designated by Fire Department as safe for the particular event or facility.
4. THE INDEMNITOR expressly agrees that this release and hold harmless agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by Washington law and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, notwithstanding, the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect.
5. Falsification and/or misrepresentation in completing this application may result in rate adjustment or event cancellation. I understand that changes to the above detailed program require immediate notification to City.

I, the undersigned representative, have read the Special Events Application and the Policies and Procedures contained herein, and I am duly authorized by the event organization/business to submit this application on its behalf. The information herein is complete and accurate.

APPLICANT:

DEBBY KOOGY  
(PRINT NAME)

GEORGE COMMUNITY HALL  
(AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

Debby Koogy  
(SIGNATURE)

1/20/2026  
(DATE)

APPROVAL, DENIAL, OR INCLUSION OF RESTRICTION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF USE PERMIT IS AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE CITY. All applications must be reviewed and approved before a permit can be issued.

Please submit original application, along with required fees and attachments to:

CITY OF GEORGE, PO BOX 5277 / 102 RICHMOND AVENUE, GEORGE, WA 98824

## AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICATION

I, DEBBY KOOGY (Print Name), do certify that the information contained in the foregoing application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that I understand the policies governing the proposed activity, and that this application is subject to the policies and rules established by the City of George. I understand that the City of George retains the right to deny access to City property and/or facilities to any Event representative, agent, employee, invitee, or subcontractor not in compliance with the regulations set forth in this application.

Signed: Debby Koogy (Event Director) Date: 1/20/2026

## SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE - FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

**\$50.00 - EVENT PERMIT FEE:** DATE PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIPT# \_\_\_\_\_

**\$150.00 - CLEANUP/DAMAGE DEPOSIT: (UNDER 150 ATTENDEES)**

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**\$250.00 - CLEANUP/DAMAGE DEPOSIT: (OVER 150 ATTENDEES)**

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## **JULY 4, 2026 at George, Washington EVENT SCHEDULE**

**7:00 am** - Registration for the Cherry Bomb Run (located 2 blocks west of the park on Montmorency Blvd. island)

- July 4 Pancake Breakfast at the GCH kitchen until 11 am

**7:30 am** - Construction of the World's Largest Cherry Pie at Rotary Pie Pavilion by the Georgettes

**11 am – 3 pm** – American History Mobile Museum upstairs at the George Community Hall

**8:30 am** - Cherry Bomb Run start time

**9 am** - Parade Registration & Line-up at Martha Inn parking lot

Open-Air Market and all Food Booths OPEN

**10 am** - Grand Parade on W. Montmorency Blvd.

**11 am** – Patriotic Program at outdoor stage

**At conclusion of Patriotic Program/NOON** –Giant Cherry PIE served with ice cream at the Rotary Pie Pavilion (\$1 donation requested)

**12-2 pm** – Cherry Pit-Spitting Contest

**12:10-12:45** – Magician or Brass Band performance

**12:50** - Introduction onstage of Citizens of the Year

**1:00 pm** – *The CAMPGROUND BOYS* bluegrass: Robbie Bennet (fiddle), Pete Goodall (guitar), Ruben Taylor (mandolin), Kent Powell (bass), and Bob Martin (banjo)

**2:00 - 5:15 pm** – DJ Mix

**5:15 - 6:15 pm** – *LOS VEGA De UCACUARO*

**6:00 – 7:15** - Ticket-holders VIP Meet-and-Greet with Coffey Anderson upstairs in the George Community Hall

**7:00-7:50** – *The CAMPGROUND BOYS*

**8:00**- Early seating for ticket holders for Coffey Anderson Concert in VIP section

**8:30-10 pm** - *COFFEY ANDERSON in concert*

**Dusk/10 pm** - FIREWORKS!

**Working BUDGET for 2026**

**Entertainment:**

Fireworks \$20,000

Sound System Management & DJ \$3,500+

Magician \$2500

Military Brass Band \$2500

Campground Boys, 2 sets for \$1200/accommodations/food

Coffey Anderson \$30,000 (underwritten by VOC)

\$\$\$ Incidentals (hopefully covered by VOC donors): VIP tent, catering, swamp cooler, generator, fencing, backline rentals. Tables and chairs for VIP tent to be borrowed from Grant Co. Fairgrounds

Los Vega de Ucuaro \$1200

**Other Expenses**

Cherry Bomb Run \$1500

Cherry Pie supplies \$1,950

Janitorial & Portables \$2,500

Security \$3,000

Advertising & banners \$2,235

Working Total: \$40,885

# <<<ADDITIONAL VENDOR PARKING>>>



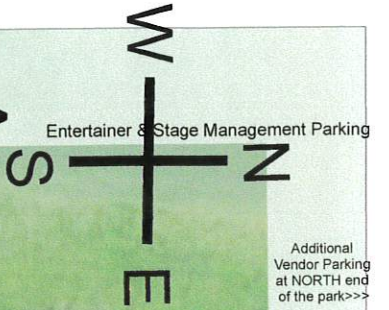
<<< 2 Blocks West at Martha Inn lot: **XL dumpster**, 2 portable toilets with handwash station, to be placed in advance of 6/24 fireworks vendor setup

<<< 150 yards: Cherry Bomb REGISTRATION on Blvd island (place trash container)



July 4, 2021

# VENDORS MAP



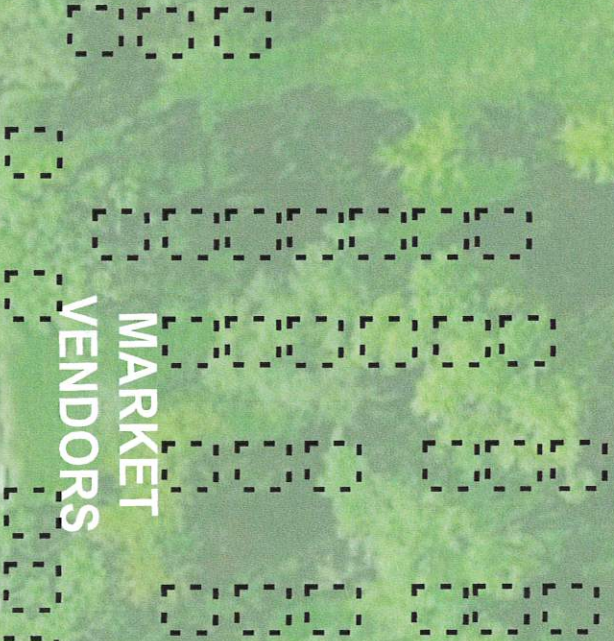
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DUMPSTER



STAGE

MARKET VENDORS



PIE PAVILION

FOOD VENDORS



GCH

RESTROOMS

DUMPSTER



Montmorency **PARADE ROUTE** - no parking until after 10:30 am



MOBILE AMERICAN HISTORY MUSEUM  
WILL BE LOCATED IN THE GEN CONVENT ROOM

# Journey to 1776: Philadelphia

Participants enter through a faux-brick city gate, stepping back in time to Philadelphia in 1776, to experience four interactive stations with costumed interpreters:

1. **Betsy Ross** upholstery shop, where she contributed to the Revolutionary effort by making tents, uniforms and flags, and some stories believe that Gen. Ross and Gen. Washington visited her shop in 1777 to have a new flag designed.
2. **Militia Muster** with Joseph Plumb Martin. He was a teenaged soldier in the Revolutionary War who kept a personal diary of those years. He started as a drummer boy. Visitors will participate in a marching muster and then learn some simple cadences used as signals during the war, playing them on small revolutionary style drums.
3. **Benjamin Franklin's Print Shop** - visitors see a simplified version of how the declaration was printed for everyone to read by visiting a recreation of the Franklin print shop. In schools, students will have completed an etched styrofoam piece that will be printed for them to take with them. At public gatherings, they could pay 4 shillings (\$1)
4. **Meet Thomas Jefferson and sign the Declaration** - visitors meet Thomas Jefferson who is seated at his desk in his rented room at the Graff House near where the Continental Congress was in session, working on the document we know as the Declaration of Independence. They can use a quill pen and ink to add their name to it.



QUINCY VALLEY  
**HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY**  
& MUSEUM



**Fife & Drum Station**

**Interpretive panel**



**Betsy Ross Shop**



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dividers

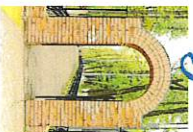
**Military Muster  
Ground**



**Interpretive  
panel**



**Franklin's Print Shop**



**Signing the  
Declaration**



**Interpretive  
panel**



Square footage needed:  
Approximately 800

We come self-contained in a cargo trailer.  
Estimate setup time is 1.5 hours.  
Takedown time is 1 hour  
Need 2-3 plug ins

