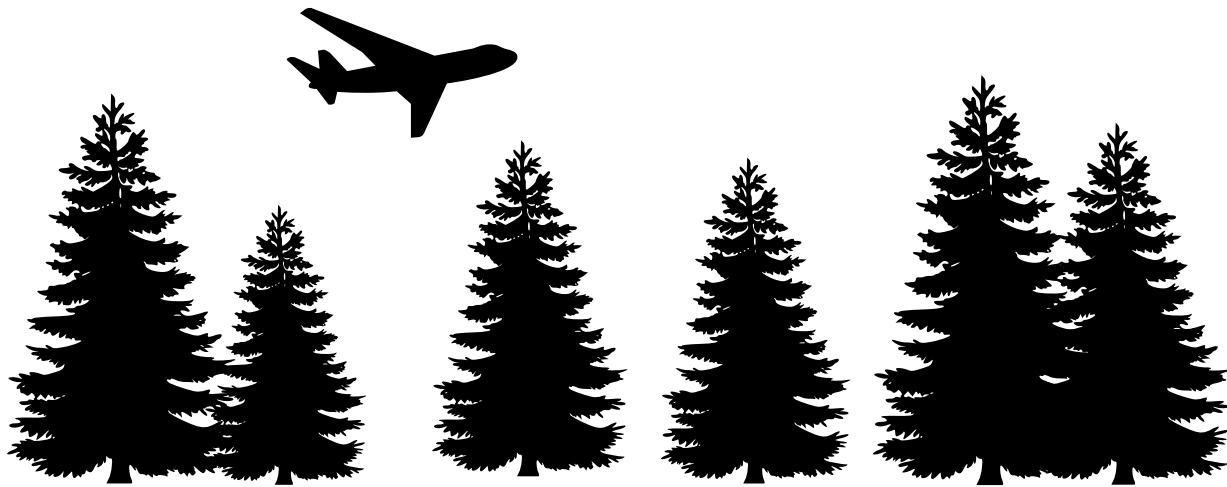


Quarterly Newsletter

AIRPORT GREEN
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

February 2025



President's Message

Greetings to all my neighbors, and thank you all as we continue to build community in our neighborhood since the passing of Ross Montgomery. That sense of community may be more important than we think or realize. As we hear and read about the loss of that community in the LA area, where not only homes have been lost, but businesses, churches, and schools have been wiped out. How would we respond to such a disaster? While the Airport Green Neighborhood Association does have an emergency action plan in place, it still needs improvement from people like you. We continue to re-establish the Map Your Neighborhood and CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) to help neighbors connect with each other. By building upon the resources that each of us bring to share and the working together in supporting everyone in our neighborhood is critical. Please make a plan to get involved with MYN in your section of the neighborhood to continue to build and maintain the community that is AGNA. Contact Michelle Min or Victor Le to get scheduled.

Your Executive Board will be meeting soon to tackle the many concerns raised at the Annual Meeting as well as the organizational needs of each of the activities planned this year. As you look over the calendar of events, you will see that the Garage Sale is back on this

year on the first weekend of May. This will be publicized on Next Door, and the various local papers help everyone who wishes to participate have a successful sale. Contact Jeremy Romig to register for the Garage Sale this year.

The Executive Board will consider how best to support neighbors with buckling or cracking sidewalks due to tree roots or shifting from the ground. Furthermore, the issue of excessive speed of some vehicles and hopefully seek solutions to help in slowing some drivers down.

Not all things are done solely by the Executive Board members that you elect, but by neighbors who wish to help in some small way. Special thanks go to Tina Litsey for being our Membership Chair; Keri Schwarzott for being our Website Manager, and Britni Schatz as our new Newsletter Editor and Publisher. If you're interested in helping any of these amazing people, please reach out to them.

Let's have a great year,

Donald Weir

AGNA Executive Board President

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2025 AGNA Officers and Board Appointments

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2025 AGNA Recycling Champion

Michelle Min
Alternate: Susan Wilson

Neighborly Reminders

- The City of Vancouver has Homeless Assistance and Response Team (HART) should you see someone camping in the park and in need of help. Use the MyVancouver App to get help via your phone or
 - Email: hartteam@cityofvancouver.us
 - Voicemail: 360-487-8626.They will send someone out to assist the individual(s).
 - Please be very considerate of the animals and birds in the neighborhood when using either pesticides or herbicides as these can poison cats and dogs as well as birds.
 - The final pavement sealing process will be finished in 2025, so be prepared for notifications when that process will begin at the end of the current school year.
 - If you have not made out the Membership Application, which gives every resident, home owner, long term renter, or business – voice and vote in the Airport Green Neighborhood Association. Please make one out per household and send it to Tina Litsey. Yes, dues are a voluntary \$12 per year. This helps in funding our various activities for the neighborhood at large.
 - Curb Painting Program will begin in June for those residents who want their house numbers painted on the curb. This assists first responders in locating your house quickly during an emergency. Whether in the dark or during inclement weather, finding the correct house number can be challenging. This removes that challenge when every second counts.
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AGNA Committee and Activities Descriptions



May 3

Neighborhood Cleanup

Coordinator(s): Doug Wood
208-669-0672 ♦ layspeaking@gmail.com

This is a City coordinated clean-up of metal, yard debris, and garbage collections involving two or three other Neighborhood Associations with AGNA. The Chair is responsible for scheduling volunteers/helpers. This is a fund-raising activity. Held in late April or early May each year.

June 6-8

Garage Sale

Coordinator(s): Jeremy Romig

This is a neighborhood-wide opportunity for residents to sell old discarded items. The Chair is responsible for encouraging as many homes to participate as possible. The committee helps to place signs and share on-line through social media as well as the Columbian.

July 4

Kids Parade

Coordinator(s): Teresa Felton
360-909-1422 ♦ c.t.felton@comcast.net

The Chair/Coordinator and committee encourage families and children to march through the neighborhood in celebration of Independence Day. The committee helps to place signs for road closers and volunteers to support and protect participants. Always held on the 4th of July.

Picnic

Coordinator(s): Jackie Cooper

The Chair and committee set up the for the BBQ at Hearthwood Park in preparation for kids parade to arrive at their conclusion. The committee secures grills for cooking and the food as well as serving. Always held on the 4th of July.

August 6

National Night Out

Coordinator(s): Susan Wilson
503-505-4271 ♦ Susanwilson32@yahoo.com

The Chair contacts the Neighborhood Police Officer (NPO) and a City Official to visit at Hearthwood Park to discuss topics of concern for the neighborhood. Ice Cream is also provided by the committee and distributed to those who attend. Normally held the first Wednesday in August.

November 5

AGNA Annual Meeting

Jackie Cooper & Sandy Conroy

Where every resident registered (owner or long term renter) has a seat, voice, and vote on the Annual Audit and Executive Board members that represent our neighborhood in interacting with the City and County officials and over seeing the various activities and committees.

December 6

Walk & Knock Food Drive

Coordinator(s): Don Weir

The Chair coordinates with the collection of Walk & Knock Food bags and getting those to the drop-off site. The volunteers go through the neighborhood two or three times to be sure any late donations are collected. Normally held the first Saturday in December.

Neighborhood Watch Program

The Airport Green Neighborhood continues to have one of the lowest crime rates in the City of Vancouver. Much of the credit can be attributed to our Neighborhood Watch Program. If you're not familiar with Block Watch or Neighborhood Watch, it can be summed up on "neighbors watching out for neighbors." This is not a new concept, but it does require a new attitude when it comes to urban living. Success of the Neighborhood Watch program depends on neighbors knowing their neighbors and offering mutual aid to prevent crime. The mutual aid can take the form of calling neighbors late at night (even if it means waking them) to let them know that their garage door is still open. It can also mean calling 3-1-1 to report suspicious activity, or 9-1-1 in case of fire or other emergency.

Neighborhood Watch is not intended to promote spying or to invade privacy. But knowing who your neighbors are and recognizing their normal habits can be helpful in determining what constitutes suspicious activity. If you get the feeling that something is not quite right about seeing an unfamiliar man walking away from your neighbor's house carrying a power tool at a time when that neighbor is normally away at work, then that would be a suspicious situation and warrant a call. Watching out for your neighbors and knowing that they are watching out for you, too, contributes to a feeling of security and instills pride in the neighborhood.

The Airport Green Neighborhood is organized into 29 Sections, which are also used for CERT/MYN emergency planning, with Section Leaders as the primary contacts for each section. The map on the reverse side shows the Watch Sections for AGNA. The Section Leaders are responsible for maintaining a phone tree for that section. If a police action or a crime occurs, the phone tree can be activated to pass along relevant information regarding the emergency or event. Having your neighbor's phone numbers can also come in handy to notify a neighbor if a stranger is lurking in the yard. Since the Neighborhood Watch program is voluntary, some neighbors may choose not to participate – which is OK. Only participating neighbors, however, receive a copy of the section phone tree.

New neighbors are encouraged to contact their Section Leader in order to be added to the phone tree. The names and phone numbers of the Neighborhood Watch Coordinators are listed for your convenience. AGNA utilizes the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) to help establish a strong Emergency preparedness and Neighborhood Watch. Call to schedule this opportunity.

MYN/Neighborhood Watch Coordinators

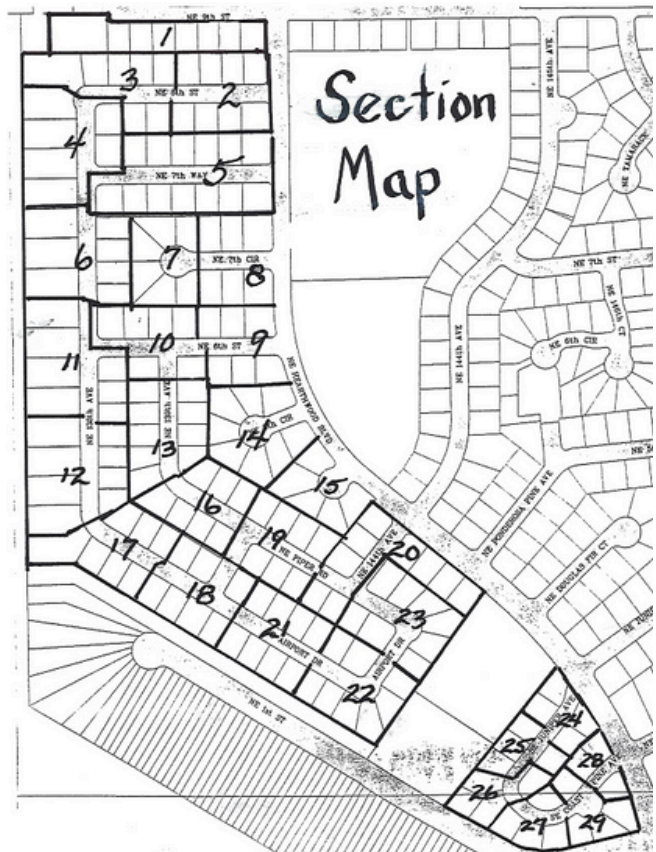
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19.12.080 Truck, trailer, and motor home parking on residential streets.

A. No person shall park or leave standing on any street or public right of way of any residential area of the city, any of the following:

1. A truck with a gross weight capacity in excess of nine thousand pounds;
2. A trailer;
3. A travel trailer;
4. A motor home.

B. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any vehicle which is parked or left standing expressly for the purpose of loading or unloading. For the purposes of this section, a reasonable amount of time on any day or successive days shall be allowed for loading and unloading, the amount of which time is to be determined according to the nature and extent of the loading and unloading operation.

C. Impound authorized. For the purposes of this section, law enforcement officers, including fully and specially commissioned officers, are authorized to impound pursuant to the procedures set forth in R.C.W. 46.55.085. (Ord. M-4088 §1, 2014)

19.12.090 Obstructing Traffic.

No person shall park any vehicle upon any highway in a manner which obstructs or otherwise interferes with vehicular or bicycle traffic upon the traveled portions of the roadway and bicycle lane. (Ord. M-4168 §6, 2016)

19.12.100 Prolonged Parking.

A. No vehicles shall remain parked on a highway longer than 24 hours without a valid permit. Vehicles parked longer than 24 hours may be issued a parking citation.

1. A law enforcement officer discovering an unauthorized vehicle left upon a highway shall visibly mark the vehicle and attach to the vehicle a readily visible notification tag. The tag shall contain the following information:

- a. The date and time the tag was attached;
- b. The identity of the officer.
- c. A statement that if the vehicle is not removed within twenty-four hours from the time the tag is attached, the officer may issue a parking citation and the vehicle may be taken into custody and stored at the owner's expense;
- d. A statement that if the vehicle is not redeemed as provided in RCW 46.55.120, the registered owner will have committed the traffic infraction of littering – abandoned vehicle; and

e. The address and telephone number where additional information may be obtained.

2. If the vehicle has current Washington registration plates, the officer shall check the records to learn the identity of the last owner of record. The officer or his or her department shall make a reasonable effort to contact the owner by telephone in order to give the owner the information on the notification tag.

3. If the vehicle is not removed within twenty-four hours from the time the notification sticker is attached, the law enforcement officer may take custody of the vehicle and provide for the vehicle's removal to a place of safety. A vehicle that does not pose a safety hazard may remain on the roadside for more than twenty-four hours if the owner or operator is unable to remove it from the place where it is located and so notifies law enforcement officials and requests assistance.

4. For the purposes of this section a place of safety includes the business location of a registered tow truck operator. (Ord. M-4168 §7, 2016)

19.12.110 Expired Tabs.

A. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle on any street or alley, or in any garage, parking area or other property owned by the City, without first having displayed current and proper vehicle license plates thereon as provided in Chapter 46.16A RCW. The vehicle license plates shall be attached conspicuously in the manner required by RCW 46.16A.200.

B. Any person who shall violate or fail to comply with the provisions of this section shall be subject to the penalties provided for in the parking code. (Ord. M-4168 §8, 2016)

To report a concern, visit the website www.cityofvancouver.us/services/report-concern/ or scan the QR code below and select the "Parking Concern" tab.



Sidewalk Defects and Repair

The City of Vancouver is committed to providing safe sidewalks that are readily accessible and usable by all community members. As safe spaces for pedestrian movement and access, sidewalks enhance connectivity and promote an active lifestyle. Repair and maintenance of sidewalks is the responsibility of the abutting property owner per the Vancouver Municipal Code 11.30. When residents report sidewalk concerns, Sidewalk Management staff will inspect the site and issue correction notices to property owners which include information on defects found.

The next page contains examples of common sidewalk defects and acceptable repairs that property owners may perform. Repairs shall follow the City of Vancouver's Transportation standard details (Section T02, Sidewalks, Ramps) and specifications, or be performed as directed by the City Sidewalk Management Program Inspector.

We highly recommend that property owners and/or their contractor contact us at sidewalks@cityofvancouver.us or 360-487-8196 prior to making any repairs.

Before beginning sidewalk maintenance or repairs, property owners or their contractors **must have a valid permit** to work in the right of way.

Permits can be obtained at the permit counter at City Hall, 415 W 6th Street, Vancouver, WA 98660.

Scan the QR code to visit the Permit Center webpage for more information on their in-person services and scheduling virtual appointments.



Sidewalk Defects and Repair Continued **A**

(1) Vertical Separation (Trip Hazard)

A vertical separation occurs when there is more than one-half inch (1/2") between any two panels of sidewalk. Many factors cause vertical separation in sidewalk panels, with the most common being tree roots raising the sidewalk or settlement.

Acceptable Repairs

- Remove and replace affected panel(s).
- Mudjack or lift panel manually.
- Grind down affected panels – up to 2 inches (2") in height. (This is not ideal when the damage is caused by tree roots because the roots continue to grow and raise the sidewalk, which may require future additional repairs.)

Note

- ¼ inch to ½ inch vertical separations should be beveled or ground down to remove the separation.
- If grouting or some type of patching is used to temporarily repair the vertical separation, a permanent repair on the Acceptable Repairs list will be required in the future.
- If grinding down or grouting more than a ½" of vertical separation, the slope of the repair shall be no steeper than 1:12 (8.33%).

(2) Horizontal Separations (Openings) or Cracks

This occurs when the sidewalk has openings between panels or cracks of more than one-half inch (1/2") in width or more than 4 cracks in any one panel.

Acceptable Repairs

- Filling of cracks with an epoxy crack filler is acceptable for separation widths up to one and one-half inch (1 ½").
- Separations wider than one and one-half inch (1 ½") shall be removed and replaced.
- Panels with multiple cracks (more than 4 in any one panel) shall be removed and replaced.

Note

Grouting is a temporary fix and is not a recommended repair because panels can move and break the grout out of the crack.

(3) Deteriorated Surface (pitting/spalling and holes)

Spalling occurs when the cement has deteriorated and the aggregate below the surface of the sidewalk is exposed one-half inch (1/2") or more in depth or over fifty percent (50%) of a single panel.

Acceptable Repairs

- Hole(s) may be filled with grout or an epoxy crack filler. Proper preparation of the affected area prior to the use of these materials is a must for proper adhesion.
- Repair of spalling requires removal and replacement of the affected sidewalk area.

Note

- Patching may be used but is a temporary fix. Proper preparation of the affected area prior to the use of these materials is a must for proper adhesion.
- Holes are when the sidewalk has holes or depressions one-half inch (1/2") or more in depth and are three inches (3") or more in diameter.

(4) Missing Sidewalk (sections/pieces)

If any part of the sidewalk is missing to the full depth, replacement of the missing panel is required.

Acceptable Repair

Repair of this condition requires removal and replacement of the affected sidewalk area.

(5) Ponding Water on Sidewalk

If the sidewalk has settled allowing water to pond to a depth greater than three-quarters inch (¾"), replacement of the affected panel is required to restore drainage.

Acceptable Repair

Repair of this condition requires removal and replacement of the affected sidewalk area.

Airport Green Neighborhood Association

Permanent Membership Application

Application information is for AGNA purposes only!

Check box if you do NOT want your name(s) published as a voting or dues-paying member.

Check the box(es) that apply:

Current resident(s)

Property owner(s)

Important Notice: Members who elect to pay the voluntary dues may have their house number painted on their curb free of charge!
 Check box for free curb painting

Name _____ Signature _____

Name _____ Signature _____

Name _____ Signature _____

Name _____ Signature _____

Street/property address _____

Mailing address _____

Phone _____ E-mail(1) _____

Date of Submission _____ E-mail(2) _____

NOTE: Voting rights are established by registering a signed membership application, provided it is received at least seven (7) days prior to the next membership vote. All residents or property owners 18 years or older are eligible to register for voting membership. Payment of dues is *not* required to register.

Please submit your signed application with a \$12 check to AGNA (voluntary dues) to:

Tina Litsey, AGNA Membership Chair
13811 NE Airport Drive
Vancouver WA 98684

Application for non-profit organization or business licensee can be obtained by contacting the AGNA Membership Chairperson.

Current members: Detach & submit with check for voluntary dues payment if there is no change in personal information, such as phone number or e-mail address.

By checking box, I request that my house number be painted on the curb.