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# The Word on the Street

## City of Stayton's Monthly Newsletter

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#### Stayton Family Memorial Pool

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#### Stayton Public Library

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### Kids Safety Town 2024

Kids Safety Town is drawing near. The Stayton Public Library is still accepting Counselors and Camper applications. Registration will remain open until filled. All spots are first come first serve. So make sure to apply early.

If you know someone entering kindergarten or first grade this year, ask if they would be interested in Kids Safety Town and help them fill out an application at the Stayton Public Library/City Hall or online by scanning the QR code here.



### Letter to the City - Street Improvements

Summer has started off strong, the City budget is now fully adopted, and we have begun a new fiscal year. In prior letters, I discussed budget "buckets" and how the budget is determined in a yearlong cycle. Now let's move to the next step of how the budget will fund, maintain and improve the City of Stayton, specifically the streets.

Stayton's streets have been on a slow decline over the last few years, with the rising cost and City's street fees remaining the same for decades, many necessary maintenance projects for streets were postponed to a future date. Fast forward to now and nearly half of streets are in need of major rehabilitation or reconstruction.

Our current funding is insufficient to allow for significant improvement throughout the City. We have identified several strategies to help increase funding and enable more improvements to be done within the next 5-years including: **Adjustments to street fees and local gas tax, a bond/loan, state and federal grants, general fund supplement, and urban renewal.** We are dedicated to finding the best strategies to provide the community with the streets they deserve and provide as many opportunities as possible for improvement. However, we need your input to help guide our next steps to improving the streets.

To learn more about streets and improvements please watch our videos *Streets 101: The Road to Improvement* ([youtu.be/XHaZCbtQ9A](https://youtu.be/XHaZCbtQ9A)) and *Streets 201: Costs and Funding* ([youtu.be/p9mFIAvPa2Q](https://youtu.be/p9mFIAvPa2Q)) on our YouTube channel. Also, take a moment to fill out our *Stayton Streets Community Survey* and help guide the plan to improve the streets of Stayton, follow the link ([www.surveymonkey.com/r/69DG5HT](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/69DG5HT)) or scan the QR code.



As always, have a wonderful day,

Julia Hajduk



**Scan QR for Streets Survey**

### Stayton National Night Out - August 6

It's that time of year for picnics, block parties, and enjoying the warm summer evening. It's important that everyone feels safe to enjoy the summertime and that is what National Night Out is all about. National Night Out is a night where the community coordinates with their local law enforcement for a party and neighborhood events. There are limited openings, so make sure to apply early.

On August 6th, Stayton Officers will visit registered events to answer questions, provide assistance, and discuss topic about the neighborhood. This is your chance to chat with officers, enjoy a lively evening with your community, and be the talk of the neighborhood.

To register visit our National Night Out page at [www.staytonoregon.gov/page/police\\_nno\\_register](https://www.staytonoregon.gov/page/police_nno_register).



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[nextdoor.com/pages/city-of-stayton](https://nextdoor.com/pages/city-of-stayton)

# Stayton Family Memorial Pool - New Times and Rates



The Stayton Family Memorial Pool has updated their schedule including a new designated swim time just for families.

From 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday, admission will be **\$2.00 per family member**. This is the perfect time to enjoy a swim and cool off together with an awesome discount.

To see the full schedule and rates, visit: [www.staytonoregon.gov/page/pool\\_home](http://www.staytonoregon.gov/page/pool_home).

## Stayton Utility Rates Changes

The Stayton City Council approved utility rate changes at their April 1, 2024 meeting that go into effect **July 1, 2024** and will be reflected in August bills. The increases for water, wastewater, and stormwater are in accordance with a utility rate study conducted by an outside consultant. The increases are necessary to ensure that the revenues are sufficient to operate and maintain the infrastructure both now and into the future. Most of the utility rates are fixed monthly rates but bills may vary month to month depending on the amount of water usage. The transportation fees were not changed.

## Ice Cream Socials in Stayton Parks

Starting in July we will be hosting an *Ice Cream Social* in each of Stayton's parks on Mondays that City Council does not have a meeting. Our first social will be on **July 8 at 6:00 p.m.** in Santiam Park where we will have ice cream as well as City staff, City Council, and Committee/Board members to answer questions about the city and feedback about the community.

We highly encourage neighborhood and community members near the park to join us and bring anyone who might be interested to learn more about the city. Ice Cream Social will be marked on the calendar below and on the city calendar online at [www.staytonoregon.gov/page/admin\\_calendar](http://www.staytonoregon.gov/page/admin_calendar).



## City of Stayton Calendar - July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 City Council 7:00 p.m.	2	3	4 Independence Day City Offices Closed	5	6
7	8 Ice Cream Social in Santiam Park 6:00 p.m.	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 City Council 7:00 p.m.	16	17	18 Public Arts Commission 6:00 p.m.	19	20
21	22 Ice Cream Social in Quail Run Park 6:00 p.m.	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Ice Cream Social in Westtown Park 6:00 p.m. Planning Com. 7:00 p.m.	30	31			

\*To learn more about City Council, Boards, and Commissions, visit our City [website](http://www.staytonoregon.gov) or watch live on our [YouTube](#) page.

## Stayton Public Library

### Library's July Schedule

Fun for all at the Stayton Public Library! You can check the Library's calendar online at [calendar.staytonlibrary.org](http://calendar.staytonlibrary.org)

For more information, please call (503) 769-3313 or send an email to [info@staytonlibrary.org](mailto:info@staytonlibrary.org).

**Alseny Yansane: West African Cultural Arts Institute**

**Wednesday, July 10, 4:00 p.m.**

Share in the joy and passion of Guinean culture with music and dance.

**I Can DIY: Sew Renewable**

**Thursday, July 11, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Bring clothing you'd like to mend or make new and give life to clothes otherwise destined to be thrown away.

**Paradise of Samoa**

**Wednesday, July 17, 4:30 p.m.**

Tour the Pacific Islands through dance, traditional costumes, and narration with The Paradise of Samoa Polynesian Dance Troupe.

**Jeff Evans**

**Wednesday, July 24, 4:30 p.m.**

Clean comedy, interactive magic! Laugh along and be amazed by magician, Jeff Evans.

**Nathalia**

**Tuesday, July 30, 11:00 a.m.**

Explore a variety of imaginative themes with Colombian-born songwriter and performer, Nathalia, painting a world of musical colors by fusing popular styles with tradition Latin American sound and rhythms.