



West Richland Parking Code Revisions

The West Richland City Council approved an amendment to West Richland City Code Chapter 10.12 - Parking. This section addresses parking prohibitions, limitations and requirements within the city limits of West Richland. Many portions of Chapter 10.12 remain unchanged, but several additions have been made which are very different from the previous code. The following is a summary of the significant changes adopted by City Council.

- 10.12.010 - Parking restricted, has been revised to prohibit parking of any vehicle on a public street for more than seven consecutive days.
- 10.12.015 - Parking for certain purposes unlawful, has been revised to prohibit parking or leaving a vehicle under repair or disabled in the roadway
- 10.12.020 - Parking for certain vehicles prohibited, has been revised to exclude recreational vehicles. This ordinance still prohibits parking vehicles with a gross weight of 12,000 or more and/or a length of 24 feet or 8'6" width upon any street. Loading and unloading is permitted, but shall not exceed 12 hours in any 24 hour period.
- 10.12.025 - Parking of trailers prohibited, is a new ordinance which prohibits parking of trailers which are detached from the towing vehicle for longer than 24 hours on any street or within the City right of way.
- 10.12.030 - Parking of recreational vehicles, prohibits parking, storing or maintaining a recreational vehicle on the City Street or within the right of way except that an adjacent property owner may park their recreational vehicle for purpose of loading and unloading. Loading and unloading is limited to a maximum of 36 hours in a seven day period.
- 10.12.060 - Parking prohibited, is amended to include a no parking zone on South 39th from Grant Street North 250 feet.
- 10.12.080 - Parallel Parking, was revised to include cul-de-sacs. This is meant to address instances of nose in parking which severely restricts turn around space within the cul-de-sac.



It is the intention of the Police Department to respond to parking complaints and apply these new ordinances fairly throughout the City. If you have concerns regarding parking, or specific complaints in your neighborhood please call our non-emergency dispatch number, 628-0333. Additional information may be found at www.westrichland.org.

Meetings

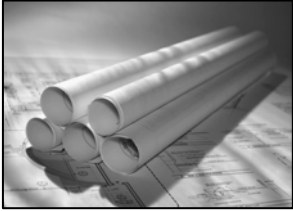
Dec. 4	City Council meeting Library - 7:00 PM
Dec. 5	West Richland Chamber meeting Sandberg Event Center - Noon
Dec. 10	Canceled - Economic Dev. Board
Dec. 13	Planning Commission meeting Library - 7:0 PM
Dec. 18	Canceled - City Council meeting
Dec. 31	Canceled - Park Board meeting

Dec. 1	Carols & Cocoa Flat Top Park
Dec. 15	BCFD #4 - Operation Candy Cane

City Holiday Closures

City offices will be closed on December 24th and 25th for the Christmas holiday, and January 1st for the New Year holiday.

*Have a very Merry Christmas
And a Happy New Year!*



Comprehensive Plan Amendment Applications Due January 31st

Amendments to the West Richland Comprehensive Plan are considered on an annual basis. Applications to amend the text or maps of the Comprehensive Plan must be submitted by January 31, 2013, to be considered in the 2013 set of amendments. Application forms are available at City Hall and on the city website (www.westrichland.org).

If you are considering submitting an application, or have questions regarding the Plan, please contact the Community and Economic Development Department at (509) 967-5902 for assistance.



Vandalism at Flat Top Park

The men's and women's restroom facilities at Flat Top Park were severely vandalized the weekend of October 13th and 14th. The vandal(s) smashed the toilet fixtures and sinks with rocks, ripped items off the walls, and filled the plumbing with mud, rocks and toilet paper resulting in the City closing the restrooms on Monday, October 15th until repairs could be made.

City maintenance crews cleaned and repaired the women's portion of the restroom the week of October 15th, only to have the facility

severely vandalized again the weekend of October 20th. The cost of cleanup and repairs is estimated to cost several thousand dollars.

We apologize for the inconvenience, but Flat Top restrooms will remain closed until the vandal(s) are caught and/or until funds are identified to repair the damage and mitigate the vandalism issue.

We are asking for your help in providing any information that could help apprehend the vandal(s). If you have information about the vandalism, please contact the West Richland Police Department at 628-0333. Information can be left anonymously.



Annual Carols & Cocoa and Tree Lighting - December 1st

The Red Mountain Lions Club will be sponsoring the annual Carols and Cocoa at Flat Top Park on December 3rd at 5:00 p.m. Get a cup of hot cocoa and great music for \$1.00 or free in exchange for donations of canned food or an unwrapped toy to benefit area families.

Did You Know...

That West Richland Municipal Code 12.20.020, "Sidewalk snow and ice removal," states, *It shall be the duty of all property owners or persons having charge or control of any premises bordered by city right-of-way to clean, maintain, and repair public sidewalks, driveways, or planting strips constructed thereon in a reasonable and safe condition.*

Residents are responsible for maintaining sidewalks and driveways adjacent to their property. When residents fail to clear sidewalks, the result can be a treacherous ice patch. Please do your part in protecting pedestrians from possible injury.

Operation Candy Cane

Benton County Fire District #4 will be conducting their annual food drive to help the less fortunate this holiday season. Beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 15th, local firefighters will drive decorated fire trucks through West Richland neighborhoods passing out candy canes in exchange for a non-perishable food item.

You can also deliver non-perishable food items to Station 420 on Bombing Range Road daily from December 1st through December 19th.

Thank you to Yokes Fresh Market for donating candy canes in support of Operation Candy Cane!

