

City of Shelley
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City Hall –

- City Hall Hours
 - Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. & Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- City Hall will be closed on the following dates:
 - October 12, 2026, in observance of Columbus Day
 - November 11, 2026, in observance of Veterans Day
 - November 26, 2026, in observance of Thanksgiving
 - November 27, 2026, in observance of Thanksgiving
 - December 24th (closing at 12:00 pm)
 - December 25, 2026, in observance of Christmas
 - December 31st (closing at 1:00 pm)
 - January 1, 2027, in observance of New Years

Shelley DMV Titles and Registrations –

- Shelley DMV Hours
 - Monday – Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 - Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Shelley DMV only accepts cash or check payments
- Shelley DMV no longer provides services for driver licensing
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Shelley Police Department –

- In accordance with City Code 9-4-5, vehicles parked on public streets should be moved every 48 hours. Failure to do so may result in the vehicle being tagged for removal and towed.
- Harvest is here. Over the next several weeks, local roads will be busier than usual with farm trucks, tractors, and other agricultural equipment. Help keep our farmers, workers, families, and community safe by slowing down, giving large trucks and equipment plenty of space, passing only when it's safe and legal, allowing extra travel time, and taking extra care at dawn, dusk, and after dark.
- Winter is coming; please remove vehicles and trailers from roads to allow plows to pass. Vehicles may be towed if blocking access for snow removal.

Public Works Department –



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- Water project work will be taking place in the Hummingbird addition areas. Please use caution.
- Fall cleanup will run from October 12th through the 16th. The city crew will begin pickup on October 19th. Residents may place organic debris only at the curb starting October 12th. These cleanup times are for organic debris only. Please do not put household garbage, furniture, or appliances out for pickup.
- Holiday Sanitation Schedule Changes:
 - October 13 East Side (Columbus Day)
 - November 12 West Side (Veterans Day)
 - November 25 West Side (Thanksgiving)
 - December 22 ALL (Christmas)
 - December 30 West Side (New Year's)

Building Department –

Permits are required for any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repour, remove, or convert anything structural. Most permit applications require the submission of plans for review and approval for code compliance. Please be aware that building permits are required for roofing, fences, demolition, signs, sheds, decks, and solar panels, as well as any other structural projects. Please review the City Code for information regarding your project. Electrical, plumbing, and HVAC permits are obtained through the State of Idaho.

Parks and Recreation Department –

Current sports sign-ups/ practices/ games:

- September: Jr. Jazz Basketball sign-ups
- October: Jr. Jazz Basketball Signups/ Drafts
- November / December: Jr. Jazz Basketball Practices

Planning and Zoning:

Please visit www.cityofshelley.org to view the City of Shelley Comprehensive Plan, Shelley Zoning Map, Shelley Water Map, and Shelley Sewer Map. Meeting agendas and minutes are also available.

Tree City USA:

For the Tree Committee agenda, please visit www.cityofshelley.org or come to City Hall.

Urban Renewal Agency:

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Upcoming Dates:



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City Council Meetings:

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 pm. Please note that meeting dates are subject to change.

Planning and Zoning Meetings:

Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. Please note that meeting dates are subject to change.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Why did I receive a letter saying there is lead in the water?

The City secured a grant from DEQ for the water project. One grant requirement is to distribute letters annually describing the potential effects associated with lead, copper, or galvanized lines and/or fittings. The City conducts water testing, and the 2025 Consumer Confidence Report is available on the City's website.

Which departments does the City Council oversee?

- Kim Westergard: SICO, Economic Development, Urban Renewal, and EIRSD
- Leif Watson: Police Department, Senior Center, and School Liaison
- Don West: City Hall, City Attorney, and Planning and Zoning Liaison
- Sean Kress: Public Works, Building Inspector, and City Engineer
- Louise Street: Parks and Recreation, MYAC, Tree City USA

Why did my bill go up?

Although the City secured a grant for the water project, it also required a loan. Because the loan must be repaid, the water billing rate was increased to \$55 per EDU (water connection). Since the full \$55 was allocated to loan repayment, no funds remained to cover the water system's operation and maintenance. Consequently, temporary fees were introduced. The City assessed each property a temporary fee based on its lot size.

Good to know –

ERSID (Eastern Idaho Regional Sewer District) has increased its fees by \$1.11 effective October 1st. This affects City residents, as the City of Shelley collects a portion of their fees in the utility billing each month. Please visit www.eirsd.org or call (208)357-1839 for questionsnewsletternewsletternewsletter.



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Sanitation cans must be placed on the road by 7 am on your designated garbage day. The following items are not permitted to be dumped in a City Sanitation Can per Title 8-6-14

- (A) Dirt, earth or debris from construction or building renovation.
- (B) Appliances, large or heavy machines, tree trunks or other debris or waste not placed within a waste container meeting the specifications of this chapter.
- (C) Hazardous waste, toxic chemicals, waste oils, lubricants or any other substance harmful to life or limb.
- (D) Dead animals.
- (E) Dirt or earth debris from construction or building renovation; rocks, stones, automobile bodies and parts, washing machines, refrigerators, hot water tanks, stoves, tree trunks and stumps and other similar materials, dead animals, furniture, building materials such as mortar, plaster, scrap lumber, broken concrete and brick shall be collected and disposed of by the building contractor, person, owner or occupant of the premises.
- (F) Waste oils and lubricants from garages, service stations, machine shops, restaurants and other similar establishments shall be disposed of by the person responsible for the same.

The city website, www.cityofshelley.org is a great resource when needing information. Located on the website, residents can find everything from agendas and minutes to community resources like local business information.

Positive Happenings-

Brinkman Park Ribbon Cutting

On September 09, 2026, the city held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for Brinkman Park. The city received a grant from Westmark Credit Union for tennis and pickleball courts and a new shelter. This will greatly benefit our community by providing recreational options for both youth and adults.

Rocky Mountain Power Grant

A grant from Rocky Mountain Power in the amount of \$2200 was received to assist with some new playground equipment.

Shelley Farmers Market

The first annual farmers market ran from June 4 through September 17 and quickly became a wonderful gathering place for the community, bringing neighbors and local businesses together. A stroll through the market always brought a smile to our faces—whether we were seeing the joy it brought our



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children, enjoying the delicious food, or bumping into friends and neighbors. Thank you to our wonderful volunteer committee and vendors for making the first year a success.

Mayors Walking Challenge

Over the years, Shelley's mayor has participated in the mayor's walking challenge hosted by the Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation for Health, Inc. This challenge asks Mayors to wear an activity tracker and commit to walk every day in October. Mayors earn funds for their community by averaging 5,000 or 10,000 steps. Funds support programs and projects that encourage physical activity and well-being. Mayor Westergard is excited to participate in this challenge and urges the community to get out and stay active as well.

Spud Day

Spud Day was held on September 19, 2026, and this year's celebrations included the Spud Day street festival on Friday, September 18, along with the Tater Trot. The day kicked off with the Spud Run, the QRU breakfast, and the Spud Day parade, which began at 10:00 am and featured 125 entries. At noon, bystanders enjoyed a performance by the Firth Orchestra and the National Anthem, along with free potatoes. A variety of performances also took place on the free stage. Community members enjoyed the fry-eating contest or challenged their friends and family to a potato sack race. The bleachers are always packed for the 3:00 pm. Spud Tug! Many volunteers and the Kiwanis Club make Spud Day possible. Thank you to everyone involved, including our Public Works Department, who work weeks/months in advance to prepare.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

On October 2, Chief Purser and Mayor Westergard will sign a proclamation recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Purple ribbons will be tied to light poles throughout Shelley to help raise awareness.

IAEC Conference

Mayor Westergard will be attending the IAEC conference at the College of Eastern Idaho. IAEC is a nonprofit that brings together industry, communities, education, and government partners to support the growth of advanced nuclear energy in Idaho. They also coordinate the Intermountain-West Nuclear Energy Corridor (INEC) Tech Hub, a federally designated initiative spanning Idaho and Wyoming. Communities like Shelley are an important part of this work, both in the jobs and economic opportunities this sector creates and in the local perspectives that help shape it. This is a great opportunity to hear what is happening across Idaho's nuclear energy sector and connect with regional leaders.

Light the World Giving Machine

On October 15th, Mayor Westergard will represent Shelley at a ribbon-cutting at the Grand Teton Mall at 12:00 pm for the Light the World Giving Machine.

