

**Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_**

**An Ordinance Creating New Chapter 2.48, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee**

**Whereas \_\_\_\_\_;**

**Now, therefore, the City Council of the City of Anacortes does ordain as follows:**

- Section 1. AMC Chapter 2.48 is created to read as shown in Attachment A.
- Section 2. The provisions of this ordinance supersede any conflicting provisions in Resolution 1973, adopting the City of Anacortes 2016-2021 Tourism Promotion Strategic Plan.
- Section 3. Consistent with RCW 35A.12.130, this ordinance takes effect five days after passage and publication.

**PASSED and APPROVED this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.**

**CITY OF ANACORTES:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Matt Miller, Mayor

**Attest:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Hoglund, City Clerk-Treasurer

**Approved as to Form:**

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Darcy Swetnam, City Attorney

## Attachment A

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### Chapter 2.48 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

#### 12.48.010 Established.

Consistent with RCW 67.28.1817, a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (“LTAC”) is established to provide recommendations on the funds collected per AMC Chapter 3.15 (“lodging tax funds”).

#### 22.48.020 Membership.

**i** RCW 67.28.1817 requires “at least two” representatives of entities collecting the tax, and “at least two” members involved in activities authorized to be funded by the tax, and those two numbers must be equal.

- A. The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee shall consist of the following members:
1. A City Council member who, per RCW 67.28.1817(1), must serve as chair of LTAC;
  2. Two representatives of businesses required to collect the tax under RCW Chapter 67.28;
  3. Two representatives of non-profit organizations that engage in activities authorized to be funded by revenue received under RCW Chapter 67.28;

**i** Note paragraph (3) is a more limiting provision than the statute, which does not define a limit on what qualifies as a person involved in activities authorized to be funded by lodging tax.

4. Two residents of Anacortes who do not qualify for the other categories in this list, with a preference for at least one representative of a business with a physical presence in Anacortes that benefits from tourism.
- B. To qualify as a representative of an entity described in subsection (A), an applicant for LTAC membership must submit a letter from the entity authorizing that representation.

- C. A person who is eligible for appointment under paragraph (A)(2) is not eligible for appointment under paragraph (A)(3), and vice versa. A person who is eligible for appointment under paragraph (A)(2) or (A)(3) is not eligible for appointment under paragraph (A)(4).

### **32.48.030 Appointment.**

**i** Per RCW 67.28.1817(1), the City Council is the appointing authority for LTAC members and the City Council must review LTAC membership annually and make changes as appropriate.

- A. Each year, the City Council must appoint LTAC membership for the remainder of the calendar year by resolution.
- B. Appointments last for the remainder of the calendar year and automatically terminate at the end of the year.

### **42.48.040 Duties and Authority.**

- A. LTAC has the authority to make recommendations to the City Council on lodging tax matters per RCW 67.28.1817(2) and on other subjects as the City Council may request.
- B. LTAC does not have authority to set City policy or authorize expenditures.
- C. LTAC members must comply with the Open Government Trainings Act, RCW 42.30.205.
- D. LTAC meetings must comply with the Open Public Meetings Act, RCW Chapter 42.56.
- E. An LTAC member must avoid a conflict of interest, and may not cast a vote on, nor participate in debate about, an allocation to an entity that LTAC member represents or has any pecuniary interest in.

### **52.48.050 Applications and Recommendations on Use of Lodging Tax Funds.**

**i** We considered restricting application to non-profit organizations, so as to prevent gifts of public funds to for-profit entities, but find it may be too restrictive. We considered restricting applications to local entities, but we regularly award funding to the Skagit Tulip Festival and the NW Marine Trades Association, neither of which has a primary physical presence in Anacortes.

- A. Any individual or organization, including local government entities including the City of Anacortes itself, may make application to LTAC for use of lodging tax funds.

**i** RCW 67.28.1816(2) requires applicants to estimate how much and what kinds of tourism their proposed activity will attract.

**B.** An application for use of lodging tax funds must contain all of the following:

1. a fixed amount of lodging tax funds requested;
2. a budget for the proposed activity to be funded;
3. the estimates required by RCW 67.28.1816(2).

**C.** LTAC must consider the applications for proposed use of lodging tax funds and make recommendation on applicants and recommended amounts to the City Council. A quorum of 50% plus 1 of the LTAC membership must be present at a meeting to make a recommendation.

**D.** For each proposal, LTAC's recommendation must include all of the following:

**i** Paragraphs 1 and 2 are required by RCW 67.28.1816.

1. an analysis of the extent to which the proposal will accommodate activities for tourists or increase tourism in Anacortes;
2. the extent to which the recommended funding amount will affect the long-term stability of the lodging tax fund;
3. a calculation of the ratio of the recommended funding amount to the number of tourists that are estimated to be attracted to Anacortes;

**i** Reports on tourism generated are required by the statute and our contract templates.

4. evaluation of the consistency of the application with the statutory requirements;
5. history of the applicant's past compliance with requirements to report on the actual tourism generated.

#### **62.48.060 Use of Lodging Tax Funds.**

- A.** Lodging tax funds may only be authorized for the uses described in RCW 67.28.1816(1).
- B.** Any use of lodging tax funds must be authorized by the City Council by resolution, ordinance, or authorization of a contract.
- C.** Per RCW 67.28.1817(2), a proposed use of lodging tax funds must be submitted to LTAC for review and comment at least 45 days before the City may authorize the use of funds.

**i** The procedures and limitations on Council revision of the recommended amounts are described in [this informal AGO](#) from 2016.

- D. If the City Council desires to authorize an allocation different from the amount recommended by LTAC, it may do so after providing LTAC up to 45 days to comment on the revised allocation.
- E. The City Council may not authorize an allocation to an entity that was not recommended for funding by LTAC.

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##### In the Superior Court of the State of Washington for the County of Skagit

Keith C. McCraw, Plaintiff,  
vs. No. 22-2-00081-29  
Emily N. Hall, Defendant.

The State of Washington to the said Emily N. Hall.

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 2nd day of March, 2022, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff Keith C. McCraw, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff Clare E. Bogdanowicz, at her office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. This is a Declaratory Judgment and Partition matter pertaining to 203 N. 23rd Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98272.

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Sincerely,  
Clare E. Bogdanowicz  
North City Law, PC  
17713 15th Avenue NE  
Suite 101  
Shoreline, WA 9815  
King County Washington  
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

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April 6, 2022  
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##### IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SKAGIT

In the Matter of the Estate of

Fern Leah Leopold, Deceased.

**No. 22-4-00090-29  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this Estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Rep-

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representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

**Date of First Publication:** March 9, 2022

**Personal Representative:** Margaret Leopold  
**Attorney for the Personal Representative:** Justin Rothboeck

**Address for Mailing or Service:** 1008 5th Street Anacortes, Washington 98221

Benner-Rothboeck Attorneys for Petitioner



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1008 5th Street Anacortes, Washington 98221  
Dated this 3rd day of March 2022.  
By Justin Rothboeck  
WSBA #47458

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The following is a summary of an Ordinance passed by the Anacortes City Council on March 14, 2022.

##### ORDINANCE NO. 4014

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN ANACORTES MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 19, UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, TABLE 19.41.050 REMOVING SELF SERVICE STORAGE AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE COMMERCIAL USE ZONE**

A copy of the complete text of each ordinance is posted at the Anacortes City Hall, Anacortes Municipal Building, 6th Street and Q Avenue. Upon request to the City Clerk,

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quest to the City Clerk's Office (360-293-1900) copies will be mailed.

Steven D. Hoglund  
City Clerk

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##### Notice of Public Meeting

Including written comment period, public meeting date

Publish Date: March 23, 2022

Proposal Name: Ordinance 4019 Creating a New Chapter 2.48, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee Documents Available at: <https://www.anacorteswa.gov/198/Anacortes-Municipal-Code-Updates>

Lead Agency: City of Anacortes Planning, Community & Economic Development Department

Contact Person Don Measamer, Director

Public Hearing Body: Anacortes City Council

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Public Hearing Date: Monday, March 28, 2022, at 6:00 PM

**Proposal Description**  
The proposal would amend AMC to create a new chapter 2.48, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

How to Comment Email comments are preferred and must be sent to [don@cityofanacortes.org](mailto:don@cityofanacortes.org). Please include your comments in the body of your email message rather than as attachments.

##### Paper comments may be mailed or delivered to:

City of Anacortes Planning, Community & Economic Development Department  
ATTN: Don Measamer  
P.O. Box 547 / 904 6th St. Anacortes, WA 98221

##### Verbal comments may be made at the Public Hearing.

The public meeting will be held remotely and in person. Meeting access information can be found on the City Council agenda, posted Wednesday prior to the meeting here: <https://www.anacorteswa.gov/700/Meeting-Documents-and-Video>

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# Registration for Anacortes Senior College opens March 21

Registration opens this month for the spring term at Anacortes Senior College. Online registration for all nine classes opens at 10 a.m. Monday, March 21, at seniorcollege.org, and in-person registration is from 10 a.m. to noon the

same day at the Senior Activity Center. Classes meet from 4-6 p.m. on Tuesdays or Thursdays at Anacortes Middle School. A three-week class is \$20; a six-week class is \$30. Information: info@seniorcollege.org or 360-

503-1255  
 Tuesday classes include:  
 • Three Good Movies from Far Far Away with Mark Lundsten  
 • How Metalwork Changed Civilization with Paul Thorne  
 • Health Fads: Fact or Fiction

by Patricia Downing  
 • Ham Radio Principles and Operation, taught by seven instructors  
 Thursday classes include:  
 • Our Amazing Constitution with Michael Newbrough, Ph.D.  
 • Wellness with Bob Weath-

ers, Ed.D.  
 • Anacortes History in Photographs by Bret Lunsford  
 • Understanding World Wide Religions with Jim Barrett, Ed.D.  
 • Android Smartphones and Tablets by Norm Samuelson.

## 360 CALENDAR

**Please submit event calendar listings for online and print to my360nw.com. Tickets: my360tix.com**

### Events

• The next Skagit Climate Talk, "Climate Change and National Security," is at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 24, online. The talk is presented by retired U.S. Navy Commander Bob Hallahan. He will talk about how climate change is affecting national security, including a review of food and water security and causes of population migration. He will talk about the Pentagon's changing posture on climate and take a look at the Ukraine invasion and how it may affect energy markets. The event is sponsored by the Citizens' Climate Lobby and Friends of Skagit Beaches. Get a Zoom link at skagitbeaches.org or visit the Friends of Skagit Beaches Facebook page.

### Arts

• Anacortes High School, Anacortes Community Theatre and Fidalgo DanceWorks present "High School Musical" 7 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Brod-niak Hall. General admission tickets are \$17, available at acttheatre.com.  
 • Skagit Symphony will host its third and final concert in its "Journey on the Orient Express" series with "From Budapest to Istanbul" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 26, at McIntyre Hall in Mount Vernon. The symphony, which includes several Anacortes musicians, will also perform Ukraine's national anthem.  
 Tickets: skagitsymphony.com  
 • In March, the Scott Milo Gallery will host its 11th annual show with the Northwest Pastel Society.  
 Information: scottmilo.com  
 • The Rockfish Grill hosts live music: Judd Wasserman (6 p.m. today) and Cascadia

Groove (7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 19).  
 Information: anacortesrockfish.com/calendar  
 • The Brown Lantern, 412 Commercial Ave., hosts live music: The Savage Blues Band at 9 p.m. Saturday, March 26.  
 Information: brownlantern.com  
 • Enchantrix will perform at 6 p.m. Saturday, at the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, 901 Seventh St.

### At the library

Library hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday to Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.  
 Information: 360-293-1910 or library.cityofanacortes.org  
 • The March Madness Book Tournament returns. Everything is at library.cityofanacortes.org.  
 • The library book club will discuss "The Lab Girl" and/or "The Story of More" by Hope Jahren at 7 p.m. Monday, March 28, on Zoom.  
 • The library hosts virtual storytimes on its Facebook page.

### For seniors

The Anacortes Senior Activity Center hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday to Friday. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. Information: 360-293-7473  
 • An intro to birding with Anacortes naturalist-guide Stephanie Fernandez is 10-11:30 a.m. Monday, March 28. Cost is \$20.  
 • Museum Director Bret Lunsford will host a tour of the museum's newest exhibit at 1 p.m. on today. The exhibit spotlights photographers in Anacortes.  
 • Mayor Matt Miller will host a conversation from 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesday, March 23.  
 • A chat with state Sen. Liz Lovelett is 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 29. Find the link on the City of Anacortes calendar page.  
 • Chef Jackie Davison will conduct a cooking demonstration in person from 10-11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 30, for \$10 (pay in advance at the reception desk).

The demonstration will also be available online for free. Information: che-fjackiedavison@gmail.com.

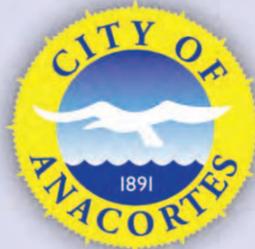
• A class on the basics of birding with Anacortes Community Forest Lands maintenance worker Steve Phillips is 10-11:30 a.m. on Monday, March 28. Free, but space is limited. Sign up at the reception desk.

### Health

• Island Hospital hosts screening events and classes. Register at islandhospital.org/classes or 360-299-4204.  
 – A virtual event on improving aging memory is 10:30-11:15 a.m. today.  
 – A virtual class on living better with diabetes is 1:30-2 p.m. Thursday.  
 – A class on living well with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) is 1-2 p.m. online.

### Recreation

• Parks and Recreation hosts a variety of events for children and adults. Visit cityofanacortes.org/490/Parks-Recreation.  
 • The Friends of the Anacortes Community Forest Lands hosts a community hike focused on old growth in the forest lands is 3-5 p.m. Thursday, March 17. Meet at the Ray Auld Drive parking lot.  
 A conservation easement walk with Skagit Land Trust is 10 a.m. to noon Saturday. Registration is required at friendsoftheacfl.org.  
 A community hike called "Forest Folly" is 3:45-5:30 p.m. Friday, April 1, starting at the Heart Lake parking lot.  
 Information: friendsoftheacfl.org



## Join the LTAC team!

Join the team that helps make our city such a great place to live and visit. Every year, citizens and visitors alike get the opportunity to celebrate events that are special and unique within our community. These events allow the citizens a distraction from the usual and encourages visitors from many different places that help add to the diversity, interest, and livelihood of our town. The Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) is the team that recommends a funding boost from tax revenue to those organizations. 98221 Studio Tour, Shipwreck Day, Anacortes Farmers Market are some of the events that receive funding from the Lodging Tax.

The LTAC meets annually to review the applications, typically October through November. They make their recommendations to the City Council in December for the following year's events. This is a fun and exciting way to be an integral part of the community and promote all that Anacortes has to offer.

In addition, every 5 years, the Committee works on the Lodging Tax Strategic Plan. The Plan helps the City focus on how to best leverage the lodging tax and guide the Lodging Tax Committee. The Plan is ready for an update and that will be part of the work the Committee will complete this year.

The basic requirements are:

State law requires the City to establish a Lodging Tax Advisory Committee ("LTAC"). The Committee membership must be appointed by the City Council and must include:

- (a) at least two members who are representatives of businesses required to collect the tax;
- (b) at least two members who are persons involved in activities authorized to be funded by revenue received from the tax;
- (c) a City elected official, who must serve as chair of the committee.

The City LTAC includes 3 members from each category and one elected official. The membership is one year and may be renewed.

The Committee meets weekly for one hour between October and November to review the applications and interview applicants. The meetings begin at 4 p.m. on Thursdays although those times and day may change depending on availability. The work on the Strategic Plan will encompass a bit more time for review and drafting; work on that is expected to begin in June 2022.

If you are interested in joining a dynamic group to keep Anacortes thriving, join the LTAC group! Talent Bank applications are now being accepted to begin the work for 2023 events.

Please contact Joann Stewart at 360-503-9041 or joanns@cityofanacortes.org if you have questions.

Talent Bank application can be accessed at: <https://forms.cityofanacortes.org/Forms/TalentBank>

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