

President's Message:

Happy New Year! As we welcome in 2025 I would like to reflect on the accomplishments our community has made since its establishment on August 3, 2024. The community successfully elected its board members, established its bylaws and voted in its first subcommittee chair (Patti Sexton). There were three board meetings followed by three general meetings which produced direct access to the Clark County Sheriff John Horch, District 6 Fire Chief Kristan Maurer, Public Works Representative Steve Gallup and the following community organizations, Great Felida Magazine, Waste Connections composting project and Lions Club.

The Felida Community NA helped resolve local concerns over illegal parking and an abandoned car in Felida Park.

The community made their traffic safety concerns clear by providing the board with a comprehensive report shared with Public Works. Our community in collaboration with Public Works is getting the ball rolling to establish effective traffic calming measures.

In 2025 we aim to continue fostering innovative ideas to strengthen the Felida community through our projects, subcommittees, and initiatives that unify and amplify local voices.

Here's to making 2025 our best year,

John Stubbs, President

Felida Community Neighborhood Association



Pictured left to right: John, Karina, Doug



Mark Your Calendar!

See the following dates for our tentative 2025 FCNA General Meeting Dates:

- Tuesday, January 14th
- Tuesday, March 11th
- Tuesday, May 13th
- Tuesday, July 8th
- Tuesday, September 9th
- Tuesday, November 18th

We're still confirming the meeting room reservations with Vancouver School District for the Thomas Jefferson Middle School. Make sure to check your mail boxes for our meeting announcement postcards that come out 1 to 2 weeks before the meeting. They will include any meeting updates, verification of location and meeting time. Send us an email at felida.community.na@gmail.com to join our email list for general meeting reminders, board meeting announcements, and important notifications.



Meet Michelle McCallum!

Michelle approached the board during our September 2024 general meeting and expressed her interest in joining. The Board is excited to see community members looking to join the Board or Subcommittees and help us bring support to amplify the voices of Felida. Read on for Michelle's introduction:



"Hello! My name is Michelle McCallum! I am a soon to be mother with a Bachelor's degrees in Mathematics, English Language Learning, and Education (to become a teacher). In my free time, you can find me crafting, reading, spending quality time with my husband and family.

My husband had always dreamed of living in Felida and we are so happy to have gotten to join the community at the end of 2021! I feel passionate about neighborly connection, safety, and the environment, and I hope to help continue developing those and more in our beautiful community, while serving as the hopefully soon-to-be-elected secretary of the Felida Community Neighborhood Association!"

The Felida Community NA Board has two open board positions: Secretary and Treasurer. The responsibilities of these positions are currently being covered by our Co-VPs Doug and Karina. At our Tuesday, January 14th, 2025 General Meeting, we will host an election for these two positions. If any community member would like to join Michelle in running for Secretary or run for Treasurer, we highly encourage it!

The membership of this Association is open to all persons 18 years of age or older that reside or operate businesses within the boundaries. This includes home and property owners, residents that rent/lease their homes or apartments, managers of multiple-family dwellings, and one representative of non-profit and profit organizations within the boundaries of this neighborhood association.

The community should understand that our team does not condone discrimination of any kind. Any member of the association is welcome and encouraged to join in volunteering their time to the Felida Community Neighborhood Association at whatever level they choose to participate. All residents are encouraged to attend our meetings, volunteer for any clean-up or service projects, contribute ideas for presentations, speakers and committees, and run to be elected to serve on a Board position.

Board members are not appointed; they are elected by our community to serve our residents.

Felida Community Neighborhood Association is established by the residents in order to unite the common interests and promote the welfare of the neighborhood and its residents. Felida Community Neighborhood Association is a Neighborhood Association, recognized by the county, and NOT an HOA. The Felida Community Neighborhood Association's purpose is to address community issues within our boundaries, form a greater sense of community among residents, generate a unified voice, and organize social & community enhancement events to bring the neighborhood together.



Call for 2025 Volunteers!

The Felida Community Neighborhood Association is excited to announce that we are planning our first community events to host in 2025.

We are looking for community members to volunteer in joining our Event Planning Subcommittee! There will be a vote called at the January 14th, 2025 general meeting to establish the Event Planning Subcommittee. We are looking for a subcommittee Chair or Co-Chairs and other volunteers who are interested in collaborating to host an event for our community.

If you are interested or know of someone who would be the perfect Event Planning Community Leader, email us at

felida.community.na@gmail.com with your contact information, and why you think you or another community member would make a great addition to the team.

Notice of Proposed Bylaws Amendment and Upcoming Vote:

At the January 14th, 2025 General Meeting, there will be a vote on a proposed amendment to the association's bylaws. The proposed changes are intended to enhance the security and stability of the association by staggering the election schedule for officer positions.

Current Bylaw (ARTICLE 10 - ELECTIONS, Section I):

Nomination and Election for the Officers shall take place every other year on the even years at the first meeting of the year, or when there is a vacancy.

Proposed Amendment:

- Update Section I to read: *Nomination and Election for the President and Vice President Officer Positions shall take place every other year on the even years at the first meeting of the year, or when there is a vacancy.*
- Add a new section: *Nomination and Election for the Treasurer, Secretary, and any additional Officer positions other than the President and Vice President shall take place every other year on the odd years at the first meeting of the year, or when there is a vacancy.*

Purpose of the Amendment:

This change is designed to:

1. Provide an opportunity for all officer positions, including Secretary and Treasurer, to hold their roles for two consecutive years, ensuring continuity similar to the President and Vice President elected in 2024.
2. Safeguard the association by staggering elections so that, in the event of a year without volunteers for officer roles, the board is not left entirely vacant. This allows remaining board members, as outlined in Article 8 Section I and/or Article 11 Section 5, time to recruit new volunteers to fill vacant positions.

The proposed amendment aims to strengthen the association's governance and support its long-term success and stability.

We encourage all members to review this proposal and attend the meeting to participate in the discussion and vote. Your input is vital to the future of our association. Thank you for your attention and commitment.

Traffic & Road Safety Subcommittee Survey:

Leading up to the November 2024 General Meeting, our T&RS Subcommittee was working hard to create and deliver the first round of a survey aiming to collect the Felida Community's top two areas of traffic safety concerns. The T&RS Subcommittee Chair Patti Sexton and Volunteer Lisa presented their comprehensive report which can be viewed at this link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YvQ9fu_tJUOTgqKjCmMo5oZAJDeag-nc/view?usp=sharing

The November meeting was recorded and if you couldn't attend, you can view it here: <https://youtu.be/eMkbsBsWhGU>

The T&RS Subcommittee would like to offer a second round of surveying. This survey will be open through January 31st, 2025 and we look forward to your responses. This data will help the T&RS Subcommittee continue to develop their report and validate the Felida Community's concerns for effective traffic calming measures. You can fill out the survey at this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc2myvFwliUwxjC-WVHQQT3f3xeHVL3kXMuQWoWLPXtJh_H3A/viewform?usp=sf_link



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Join us for Your Neighborhood Association Meeting!

Tuesday, January 14th, 2025— 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. *to be confirmed by January 3*

LOCATION: Thomas Jefferson Middle School - 3000 NW 119th St. Vancouver, WA 98685

OR Attend Virtually on Zoom! Link: <https://clark-wa-gov.zoom.us/j/88158425100>

Meeting Agenda:

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Election for open Secretary & Treasurer Board Positions
- 3) Vote on Bylaws Amendment (see next page for information)
- 4) Notes from the Board
- 5) Guest Speaker: Salmon Creek Lions Club
- 6) Motion to Adjourn.

We hope that you will join us in our efforts to improve our neighborhood and stay informed about the happenings in our area, including road construction, planning and zoning changes, and new housing or business plans, and community events.



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felida.community.na@gmail.com

See our Website for more Information:
<https://clark.wa.gov/county-manager/felida-community>

Welcome to the Felida Community Neighborhood Association!

If you are receiving this mailing, you are located within our neighborhood. We are a non-political neighborhood group, with no fees or dues.

We are NOT an HOA.

North: Salmon Creek natural boundary from Lake River to I-5 at NE 117th St.

East: I-5 from NE 105th Street to NE 117th Street

South: NE 99th Street to NE Hazel Dell Ave., North to NE 105th Street, East to I-5

West: Lake River/Vancouver Lake