



November 1, 2024

Dear Downtown Business Merchant/Downtown Resident:

On **Friday, December 6**, the annual Hometown Holidays community event will take place in Downtown Camas. This letter includes street closure, free shuttle information and pedestrian corridor details. Please refer to topics below. **All Merchant Packet documents can be found and printed from the QR code above.**

Hometown Holidays is a free, family-friendly community event, coordinated and hosted by Camas Parks & Recreation. This year's activities will feature photos with Santa, the return of the tree-lighting ceremony (at 5:00PM!), static and roaming entertainment, food and refreshments and crafts for the kids – all amongst the lovely downtown Camas holiday decor. Hometown Holidays will coincide with the Downtown Camas Association's First Friday event, with both events beginning at 5:00PM and ending at 8:00PM.

**STREET CLOSURES/NO PARKING:**

**All vehicles must be removed from the downtown core streets by times indicated below. Refer to map.**

**Green street closures:** Per City permit requirements, Camas Police will clear streets from 10:00AM to 12:00PM and will tow vehicles in the closed areas during this time. Streets must be clear to allow event set up for all event activities.

**Red street closure:** Per City permit requirements, Camas Police will clear Birch St., between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues from 5:00AM to 7:00AM and will tow vehicles in this closed area during this time. Street must be clear to allow event set up for Santa's tent.

**Gold street closure:** Per City permit requirements, Camas Police will clear 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Everett and Franklin from 2:00PM to 4:00PM and will tow vehicles in this closed area during this time. Street must be clear to allow for event bus shuttles.

Streets mentioned above will have a hard closure; vehicles will not be allowed around the barricades, for any reason. Vehicles parked in the closed area and drivers who break through the barricades will be subject to being ticketed and/or towed. Streets must be clear to allow event set up. Streets will re-open to vehicular traffic at 11:00PM, following event tear-down and clean-up. Refer to enclosed map.

**AVAILABLE PARKING/SHUTTLE SERVICE:**

Free parking is available on streets outside of the street-closure area, in the City of Camas Public Parking lot (at NE 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. & NE Adams St.), and at several free event shuttle sites as indicated on the enclosed shuttle map.

Free shuttle service will be available again this year. Several locations within 1 mile of downtown Camas will be available for parking with transportation to Hometown Holidays provided via Camas Event Shuttles, provided by the Camas School District. Four parking areas and shuttle sites will be open from 4:30pm to 8:30pm and will run every 15 minutes. Shuttles will drop off and pick up event attendees in front of the Camas Public Library/Camas City Hall.

**COMMUNICATION:**

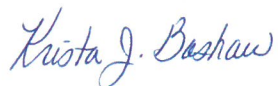
Sharing this information with your neighbors, customers and clients is vital for a smooth and enjoyable event. ***Please place the enclosed shuttle flier and map in your business window a few days prior to Hometown Holidays.***

Event details can be found at [www.cityofcamas.us/parksrec](http://www.cityofcamas.us/parksrec) by clicking on the Special Events button and the drop-down menu to the Hometown Holidays event page.

Please assist in getting this information out to your public. Promotional event fliers have been distributed. Please post in your store window, if you have not already done so. Thank you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Krista Bashaw at 360-817-7991.

Sincerely,



Krista J. Bashaw  
City of Camas Special Events Coordinator

Cc: Mayor Steve Hogan  
City Administrator Doug Quinn  
Police Chief Tina Jones  
Public Works Director Steve Wall  
CDA Director Carrie Schulstad

# ATTENTION CUSTOMERS

On Friday, December 6, the Downtown Core will be closed at 10:00AM to all parking and vehicular traffic to allow for setup of the Hometown Holidays community event.

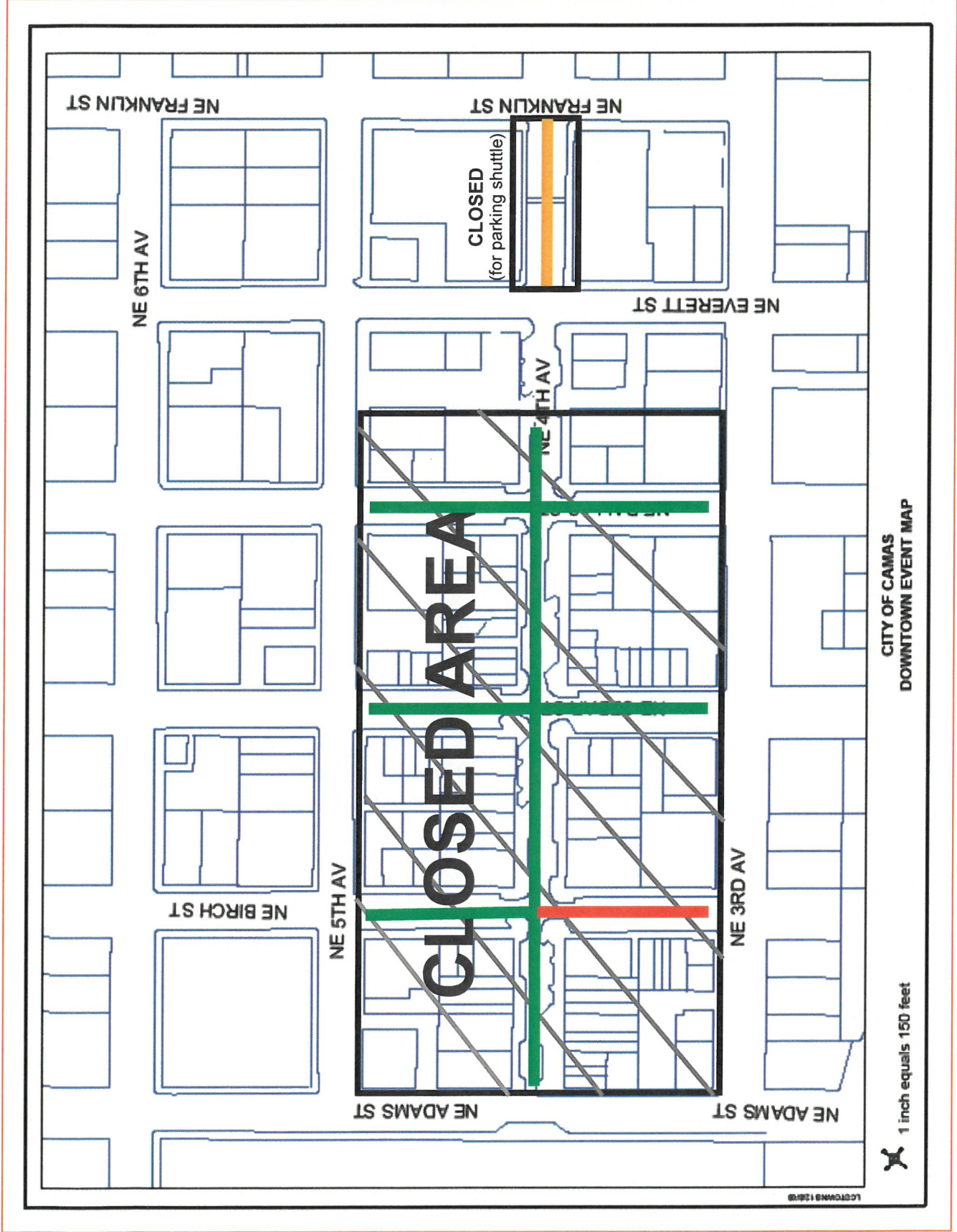
(N.E. Birch St. between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Aves. will close at 5:00AM for scheduled street sweeping and tent set up and N.E. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. between Everett & Franklin will close at 2:00PM)

Please, DO NOT leave your car parked in the closed areas (see map) – your vehicle will be subject to being towed.

Thank you for helping to make our event a festive one!



Hometown Holidays - Friday, December 6, 2024



These streets closed from 10:00AM to 11:00PM



This street closed from 5:00AM to 11:00PM.  
(Birch St. between 3rd Ave. & 4th Ave.)



These streets closed from 2:00PM to 11:00PM  
(4th Ave. between Everett & Franklin)





## FREE EVENT SHUTTLE FOR HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS 2024!

Turn your frustrating, hard-to-find, "I'm going to be late", 20+-minute parking space search into a stress-relieving, easy-to-park, approximately 15-minute shuttle experience!

To help alleviate the vehicular congestion in Downtown Camas during the annual Hometown Holidays tree lighting event, the City of Camas has partnered with the Camas School District to provide free Event Parking Shuttles.

Please read below for shuttle route and shuttle parking lots.



**Park & Ride Event Shuttle – Runs from 4:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Camas School District free bus shuttles run the same continuous route to four separate color-coded parking areas. All busses drop riders off at the Camas Public Library/Camas City Hall. Return routes pick up at Camas Public Library/City Hall and return to color-coded parking lots.

\*\*\*\*\* **Red Shuttle Lot: Park at Doc Harris Stadium (1125 NE 22nd Ave.)**

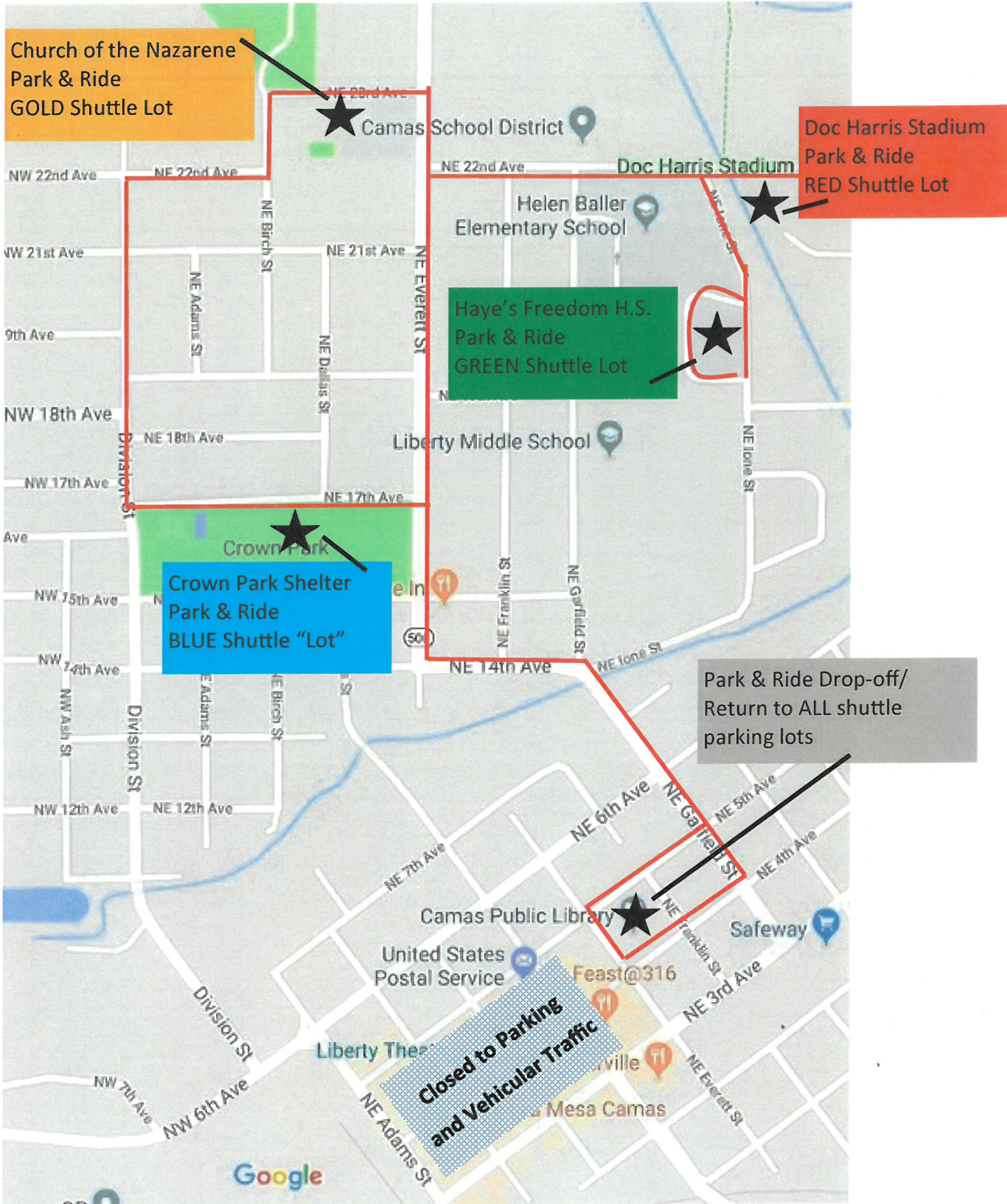
\*\*\*\*\* **Green Shuttle Lot: Park at Hayes Freedom High School (1919 NE lone St.)**

\*\*\*\*\* **Gold Shuttle Lot: Park at the Church of the Nazarene (2204 NE Birch St.)**

\*\*\*\*\* **Blue Shuttle "Lot": Park near Crown Park Metal Shelter (120 NE 17th Ave.)**



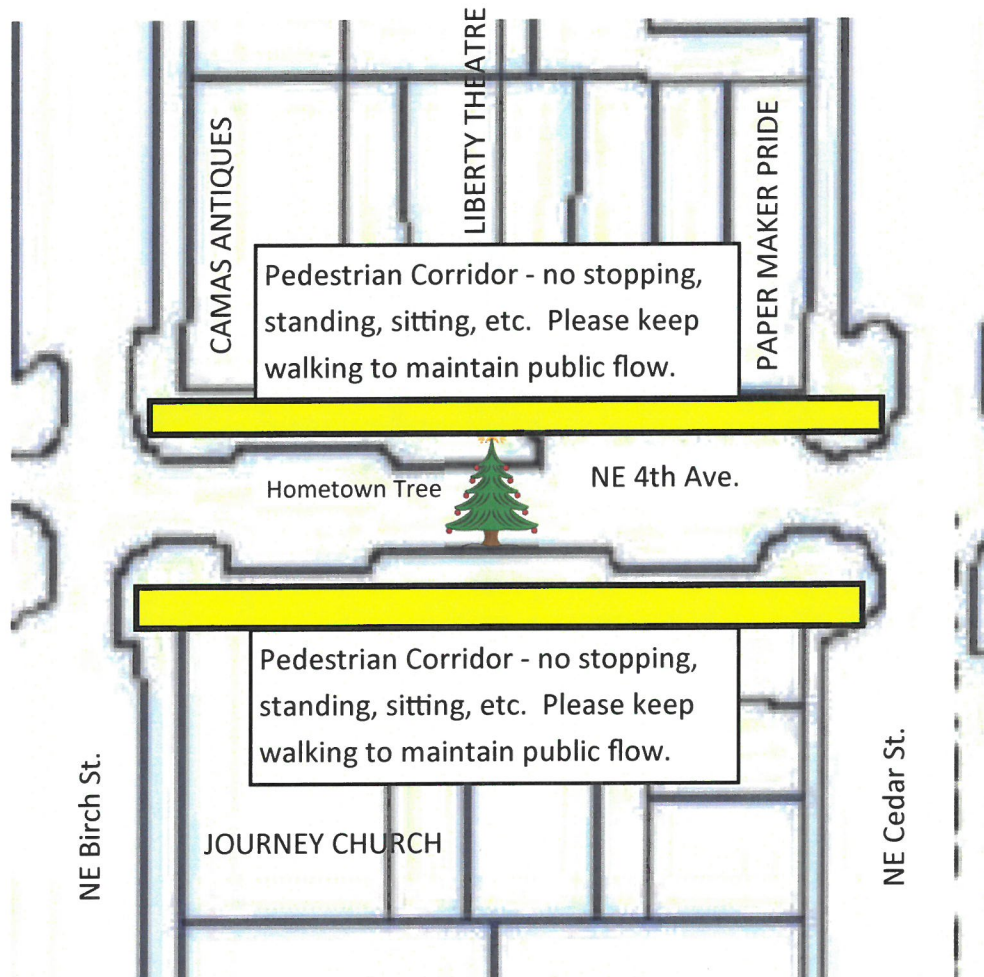
HOMETOWN HOLIDAYS 2024 - FREE PARKING SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN CAMAS



- GREEN LOT (Haye's Freedom High School)
- RED LOT (Doc Harris Stadium)
- GOLD LOT (Church of the Nazarene)
- BLUE "LOT" (Crown Park Metal Shelter)
- ★ Shuttle Park & Ride Lots (Pick-up/Drop-off)

All buses stop at each color-coded parking lot on a single, continuous route.

# Hometown Holidays Pedestrian Corridor 4:30PM to 5:30PM



Yellow lane = Pedestrian Corridor - in place from 4:30pm to 5:30pm

For the safety of our public and to promote continuous pedestrian travel during the Hometown Holidays' tree-lighting ceremony, the City of Camas has implemented a "no standing zone" on the north and south sidewalks along NE 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. between N.E. Birch and N.E. Cedar Streets. (see map above)

This pedestrian corridor will be in effect from 4:30pm to 5:30pm, during the main public gathering for the tree lighting. As in years past, attendees will be allowed to gather, stand and/or mingle on the street near the tree while waiting for the tree to be lit. But, due to the enormous crowds attending this popular event, and for the safety of our public and city staff, the north and south sidewalks will be used for pedestrian flow only - no stopping or standing will be allowed. The area will be roped off, posted, and managed with DCA and Chamber staff and volunteers to keep people in that corridor moving and at a constant flow.



## Camas Tree Lighting



Tree Lighting at 5:00pm in front of Liberty Theatre  
(Tree lighting coordinated and sponsored by DCA and CW Chamber of Commerce)



**5-8 p.m.**

In charming Downtown Camas,  
decorated for the holidays!

**Santa (bring your camera!)  
Holiday Activities  
Entertainment  
Food and Refreshments**

**Photos with Santa | Kids' Crafts | Food & Refreshments  
Entertainment | Movie at Liberty Theatre**

Downtown Camas will be closed to parking & vehicular traffic at 10am.  
Parking Shuttle (regular & disabled) runs 4:30pm to 8:30pm.  
For the comfort and safety of your pets, please leave them at home.

For parking and event details, visit [www.cityofcamas.us/parksrec](http://www.cityofcamas.us/parksrec)  
Coordinated by Camas Parks & Recreation (360) 834-5307

