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### **The Last Days of Lloyd: Portland says goodbye to Lloyd Center after 66 years**

*Community events will celebrate the iconic mall's legacy before its final day on Saturday, August*

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**Portland, OR** – After 66 years of serving generations of Portlanders, Lloyd Center's final week has arrived.

The iconic shopping center will close its doors for the final time at **7 p.m. on Saturday, August 8**, marking the end of one of Portland's most recognizable landmarks. Throughout its last few days, tenants, community organizations and supporters will host a series of farewell events, giving Portlanders one last opportunity to celebrate the place where so many memories were made.

Since opening in 1960, Lloyd Center has been part of generations of Portlanders' lives. The **Last Days of Lloyd** invites the community to come together one final time to celebrate those memories and say goodbye.

"This is more than the closing of a shopping mall. It's the closing of a chapter in Portland's history," said Tom Kilbane, of Urban Renaissance Group. "We're grateful for the memories Lloyd Center has created for generations of Oregonians, and we're excited to begin writing its next chapter."

Earlier this year, Urban Renaissance Group announced the mall would close on August 8 to prepare the property for its next chapter. The approved redevelopment plan will transform the site into a vibrant, mixed-use neighborhood featuring new housing, parks, businesses, public spaces and pedestrian connections that better integrate Lloyd with the surrounding community.

The transition also reaches an important milestone today. This morning, the Portland City Council took a final procedural vote to approve the Lloyd Central City Master Plan. Today's vote formally completes the city's approval process for the master plan and clears the way for the Lloyd Center redevelopment to move forward.

### **Last Week of Lloyd Events**

The following community events are planned during Lloyd Center's final week. Additional events may be announced throughout the week on Lloyd Center's social media channels as the week progresses.

Media are welcome to cover all events. News crews have permission to film inside Lloyd Center.

### **July 31: Prom on Ice**

Prom on Ice is a themed after-hours skating event. Skaters are encouraged to wear formal attire, vintage prom dresses, tuxedos, sequins, sparkles, for an evening of music and nostalgia. Open to all ages and skating abilities.

- Friday, July 31, 8:00–10:00 p.m.
- Location: Lloyd Center Ice Rink, central atrium

### **Final Food Court 5000**

The beloved community walking event returns one final time in partnership with Heart Beat Silent Disco. Participants will receive wireless headphones and enjoy a curated soundtrack while taking one last walk through Lloyd Center together.

- Saturday, August 8, 11:00 a.m.
- Location: Walk begins in the Lloyd Center food court

### **Celebration of Life Bike Ride**

A community bike ride honoring Lloyd Center's place in Portland history.

- Saturday, August 8
- Meet Time: 1:00 PM (Ride departs at 1:30 PM)
- Starting Location: Holladay Park (NE Holladay St & NE 11th Ave, Portland, OR 97232)
- End Location: Lloyd Center Ice Rink

### **Final Skate: Jerry & Tally Leonard**

For nearly six decades, Jerry and Tally Leonard have skated weekly at Lloyd Center. Before Lloyd Center closes its doors for the final time, Jerry and Tally will take to the ice for one last farewell skate. Earlier in the day, young skaters will write and draw messages directly on the ice and a commemorative banner will be available for visitors to leave memories.

- Saturday, August 8
- Time: 6:45 PM
- Location: Lloyd Center Ice Rink, central atrium

Please visit [lloydcenter.com](http://lloydcenter.com) for a complete list of closing activities.

### **Celebrating Respectfully**

Urban Renaissance Group encourages visitors to help make Lloyd Center's final week a positive and memorable experience by treating the property with care and respecting the businesses that remain open through the final day.

Mall furnishings, fixtures, artwork, landscaping and other property should remain in place. Following closure, these items will be responsibly repurposed, recycled or donated whenever possible.