



# OurRenton

Community News, Programs, and Events



*(Left) A new trestle bridge at Coulon Park and (inset) a re-developed Kiwanis Park. Both projects start in 2022.*

## Parks Bond funding transforms city parks

**IN 2018, RENTON CITY COUNCIL** established the Community Advisory Committee to ensure our parks meet Renton's needs. The committee worked to "identify important gaps in Renton's parks, trails, and community facilities and recommend additional investments." They identified major repairs and renovations to existing parks as the top priority and developed a project list.

So far, the city's Parks Planning and Natural Resources Division has completed four bond projects. Four more are scheduled for this year.

Work started in April on a complete makeover of 60-year-old Kiwanis Park. New features include ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) accessible walkways and entrances, a new playground, basketball court, ball field with a synthetic all-weather infield, updated backstop, covered dugouts, picnic shelter, paved parent plaza, restroom, and parking lot.

The park is currently closed and expected to reopen in December.

Philip Arnold Park will also receive an ADA walkway and boardwalk, picnic shelter, paved parent plaza, basketball court renovation, a new playground for ages 2 to 12, restroom, and improved site drainage and stormwater management. Work will begin after Labor Day, with completion set for early summer 2023.

The two other projects are located at Coulon Park. These projects are critical for the safety and preservation of the walking path and over-water walk.

The first replaces the north-end trestle bridge and removes all in-water pilings. A Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund grant will help fund the project. Work is expected to start in October, with completion scheduled for March 2023. The project will necessitate closing the north end of the park at the north cul-de-sac.

The second project will replace the north water walk's concrete deck, wrap existing piles, replace timber components, paint light poles and guardrails, install new lighting, rebuild picnic floats, and refurbish tables and benches. Additional funding comes from a Washington State Direct Legislative appropriation, 2019 King County Proposition 1 Levy, and local funding. Construction is scheduled to start after Labor Day and take one year. The north water walk and day moorage will be closed during this time.

Parks Planning and Natural Resources is also completing playground replacement projects at Kenydale Beach Park (completion scheduled for the end of May) and Cascade Park (scheduled to start in May with completion during the summer). These projects are funded through the Capital Improvements Fund.

You can learn more about these projects and follow their progress online at [rentonwa.gov/ppnr](http://rentonwa.gov/ppnr).



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## Council Chamber update underway

A PROJECT TO UPDATE the audio and visual equipment in the City Council Chamber at City Hall will take live city council meetings off Channel 21 for at least the month of May. It also means the meetings will not be live-streamed on the city's website.

City Council meetings will be available via Zoom. The city will continue to post meeting videos on our YouTube channel. Instructions can be found at [rentonwa.gov/council](http://rentonwa.gov/council).

The project will install new software, cameras, microphones, and video displays in the chamber. We are looking to resume live broadcasts of city council meetings on Monday, June 6.

## Clean Economy Strategy online Open House, May 25

IT'S TIME to update our 2011 Clean Economy Strategy (CES) – CES 2.0.

Our first CES integrated sustainability objectives into the city's practices, policies, and investments. The update will build on that foundation to create a plan that reflects the latest science, incorporates recommendations honed through work with dozens of peer cities, is tailored to Renton's needs, and is shaped by community input.

Once complete, CES 2.0 will serve as a roadmap to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, enhance environmental sustainability, and prepare for our changing climate. It's a year-long, citywide effort encompassing all departments and relying on input from our residents.

Please join us for an online open house via Zoom on May 25, 6 to 8 p.m. For more information and to register, please visit [RentonCES.com](http://RentonCES.com).



## Renton Responds

Renton Responds is a quick and easy way for residents to report non-emergency service requests and quality-of-life issues.



Submit requests at [rentonwa.gov/rentonresponds](http://rentonwa.gov/rentonresponds) or download and install the app for Apple or Android devices.

## City Contacts

- General Information . . . . . 425-430-6400
- Mayor . . . . . 425-430-6500
- Building Permits. . . . . 425-430-7200
- City Council . . . . . 425-430-6501
- City Clerk . . . . . 425-430-6510
- Code Enforcement . . . . . 425-430-7373
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- Licensing & Taxes. . . . . 425-430-6851
- Municipal Court & Passports . . . . . 425-430-6550
- Police (business line). . . . . 425-430-7500
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**EMERGENCY . . . . . 911**  
**Non-Emergency . . . . . 425-235-2121**

## Community Calendar

### Picnic Shelter & Facility Reservations NOW OPEN

Need space for your next event, meeting, picnic, or family gathering? Go to [rentonwa.gov/rentals](http://rentonwa.gov/rentals)

### Summer Day Camp REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Camps are filling up. [rentonwa.gov/register](http://rentonwa.gov/register)

### Chalk Your Walk MAY 13-15; FRIDAY PICK UP 5:30-7PM

RCC, 1715 Maple Valley Hwy. or Highlands Neighborhood Ctr., 800 Edmonds Ave. NE  
All ages. No registration for free chalk pick up only. Or, for the Chalk Our Walk free community event on Friday, go to [rentonwa.gov/register](http://rentonwa.gov/register).

### Bike Rodeo & Family Safety Fair MAY 21, SATURDAY, 10AM-12PM

RCC, 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.  
All ages. Bike inspections and decorating, obstacle course, and drag race against bike patrol officers. Info on home safety, emergency prep. & prizes. [rentonwa.gov/register](http://rentonwa.gov/register) #10692

### Memorial Day Ceremony MAY 30, MONDAY 1-2PM

Veterans Memorial Park, 1000 S 3rd St.  
Join veterans and the city as we recognize those who sacrificed their lives defending their country.

### Career Fair JUNE 3, FRIDAY, 12-3PM

Renton Tech College Cafeteria, 3000 NE 4th St.  
Meet with dozens of hiring organizations. Dress for success. [gorenton.com/renton-career-fair](http://gorenton.com/renton-career-fair)

### Farmers Market Opening Day JUNE 7, TUESDAY, 3-7PM

Piazza Park, S 3rd St. & Logan Ave. S  
Local farmers, fresh food, friendly people. [rentonfarmersmarket.com](http://rentonfarmersmarket.com)

### Recycle: Mattresses, Tires, Cardboard, Styrofoam JUNE 11, SATURDAY, 10AM-2PM

RTC, NE 6th Pl. & Monroe Ave. NE  
Food donations also collected. [rentonwa.gov/recycleevents](http://rentonwa.gov/recycleevents)

The City of Renton provides reasonable accommodation upon request.



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