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Carmen Rivera sworn in to fill vacant City Council position two

Election winner took oath on Nov. 30; first council meeting is Dec. 6

RENTON, WA – [Carmen Rivera](#) was sworn in on Nov. 30 to fill the vacant position two on the [Renton City Council](#).



Renton City Councilmember Carmen Rivera

Ms. Rivera was elected to the seat in the November 2021 General Election. She will serve the remainder of the term of Angelina Benedetti, whose term ended on Nov. 22. She will start her four-year term on Jan. 1, 2022.

Ms. Rivera was born and raised in Renton and graduated from Lindbergh High School. She attended Seattle University, earning a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice specializing in Forensic Psychology. In addition, she earned a Master's in Forensic Psychology from the University of Liverpool (England).

After graduating, she worked in Washington State's Department of Children, Youth, and Families at Echo Glen Children's Center. She was a case manager developing individualized treatment plans and conducting counseling sessions. Ms. Rivera transitioned to work for YouthSource, in King County's Department of Community and Human Services. She assisted 16- to 24-year-olds,

who dropped out of school, complete their secondary credential (GED or high school diploma) and move on to college and or employment.

She currently works as a full-time lecturer at Seattle University's Criminal Justice Department.

Her first meeting as a member of the [Renton City Council](#) will be Monday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Renton City Council meetings are shown live on Channel 21 in Renton and streamed at rentonwa.gov/21.

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 106,500 (2021), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted nationally recognized companies that wish to provide employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information is on our [website](#), in [news releases](#), or on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#).

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