



Building For the Future

City of Renton 2008 Preliminary Budget

Mayor Kathy Keolker
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Renton City Council



We are being noticed!



- Voted 5th Best Neighborhood in Puget Sound by Seattle Magazine





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Center of Opportunity

- Budget realizes our vision— *“center of opportunity in the Puget Sound Region where families and businesses thrive”*

CITY OF RENTON

VISION
Renton—The center of opportunity in the Puget Sound Region where families and businesses thrive

MISSION
The City of Renton, in partnership and communication with residents, businesses, and schools, is dedicated to:

- Providing a healthy, welcoming atmosphere where citizens choose to live, raise families, and take pride in their community
- Promoting planned growth and economic vitality
- Creating a positive work environment
- Meeting service demands through innovation and commitment to excellence

BUSINESS PLAN GOALS - 2008-2013

<p>Promote citywide economic development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Promote Renton as the progressive, opportunity-rich city in the Puget Sound region ■ Capture on-growth opportunities through bold and creative economic development strategies ■ Recruit and retain businesses to ensure a dynamic, diversified employment base ■ Continue redevelopment efforts downtown, in the Highlands, and South Lake Washington 	<p>Promote neighborhood revitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Support the vitality and positive appearance of neighborhoods through community involvement ■ Encourage and partner in the development of quality housing choices for people of all ages and income levels ■ Ensure the safety, health, and security of citizens through effective service delivery ■ Promote pedestrian and bicycle safety between neighborhoods and community focal points 	<p>Manage growth through sound urban planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Foster development of vibrant, sustainable, attractive, mixed-use neighborhoods in established urban centers ■ Uphold a high standard of design and property maintenance throughout the city ■ Provide a balance between housing and high-quality jobs ■ Maintain services to current residents while welcoming annexation areas that desire to become part of Renton 	<p>Meet service demands that contribute to the livability of the community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Provide services at levels that can be sustained by revenue ■ Plan, develop, and maintain quality services, infrastructure, and amenities ■ Respond to growing service demands while meeting the unique requirements of a diverse population through partnerships, innovation, and outcome management ■ Retain a skilled workforce by making Renton the municipal employer of choice ■ Balance development with environmental protection 	<p>Influence decisions that impact the city</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Demonstrate leadership by developing and maintaining partnerships and investment strategies with other jurisdictions that improve services ■ Aggressively pursue transportation and other regional improvements and services that improve quality of life ■ Advocate Renton's interests through state and federal lobbying efforts
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Council Direction



Residents & Families First
Uphold Excellent Levels of Service
Revise Financial Approach

Invest in the promise of our people



Opportunities for all



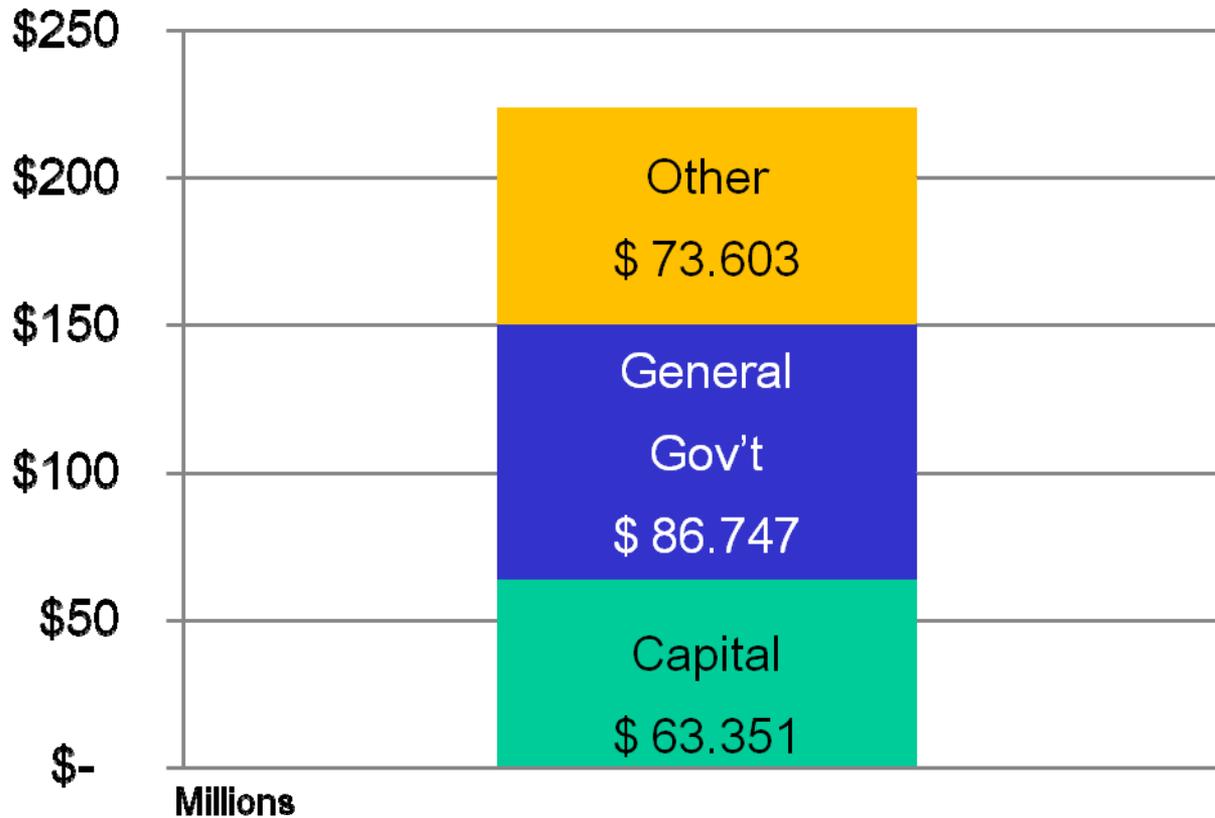
Foundation of Our City



Center of Puget Sound Region

“Our city sits not only at the intersection of the commerce and trade in Puget Sound area but also at the nexus of innovation, community building and creative capital”

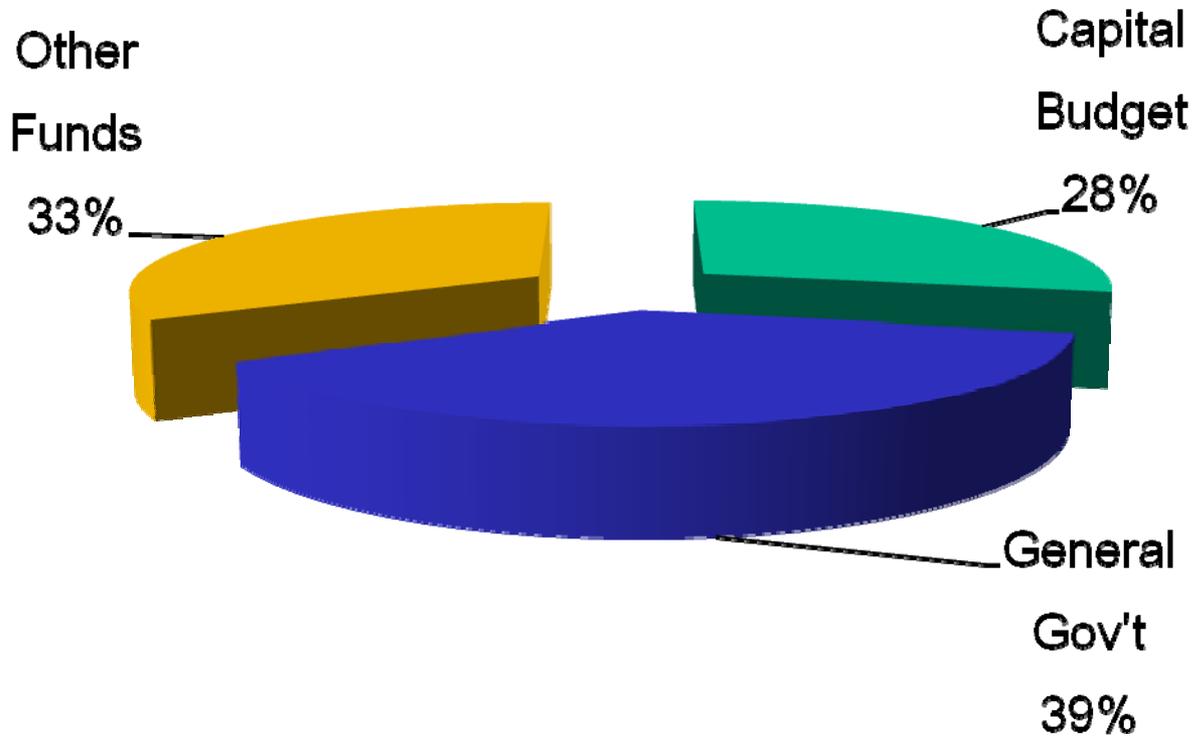
Budget Numbers



Total Budget \$ 223.7 million



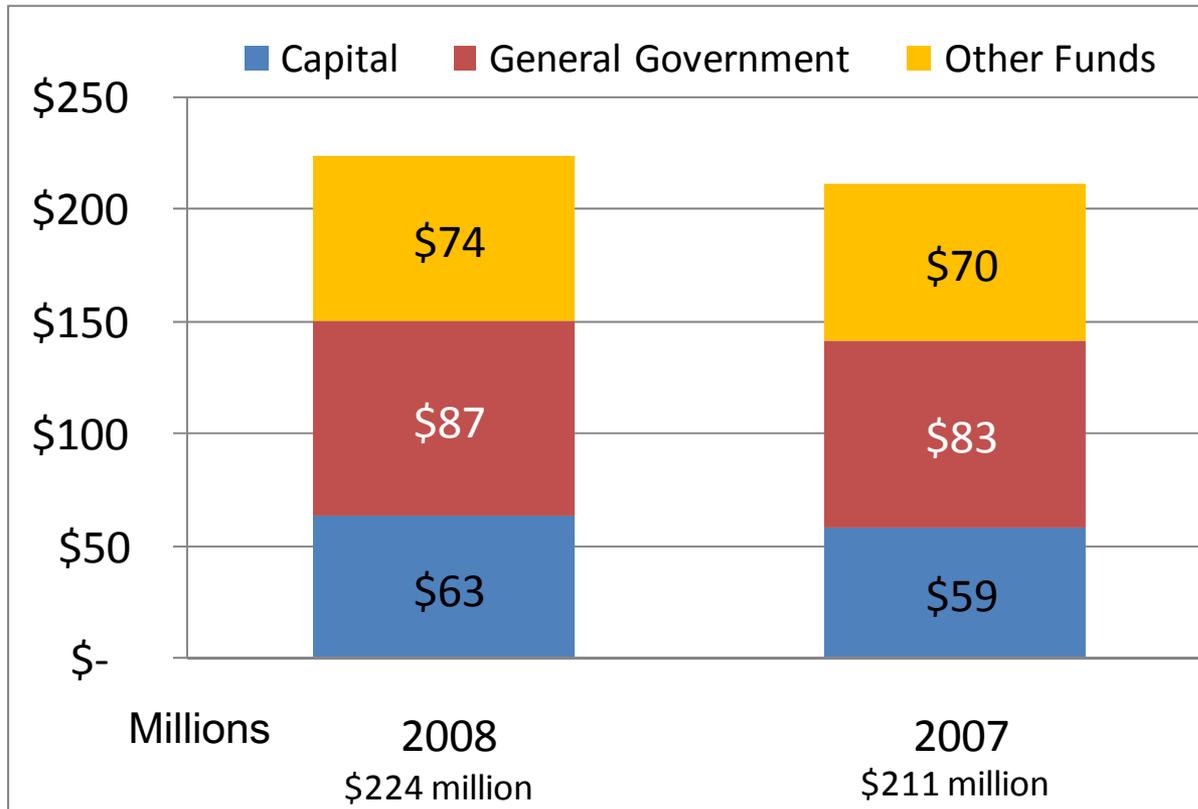
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Forging Ahead

- At least 7% increase in retail sales by the end of 2007



Forging Ahead

- Housing stock increased by 20% since 2000



New Construction – 2 to 3 times Average



10/26/2007



The Landing

Economic Development

- Small Business Development Center
- Harley Davidson
- Providence Health Systems



Seahawks







Federal Reserve



Federal Reserve



Conner Homes



Conner Homes



Infrastructure

- \$25 million of construction improvements at The Landing
- Largest public works project in Renton's history





LOGAN AVE N

LA FITNESS
14000 N

ALL WAY STOP CONTROL

Railroad Bridges





\$300 million - I-405 projects



Community Services

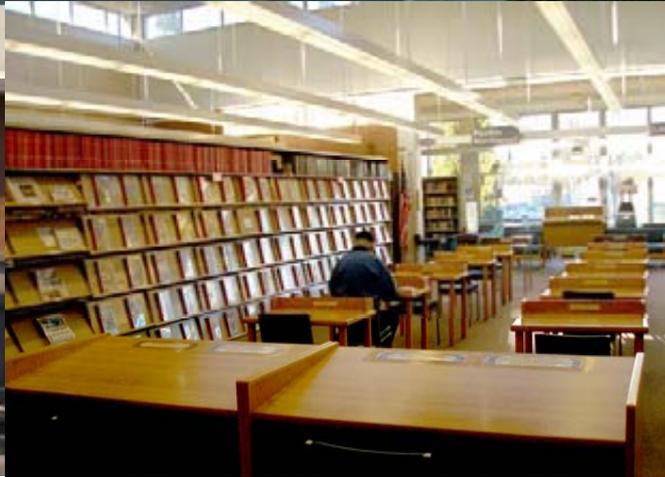
- Parks – Heritage, Tiffany, Teasdale, Kiwanis
- National Accreditation
- Urban Forest Inventory Assessment
- Springbrook Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank
- Master Plan





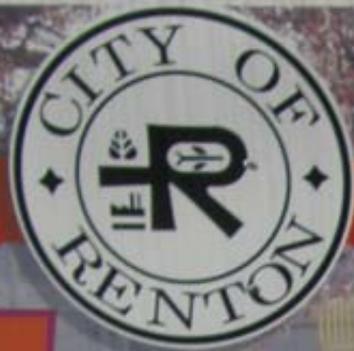
Springbrook Creek Wetland Mitigation Bank











Thank You

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VOLUNTEERS

**MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN
OUR COMMUNITY, EVERYDAY**

Sponsored by:



One Night Count Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness



COMMITTEE TO END
HOMELESSNESS
KING COUNTY



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VIDA RENTON

Visitor Information Downtown Assistance



Renton Heart Month



City of 80,000

“We will maintain existing service levels to our current residents and provide the same level of excellent service to our new Benson Hill family”

- Separate Plan
- Add 91 employees



Public Safety

- Fire & Emergency Services Department – add four firefighters and change model



RENTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

STATION NO. 11

1

2

3

4

Public Safety

- Invest in a police cadet program
- Add staff for photo enforcement program
- Increase city prosecutors and public defense budget



Affordable Housing

“Lack of affordable housing no longer limited to those with low income and without jobs ...”





Williams Avenue Housing



State Tax Exemption for Multi-family Housing

Economic Development

- Small Business Development Center
- Farmers Market Business Manager



Farmers Market



Basic Services

- Maintenance Worker
- Community Center Staff
- Custodial Staff



Utilities

- 4 additional staff to maintain our systems
- 3.7 additional staff to meet the NPDES requirements



Renton Results

Safety &
Health

Mobility

Representative
Government

Livable
Community

Utilities &
Environment





*“Join me not only in imagining,
but also building this great future
together”*

