



# This Week from the Mayor



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## City recognized for environmental efforts

THE CITY WAS HONORED at Monday's City Council meeting for our efforts to develop a healthier, more sustainable future by prioritizing low impact development processes.

Renton was one of the few cities in the Puget Sound region to get a Green Star Leader award from Puget Soundkeeper and Washington Environmental Council. Most of the municipalities fell short of the criteria.

Low-impact development allows stormwater to collect and filter naturally instead of running directly into vital waterways like the Cedar River and Lake Washington.

We were also praised for our proactive measures to prevent erosion, plant trees that are appropriate to our climate, construct buffers using native vegetation, and use permeable materials on roadways and sidewalks to control runoff.

The award is the result of hard work, innovation, and teamwork across several departments. Staff collaborated to review our comprehensive plans, shoreline management, and design standards to incorporate these natural drainage solutions.

My thanks and congratulations to them for putting Renton at the forefront of sustainability.



*Danielle Shaw of Washington Environmental Council and Sophia Ressler of Puget Soundkeeper present the city the Green Star Award for work in controlling stormwater runoff.*



## Chamber icon Lucy Crozier passes away

WE LOST AN ICONIC MEMBER of our community as Lucy Crozier passed away earlier this month. I talked about Lucy in my [July 27 newsletter](#) as she retired after 26 years as the receptionist at the Renton Chamber of Commerce.

Lucy was that cheerful presence at the front desk and the friendly voice on the phone who answered questions, solved problems, and gave sage advice. From her front row seat she watched Renton grow from a sleepy little town that most people only saw on their way to and from the airport into one that has become a vibrant destination. We will miss her.



## Personal care drive benefits Renton students

DURING MARCH, Communities In Schools of Renton and Renton School District are conducting a [Personal Care Drive](#) to supply students with needed personal care items.

You'll find donation bins in the City Hall lobby and at our maintenance shops, as well as several locations in Renton.



## Feedback

Comments, questions or suggestions, or just want to share all the great things that are happening in the city, please [email](#) me. Thanks for reading. [Archive](#)