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City of Renton’s innovative permit-ready housing program wins VISION 2050 award
Program reduces barriers to constructing Accessory Dwelling Units



Mayor Armondo Pavone accepts the VISION 2050 Award from the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Director Josh Brown. They are joined by Renton Planning Commission members, city Community & Economic Development staff, and city council members.

RENTON, WA – The City of Renton’s innovative [Permit Ready Accessory Dwelling Unit Program](#) (PRADU) has won a VISION 2050 Award from the Puget Sound Regional Council.

“We need more viable affordable housing options,” said Mayor Armondo Pavone. “Our PRADU program provides homeowners a turnkey option and significant savings for design and permitting.”

Through the PRADU Program, Renton property owners can access free pre-approved base plans, technical assistance from staff, expedited permitting, and reduced administrative fees. In addition, the program promotes ADUs as an essential option to increase the city’s housing inventory, diversify housing options, and create more financially attainable housing opportunities.

The program features eight pre-designed and engineered ADU plans ranging from 418 to 1,000 square feet. Each model has three to six architectural variations, resulting in 32 unique designs. All plans meet city and state regulations. By offering multiple styles and sizes, interested residential property owners can select a plan that fits their needs.

The PRADU program waives fees for application submittal and review and any applicable impact fees (public works, parks, fire, and Renton School District). Additional fee reductions are available.

Applicants can save an estimated \$40,000 by using the pre-approved plans, technical assistance, and fee reductions. In addition, PRADU building permits can be issued within a week of application submission.

In presenting the award at the Nov. 7 city council meeting, Josh Brown, executive director of the [Puget Sound Regional Council](#), told the mayor, council, and audience, “your Permit Ready ADU Program is being recognized under our ‘Planning Ahead’ category for VISION 2050 Award. As many of us know, we’re wrestling with housing affordability in the region. We’re trying to find out and discover new ways to bring online more middle housing throughout the PSRC region. This program is one very impactful step headed in the right direction.”

Interested Renton property owners can learn more about the [Permit Ready ADU Program](#) on the city’s website.

About the City of Renton

The [City of Renton, Washington](#), with a population of 107,500 (2022), 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 wishing to provide employees and their families with an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, Super Bowl Champion (2014) Seattle Seahawks, two-time (2016 & 2019) MLS champion and CONCACAF Champion (2022) Seattle Sounders FC (in 2024), and the eternal resting place of rock icon Jimi Hendrix. You can find more information on our [website](#), [news releases](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#) pages.

About the Puget Sound Regional Council

The [Puget Sound Regional Council](#) works to ensure a thriving central Puget Sound region through planning for growth, transportation, and economic development. PSRC has adopted the VISION 2050 plan to guide growth in ways that support thriving communities, a healthy environment, and a strong economy. Learn more: [psrc.org/vision](#). Under the Puget Sound Regional Council, the region makes transportation, growth management, and economic development decisions. PSRC members include King, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish counties, the region’s cities and towns, Tribes, port districts, and transit agencies.

About the Puget Sound Regional Council VISION 2050 Awards

The [VISION 2050 Awards](#) celebrate efforts enhancing the region’s communities and natural environment while advancing equity and opportunity for all. The awards recognize innovative work by jurisdictions, Tribes, non-profit organizations, businesses, and other groups in the central Puget Sound region.

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