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**Renton City Councilmember Ryan McIrvine earns Certificate of
Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities**

Association of Washington Cities certification provides in-depth training for elected officials



Renton City Councilmember Ryan McIrvine receives his Certificate of Municipal Leadership from Mayor Armondo Pavone.

RENTON, WA (AUGUST 8, 2023) – City of Renton Councilmember [Ryan McIrvine](#) has earned a [Certificate of Municipal Leadership](#) (CML) from the [Association of Washington Cities](#) (AWC). Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone presented the certificate at Monday’s regularly scheduled Renton City Council meeting.

“Congratulations to Councilmember McIrvine for earning this distinction,” said Mayor Pavone. “This achievement reflects his strong desire to serve our residents above and beyond his normal councilmember duties.”

AWC’s [Certificate of Municipal Leadership](#) program recognizes city- and town-elected officials. Councilmember McIrvine was awarded the certificate after completing more than 30 hours of training and attending at least one workshop in each of the five competency areas:

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- Roles, responsibilities, and legal requirements
- Public sector resource management
- Community planning and development
- Effective local leadership
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion

"I am honored to have earned my Certificate of Municipal Leadership. This achievement demonstrates a commitment to serving our community with dedication and expertise to better advocate for the needs of our residents," said McIrvine.

Councilmember McIrvine is serving his second four-year term on the city council, first winning the election for Position Four in November 2015. He served as Council President in 2022 and currently chairs the Transportation Committee, vice-chairs the Planning & Development Committee, and is a member of the Utilities Committee.

He is the Assistant Director of Government and Community Relations at the University of Washington Bothell.



Councilmember Ryan McIrvine

"Being a city leader in Washington is a complex job," said AWC CEO Deanna Dawson. "Through our CML program, we are providing our elected officials with the knowledge they need to effectively operate within the law, plan for the future, secure and manage funds, foster strong relationships, and work to build more equitable communities."

Councilmember McIrvine joins Mayor Armondo Pavone and Councilmember Kim-Khánh Văn in earning the certificate of municipal leadership. Councilmembers Ruth Pérez, Valerie O'Halloran, and Ed Prince have also earned the [Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership](#).

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 107,900 (2023), 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 Association of Washington Cities

The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) serves its members through advocacy, education, and services. Founded in 1933, AWC is a private, non-profit, nonpartisan corporation representing Washington's 281 cities and towns before the state legislature, executive branch, and regulatory agencies. AWC provides training, data,

publications, and programs such as the AWC Employee Benefit Trust, AWC Risk Management Service Agency, AWC Workers' Comp Retro, AWC Drug and Alcohol Consortium, and AWC GIS Consortium.

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