



Our Renton

Community News, Programs, and Events



From left to right: Mayor Armondo Pavone, Councilmembers Ed Prince (President), James Alberson Jr. (President Pro-Tem), Ryan McIrvine, Valerie O'Halloran, Ruth Pérez, Carmen Rivera, and Kim-Khánh Vãn

Happy New Year, Renton!

A forward look at legislation and elected officials for 2024

HERE IN RENTON, we're gearing up for new legislation and familiar faces returning to leadership in 2024. In November 2023, Renton voters re-elected Mayor Armondo Pavone for another four years, along with councilmembers Ryan McIrvine, Valerie O'Halloran, Ed Prince, and Kim-Khánh Vãn. Additionally, Councilmember Ed Prince has been elected as the 2024 Council President, with Councilmember James Alberson, Jr. elected to serve as President Pro-Tem for the 2024 calendar year.

In addition to the familiar faces in leadership, Renton is actively working on its legislative agenda for 2024. During the City Council meeting on December 11, 2023 David Foster, the city's lobbyist, presented several agenda items we'll be focusing on to further Renton's best interests in Olympia for the 2024 legislative session which begins on January 8. Our focus areas are:

- Transportation Infrastructure

- Racial Justice & Equity
- Criminal Justice/Public Safety (Fire, Courts, & Behavioral Health)
- Economic Development (Infrastructure, Affordable Housing, & Homelessness)
- Environmental Sustainability
- Wastewater & Stormwater Utilities

HIGHLIGHTS

- We will be actively involved in ensuring the 2022 "Move Ahead Washington" funding for active transportation and transit projects can be deployed as early as possible for projects that affect Renton residents.
- We will request that funding already committed by the Legislature to WSDOT projects that benefit Renton residents is not reallocated due to funding shortfalls on other 405-related projects.
- We will request infrastructure funding to address traffic and speeding in our community.

- We will continue to strongly support legislative initiatives and funding proposals to assist the city's racial justice and equity programs and pursue additional resources for affordable housing and human services' needs.
- We will support legislative initiatives to establish "Housing Benefit Districts" to enhance funding through the Housing Trust Fund, and to amend state statutes to better allow surplus property to be provided to affordable homeownership projects.

As Renton moves forward into 2024, we are optimistic about these legislative priorities' impact on the community. We look forward to a year filled with progress and continued dedication to making Renton an even better place to live, work, and play.

The full 2024 state and federal legislative agendas will be posted at rentonwa.gov/legislativeagenda after the January 8 Renton City Council meeting.

New Year, New Adventures!

Let's Go Renton! Recreation Guide available online at rentonwa.gov/letsgo

The start of a new year offers exciting opportunities to get involved in the many events and programs available through the city's Recreation Division.

The winter edition of the *Let's Go Renton!* Recreation Guide is available online at rentonwa.gov/letsgo. Take a look at various events, activities, and programs for residents of all ages and interests. Opportunities include:

- **ART** Bring out an artistic side at the new Paint 'n Pour event at Renton Community Center in partnership with local wineries (non-alcoholic beverages also available).
- **HIKING** Take a Saturday hike with the city's knowledgeable and experienced staff and explore the city's many beautiful parks and trails. All ages and hiking levels welcome.



- **SKATING/HOCKEY** Experience the magic of the winter season with Sno-King Ice Arena in Renton, which offers activities from hockey to family skating sessions. It is the perfect seasonal activity to enjoy.
- **TEACH YOUR TALENT** The [Recreation Division](http://rentonwa.gov/recreation) seeks individuals to share their sports, art, dance, fitness, or music talents with the community. Teach others new hobbies and skills, and help build a stronger and more connected community.

Hard copies of the guide will be available on December 22 at the Renton Community Center, Don Person Renton Senior Activity Center, and City Hall.

Community Calendar rentonwa.gov/events

National Girls & Women in Sports Day Celebration

FEBRUARY 7, Friday, 6-9pm
Senior Center, 211 Burnett Ave. N
Celebrating the accomplishments of local female athletes, coaches, and leaders. rentonwa.gov/register #18736

Family Dance

FEBRUARY 16, Friday, 6-8pm
RCC, 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.
A fun night of memories awaits with great music, refreshments, and photos. rentonwa.gov/register #18650

Paint 'n Pour

MARCH 1, Friday, 6:30-8:30pm
RCC, 1715 Maple Valley Hwy.
Unleash your inner artist as you sip on wine! rentonwa.gov/register #18608

New Voices, New Music RCCB Concert

MARCH 17, Sunday, 2pm
Performing Arts Center, 400 S 2nd
Featuring music of underrepresented composers under the direction of Michael Simpson. rentonwa.gov/events

City Hall Hours

Municipal Court & Passports
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m. and 12:30–4 p.m. *Passports: Tuesday mornings by appt. Call 425-430-6550.*

Finance Counter, Utility Bills, License & Tax Counter
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Building & Permit Counter
Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday
9–11:30 a.m. and 1–4 p.m.

Police Counter
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

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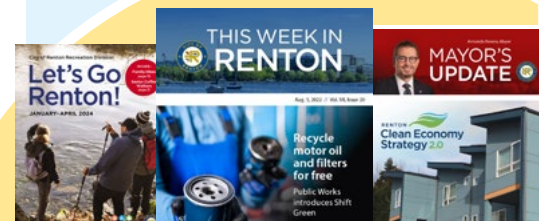
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Municipal Court & Passports	425-430-6550
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Regional Fire Authority .	425-271-7900
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