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City supports principles of Paris Climate Accord

ON JUNE 19, the City Council passed a resolution affirming the City's support for the principles of the Paris Climate Accord. The goals of the Paris Climate Accord are in alignment with the City's environmental sustainability goals, and the Council affirms that climate change is occurring and has accelerated due to human activity. The City's Climate Action Plan, adopted by the Council in 2013, has a goal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Shoreline by 50 percent below 2007 levels by 2030, and 80 percent by 2050.

The United States, along with 195 other nations, entered into the Climate Accord in 2015 with the goal of holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below two degrees celsius above pre-industrial levels. To achieve this, the United States pledged to cut 2005 emission levels between 26 and 28 percent by 2025.

The withdrawal of the United States from the Climate Accord has been met with disappointment from many local and state governmental entities, along with concerns from many corporations, the scientific community, and from countries around the world. Many organizations are signing onto letters expressing their support for the Climate Accord. The City has partnered with King County and many other jurisdictions to coordinate and enhance climate action efforts.

Council's Resolution also provides direction to the Mayor to sign onto the "We Are Still In" and "#Cities4Climate" initiatives, which are national efforts affirming and supporting the Paris Climate Accord. ICLEI (Local Governments for Sustainability), the World Wildlife Federation, Climate Mayors, C40, Urban Sustainability Director's Network, and other sustainability organizations are coordinating the We Are Still In coalition. The other effort, #Cities4Climate, is an initiative of the National League of Cities (NLC), of which Shoreline is a member, and includes the ability to sign onto a letter embracing the principles of the Paris Climate Accord. To learn more about the City's Climate Action Plan, visit shorelinewa.gov.



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Join your neighbors!

August 17 & 24: Echo Lake Park

August 23 & 30, September 6:
Richmond Beach Saltwater Park

INFO: shorelinewa.gov/calendar

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Agendas: shorelinewa.gov/councilmeetings

Richmond Beach Road Rechannelization

RICHMOND BEACH ROAD is an important east-west connection in Shoreline. It has a history of vehicle, pedestrian, and bicycle collisions, including two of the city's highest collision locations. In order to address safety issues and improve mobility for pedestrians and bicycles, the City has started the design process to change the lane configuration on Richmond Beach Road from Dayton Avenue N to 24th Avenue NW. The new lane configuration, or rechannelization, will convert the existing four-lane road to a three-lane road comprised of one vehicle lane in each direction, one bike lane in each direction, and a center turn lane.

The City first began planning for the rechannelization of Richmond Beach Road in 2011 when it was included in the 2011 Transportation Master Plan and associated Bicycle Master Plan. The City and community evaluated it again as part of the 2014 Point Wells Transportation Corridor Study. The City has also repeatedly identified it as a safety mitigation measure in the City's Annual Traffic Reports. City Council approved funding for this project as part of the 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Plan. Construction is currently scheduled for the spring of 2018.

The primary goals of the project are to improve driver, pedestrian, and bicyclist safety and mobility. Based on the existing roadway characteristics, the collision history, the traffic data from the corridor, and numerous case studies performed across the county, the City believes that a rechannelization would work well on Richmond Beach Road.

The project has transitioned from the planning phase to the design phase. To kick off the design phase, the City hosted a public meeting on June 22 to gather public feedback on various design details. All materials presented at the public meeting are available on the project webpage. If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can still make comments through August 4. The City will use public input to help shape the design. Later this fall, the City will host another open house to present the draft design.

For more information on this project and the materials presented at the June 22 public meeting, visit shorelinewa.gov/RBRechannelization.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Public Comment Period:
June 22 – August 4

60% Design Complete:
Fall 2017

Public Meeting:
Fall 2017 (Date TBD)

Contracting: Winter 2018

Construction: Spring 2018

Continuous Process Improvement

CITY STAFF HAVE ALWAYS HAD an eye open to improving efficiency and the services delivered to residents. This year, we are developing a common 'language' and an intentional effort to continue the good work that is already occurring within the City.

At the core of the City's continuous process improvement is the belief that improvements come from staff that do the work – not managers. Small, incremental improvement is valued and acknowledged. And these small improvements deliver value to the City's residents through better or faster service, and ensuring that the City is providing services at the most cost effective level.

Continuous improvement of processes is not a program and is never 'done'. Once staff implement an improvement, they need to continually evaluate the effectiveness of the change.

Preserving Our Street Assets

EACH YEAR, THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT identifies City streets for pavement preservation treatment. In odd years, Bituminous Surface Treatment (BST) is the pavement preservation method used. And in even years, qualifying streets receive an asphalt overlay. This alternating method of street treatments is an integral part of the City's pavement management program. The City manages the program to ensure it uses the most cost-effective methods to preserve all 410 lane miles of Shoreline's street network.

What is BST?

BST is a widely used pavement preservation method that extends the life of a street by creating a new wearing course and seals small surface cracks to water-proof the existing pavement surface. The BST treatment application process involves uniformly distributing hot asphalt emulsion (oil) to the street surface immediately followed by an equally uniform cover of aggregate (small fractured rock). The aggregate is then compacted by rollers to establish a permanent bond between the street surface and newly applied material. Crews remove any loose aggregate with a street sweeper. The curing time of the BST surface treatment is approximately two weeks. Once cured, crews perform a final sweep to remove any remaining loose aggregate. BST costs significantly less than asphalt overlay and is a good alternative for residential streets.

2017 BST Streets

Approximately 12 lane miles of residential streets are scheduled to receive BST surface treatment this year. The City has contracted with Doolittle Construction, LLC to complete the work at a cost of approximately \$450,000. The selected streets to receive BST surface treatment this year are all located in the Meridian Park Neighborhood.

The City anticipates BST work running from July through August 31. The work is very weather dependent. If it rains, Doolittle will postpone and reschedule the work.

For more information regarding this project, visit shorelinewa.gov/bst or contact Project Manager Eduardo Aban at (206) 801-2474, eaban@shorelinewa.gov.

DID YOU KNOW?

The average American household receives 848 pieces of unwanted advertising mail, equaling 1.5 trees every year—more than 100 million trees for all U.S. households combined. Forty-eight percent of this “junk mail” is thrown away unopened, and only half of that (22%) is recycled. This amounts to 5.6 million tons of catalogs and other direct mail advertisements ending up in US landfills annually, at a cost of \$370 million. You can opt out of receiving unwanted advertising mail through not-for-profit organizations such as Catalogue Choice (cataloguechoice.org), by contacting specific companies directly, or through a removal service provided by the major consumer credit bureaus (online at optoutprescreen.com or by phone at (888) 567-8688).

For more information, visit your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/wasteprevention/junkmail.asp or contact Environmental Program Specialist Cameron Reed at creed@shorelinewa.gov or (206) 801-2455.

IMPROVEMENTS ON 145TH STREET

“Drop-In” Informational Meeting

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 4 to 7 p.m.

Shoreline City Hall Lobby

LAST YEAR, THE CITY completed the 145th Multi-modal Corridor Study. The study provided a vision for pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicular improvements along the 145th corridor in Shoreline. The City is excited to announce that the design phases for two segments of the corridor are about to begin. On August 16, the City will host the second of its drop-in informational sessions regarding the design of two segments of this corridor called the 145th Street & I-5 Interchange Project and the 145th Street – Aurora Ave to I-5 Project.

The 145th Street & I-5 Interchange Project aims to improve access for pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers to the upcoming light rail station. The project will add a lane to the existing bridge and build a new northbound on-ramp to I-5. These improvements will improve traffic flow along the corridor and help handle increased traffic volumes around the light rail station. The project will also construct a new non-motorized bridge to help pedestrians and bicyclists safely cross I-5 and reach the future light rail station.

The 145th Street – Aurora Ave to I-5 Project will improve traffic flow and safety along this busy stretch of roadway, which will accommodate

projected increases in usage by pedestrians, bikes, cars, and buses. Sidewalks will be upgraded along the street and improvements for bikes will be provided along adjacent parallel streets. Dedicated left turn lanes will be added to two intersections – one at Meridian Avenue N and another at 1st Avenue NE.

At the August drop-in sessions, the City will review the vision developed by the 145th Multi-modal Corridor study and discuss the City's approach to community involvement and completing the design phases for the two projects. More information on the projects is available at shorelinewa.gov/145corridor.

NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT

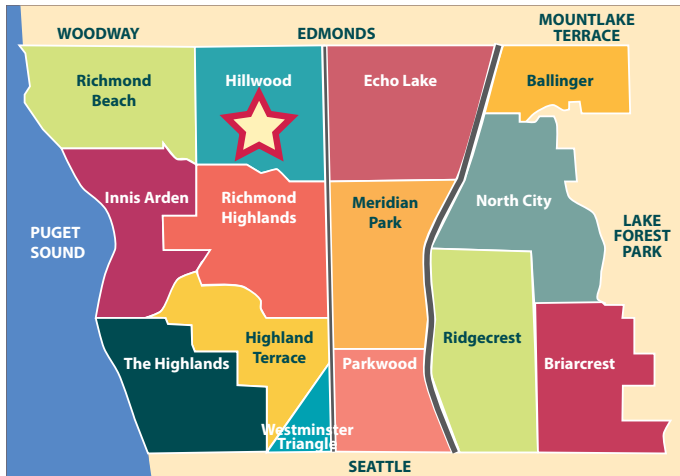


Photo courtesy Shoreline Historical Museum



Rogers General Store, 1911



Hillwood Park, 19001 3rd Avenue NW

Hillwood Neighborhood

WITH SOUTH-NORTH BOUNDARIES of Richmond Beach Road and NW 205th Street, and Aurora Avenue N and 8th Avenue NW on the east and west, the Hillwood neighborhood was once considered part of Richmond Highlands. It did not receive its unique designation until the mid-1950s when the Shoreline School District named a new local school Hillwood after two new subdivisions, Hillwood Terrace and Wood Hill, were built to accommodate large numbers of people moving to the suburbs.

Before post-war development, what would become Hillwood was dotted with chicken farms, subsistence gardens, homes with plenty of land between them, and small businesses. Adams Nursery on Richmond Beach Road sold ornamentals and fruit trees from 1903 until the 1950s. The Rogers General Store, built on the southeast corner of Hillwood in 1909, provided delivery service, a post office, and a gas pump. As work began on Highway 99 in 1925, owners of the Rogers building moved it around the corner to Firlands Way, and it became the Bessie B Waffle Shoppe.

The area's first fire department was located in a small garage on Linden north of 185th. In 1911, a tuberculosis infirmary off Fremont Avenue North opened with just two patients. It soon expanded into the Firland Sanatorium. In 1947, King County moved 399 patients to the former naval hospital now known as Fircrest Habilitation Center. In 1948, Crista Ministries first leased, and then eventually purchased, the 56-acre Firland campus.

In today's Hillwood, homes are closer together, but the neighborhood maintains an open, welcoming feel, with businesses at the edges to serve the community. Hillwood is the only Shoreline neighborhood to boast a piano store, community acupuncture clinic, two Starbucks, and a museum. With its extensive collection initially housed in the old Ronald School, the Shoreline Historical Museum moved to Hillwood in 2010. For current exhibits and plans for future development, visit shorelinehistoricalmuseum.org.

Residents are devoted to Hillwood Park, the only park in the neighborhood. In 2013, The Hillwood Community Network received a Neighborhood Mini-Grant from the City to purchase and install exercise equipment for adults. Another neighborhood focus is the ongoing restoration of a wetland habitat in the park. With three Environmental Mini-Grants, longtime Hillwood resident Boni Biery and a stalwart group of volunteers have installed native plants, removed invasives, and spread countless yards of mulch to suppress weeds.

The Hillwood Community Network hosts regular Coffee in the Park events so neighbors can get to know each other. This summer marks their 10th annual Ice Cream Social, also held in the park and sure to draw families from every corner of the neighborhood. To find out more about their activities, follow the Hillwood Community E-village on Facebook. "Hillwoodlanders" are encouraged to sign up for the monthly e-newsletter at myhillwoodmail@gmail.com.

LIGHT RAIL TO 60% DESIGN AND BEYOND

SOUND TRANSIT HAS REACHED 60% DESIGN for the Lynnwood Link Extension light rail system through Shoreline. On May 24, Sound Transit held the second of three public open houses to present the design. They anticipate holding the third and final open house for 90% design in late 2017 or early 2018. The 60% design reflects a number of changes from the 30% design, including:

- Existing 195th Street non-motorized bridge crossing over I-5 no longer needs to be replaced;
- 185th Street garage redesigned to an overall smaller footprint and changed from four levels with one above grade at 185th to six levels with four above grade at 185th;
- Improved bike and pedestrian facilities and movement through stations; and
- Proposed wetland mitigation at Ronald Bog included.

After reviewing public feedback from the 30% design open houses and an online survey, the Sound Transit Board is expected to make a final decision on station names later this summer.

Sound Transit expects construction to start in 2018 and extend through early 2023. There will then be six to nine months of testing prior to start of service in late 2023.

Sound Transit is in the process of submitting materials for its required Special Use Permit (SUP) application to the City. Once the application is complete, the City will send out a notice of application starting a 21-day public comment period. City staff will review the application to determine if the project is compatible with the adjacent land uses and is consistent with the Council adopted Guiding Principles for Light Rail Design. Opportunities for public comment in the SUP process include a public hearing this summer or fall in front of the Hearing Examiner, who makes the decision on issuing the special use permit.

In addition to the SUP, the project will require a Critical Area Special Use Permit (CASUP), as well as site development, rights-of-way use, and building permits from the City for all aspects of the project. A CASUP is required to properly avoid, minimize, or mitigate any impacts to especially sensitive environmentally critical areas or their required buffers.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the light rail permitting process:

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For more information from Sound Transit:

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Turf replacement project

IN 2014, THE CITY HIRED turf and lighting experts to assess the conditions of the turf and lighting at several of its athletic fields. The assessment identified the need to repair and/or replace field turf and lighting at Twin Ponds, Shoreline Park A and B, and Hamlin Park Baseball Fields. Council approved the Turf and Lighting Repair and Replacement project as part of the 2017 – 2022 Capital Improvement Plan. Twin Ponds Park will be the first site to receive new turf and lighting. The scope of work for this project includes the following:

- Replace existing synthetic turf with new cork infill synthetic turf.
- Replace existing lights and poles with new lights and poles.
- Add new site lighting to the primary pedestrian path and north parking area.

Lighting improvements at the Twin Ponds Park south parking area are not included in this scope of work. The City will complete this work later as a separate construction project.

During initial development of the project, the City looked at a variety of

infill materials to potentially use for the turf replacement. These included the current crumb rubber, coated crumb rubber, granular cork and pad, Nike grind (which is scrap from the sneaker manufacturing process), and Thermo-Plastic Elastomer (which is similar to what plastic wine corks are made of.) City Council chose to use the granular cork and pad.

The City expects construction of the Twin Ponds field turf and lighting replacement to begin in July and be complete by the end of August.

CELEBRATE SHORELINE

SOMETHING FOR everyone

YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN

August 10-12, 17-19, 24-26; 8:00 p.m.
Shoreline City Hall plaza
17500 Midvale Avenue N
Free tickets: brownpapertickets.com

NORTH CITY JAZZ WALK

Tuesday, Aug. 15, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
North City Business District
Tickets: northcityjazzwalk.org

CHAMPAGNE SUNDAY

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 6:30 p.m.
Paramount Park, 15300 8th Avenue NE

SKATE COMPETITION

Friday, Aug. 18, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Paramount Skate Park, 15300 8th Avenue NE

CAR SHOW

Saturday, Aug. 19, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Aurora Square, 15711 Aurora Ave N

FESTIVAL

Saturday, Aug. 19, Noon - 6:00 p.m.
Cromwell Park, 18030 Meridian Avenue N
Info: shorelinewa.gov/celebrateshoreline

MAIN STAGE CONCERT

Saturday, Aug. 19, 4:00 - 9:15 p.m.
Cromwell Park, 18030 Meridian Avenue N
Info: shorelinewa.gov/mainstageconcert

SANDCASTLE COMPETITION

Sunday, Aug. 20, 11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Richmond Beach Saltwater Park, 2021 NW 190th Street
Info: richmondbeachwa.org

SATURDAY, AUG. 19 ★ NOON *TO* 9:00 PM ★ CROMWELL PARK

FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

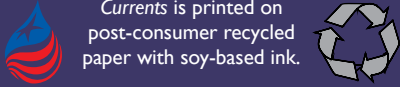
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1:30	CASPAR BABYPANTS 1:45 - 2:30	CULTURE SHARE 1:00 - 4:00 PM		
2:00				
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3:00	REPTILE MAN 3:00 - 3:45			
3:30	DRILL/STEP TEAM 3:50 - 4:05			
4:00	LUCKY DIAZ & THE FAMILY JAM BAND 4:15 - 5:00	WHITNEY MONGE 4:05 - 5:00 PM		
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8:00		IVAN & ALYOSHA 8:15 - 9:15 PM		
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