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## Summer in Shoreline

### Summer Camps are back!

We will be offering summer camps again this year. All camps have been modified to meet CDC and Public Health recommendations for group sizes, social distancing, and sanitation.

Camp offerings will include Camp Shoreline at Spartan Recreation Center and Ridgecrest Elementary; The OC (outdoor camp) at Hamlin Park; Nature Vision Camps, Skyhawks Camps; Lego Camps; and many more. Bravo Sports Camp and 'Let off S.T.E.A.M' Tween/Teen camps will also be back this summer.

### Other Recreation Opportunities

Shoreline WALKS has started back up offering a safe, fun way to both get moving as well as connect in person (six feet apart) with your community.

Community Gardens are up and running, with the Giving Garden looking forward to being able to donate fresh produce again this year to local foodbanks.

Spartan Recreation Center will be open for COVID safe adult exercise activities and weight room in the evenings. Pre-registration will be required in order maintain a safe environment for participants.

All programs and facilities are designed for your enjoyment and safety. We take your health seriously, both in providing engaging programs to move and exercise as well as safe and clean environments in which to do so.

### Registration for summer programs:

- May 4-5 – Shoreline Residents registration opens
- May 6 – Lake Forest Park Residents
- May 7 – Non-Residents

### Celebrate Shoreline and Noon Concerts Cancelled

As more people become vaccinated, the desire to gather with others will become even stronger. However, we need to remain vigilant. Large gatherings like Celebrate Shoreline and the Noon Concert Series still aren't advised. Therefore, the City has made the difficult decision to cancel these events again this year.

### MORE INFORMATION

[shorelinewa.gov/shorelinewalks](http://shorelinewa.gov/shorelinewalks)  
[shorelinewa.gov/camps](http://shorelinewa.gov/camps)

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:**  
Mondays at 7:00 p.m.  
Virtual meetings via Zoom  
Agendas: shorelinewa.gov/councilmeetings

## PRCS/Tree Board Appointments

**ON MARCH 22**, City Council appointed four new members to the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services and Tree Board. The new PRCS/Tree Board members are:

- Genevieve Arredondo
- Jean Hilde
- Dustin McIntyre
- Noah Weil

They will each serve four-year terms, which began on April 1, 2021.

We received a total of 29 applications for the open positions. A Council Candidate Review Subcommittee comprised of Councilmembers Susan Chang, Chris Roberts, and Betsy Robertson reviewed the qualifications of the 29 applicants and selected 12 candidates for interviews. After deliberations, the Subcommittee recommended the City Council appoint Arredondo, Hilde, McIntyre, and Weil as the new board members.

We want to thank outgoing board members Bruce Amundson, John Hoey, Christine Southwick, and Elizabeth White for their service to the Shoreline community. Hoey and Southwick both served two full, four-year terms; White served three years of an unexpired term; and Amundson served two years of an unexpired term.

The PRCS Board advises City Council and City staff on a variety of parks and recreation issues including plans and policies; park operation and design; recreation program activities; public art; property acquisition; and development of rules and regulations.

The Tree Board was established by the City Council in 2012 in support of the City's designation as a Tree City USA. The members of the PRCS Board also serve as the Tree Board, which serves as an advisory board to the City Council. The primary responsibility of the Tree Board is to make policy recommendations concerning the management of trees located on city-owned public property and in city rights-of-way. The role of the Board does not extend to guidance regarding individual trees or trees on private property.

### MORE INFORMATION

[shorelinewa.gov/parksboard](http://shorelinewa.gov/parksboard)

## City of Shoreline Wastewater Utility

Your Wastewater Utility bills now have a new look. Payment methods haven't changed apart from making your payment to City of Shoreline Wastewater Utility. You can see all of your payment options at: [shorelinewa.gov/wastewater](http://shorelinewa.gov/wastewater).

After more than 18 years of planning, the City has assumed full control of the wastewater utility in Shoreline. City Council is now the governing body for the utility and Ronald Wastewater District has ceased to exist.

### MORE INFORMATION

[shorelinewa.gov/wastewater](http://shorelinewa.gov/wastewater)

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# 2021-2023 CITY COUNCIL GOALS

EVERY YEAR, City Council holds a Strategic Planning Workshop to monitor progress and determine priorities and action steps necessary to advance the community's long-term vision –Vision 2029. This workplan is then reflected in department work plans, the City's budget, capital improvement plan, and through special initiatives.

The Council is committed to fulfilling Vision 2029 and being a sustainable city in all respects:

**Sustainable neighborhoods**—ensuring they are safe and attractive.

**Sustainable environment**—preserving our environmental assets and enhancing our built environment so that it protects our natural resources.

**Sustainable services**—supporting quality services, facilities, and infrastructure.

**Sustainable finances**—responsible stewardship of fiscal resources to achieve the neighborhoods, environment and services desired by the community.

## **Goal 1: Strengthen Shoreline's economic climate and opportunities**

Robust private investment and economic opportunities help achieve Council Goals by enhancing the local economy, providing jobs and housing choices, and supporting the public services and lifestyle amenities that the community desires and expects.

## **Goal 2: Continue to deliver highly-valued public services through management of the City's infrastructure and stewardship of the natural environment**

The City has identified needed improvements to strengthen its municipal infrastructure to maintain public services the community expects through adoption of the Comprehensive Plan;

Surface Water Master Plan; Transportation Master Plan; and Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. As capital improvements are made, it is important to include efforts that will enhance Shoreline's natural environment, ultimately having a positive impact on the Puget Sound region.

## **Goal 3: Continue preparation for regional mass transit in Shoreline**

Our community looks forward to increasing mobility options and reducing environmental impacts through public transit services. The ST2 light rail extension from Northgate to Lynnwood includes investment in the Shoreline North/185th Street Station and the Shoreline South/148th Street Station, which are planned to open in 2024. The ST3 package includes funding for corridor improvements and Bus Rapid Transit service along State Route 523 (N 145th Street) from Bothell Way connecting to the Shoreline South/148th Street Station. Engaging our community members and regional transit partners in plans to integrate local transit options into the future light rail service continues to be an important Council priority.

## **Goal 4: Expand the City's focus on equity and social justice and work to become an Anti-Racist community**

The Council values all residents, is committed to building an anti-racist community, and believes the City has a responsibility to ensure that Shoreline is an inviting, equitable and safe community for all. In order to meet

the needs of all community members, the City must provide meaningful community engagement so that all people have access to needed services, information, and resources and can provide input on the development and implementation of City policies and programs.

## **Goal 5: Promote and enhance the City's safe community and neighborhood programs and initiatives**

Maintaining a safe community is the City's highest priority. The 2020 Resident Satisfaction Survey reflected that 94% of respondents felt safe in their neighborhood during the day and 81% had an overall feeling of safety in Shoreline. The City is continuing a concentrated work plan to enhance our public safety communication and crime prevention efforts to ensure that our residents and businesses continue to find Shoreline a safe place to live, work and play. The Council recognizes that supporting stronger community connections and making it possible for residents to meet their needs are critical elements of a safe and thriving community.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

[shorelinewa.gov/council](https://shorelinewa.gov/council)

# TMP UPDATE: PLANNING TODAY FOR TOMORROW'S TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

**THE CITY** is currently updating its Transportation Master Plan (TMP). The TMP supports all forms of travel – by foot, bicycle, skateboard, scooter, stroller, wheelchair, transit, motorcycle, automobile, etc. The TMP will guide local and regional transportation investments and define the City's future transportation policies, programs, and projects for the next 20 years.

To prepare for the future, the TMP update will respond to transformations occurring through redevelopment and transportation infrastructure investments as well as address emerging policy and technology trends. In addition, the TMP update will incorporate broader concepts such as equity, health, safety, maintenance, shared use mobility, accessibility, sustainability, and livability, among others.

## Why should you participate?

The TMP update will:

- Make decisions now that will affect our community for years to come.
- Establish transportation goals, policies, and prioritized projects for transportation improvements for the next 20 years.
- Develop transportation networks for all users (people walking, cycling, riding transit, driving, etc.)

## Outreach Series 1 Recap

The project team conducted Outreach Series 1 over the entire month of February. Outreach activities included two identical online open houses on February 17 and February 23, and numerous neighborhood associations and stakeholder group online presentations and discussions. Overall, 130 people participated in Outreach Series 1 meetings. Key topics discussed at the meetings included safety, sidewalks, neighborhood paths, bike facilities, transit, micromobility, and parking.

In addition, approximately 500 people participated in an online survey that ran throughout the month of February. The survey asked about people's transportation priorities and travel patterns before the pandemic, during the pandemic, and how they expect to travel after the pandemic. It also asked people to identify types of destinations they would like to travel to without relying on a personal vehicle and barriers that currently prevent them from using other modes. The survey also included several questions to gauge people's interest in using mobility hubs that provide choices for completing trips without a personal vehicle through options such as bike share, scooter share, car share, etc.



Visit the project webpage at [shorelinewa.gov/tmp](http://shorelinewa.gov/tmp) for a full summary report of Outreach Series 1.

## Coming soon

The project team will conduct Outreach Series 2 in early summer to summarize Outreach Series 1 results, get feedback on draft goals, and share draft multimodal transportation plans.

## MORE INFORMATION

[shorelinewa.gov/tmp](http://shorelinewa.gov/tmp)

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## Summer in Shoreline

### Juneteenth and Pride activities

Just because we can't have large gatherings, doesn't mean we can't celebrate. We are working with community partners to plan safe and fun activities in June for Pride and Juneteenth. Keep an eye out for the Pride flag at City Hall, colorful public art activities, and local history exhibits at the Artist in Residence Cottage at Saltwater Park, Kruckeberg Botanic Garden, the Park at Town Center along Aurora, and the annual ShoreLake Arts Festival. For a sneak peek, visit [shorelinewa.gov/art](http://shorelinewa.gov/art) to see the 2020 Shoreline Juneteenth Exhibition which will be continued this year and the current artist in residence Left at London.

## MORE INFORMATION

[shorelinewa.gov/summer2021](http://shorelinewa.gov/summer2021)



New bus shelter mural on N 175<sup>th</sup> honors the legacy of Edwin T. Pratt.

## City and Metro partner on two new bus shelter murals

**THE CITY** has again collaborated with King County Metro on bus shelter murals depicting images relevant to their locations. Metro installed the two new murals, both near Ronald Bog Park, in early February.

The shelter on Meridian Avenue N, in front of Meridian Park Elementary and across from Ronald Bog Park, celebrates bog wildlife. Martin DeGrazia lives adjacent to the bog. Over time, he has gotten to know his wild neighbors through a camera lens. His photos invite passersby to exchange glances with animals who coexist next to a busy intersection and interstate highway.

The other shelter on N 175<sup>th</sup> in front of Ronald Bog Park recognizes the legacy of Edwin T. Pratt. In 1959, while most African Americans lived in the increasingly crowded central district of Seattle as the result of redlining and other racist housing policies, Edwin Pratt and his wife Bettye moved to Shoreline. They were the first Black family to move to the neighborhood, just blocks away from the bus shelter.

In a virtual dedication on February 23, Shoreline Mayor Will Hall noted, "This mural is just one tangible, visible reminder of the contributions made by the civil rights leader Edwin Pratt as he worked to address racism and discrimination in our community." Metro General Manager Terry White added, "I hope for everyone who sees this mural, it will spark interest in knowing more about this champion of civil and human rights and the work that still needs to be done to make this county a place where everyone is welcome and has opportunity."

The photos that are part of the mural celebrating the life of Edwin T. Pratt are courtesy of:

- Black Heritage Society of Washington State, Inc.
- Museum of History and Industry
- Seattle Municipal Archives
- Shoreline Historical Museum

Ken Winnick, photographer and Shoreline resident, curated the mural photos.

## Sound Transit Lynnwood Link Extension Light Rail Update

**CONSTRUCTION IS** now underway on all of the parking and station structures on the Lynnwood Link extension, as the project continues to progress steadily toward a 2024 opening. Overall, construction on the extension is now about one-third complete.

"The start of work on the stations and garages for the Lynnwood Link extension underscores how rapidly the project is moving along," said Sound Transit CEO Peter Rogoff. "With each passing day, the extension comes closer to reality, thanks to the dedication of the construction teams."

The Lynnwood Link extension will include four elevated stations and three new parking structures that will add about 1,500 additional parking spaces. Two of those stations and two of the parking structures will be in Shoreline.

Located just northeast of I-5 at the NE 145<sup>th</sup> Street exit, the Shoreline South/148<sup>th</sup> Station will connect to new Sound Transit SR 522/NE 145<sup>th</sup> Bus Rapid Transit service. A parking garage with approximately 500 new spaces is part of the project.

Located on the east side of I-5, the Shoreline North/185<sup>th</sup> Station will serve Shoreline Stadium, the Shoreline Conference Center, and the surrounding neighborhoods. Improved pedestrian pathways will connect the station to the west side of I-5. A parking garage with approximately 500 new spaces is part of the project.

### MORE INFORMATION

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**206-398-5300**  
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## CLIMATE ACTION TIP

### May is National Bike Month!

Biking is not only a great way to reduce stress, have fun, and improve your health – it can help fight climate change as well! Almost one-third of all trips or errands in the U.S. are one mile or shorter, and half are three miles or shorter. Biking can be a great option for these shorter trips, while getting fresh air and protecting the planet! New to biking? Find information on choosing a bike, safe riding, local trails, and more at [cascade.org/tips-biking](http://cascade.org/tips-biking).



Meadowbrook Apartments reduced recycling contamination by 33% after participating in the Waste Wise Program.

## Waste Wise Program helps apartments improve recycling

OVER THE PAST YEAR, the City and Recology have offered a new program to help apartment properties improve their recycling. The “Waste Wise” program aims to both increase the amount of recycling and reduce “contamination”. Contamination occurs when items that aren’t recyclable end up in the recycling bin, like plastic bags or Styrofoam™.

**Here’s how the program works:** Recology staff meets with property management staff to assess the current recycling system and measure contamination in recycling dumpsters. Then, Recology and the City create customized educational materials for residents at each property, including posters, recycling guides, and videos on how to be an expert recycler. Each resident receives a reusable tote bag to use for their recycling instead of plastic bags, which are one of the main problem materials.

**Results:** Meadowbrook Apartments is a 115-unit complex in Richmond Beach with a strong environmental ethic. They offer composting and battery recycling for residents and are an EnviroStars green business. So, when Recology approached them about reducing contamination in their recycling, they jumped at the opportunity! After participating in the program, the amount of recycling contamination dropped by 33%. Collaboration between property staff, residents, and Recology was key to their success.

Other “Waste Wise” properties have seen similar success. Canterbury Court Apartments in the Ballinger neighborhood reduced recycling contamination by over 70%. At Ballinger Commons, one of the largest apartment communities in the city, nearly 200 residents watched the recycling videos and contamination dropped by 65%.

Recycling can be challenging, especially at larger apartment properties. But the Waste Wise program shows that collaboration between Recology, property staff, and residents can make a difference! Six apartment properties are participating in the program and the City plans to offer the program to more. Funding for the program is provided by a grant from Washington State Department of Ecology, with Recology contributing staff time.

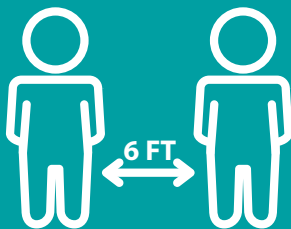
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## PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY



WEAR YOUR MASK



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE



GET VACCINATED

# Vegetation restoration efforts in our parks and open spaces

**NOW AND** throughout the pandemic, parks and open spaces have been only one thing, busy. And thanks to the dedicated efforts of our parks crew, we have largely been able to continue keeping up with the increased demand for our services. For the most part, all 400+ acres of parkland remained fully open and maintained as usual during the pandemic. If ever the importance of having accessible and beautiful open spaces was highlighted, it has been during a pandemic from a virus that spreads most aggressively indoors and without good airflow.

Unfortunately, the pandemic has severely impacted the vegetation restoration efforts of the various volunteer groups that work in our parks and open spaces. There was a dramatic drop in productivity. While some of our native plant stewards were able to continue with small, isolated work groups, we were unable to host the large-scale rehabilitation events that have been instrumental in years past. During 2020, stewards and volunteers tracked 80% less hours and planted 90% less plants

when compared to previous years, with most work occurring before the governor's stay at home order in March 2020.

However, we are well positioned to make up for this past year through our partnership with Forterra who will help to streamline the habitat rehabilitation efforts in Shoreline. They have been integral in developing the Green Shoreline Partnership and created a 20-year forest management plan that highlights restoration goals. It will be used as a tool by City officials and partners into the future. Forterra will aid with work party planning, community outreach, and registration. Funding for Forterra's work comes from King County Trail Levy funding. We look forward to seeing their strategies implemented very shortly as the days get longer and plants, both benign and malevolent, start growing vigorously!

We have also been busy finalizing plans for King County Conservation District (KCD) to deploy KCD rehabilitation laborers to work on sensitive hillside slopes where conditions are too technical and dangerous for volunteers.

In spite of the difficulties we experienced in 2020, we were still able to plant trees and shrubs and address hazardous trees.

## **Ballinger Open Space:**

421 trees and 125 shrubs planted

## **Twin Ponds:**

9 trees and 177 shrubs planted

## **Street tree planting:**

70 trees planted on 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE between 155<sup>th</sup> and 160<sup>th</sup>

**100 hazardous trees removed**

## **MORE INFORMATION**

[forterra.org/subpage/green-shoreline-steward-resources](https://forterra.org/subpage/green-shoreline-steward-resources)

[facebook.com/greenshoreline](https://facebook.com/greenshoreline)

[instagram.com/greenshoreline](https://instagram.com/greenshoreline)

## Salmon Safe: Natural Yard Care

**OUR YARDS** are our outdoor homes – fun, beautiful, great spaces for relaxing. But in taking care of them, we might overuse chemicals that are bad for both our family and pets' health and the environment. Synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, and weed and feed can get tracked inside by shoes and pets, and flow into nearby streams, lakes, and Puget Sound through ditches and storm drains when it rains. Luckily, there are some excellent resources to help us create beautiful gardens without relying on garden chemicals.

**Practice Natural Yard Care:** Visit [naturalyardcare.org](https://naturalyardcare.org) to learn the five steps to creating a beautiful garden without all the chemicals.

**Look for the OMRI label:** The OMRI certification means that the gardening product you are purchasing is truly organic. Even when using an organic product, always be sure to follow the directions to avoid applying too much.

**Garden Hotline:** The Garden Hotline offers individualized solutions to garden problems that are practical, safe, effective, and natural. Horticultural experts offer FREE advising to home gardeners and landscape professionals in King County. They can offer advice to help you minimize chemical use while creating a vibrant landscape. Visit [gardenhotline.org](https://gardenhotline.org) or call 206-633-0224 for free gardening advice.

**Natural Yard Care Workshops:** The City offered five Natural Yard Care Workshops last fall on a variety of topics. View the workshop recordings at [shorelinewa.gov/naturalyard-care](https://shorelinewa.gov/naturalyard-care).

## **MORE INFORMATION**

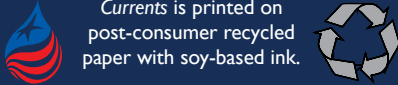
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# SHORELINE FARMERS MARKET

## CELEBRATING 10 YEARS

What began as an idea to bring a downtown feeling to Shoreline has grown into a beloved community space. It's been 10 years since Shoreline Farmers Market opened and they are looking forward to celebrating this year!

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, June 5**, and join in celebrating a decade of farmers market success. In the meantime, visit the market's website to find your favorite vendor, explore kids fun and educational videos, and learn more about how you can get involved.

**MORE INFORMATION**  
[shorelinefarmersmarket.org](http://shorelinefarmersmarket.org)

