



Renton City News

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NEWS IN BRIEF

City To Expel Individuals Engaging in Unlawful Behavior in Parks

In an effort to maintain public safety in city parks a new city ordinance authorizes Renton police officers, and the Community Services directors or their designee, the ability to expel individuals from all city parks if they engage in unlawful or inappropriate behavior in any city park. Individuals may be expelled for up to one year if they engage in egregious activities. For less serious offences, individuals may be expelled for up to seven days.

Renton's Fabulous Fourth of July

Join us as we celebrate Independence Day in Renton with a professional fireworks display from a barge on Lake Washington at 10 p.m. Come to Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park or enjoy the beautiful fireworks display from boats, canoes, kayaks, or from your home if you live close to the park.



Fireworks Ban Within City Limits

A ban on the use, sale and possession of fireworks within the city limits was instituted in 2005 as a way to protect citizens and their property. In 2009 there were 31 fireworks related calls on the 4th of July, \$10,000 in property damage over the course of the entire fireworks season. The ban is inclusive of all types of fireworks and residents should know that violators are subject to both criminal and civil citations, and fireworks can be confiscated.

Summer Lunch Program in Renton

The City of Renton and the Renton School District have partnered to offer a free lunch for kids ages one to 18. Children can go to several community sites to get a free lunch, regardless of where they live or their family income level. Registration is not required. Lunch must be eaten on-site. Lunch is offered Monday through Friday, June 28 to August 20, unless otherwise noted. For more information visit rentonwa.gov or call 425-430-6700.

BOEING SIGNS HISTORIC LEASE

Renton Mayor Denis Law, City Councilmembers and The Boeing Company finalized a new long-term lease agreement for Renton Municipal Airport at a signing ceremony overlooking the airport May 19. The base lease term is 20 years, and it includes two 10-year options.

"The signing of this agreement is a momentous day for our city and has cemented Renton as the center of commercial aviation," said Renton Mayor Denis Law. "Renton's remarkable past now meets the promise of its future. Today's agreement with Boeing will help keep thousands of aerospace workers employed in Renton and throughout the region for many years to come."

"The 737 plant is one of the most efficient and productive aerospace facilities in the world, with the best workers in the world, and it produces the best selling, most reliable



airplane in history," said Governor Chris Gregoire. "Today's announcement by Boeing and the City of Renton is great news for the state's aerospace industry and Renton's local economy."

"The new lease agreement gives us the flexibility to support 737 programs in the future," said Beverly Wyse, Vice President and General Manager, Boeing 737 Program.

SHARE THE TRAIL

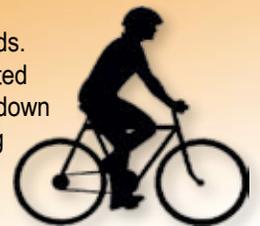
Renton has an extensive parks and trails system with over 13 miles of trails that offer great opportunities for hiking, biking, rollerblading, walking and more. The city has launched a comprehensive program to enhance overall safety on its trails. The new initiative will include reduced speed limits, trail striping, additional signage, education and outreach on trail etiquette, and stringent enforcement of reckless behavior. We encourage you to share the trail and follow these safety guidelines to keep our trails safe and enjoyable for all.

- Share the trail and be courteous to all trail users.
- Pass on the left. Pass others going in your direction on their LEFT.
- Give audible signal before passing.
- Avoid wearing headphones or using cell phones.
- Don't block the trail.

- Keep pets on a short leash and to the right of the trail.
- Be seen. Use lights and reflective clothing when it's dark.
- Obey all trail and traffic signs. Use extra caution where trails cross streets. Stop at all intersections. When entering or crossing a trail yield to traffic on the trail.

Bicyclists:

- Ride at safe speeds. Watch for the posted speed limit. Slow down when approaching slower trail users.
- Wear helmets.
- Yield to pedestrians.



Call 911 in an emergency or to report suspicious behavior.

For more information visit the city's website at rentonwa.gov.

WATERWAYS CRUISES BEGIN



Mayor Denis Law and other dignitaries celebrated the first Waterways Cruise at the Southport Pier in Renton May 7. Now open to the public, the luxury yacht sails on Lake Washington from Renton and offers spectacular views of Renton's waterfront and various landmarks. For more information on the cruise, visit waterwayscruises.com.

CITY CONTACTS

Area Code 425

- General Information**..... 430-6400
- Mayor** 430-6500
- City Council** 430-6501
- Municipal Court Judge** 430-6550
- Chief Administrative Officer**..... 430-6500
- City Clerk** 430-6510
- Code Enforcement**..... 430-7373
- Community Services** 430-6600
- Community & Economic Development** 430-6580
- Finance & Information Services** 430-6850
- Fire/Emergency Services**..... 430-7000
- Graffiti Reporting Line**..... 430-7373
- Human Resources & Risk Management** 430-7650
- Public Works** 430-7200
- Police** 430-7500
or epolice.rentonwa.gov
- Street/Water/Sewer Maint.**..... 430-7400
- Utility Billing**..... 430-6852

EMERGENCY 911

 **The City of Renton provides reasonable accommodation upon request.**

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FARMERS MARKET RETURNS

The Renton Farmers Market begins its eighth year with a full market, featuring 50 vendors — many new and others who have been with the market from the beginning. Come and enjoy a delicious lox sandwich, grab a couple of steaks to throw on the grill, create a succulent salad with fresh produce from our many farmers, or enjoy mountains of berries and fresh, crisp apples to whip up something for dessert. After shopping, enjoy live entertainment or learn



how to make something new at the chef demonstrations. The Renton Farmers Market at the Piazza offers fresh flowers, fruits and vegetables and a variety of other food vendors located at the Piazza Park at 3rd and Burnett in downtown. The market is open every Tuesday from 3 to 7 p.m., June 1 through Sept. 28. For more information contact Stefeny Anderson, Farmers Market coordinator, at 425-430-7214 or smanderson@rentonwa.gov.

OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

Tuesday, June 1

Renton Farmers Market. 3 to 7 p.m.
Piazza Park, 3rd & Burnett.

Saturday, June 5

Stop and Swap Recycling Event. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Renton Memorial Stadium, 450 Logan Ave N. One man's junk is another man's treasure. Swap your treasures.

Tuesday, June 8

Renton Farmers Market. 3 to 7 p.m.
Piazza Park, 3rd & Burnett.

Tuesday, June 15

Renton Farmers Market. 3 to 7 p.m.
Piazza Park, 3rd & Burnett.

Thursday, June 17

Renton City Band Concert. 7:30 to 9 p.m.
Carco Theatre, 1717 SE Maple Valley Hwy.
Tickets \$10 adults, \$7 senior/student. Call 425-430-6700.

Saturday, June 19

Swimming beaches open for season.
Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park and

Kennydale Beach Park, 1201 and 3601 Lake Washington Blvd. N, respectively. Lifeguards on duty from noon to 8 p.m. daily thru Sept. 6.

Henry Moses Aquatic Center Open for Swimming Season. Sessions at noon and 4 p.m. daily. Henry Moses Aquatic Center, 1719 SE Maple Valley Hwy. Call 425-430-6780.

Tuesday, June 22

Renton Farmers Market. 3 to 7 p.m.
Piazza Park, 3rd & Burnett.

Tuesday, June 29

Renton Farmers Market. 3 to 7 p.m.
Piazza Park, 3rd & Burnett.

Sunday, July 4

Renton Fabulous Fourth of July. Noon to 10:30 p.m. Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park, 1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N.

Tuesday, July 7

Coulon Concert Series. 7 p.m. Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park. Call 425-430-6706.

For more information visit rentonwa.gov

CITY CENTER: CITY SEEKS INPUT

What if you could ride a trolley from downtown Renton to The Landing? What if the streets in downtown Renton went two ways? These are just some of the ideas under consideration in the City Center Community Plan.

A draft of the 20-year plan is now available and your input is needed. The goals outlined in the draft are based directly on input provided by citizens, business leaders, property owners, and people who work in the City Center.

The plan (when finalized) will set the vision and goals for the future of the City Center



that will make it a better place to live, work, learn, and play.

Visit citycenterplan.rentonwa.gov to review the draft and take the survey to tell us what you think.

