

# KIRKLAND CITY UPDATE

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## Opportunity Knocks: Business and Neighborhood Partnerships

Residents and businesses may be feeling some of the impacts from service and staff reductions that have been implemented in response to revenue loss and cost increases. Maintenance services in neighborhood parks have been reduced (e.g. closed restrooms and no trash cans), downtown street maintenance is conducted less frequently and neighborhood grant funding has been cut back.

For many years, the City has offered volunteer opportunities for residents and businesses to become partners in preserving parks, sponsoring city events, and supporting the City's public safety, emergency management, human services, and administrative programs. Whether you are an individual, family, company or group, the City can match your talents with our community needs. For current volunteer opportunities, visit [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/volunteer](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/volunteer).

## Park & Main Lot Now Open

More than 90 public parking spaces are now available at the "Park and Main Lot" located at the downtown property that once housed the Antique Mall. Spaces are available at \$1.00 per hour, Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (and free beyond the paid hours). Prepayments are accepted prior to 9 a.m. This new lot increases the City's inventory of public parking to 1200 stalls in the downtown area. For more information about this and other public parking lots, visit [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/parking](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/parking).

To further a sense of community, the City is optimistic that more connections can be made between neighborhoods and businesses through neighborhood work parties, meetings, and events. Businesses are encouraged to become involved in their local neighborhood associations by attending association meetings, volunteering for neighborhood improvement projects and registering to receive neighborhood news.

The Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods (KAN) is creating "recipes" to build effective community partnerships for park and neighborhood projects. Contact your neighborhood chair to see what is happening in your neighborhood.

Kirkland is fortunate to have a strong community and business support in the care of its parks and events. In light of recent service reductions, there is a greater need for community support and involvement.

Visit [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods) for KAN contact information and neighborhood association meeting information.



*New Park and Main Parking lot downtown*

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS: Girl Scout Follows Her Passion for Gardening

Michelle Fields, Juanita High School senior and Individual Registered Scout with the Girl Scouts of Western Washington, loves to garden - so much so that she proposed to the City to expand the McAuliffe Park community garden. Fields' plan to increase the number of garden plots was accepted by the Girl Scout's Western

Washington Council for its Gold Award Project and was welcomed by the City's Parks & Community Services Department.

Fields recognizes the importance of a sustainable community and what a community garden can offer to residents. She believes that "community gardens or pea patch plots enable residents to enjoy nature, grow their own food, socialize with others and engage in physical activity." A self-described intermediate gardener, Fields was excited to extend her passion for gardening beyond her home to the greater Kirkland community.

When asked what she learned from the experience, Fields said "I found out who my really good friends are. They got up early on cold mornings to provide manual labor, dig posts holes and move topsoil and gravel; not just once but four times."

Thanks to Fields' vision, volunteers and the guidance of Parks staff, McAuliffe Park



For neighborhood association meeting information and to subscribe to receive City news, visit: [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods).

Pea Patch now boasts 15 more plots (a total of 35) and a waiting list. The garden has been enhanced in past years through the efforts of Eagle Scouts, another Girl Scout and other volunteers.

Fields' next phase is to create and install an informational display at the garden and, of course, to receive the award this summer.

To learn more about the City's pea patches, call 425-587-3349 or visit [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us) (search community garden).



Michelle Fields (right) and friend Sarah Tebbs (left) carry a bucket of gravel to set corner posts at the McAuliffe Park Pea Patch.

## ANNEXATION UPDATE: Neighborhood and Facilities Planning Underway

The City Council continues to discuss key policy and operational issues associated with annexation. The Council recently approved moving forward with neighborhood planning and public facilities planning.

The City has launched a "listening tour" with the Kirkland Alliance of Neighborhoods (KAN), the North/South Juanita Neighborhood and Totem Lake Neighborhood associations and neighborhood leaders from the annexation area. Led by the Planning & Community Development Department, the City seeks the help of residents to establish neighborhood boundaries in the annexation area.

The Council also approved the further study the immediate, intermediate and long term office space and parking needs to accommodate additional staff and customers at City facilities.

Another key decision was the approval by the Council to temporarily expand the membership of several City boards and



commissions. Membership was expanded to the Planning Commission, Park Board, Human Services Advisory Committee by two seats and the Library Board by one seat. The expansion allows for residents of

the annexation area to participate in City government right away. Applications were due in late March for terms that will expire on March 31, 2012. The City's Cultural Council, Design Review Board, Parking Advisory Board and Transportation Commission currently allow for non-city residents to serve as members and have annexation area residents as members.

City departments are developing plans to coordinate the smooth transition of services from King County to the City of Kirkland. Due to the size and complexity of the Finn Hill, North Juanita and Kingsgate annexation, services will be need to be transitioned in over time as revenue sources become available.

### ANNEXATION WEBPAGE UPDATED

The City's annexation webpage, [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/annexation](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/annexation), has been updated. To receive updates via email, subscribe to Kirkland E-Mail Alerts.

## OPINION POLL: City Performs Well with Most Important Services



### Majority of City Dollars Spent on Community's Service Priorities

In a recent community survey, emergency medical, fire, police and garbage collection services were once again ranked as "most important" and services that respondents are most satisfied with the City's performance in providing them. Services identified in this year's survey as important but needing improvement are traffic flow, street maintenance and attracting new business.

At its retreat in mid-March, the City Council received the formal results of a citizens' opinion poll conducted by Elway Research, Inc. A service-by-service comparison included in the survey results plots the importance and performance of more than 15 city services. Of the budget dedicated

to providing the surveyed services, 85% (\$91.5 million) was associated with the high importance/high performance services. Nine out of ten participants rated Kirkland as an "excellent" or "good" place to live.

The random, statistically valid survey has been conducted every two years and gauges the opinions of Kirkland citizens about quality of life, priorities for the future, and the level of satisfaction with city government and services. More than 400 adult heads of households participated in this year's survey. To view the survey results, including key findings, go to [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/cmo](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/cmo).

### Budget Brief: Revenue Declines Maybe Stabilizing Council Readies for next Budget Process

In addition to receiving results from the community survey (see above article), the City Council was presented with 2009 year-end financial results and given some insight into the 2010 financial outlook.

Last year ended with revenue declines within all of the City's major revenue sources including sales tax, utility tax, business license fees, and construction permit fees. So far, this year shows signs that revenue levels may be stabilizing, although at a much lower level than in recent years.

As the City Council readies itself to begin the 2011-2012 budget adoption process, it expressed interest in re-evaluating "core" services (basic levels of services for city government), integrating the results of the community survey into the budget process,

exploring new revenue sources, and considering the use of a "revenue-based" approach to annexation by phasing in service levels in the annexation area as revenue becomes available from the annexation area.

The City Council encourages public participation in the upcoming budget development process, which may include an opportunity for public input later this spring. Citizens and businesses can address the Council at its regular meetings held the first and third Tuesday of each month or send emails to [citycouncil@ci.kirkland.wa.us](mailto:citycouncil@ci.kirkland.wa.us). Budget information will be posted online at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/budget](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/budget).

## NEWS YOU CAN USE

### "Drop, Cover, Hold" Still Best Earthquake Safety Method

The City's Office of Emergency Management reminds residents that the safest technique to use during an earthquake is the "Drop, Cover and Hold" method. There is an Internet campaign, called "The Triangle of Life" which advocates a different technique and may expose many people to serious injury. Earthquakes can cause severe shaking. To protect yourself, **drop** down on your hands and knees (before the earthquake knocks you down). Then **cover** your head and neck under a sturdy table or desk. **Hold** on to your shelter until the shaking stops. For earthquake and other disaster preparedness information, go to [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/prepare](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/prepare) or call 425-587-3650.

### Special Events Coming this Year

The City's Special Event Permit program reviews applications for events such as triathlons, parades, car shows and bicycle races to ensure safety measures and traffic control are in place. The 2010 Special Events calendar is posted online at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/parks](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/parks). To receive email notifications of events with traffic impacts to Kirkland, subscribe to the Neighborhood E-Bulletin at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/e-bulletins](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/e-bulletins).

### City Office Closures: Furlough Days

As a budget reduction, furlough days will be in effect for 2010 which will result in the daytime closure of several City buildings on the following upcoming dates:

- Friday, May 28
- Friday, July 2
- Tuesday, September 7
- Monday, October 11
- Wednesday, November 24
- Thursday, December 23
- Thursday, December 30

The Police Department, Municipal Court and Fire Stations will be open.

For furlough information, visit [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/community/furlough](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/community/furlough).

## Insider's View: Insights of City Manager Dave Ramsay

For Dave Ramsay, being Kirkland's City Manager involves keeping the City Council, community and city organization informed and engaged in decisions that affect Kirkland's present and future.

"I'm primarily responsible for providing the City Council with the information it needs to make policy decisions and to work with staff to implement the Council's decisions," notes Ramsay. "I've been very fortunate to have worked for outstanding Council members in my 12 years here." Ramsay retires as City Manager on April 2.

The City Manager position is the director of the City Manager's Office (CMO). CMO program functions include neighborhood services, legislative advocacy, council relations, economic development, tourism, public information, and the volunteer program.

"These programs directly support the goals and objectives of the City Council," notes Ramsay. "We also provide support to all city departments and often coordinate efforts to involve the community in a wide variety of decision making processes."

The City of Kirkland operates as a "council-manager" form of government in which the City Council hires a City Manager to oversee the operations of departments, to prepare a balanced budget for the Council's consideration, and to recruit, retain and supervise staff. Ramsay has been responsible for ten departments, over 450 employees and a \$365 million budget.

"I am most proud of the high quality organization and positive work environment that we've created at the City," reflects Ramsay. "The can-do attitude, sense of team and commitment of the staff in serving the City Council and community is nothing short of awesome."

Some of Ramsay's "memorable moments" as City Manager include the Heritage Hall project, the Downtown Strategic Plan, the 2002 Park Bond passed by voters, and the acquisition of Juanita Beach, McAuliffe and Carillon Woods Parks. He is also

proud of developing the Neighborhood Services Program and getting approval for annexation. Forming the Information Technology Department, upgrading the City's emergency management function, developing a community-based policing strategy and award-winning budgets and financial statements are also among his favorites.

Ramsay represented the City in the creation of several regional efforts including the NORCOM public safety dispatch system and the multi-city E-CityGov Alliance which has created a central website for online permitting, job application, recreation registration and property research.

When asked about goals that were not accomplished, Ramsay listed the missed opportunity to redevelop Totem Lake Mall as his biggest disappointment.

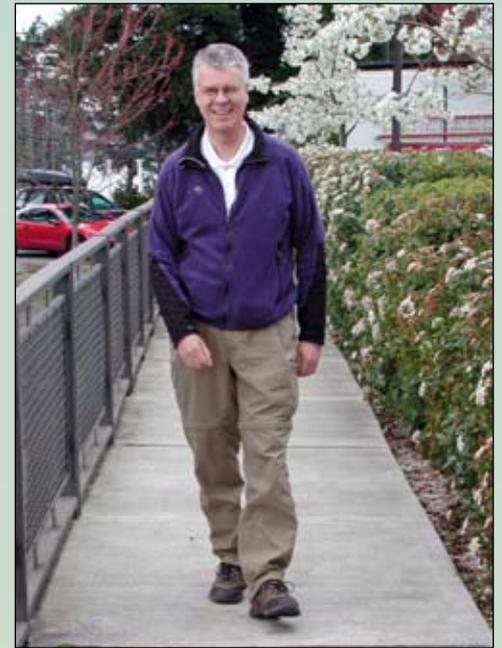
"We worked very hard with the property owner, including changing the zoning and offering to make investments in the infrastructure to help make the project a success," recalls Ramsay. "Despite this, the developer proved unable to deliver and this was extremely disappointing."

As he reflects on the achievements of the City, Ramsay also acknowledges the budget challenges that face the City.

"Having to reduce service levels that we worked so hard to improve has been extremely difficult for the Council and staff," notes Ramsay. "Some are saying that service and staff reductions are now the 'new normal,' but I'm hopeful the economy will turn around and the City will continue to find creative ways to keep providing high quality services."

As Ramsay retires from his 38-year career in city management, he plans to keep walking as part of his physical exercise routine and possibly integrate it into his next career. He is interested in pursuing non-profit agency opportunities in areas such as walking, smart growth, land conservancy and human services.

"We 'boomers' don't retire, we just move on to our next phase," says Ramsay.



*David Ramsay will be stepping into his next phase of his life after April 2, 2010.*

The City hired Bob Murray & Associates to coordinate the City Manager recruitment efforts. Candidate interviews are anticipated in May with final selection in June. The City Council appointed Marilynne Beard, Assistant City Manager to serve as Interim City Manager until the selection process is complete.

### City Manager's Office

**Main Phone**

425-587-3001

**Economic Development & Tourism**

425-587-3014

**Intergovernmental Affairs**

425-587-3009

**Neighborhood Services**

425-587-3011

**Public Information/Ombudsman**

425-587-3021

**Volunteer Program**

425-587-3012

[www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/cmo](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/cmo)

## PEDESTRIAN SAFETY: Pedestrians and Drivers Need to See Eye to Eye

You've probably heard the safety slogan – "Pedestrian safety is a shared responsibility." Its message is intended to remind pedestrians and drivers that they need to (literally) look out for one another. A recent pedestrian accident in a marked crosswalk in the Juanita neighborhood was a reminder that pedestrians need to walk defensively; just as drivers need to drive defensively.

### Tips for pedestrians

A childhood safety lesson is to always look both ways before crossing the street. To enhance your safety as a pedestrian, you should scan all directions before entering a marked or unmarked crosswalk. Don't be tempted to enter a crosswalk before cars come to a complete stop. Be patient and obey the "Walk/Don't walk" signals. Be a "distraction-free" pedestrian – don't use cell phones or head phones when crossing a street. Always walk on the sidewalk. If there is no sidewalk on either side of the street or it is inaccessible, then walk facing vehicles. Use the "Take it to make it" flags.

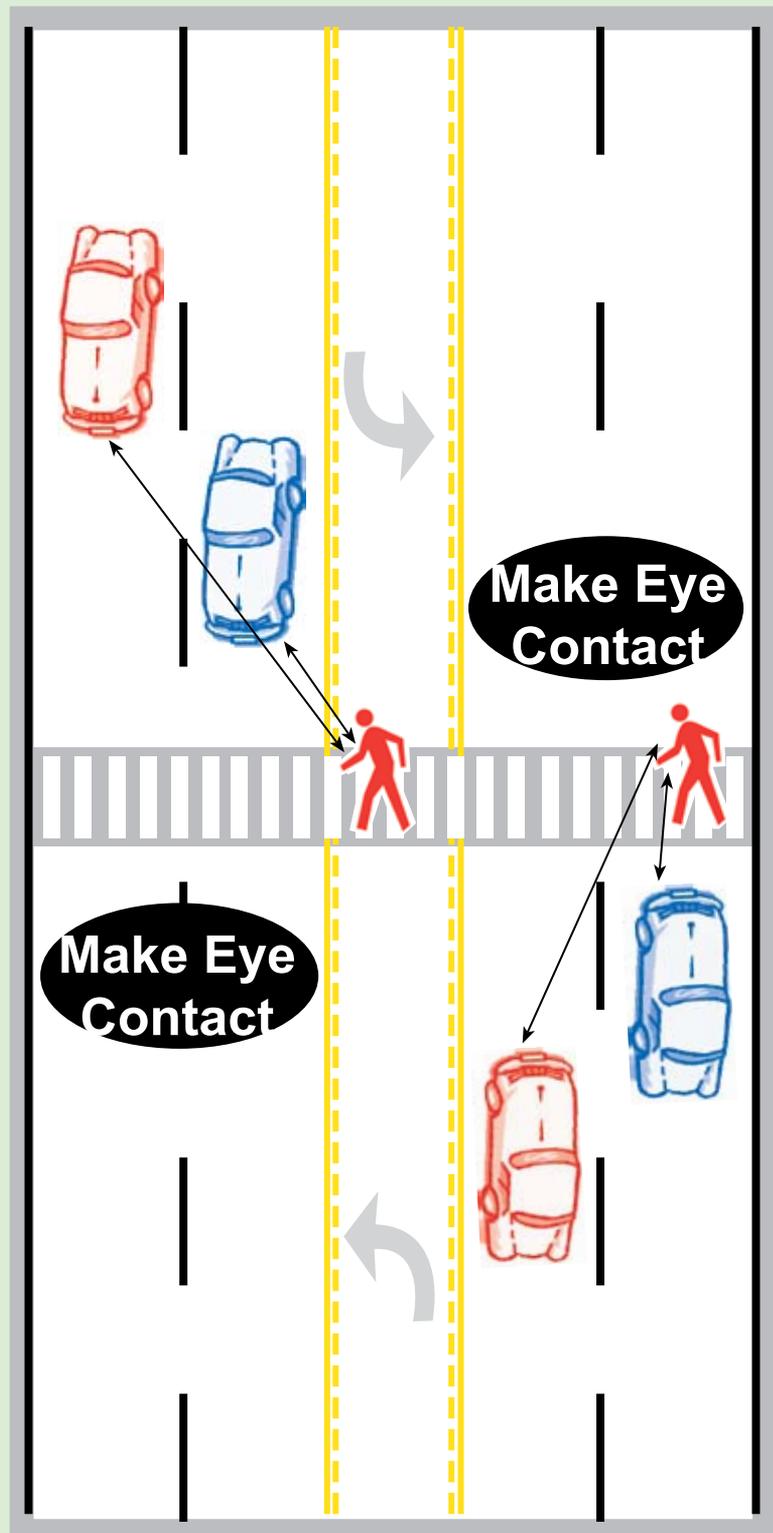
### Tips for drivers

A golden rule for driver/pedestrian safety is that drivers should always be prepared to stop for pedestrians. Motorists must stop for a pedestrian in a marked or unmarked crosswalk or for someone who is crossing with a "Walk" or flashing "Don't Walk" signal. Children and senior citizens are at a higher risk of being struck by a motor vehicle and they may need a little more time to cross, so be patient.

Drivers should obey the speed limit. Most streets in Kirkland have a 25 mph speed limit and several have radar detected speed monitoring signs to help you keep to the legal speed.

At signalized intersections, motorists should stop behind the stop line (it's the law) to allow for visibility of pedestrians and complete turns only when all pedestrians have cleared the lane. Just as pedestrians shouldn't be distracted with cell phones and head phones, neither should drivers.

*The same safety tips apply to pedestrians and to drivers. It's easy to understand that pedestrian safety is truly a shared responsibility.*





## GREEN SCENE: New Best Practices for Managing Stormwater Runoff

A colorful rain garden that attracts birds and butterflies; a roof that is alive with plants; a creative way to save on your water bill. Who knew that managing stormwater runoff could be a thing of beauty and a beautiful thing?

The City recently enacted low impact development (LID) requirements as an environmentally sensitive approach to controlling stormwater created by development activities. Stormwater is the runoff from streets, rooftops and other hard surfaces.

Instead of carrying rainwater off-site, LID uses small-scale landscape features that manage rainfall at the source. LID features mimic the natural rainwater and groundwater flow that occurred prior to

development; such as allowing stormwater to soak into the ground, while filtering out sediment and other pollutants. LID development protects aquatic habitat, water quality, and the natural water flow of a watershed while development takes place.

The City now requires most development projects to incorporate stormwater LID features. Development applicants are required to consider ways to divert runoff away from the City's storm drain system (thus keeping it out of Lake Washington).

Some common LID methods include:

- Rain gardens are shallow depressions filled with plants. Runoff from hard surfaces is directed into the rain gardens where pollutants are

removed by the plants and runoff is filtered.

- Permeable pavement is strong enough to be used for walkways, parking areas, driveways, and patios, yet porous enough to allow rain to flow through it into the ground.
- Rainwater harvesting captures roof runoff to be used later for irrigation or other uses; thereby reducing the amount of drinkable water used (thus saving your cost of water).
- Vegetated roofs contain a thin layer of soil and plants. The soil and vegetation soak up rain water producing significantly less runoff than a typical water-resistant roof.



*In the Garden Gate development, a rain garden was created to filter stormwater and a permeable pavement sidewalk was installed to allow rainwater to flow through it.*

Now that LID features are required, you may see more of them in your neighborhoods. And once installed, we need to protect these features so they can function as intended; not fill them in or pave over them. For more information on this new requirement, look at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/stormwaterupdate](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/stormwaterupdate) or contact Stacey Rush, P.E., LEED AP, Surface Water Utility Engineer, at (425) 587-3854 with questions.

## Tree City USA: Kirkland Receives National Recognition for 8th Year

Kirkland has been named a Tree City USA community by the National Arbor Day Foundation to honor the City's commitment to community forestry. It is the eighth consecutive year Kirkland has received this national recognition. For the second time since adopting its tree regulations in 2006, the City is receiving a Growth Award for its work last year to amend the tree preservation regulations.

The Tree City USA program and the Growth Award are sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. Kirkland has met the four standards to become a Tree

City USA community: having a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a community forestry program with an annual budget of at least \$2 per capita, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. Arbor Day will be held Saturday, November 13, 2010.

Communities that receive Tree City USA recognition not only have provided the resources to meet these standards, they recognize that trees promote a healthier community, moderate climate, reduce heat in urban areas and can increase property values.

To learn about the City's tree preservation program, go to [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us) and

search "tree regulations" or call the Planning & Community Development Department at 425-587-3225.



## WHO'S WHO: Council Appoints Advisory Board Members

The City is fortunate to have dedicated adult and youth citizens and business representatives who serve on advisory boards and commissions. There are 12 City boards and commissions whose members volunteer their time to develop land use, park and recreation, transportation, human services and other policy recommendations for the City Council to consider. Information about the responsibilities of the various boards and commissions, members' terms and meeting information can be found at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/department](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/department) (Select "Boards and Commissions").

Each March, the City conducts a recruitment process to fill existing or soon-to-be vacancies. The following community members were recently appointed by the City Council:

### Cultural Council

Erik Gordon joins fellow Cultural Council members Leah Kliger (Chair), Amy Whittenburg (Vice Chair), G.G. Getz, Bhaj Townsend, Robert Larson, Kathy Page Feek, Rebecca Devere, Margit Moore, Emily Hanna (youth), Melissa Nelson, Sheila Mickool, Jeffrey Parks, and Cathy Heffron.

### Design Review Board

James Truhan (Chair) was reappointed and Scott Reusser was appointed to the Design Review Board (DRB). Andy Paroline was selected as an alternate should a vacancy occur within the next six months. Other members include Erik Mott (Vice Chair), Carter Bagg, Noriko Marshall, Michael Stanger, and Gregory Sparhawk.

### Human Services Advisory Committee\*

Santiago Ramos (Chair) was reappointed to the Human Services Advisory Committee. Jeanne Yu and Nathan Brand (youth) were appointed and join Jo Ann Geer and Karen Turner.

### Library Board\*

Megan Gustafson and Ronald Stieger join Mirza Avdic, William Kelly, Blair McIntosh and Harry Paterra (youth) on the Library Board.

### Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

Shirley Day, Ryan Noel, Les Utley and Luanne Erickson were reappointed and Daniel Mayer and Jac Cooper were appointed to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee.

### Park Board\*

Adam White was reappointed and Shawn Fenn was appointed to the Park Board. Susan Harris Huether was selected as an alternate should a vacancy occur within the next six months. Other members include Jennifer Davies, Robert Kamuda (Chair), Sue Keller (Vice Chair), Shelley Kloba, Maggie Lehr (youth), and John Smiley.

### Parking Advisory Board\*

Joe Castleberry (Vice Chair) and Ken Dueker were reappointed and A Liengboonlertchai and Andy Loos were appointed to the Parking Advisory Board. Jon Erik Johnson was selected as an alternate should a vacancy occur within the next six months. Fellow members include Jack Wherry (Chair), Jennifer Lindsey, Glenn Peterson, and John Torrance.

### Planning Commission

Andy Held (Chair) was reappointed and Mike Miller was appointed to the Planning Commission. Glenn Peterson was selected as an alternate should a vacancy occur within the next six months. Other commissioners include: C. Ray Allshouse (Vice Chair), Jay Arnold, Byron Katsuyama, Patti Sutter and Karen Tennyson.

### Transportation Commission

Joel Pfundt (Vice Chair) was reappointed and Michael Snow, Thomas Pendergrass and Carl Wilson were appointed to the Transportation Commission. John Condie was selected as an alternate should a vacancy occur within the next six months. New and returning commissioners join Don Samdahl (Chair), Sandeep Singhal, Morgan Hopper (youth), and Tom Neir.

For member listings of the Kirkland Senior Council, Kirkland Youth Council, and Salary Commission, contact the City Clerk's Office at 425-587-3190.

*\*In early March, the City Council approved the temporary expansion of the Human Services Advisory Committee, Library Board, Park Board and Planning Commission to allow for annexation area residents to apply. Selections will be made after publication of this issue of City Update.*

See Page 8 for meeting information



*Planning Commission members (left to right): Karen Tennyson, Carolyn Hayek (former), Byron Katsuyama, Andy Held, C. Ray Allshouse, and Jay Arnold.*

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## MONTHLY CITY MEETINGS

### MONDAY

Design Review Board\* ..... 1st & 3rd Monday · 7 p.m.  
Kirkland Youth Council\* ..... 2nd & 4th Monday · 6:45-8:30 p.m.  
Houghton Community Council\* ..... 4th Monday · 7 p.m. (Agenda/Packet online)

### TUESDAY

City Council\* ..... 1st & 3rd Tuesday; Study Session · 6 p.m.  
Regular Meeting · 7:30 p.m. (Agenda/Packet online)  
Civil Service Commission\* ..... 2nd Tuesday · 4 p.m.  
Kirkland Senior Council ..... 2nd Tuesday · 5:30 p.m. (Peter Kirk Community Center)

### WEDNESDAY

Park Board\* ..... 2nd Wednesday · 7 p.m.  
Transportation Commission\* ..... 4th Wednesday · 6 p.m. (Agenda Packet Online)  
Kirkland Library Board ..... 2nd Wednesday · 5 p.m. (Kirkland Library)  
Kirkland Cultural Council\* ..... 3rd Wednesday · 4 p.m.

### THURSDAY

Parking Advisory Board\* ..... 1st Thursday · 7:30-9:30 a.m.  
Planning Commission\* ..... 2nd & 4th Thursday · 7 p.m. (Agenda Packet Online)

### MEETS AS NEEDED

Lodging Tax  
Advisory Committee ..... Call: 425-587-3001  
Human Services  
Advisory Committee ..... Call: 425-587-3322  
Neighborhood Association meeting information:  
[www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/neighborhoods).

### \* Meetings held at Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Avenue

- Special meetings may be scheduled; regular meetings may be cancelled.
- Agenda/Packets are posted to the City's website at [www.ci.kirkland.wa.us](http://www.ci.kirkland.wa.us). Search the name of the board/commission.

## IMPORTANT CITY PHONE NUMBERS

### Kirkland City Hall

123 5th Avenue, Kirkland, WA 98033 ..... 425-587-3000

City Council & City Manager's Office ..... 425-587-3001  
Building Department ..... 425-587-3600  
24-Hour Inspection Request Line ..... 425-587-3605  
Fire Prevention ..... 425-587-3650  
Planning & Community Development ..... 425-587-3225  
Public Works Department ..... 425-587-3800  
24-Hour Inspection Request Line ..... 425-587-3805  
Finance & Administration ..... 425-587-3100  
Business License ..... 425-587-3140  
Utility Billing ..... 425-587-3150  
Human Resources ..... 425-587-3210  
(505 Market Street, Kirkland)  
Recorded Job Line ..... 425-587-3211  
Municipal Court ..... 425-587-3160  
(11515 NE 118th Street, Kirkland)  
Parks & Community Service ..... 425-587-3300  
North Kirkland Community Center ..... 425-587-3350  
Peter Kirk Community Center ..... 425-587-3360

Parks Maintenance ..... 425-587-3349  
Public Works Maintenance (24 Hour) ..... 425-587-3900

### Other Numbers to Know

Animal Control (King County) ..... 206-296-7387  
Cable TV ..... Comcast: 1-800-266-2278  
Verizon: 1-800-483-3000  
Electric/Gas: Puget Sound Energy ..... 1-888-225-5773  
Garbage/Recycling: Waste Management, Inc. .... 1-800-592-9995  
Phone Service ..... Comcast: 1-800-266-2278  
Verizon: 1-800-483-3000  
Qwest: 1-800-475-7526  
School District: Lake Washington School District .. 425-702-3200  
Transit ..... King County Metro 1-800-542-7876  
Sound Transit 1-800-201-4900  
Vehicle Registration: Washington State Dept. of Licensing,  
Kirkland Office ..... 425-828-4661  
Voter Registration: King County Elections ..... 206-296-8683

**For Police, Fire & Medical Emergencies ..... Call 9-1-1**  
**Police Non-Emergency ..... 425-587-3400**