



# Kenmore Newsletter

FALL 2015



Construction on the town green and community building in downtown Kenmore is scheduled to start this fall.

The Official Newsletter of the City of Kenmore, Washington

## imagine KENMORE

### What Changes Should be Made to Improve Walking and Bicycling Infrastructure? What are Your Ideas for Kenmore's Parks?

Share your input at September 22 community workshop or via online mapping tool

The City of Kenmore is embarking on a public outreach effort to gather input and ideas from Kenmore residents for improving the City's parks, recreation, and walking and bicycling facilities. **Imagine Kenmore** is a community conversation about how Kenmore residents can play more and connect more through expanded parks and safer streets and trails.



In the past few years, the City has developed a Parks Plan and a Transportation Plan which represent the community's vision for parks, recreation facilities, and transportation in Kenmore through the year 2035. Recommendations include improving sidewalks and bicycle facilities, waterfront access, active recreation facilities, and conserving environmentally sensitive areas.



However, the City lacks the funds to finance many of the recommended projects. Because of the funding shortfall, we want your input on which projects should be prioritized and funded first. We also want to find out if you have any other ideas that are not captured in these plans.

- Visit the interactive map at [www.ImagineKenmore.com](http://www.ImagineKenmore.com) to see what's planned and make comments.
- Attend the Community Workshop: Tuesday, September 22, 6:30-8:30pm, at Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68<sup>th</sup> Ave NE.

this winter and examine funding options. The City Council will then review priority projects and potential funding sources and determine the best way to make these projects a reality.

#### We Want to Hear From You!

There are many ways to share your ideas – now through October 6<sup>th</sup>:

For more information: visit [www.ImagineKenmore.com](http://www.ImagineKenmore.com) or contact [ImagineKenmoreWA@gmail.com](mailto:ImagineKenmoreWA@gmail.com).

After gathering public input in September and October, the City will develop a list of priority projects for community feedback

# Kenmore Village Update: Make Way for Spencer Square

- Remaining Kenmore Village buildings demolished. New commercial and mixed use construction called “Spencer Square” expected to get underway next year
- City to construct a new public gathering space and community building by mid-2016

The City continues to make progress toward achieving its vision for downtown Kenmore. Last March, MainStreet Property Group, LLC purchased the remainder of the Kenmore Village commercial property and recently demolished the remaining vacant commercial buildings. In their place, MainStreet expects to construct “Spencer Square” to include new commercial office and residential uses. If tenants are secured, MainStreet hopes to be under construction with site work beginning as soon as this month; the City issued a site development permit for Spencer Square last month.

In addition, MainStreet’s construction of the Spencer68 residential development on the former King County Park and Ride parcel has been underway since summer 2014. The first building is ready for occupancy now, and the remaining Phase I buildings should be completed by the end of this month. A total of 138 residential units will be constructed in this first phase of the Spencer68 development. Phase II of Spencer68 now has permit approval, and construction has begun for up to 90 new residential units.

“We have found a solid partner in MainStreet Property Group,” said City Manager Rob Karlinsey. “This public-private partnership is advancing us a major step forward in transforming our downtown and realizing our long-awaited vision.”

## Town Green

Meanwhile, the City is retaining a portion of Kenmore Village property fronting the north side of NE 181st Street, including the northwest corner parcel at the intersection of NE 68th Avenue and NE 181st Street, just west of and across the street from City Hall. On this property, the City will construct a new downtown gathering space or “town green.” Special features of the town green will include:

- Interactive, playful water feature
- Large heated rocks
- Open space for public gatherings, including summer movies on the town green
- Art

The town green site will also include a 4,600 square foot community building on the corner; this building will serve as an indoor civic gathering space or “community living room” year round. To help activate the space and meet the daily needs of our



Demolition of long-standing commercial buildings at Kenmore Village.

residents, a portion of the community building will be leased to a retail food use such as coffee, bakery, or ice cream (a request for proposals has recently been advertised). Special features of the community building will include:

- Large bay door that will open out onto the town green
- Two-sided indoor fireplace
- Performance and gathering space for public use

- Art

Most of the funding for the town green project comes from Kenmore Village property sale proceeds and also a state grant secured by our 46th District State legislative delegation.

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*- City Manager Rob Karlinsey*

## “Sit-Down” Restaurant Parcel

A parcel fronting NE 181st Street next to the west end of the future town green is reserved for a future “sit-down” restaurant. MainStreet Property Group has a two-year option to purchase this parcel for that use.

## Post Office Building

For the foreseeable future, the City will continue to own the Post Office building. The U.S. Post Office recently extended its lease on the building for an additional five years through 2020. The City does not own the buildings to the west and north of the Post Office.

Questions? Contact City Manager Rob Karlinsey at 425-398-8900.

# Meet Your Council



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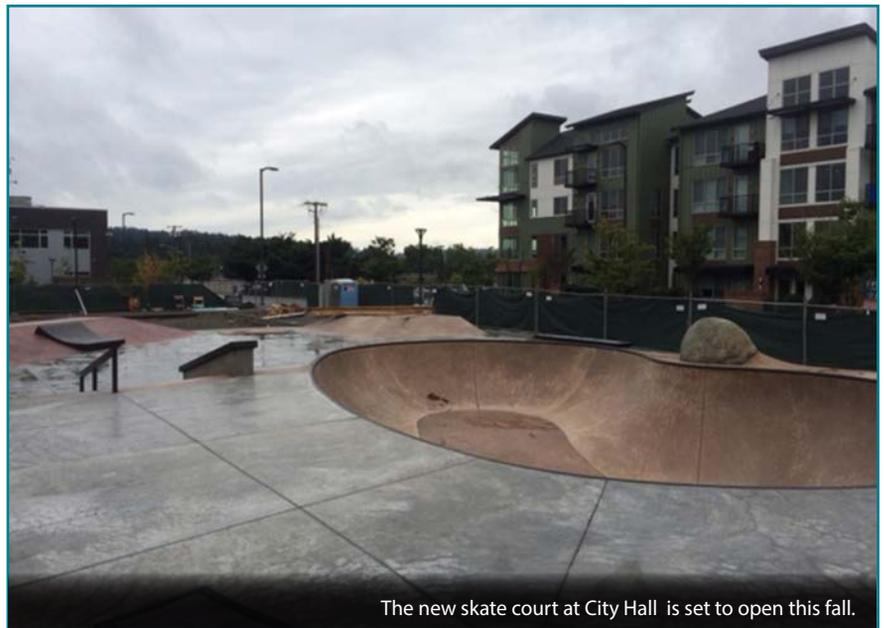


Councilmember  
Laurie Sperry

## Kenmore Village Timeline

Summer 2012	City solicits community input to review downtown goals and position the properties for sale
Early 2013	Kenmore Village properties listed for sale; the City receives multiple offers
April 2013	City sells 1.25 acres, including former Grocery Outlet building, to Kenmore Camera
February 2014	Kenmore Camera grand reopening in their new location, more than tripling the square footage of their former location
May 2014	City sells former King County Park & Ride to Main Street Property Group; MainStreet breaks ground on Spencer68 that same month
March 2015	City sells remaining commercial portion of Kenmore Village property to MainStreet Property Group
April 2015	First Spencer68 building ready for occupancy; first tenants move in
August 2015	MainStreet demolishes remaining Kenmore Village commercial buildings
Fall 2015	City expected to break ground on town green and community building
Summer 2016	Town green and community building expected to be complete; ribbon cutting ceremony
2016-2017	MainStreet expected to begin Spencer Square construction

## Skaters, Get Ready to Catch Air! New Skate Court Nearing Completion



The new skate court at City Hall is set to open this fall.

The new skate court is nearing completion at the north end of the City Hall property. The remaining work on the project incorporates landscaping work, which will include placement of topsoil, installation of irrigation, and plantings around the project perimeter, as well as installation of site furniture and fence panels in strategic locations around the skate court.

The former skate court was on the former King County Park and Ride, current site of the Spencer68 development. The new skate court will continue to bear the name of Kenmore's first mayor, Jack Crawford.

A dedication and site opening date will be announced soon.

### Stay connected with the City of Kenmore!

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# Neighborhood Transportation Plan Focuses on Safety of Residential Streets

The City of Kenmore is taking a proactive approach to addressing transportation issues on residential streets with the debut of the Neighborhood Transportation Plan Program. This collaborative program will reach out to Kenmore residents for feedback on concerns and opportunities on neighborhood streets. The City has been divided into neighborhoods based on proximity and access to arterial roads. These neighborhoods will be invited to a series of three meetings to:

1. Identify concerns and opportunities
2. Apply various tools including physical roadway changes, signing, striping and operational changes
3. Prioritize projects and produce a map of proposed improvements for each neighborhood

Each neighborhood will have a budget allocated to implement projects and City staff will help to facilitate the discussion and planning process. Everyone is encouraged to get familiar with the available tools and begin thinking of concerns that could be addressed by the program prior to your neighborhood's first meeting. The final product will help to alleviate traffic concerns, increase safety in Kenmore residential areas and increase pedestrian and bicycle mobility. There will be opportunities for volunteers to use these improvements to beautify their neighborhoods and create "love notes" to the City and their neighbors!



City staff will meet with neighborhoods to discuss safety on residential streets.

More information on the program can be found on the City website at [kenmorewa.gov/NTPP](http://kenmorewa.gov/NTPP). A map of the neighborhood boundaries, examples of available tools and a sample completed Neighborhood Plan are available to explore. Postcards will be sent to neighborhoods to notify residents of meeting times and locations as they are scheduled. Meeting schedules will also be posted on the website. The first meetings will be this September and continue into 2016.

## SR 522 Construction Update: Crews Preparing to Begin Phase 2 in October

The SR 522 project is progressing on schedule and within budget. The project limits extend along SR 522 (NE Bothell Way from 61st Ave NE to 65th Ave NE), 61st Ave NE (from NE 175th Street to NE 181st Street), and 62nd Ave NE / 63rd Ave NE (from SR 522 to midblock). Improvements include widened general purpose and bus lanes, curb & gutter, sidewalks (both sides), street trees, landscaping, irrigation, raised center median, drainage and water quality treatment systems, street and pedestrian lighting, traffic signal upgrade and new eastbound METRO bus stop at 61st Ave NE, regrading of side streets, retaining walls, utility undergrounding and asphalt pavement overlay.

**What to Expect:** Phase 1 construction (the north side of the road) is scheduled to be completed by the end of September 2015. Phase 2 will see construction shifting to the south side in October 2015. During Phase 2 construction, the eastbound bus lane on SR 522 will be closed and a temporary bus stop will be operational 200 feet west of the project limits. A pedestrian detour will be in place to direct pedestrians to



Crews underground utilities along SR 522

the recently completed north side of the roadway at 61st Ave NE. The 61st Ave NE south leg of the intersection will be closed for 3 – 4 months while the roadway is reconstructed. Pedestrian access on 61st Ave NE will be limited during this timeframe and transit users will be directed to use the bus stop at 68th Ave NE or the 73rd Ave NE park & ride. The Burke-Gilman trail

will be detoured around the work zone on 61st Ave NE via NE 175th Street and the entrance of Log Boom Park during Phase 2 construction. The project is scheduled to be complete by fall 2016, weather permitting.

For detailed biweekly construction updates, visit the project website at [www.sr522kenmore.com](http://www.sr522kenmore.com).

## Tips to Traveling Safer

The fall and winter months bring fewer hours of daylight and as everyone prepares to walk, bike, and drive in the dark more frequently, we encourage everyone to read these helpful safety tips.

- Wear light colored reflective clothing such as vest or jackets when walking or biking
- Have a red rear reflector on the back of your bike along with a front white light for visibility
- Drive with headlights on
- Wear sturdy shoes when out in the rain, along with reflective clip on lights or a headlight
- Cross the street at marked intersections with flashing lights or reflective crosswalks
- Always wear a helmet when on a bike and a seatbelt when in a car

For additional tips, visit [www.kenmorewa.gov/targetzero](http://www.kenmorewa.gov/targetzero).

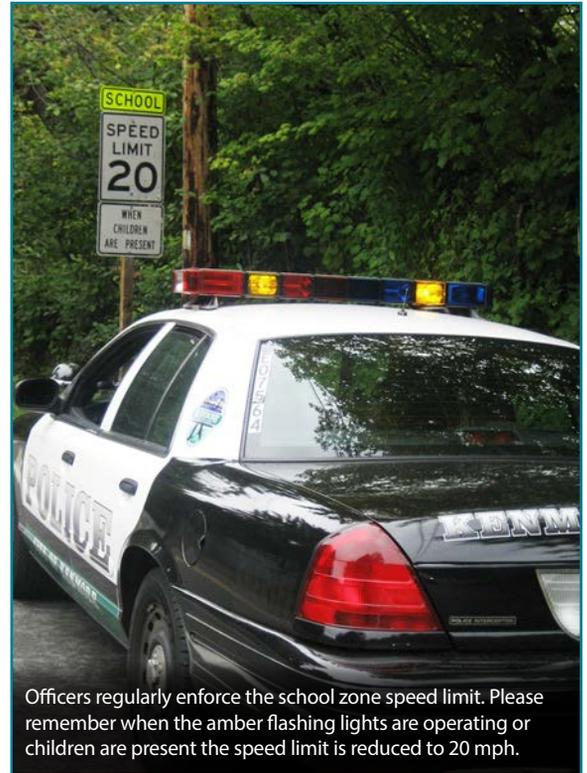
## Back to School Safety

School is now back in session! This means more vehicles on the road, more buses, and more children walking and biking to our schools. Just a reminder that in school zones around each of our Kenmore schools, including Kenmore Junior High school, speeds are restricted to 20 miles per hour when children are present. Drivers are to maintain this 20 miles per hour speed through the entire school zone, until signs indicate the school zone has ended.

Revised signal timing and new signage at Arrowhead Elementary, and a new marked and signed crosswalk at 68th Avenue NE and NE 195th Street for Kenmore Elementary will help to enhance the safety of our local school walking routes.

Please keep an eye out for children, especially around the morning and afternoon bells. A reminder that all crossing roadways are crosswalks, even those not marked, and drivers should stop for all pedestrians in the roadway.

Everyone can help set a good example and keep Kenmore's school zones safe for drivers, bicyclists and walkers.



Officers regularly enforce the school zone speed limit. Please remember when the amber flashing lights are operating or children are present the speed limit is reduced to 20 mph.

## Sound Transit 3 Progress

We are happy to announce that transit projects for SR 522 – Bothell Way have cleared a key hurdle in the Sound Transit 3 (ST3) process. On August 27, the Sound Transit board approved a list of ST3 “priority projects” that included bus rapid transit for SR 522 and NE 145th Street, transit parking and access improvements along SR 522, and a light rail study for the corridor.

This milestone comes after months of advocacy on the part of the City, neighboring jurisdictions, local businesses, and the citizen-led coalition, 522 Transit Now! The advocacy will continue: the next step is to make sure SR 522 projects stay on the ST3 project list.

To show your support, join the 522 Transit Now! coalition – visit [www.522transitnow.org](http://www.522transitnow.org) or [www.facebook.com/522transitnow](https://www.facebook.com/522transitnow).

## City Council Adopts Comprehensive Plan Update

The City Council unanimously adopted Kenmore's 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update on June 22, easily meeting the June 30 deadline set by the State of Washington under the Growth Management Act.

Based on community feedback, the update included amendments to the City's 2035 Vision Statement that, among other things, sees Kenmore as a fun, vibrant waterfront community that is connected both visually and physically to its waterfront, is welcoming to residents, businesses and visitors, and has a high quality of life.

The revised plan includes major changes to the goals, objectives and policies of the Housing, Utilities, and Public Services Elements (chapters), along with new policies on healthy/active living and sustainability. New transportation policies support high capacity transit (preferably light rail) along SR 522 and water-based transportation on Lake Washington (ferry or water taxi) between Kenmore and other regional destinations. Revisions to the Land Use Element were made in 2014, after a thorough review of commercial zoning along SR 522.

The Comprehensive Plan can be found on the City's website at [www.kenmorewa.gov/comprehensiveplan](http://www.kenmorewa.gov/comprehensiveplan), at Kenmore City Hall and at the Kenmore Library.

Questions about the update may be directed to Debbie Bent, Community Development Director, at 425-398-8900 or [dbent@kenmorewa.gov](mailto:dbent@kenmorewa.gov).



# Kenmore Village Update

## SPENCER 68 PHASE I

City sold the former King County Park & Ride (4.5 acres) to MainStreet Property Group in 2014. Phase I of 138 residential units, known as The Spencer 68, will be completed this Fall 2015.

## SPENCER 68 PHASE II

Phase II construction has begun. Will include up to 90 residential units.



## KENMORE CAMERA

City sold 1.25 acres to Kenmore Camera in 2013. They opened their new store in early 2014.



New Triathlon store now open!

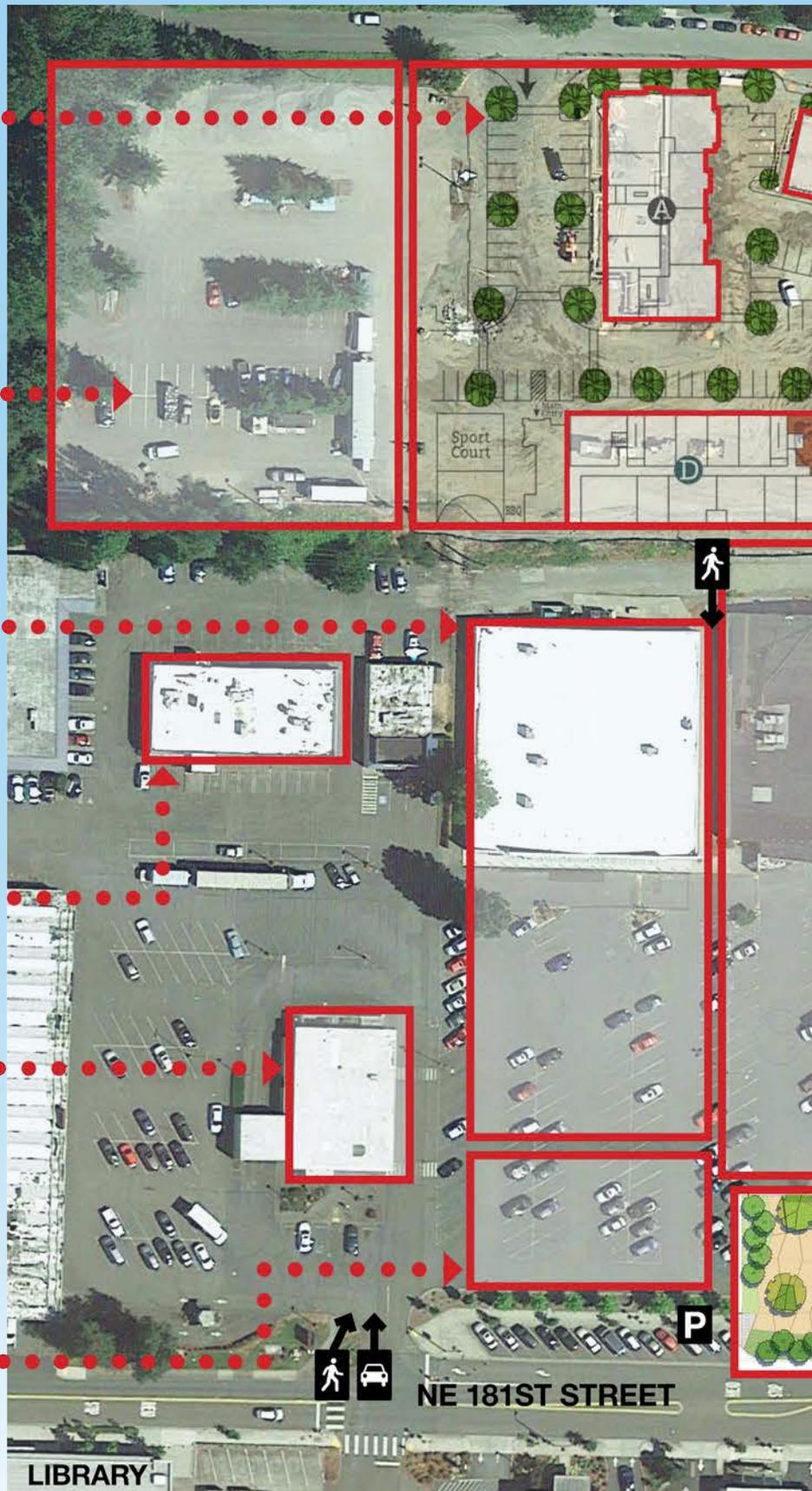


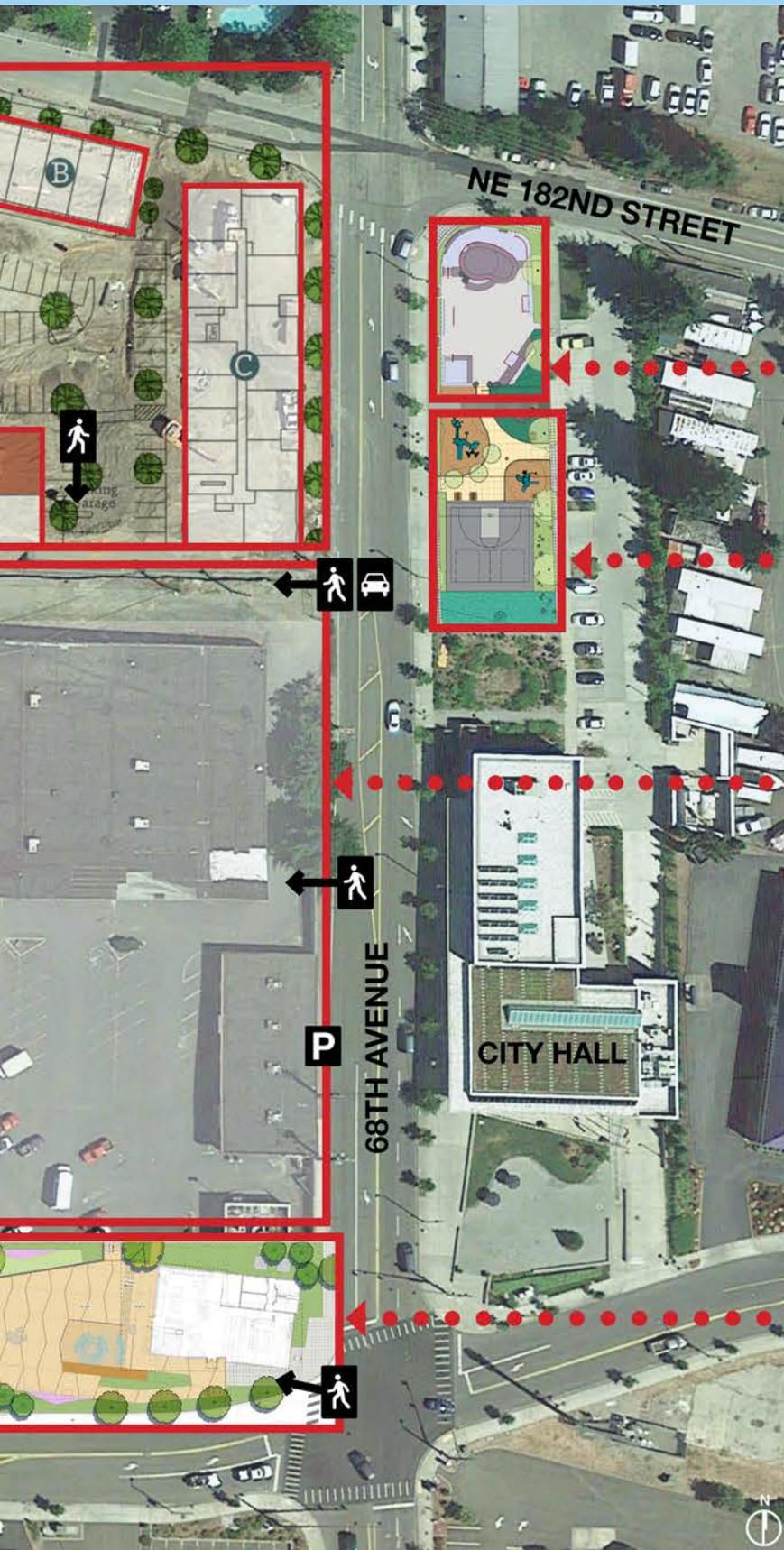
## KENMORE POST OFFICE

City to retain ownership of the Post Office building. US Post Office recently renewed their lease with the City for an additional 5 years.

## PROPOSED RESTAURANT

MainStreet has an option to purchase this parcel if they can produce a sit-down restaurant.





**SKATE PARK PHASE I**

New Skate Court to open Fall 2015.

**SKATE PARK PHASE II**

Phase II of City Hall Park not funded yet. Would include play structures, half-court basketball/pickle ball court.

**MIXED-USE**

In March of 2015, MainStreet purchased remaining portion of Kenmore Village Commercial (2 acres). Planned for mixed-use - commercial and residential. Remaining vacant buildings were demolished in Aug.-Sept. 2015.

**TOWN GREEN & COMMUNITY BUILDING**

City to retain ownership of corner parcel for Town Green & Community Building which will include food retail (i.e. coffee, etc.).



Completion expected in mid-2016.

# CODE FOR KENMORE HACKATHON

SEPTEMBER TWENTY-SIX, NINE TO FIVE

## TELLING OUR STORY, WITH OPEN DATA

In Kenmore, we want to attract and retain good families and businesses. To do that, we need to tell our story—with open, reliable, and easily-accessible data.

Working side-by-side with talented coders, developers, and designers, we can put together a Kenmore-specific open data portal—a customized one-stop access point to our story, right on our web page.

On September 26, the City will join with the open data community to set up a customized data portal. This portal will serve as a central access point for community data about Kenmore, with a focus on data that would make it easier for families and businesses to make decisions about locating in Kenmore.

City staff will hold conversations with businesses, local entrepreneurs, real estate developers, and other stakeholders to get a sense of what data sets and what portal features will be most important for users. The information gleaned from these conversations will be communicated to those involved in designing the data portal.

### Get Involved in the Conversation

To begin getting involved in the conversation, visit <https://codeforkenmore.hackpad.com> and create an account to join the collaborative workspace. If you are an experienced coder/developer interested in playing a leadership role in this project, please email [bjernigan@kenmorewa.gov](mailto:bjernigan@kenmorewa.gov).

The data's out there. Let's bring it all home to tell our story. #CodeforKenmore

## Tree Removal Guidelines

Trees provide environmental benefits such as clean air and water, erosion control, and wildlife habitat. However, during wind storms and rain they can also become a hazard. The late August wind storm that occurred in the Puget Sound area resulted in a great deal of storm debris, including many trees that needed removal.

As a reminder, anyone who would like to remove trees from their property in the City of Kenmore is strongly encouraged to contact City Hall at 425-398-8900 to determine whether a permit or other authorization is required. Removal of trees in sensitive areas always requires a permit. For help determining if you are located within a critical area, reference the zoning map or contact the City. If a tree is removed in an emergency situation to prevent an immediate and dangerous threat to public health, safety, property or welfare, the permit application and evidence of the threat should be submitted within the next business working day to the city. A tree removal application #303 is necessary to apply for a clearing permit.

photo by Puget Sound Energy

## Safety Preparedness Events

**Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** training classes are a great way to prepare yourself, your family and your neighbors in the event of a disaster. Each Thursday night from September 24 – November 12, CERT training classes will be held from 7 – 10 p.m. at the Northshore Fire Station 51. The classes are taught by the Emergency Services Coordinating Agency (ESCA) and will address emergency preparedness, fire safety, light urban search and rescue, medical triage and treatment, damage assessment, incident command, disaster psychology, and terrorism. For more information, contact Vickie Fontaine at 425-776-3722 or [vickie@esca1.com](mailto:vickie@esca1.com).

On Saturday, October 10, join the Kenmore and Lake Forest Park community for an **emergency preparedness workshop**. The event will be held at Northshore Fire Department Station 51 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and will focus on neighborhood watch groups. Additional topics include basic emergency preparedness kits, emergency communications, water purification, generator operation and safety, cribbing and lifting, fire extinguisher use, CERT, gas and water shutoff, water purification, and alternative heat. Registration is required; contact Vickie Fontaine at 425-776-3722 or [Vickie@esca1.com](mailto:Vickie@esca1.com).

A **Preparedness Fair** will be held at the Lake Forest Park Town Center on Saturday, September 26 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The event is free to attend and will include hands-on activities, giveaways, kids area, emergency supplies, and neighborhood safety. Attendees are encouraged to bring new socks to donate to Seattle's Union Gospel Mission.

## Help Keep Drains Clear of Leaves to Prevent Urban Flooding



Clean storm drains help prevent localized flooding. City crews work to keep storm drains clear, but with over 4,000 drains in Kenmore, we could use your help! With your assistance, we can keep streets safe and clear and can reduce property damage caused by flooding.

### What is a storm drain?

Storm drains are rectangular grates with slats and are normally near the edge of the street. These grates collect water, which then flows to the nearest stream or lake.

### What should I do with all of the leaves?

- Check storm drain grates to make sure they are free of leaves and debris.
- Do not remove the grate from the storm drain opening – this does not unclog the system and creates a hazard for everyone.
- Rake leaves away from storm drains near your house or business. Do not rake or blow leaves from your property into the street. Our street sweeper cannot pick up large piles of leaves.
- Dispose of leaves in your yard waste container or compost bin.

### Street Sweeping

The City will continue to provide street sweeping service, not only to keep streets clean, but also to keep debris from blocking the storm drains and ditches to help minimize any flooding. Street sweeping has already started for the fall season.

### To Report Severe Flooding

If localized flooding is severe and you are unable to clear the drain, call City Hall at 425-398-8900 during business hours, or after hours call King County Dispatch at 206-296-8100.



## Are You Prepared for the Next Big Storm?

Puget Sound Energy shares the following tips to ensure you and your family are ready for the next big storm.

- Keep your emergency kits handy – water, food, battery-powered radio, first aid kit
- Know what natural gas appliances will continue to operate if there is an outage.
- If there is an outage:
  - If using a generator, follow the manufacturer's instructions.
  - Turn off lights and appliances, and unplug sensitive electronic equipment.
  - Leave one light switch on so you'll know when your power is back on.
  - Use flashlights instead of candles.
  - Keep your freezer and refrigerator doors closed; open only when it is necessary.
  - Never use a gas range, indoor cooker, charcoal or gas barbecue for heating.
- If the indoor temperature drops to 55 degrees or below, open your faucets so there is a constant drip to prevent pipes from freezing.

For more storm preparedness tips, visit [www.pse.com](http://www.pse.com).

## Keep Clear of Fallen Utility Wires

If you come across a downed utility wire of any kind, always do the following:

- **Assume it's energized and stay as far away as you can.**  
Energized lines can charge the ground near the point of contact and may electrocute you. If a person or pet comes into contact with a downed power line, remain clear. Do not touch them or the wire.
- **Call 911 or the utility serving the location. For Puget Sound Energy, call 1-888-225-5773.**  
Leave everything to utility professionals and emergency personnel.
- **Do not drive over downed power lines.**  
Even if they're not energized, downed wires can get entangled with your vehicle and cause further damage.
- **Stay in your car.**  
If a power line falls on your vehicle while you're driving, do not exit until you know for sure that the line is de-energized.
- **If you must evacuate, jump away and land with both feet together.**  
Do not touch the vehicle while stepping on the ground, as this can create a path for electricity to run through you. Keep your feet together and take small, shuffling steps until you're at least 35 feet away. Taking larger steps can also create a path for electricity to run through you.

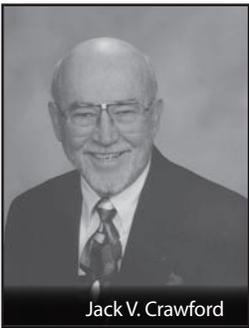
To learn more about downed power line safety, watch the video on Puget Sound Energy's website, <http://pse.com/safety/ElectricSafety/Pages/Downed-Power-Lines.aspx>.

## Beautify Kenmore's Parks in Honor of First Mayor Jack V. Crawford



The Inglemoor High School football team volunteers to help maintain Log Boom Park's natural beauty. Join community members at the annual Jack Crawford Day park clean-up event on Saturday, October 24.

The City of Kenmore will once again host the annual Jack Crawford Day park clean-up event on October 24 in honor of Kenmore's first Mayor Jack V. Crawford. Volunteers are needed to help with weeding, planting, mulching, and picking up trash from 9 a.m. to noon at Log Boom Park, 17415 61st Ave NE.



Jack V. Crawford

In 2009, City Council proclaimed October 24 "Courtesy is Contagious in Kenmore" Day as an annual observance in honor of Mr. Crawford, who passed away in December 2008. Mr. Crawford served on the Kenmore City Council from the City's incorporation in August 1998 through December 2005. Mr. Crawford was particularly proud of the City's parks and encouraged citizens to be involved in preserving the wonderful park resources Kenmore enjoys.

Adult volunteers can register on site. Volunteers 17 years and younger must preregister. Organizations or adults (not the parent of the child) who wish to volunteer with children under 18 years old, please contact the City for guidelines and registration procedures. Volunteers should dress for the weather, wear closed toe shoes, and bring work gloves if possible. The City will provide equipment. Refreshments will also be provided.

To help the City plan for this event, contact Volunteer and Events Supervisor Cindy Shelton at [cshelton@kenmorewa.gov](mailto:cshelton@kenmorewa.gov) or 425-398-8900.

## Nature Walk @ Wallace Swamp Creek Park

The final nature walk at Wallace Swamp Creek Park is Monday, October 12. The free walks are lead by volunteer leader Linda Phillips and include a 1.5 to 2 hour walk over two miles of paved and primitive trails through the 25-acre park.

This is a fantastic opportunity to observe and learn about the more than 35 different species of birds in the area. Meet at 9 a.m. at the kiosk at Wallace Swamp Creek Park parking lot, 19851 73rd Ave NE to register. For more information, call City Hall at 425-398-8900.

## Haunted Trails

Now in its 17th year, *Haunted Trails 2015: A Night At the Movies* promises to be a hair-raising, scare-filled event! Scenes inspired by students' favorite movies and tales of horror are lurking in the trail and through the mazes.

Hosted in the Bastyr University Kenmore campus forest on the weekends of October 16-17 and 23-24, from 7-midnight, the student-run study abroad fundraising event is one of the biggest scarefests in the area and includes frightfully enjoyable activities for teenagers and adults, as well as trick-or-treating for children ages 10 and younger.

For details, visit [www.bastyr.edu](http://www.bastyr.edu).

## Bluegrass Concert

The Kenmore Senior Center, located at Rhododendron Park, is hosting a fun Bluegrass Concert on Sunday, October 18. The concert will feature *The Cliff Perry Band*, a Pacific Northwest traditional Bluegrass band with outstanding musicians. The band features Cliff Perry, one of the Senior Center's very own. Light refreshments will be served after the concert. The fundraising event will take place at 2 p.m. and admission is \$10. For more information, email Garreth Jeffers at [garrethj@seniorservices.org](mailto:garrethj@seniorservices.org).

## Kenmore Christmas Tree Lighting Festival

December 4, 2015 • 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. • Downtown Kenmore

Welcome in the holiday season and come enjoy entertainment, arts and crafts, Santa photos, and much more.

Tree lighting and Santa arrival to occur at 6:30 p.m.

KENMORE CITY HALL

[www.kenmorewa.gov/events](http://www.kenmorewa.gov/events)

# Business

## Kenmore Business Registration

Thank you to the 800+ Kenmore businesses who have completed your Kenmore general Business Registration. Through the Business Registration Program, the City can keep in contact with the business community and let you know of free Business Seminars and Business events --plus registered businesses can sign up to be listed in the new online Kenmore Business Directory [www.findkenmore.org](http://www.findkenmore.org).

If you have a business or nonprofit organization that has a physical location in Kenmore, chances are you are now required to get a Kenmore Business Registration (even if you already have a Regulatory Business License from the City). It's easy to register—you can go online to the Washington Department of Revenue Business Licensing Services website, <http://business.wa.gov/BLS> or call 1-800-451-7985.

**Questions?** Visit the website or call Nancy Ousley, Assistant City Manager at 425-398-8900.

## Kenmore Business Open House October 1 - Join us!

The City and the Kenmore Business Alliance are sponsoring a Business Open House on Thursday, October 1, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Kenmore City Hall. Stop by and meet up with local business people and hear the latest on what's happening in your city! Light refreshments will be served.

The Kenmore Business Alliance meets on the first Thursday of each month at 8:30 a.m. The Greater Bothell Chamber staffs the Alliance in partnership with the City—please note that Chamber membership is not required for participating in Kenmore Business Alliance meetings and events.



Residents in the Northshore Summit Park neighborhood organized a summer block party filled with activities, including a hula hoop contest, three-legged race, soccer, and more!

## Summer Fun Activated by Kenmore Residents

This summer was full of fun activities across Kenmore! Two standout events were the Northshore Summit Park Block Party and the #WhyILoveKenmore Summer Party. Both events were organized by community members who gained inspiration from the *For the Love of Kenmore* community workshop held in April.

These great events provided a fantastic environment for bringing the community together for a fun and memorable time. Just because summer has come to an end doesn't mean the fun has to! We encourage everyone to keep the creative juices flowing. If you have a fun idea for an event or activity in Kenmore, you too can turn your idea into reality.

## Support Day of Concern for the Hungry Food Drive

The City of Kenmore has proclaimed Saturday, September 19 as "Mayor's Day of Concern for the Hungry."

No parent should have to send a child to school hungry, no baby should be without the comfort of the feedings needed for mental and physical growth and no elderly person's health should be jeopardized by lack of appropriate food.

To help with hunger issues in the community, the Emergency Feeding Program of Seattle and King County is coordinating an annual food drive to help support the efforts of their program and the area's food banks in fighting hunger. The food drive will be held at grocery stores throughout King County on Saturday, September 19, 2015.

We encourage everyone to join the Emergency Feeding Program in donating food to local food banks and grocery stores.

## Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month and the City of Kenmore will help spread awareness through the Purple Light Nights® campaign.

Purple Light Nights® is the inspiration of the Covington Domestic Violence Task Force in King County and is meant to increase

the awareness of domestic violence issues and its affects upon children and families and to provide education on building healthy relationships.

This is done through the presence of purple (black) lights in house windows, and the City of Kenmore will be giving away a limited supply. Stop by City Hall to pick up your light today. For more information on Purple Light Nights®, visit [www.purple-lightnights.org](http://www.purple-lightnights.org).



## Meeting & Other Information

**Kenmore City Council** regular meetings occur on the second, third, and fourth Mondays of the month at Kenmore City Hall. Meetings are open to the public, and public comments are accepted at the beginning of regular, non-study session meetings. Meeting agendas and schedules are available online at [kenmorewa.gov/council](http://kenmorewa.gov/council) or contact the City Clerk's Office at 425-398-8900.

**Coffee with Council** is held the first Monday at 7:30 a.m. and third Saturday at 8:00 a.m. of each month. Citizens are encouraged to attend these informal sessions to ask questions, discuss issues and offer suggestions on any topic of interest. For location details, visit [kenmorewa.gov/calendar](http://kenmorewa.gov/calendar).

**Kenmore Planning Commission** holds meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at Kenmore City Hall. Meeting agendas and schedules are available online at [kenmorewa.gov/planningcommission](http://kenmorewa.gov/planningcommission).

**Kenmore Library Advisory Board** holds meetings on the first Tuesday of odd-numbered months at 7 p.m. at the Kenmore Library.

**City News & Meeting Information** is distributed through the City's listserv. Sign up to stay informed at [kenmorewa.gov/stayinformed](http://kenmorewa.gov/stayinformed).

**The Arts of Kenmore Gallery @ Kenmore City Hall** features The Art of Colored Pencil exhibit through mid-October. The 5th annual juried youth exhibit will be on display in late-November. For details: [www.artsofkenmore.org](http://www.artsofkenmore.org).

**Licensing your pet** is easy and gives your pet an inexpensive insurance policy for its safety and protection. Plus, it's the law. For details, visit [kenmorewa.gov/animalservices](http://kenmorewa.gov/animalservices).

## Good Numbers to Know

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 Police Nonemergency Dispatch . . . 206-296-3311  
 Police Nonemergency Information . . 206-205-7656  
 Fire Department Headquarters . . . 425-354-1780  
 Flooding/Drainage (after hours) . . 206-296-8100  
 Spills/Illicit Discharge (after hours). 206-296-8100  
 Street Concerns (after hours) . . . . 206-296-8100  
 King County Animal Control . . . 206-296-PETS  
 Republic Services Co. . . . . 206-682-9730  
 Kenmore Library . . . . . 425-486-8747  
 Puget Sound Energy . . . . . 888-225-5773  
 Northshore Utility District . . . . . 425-398-4400

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