Proposition 1 will appear on the November 2016 ballot

CITY OF KENMORE PROPOSITION NO. 1

GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

WALKWAYS & WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENTS

The City Council of the City of Kenmore adopted Ordinance 16-0422 concerning a proposition for sidewalks, bike lanes and waterfront access improvements. If approved, this proposition authorizes the City to fund new sidewalks and pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements along arterials, including Juanita Drive and 68th Avenue; construct, acquire, and improve waterfront access, viewpoints, walkways, facilities, open spaces, and natural habitats at City parks, including Log Boom, Rhododendron, and Squire's Landing; issue up to \$19,750,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years and levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, as provided in Ordinance 16-0422.

SHOULD THIS PROPOSITION BE APPROVED:

YES

NO



NOTICE TO VOTERS

After an extensive community input process known as "Imagine Kenmore," the Kenmore City Council has placed Proposition I "Walkways & Waterways Improvements" on the November 8, 2016 ballot for your consideration.

Proposition I "Walkways & Waterways Improvements" is a pedestrian and bicycle safety and waterfront park improvement bond measure that will require 60 percent voter approval in order to pass.

The bond measure, if approved, will allow the City to issue up to \$19.75 million in bonds to pay for: 1) new sidewalks and buffered bike lanes on Juanita Drive and 68th Ave NE and 2) waterfront access improvements and natural open space restoration at Log Boom, Rhododendron, and Squire's Landing Parks.

See inside to learn more.



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Election Day is November 8, 2016

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For more information about the Walkways & Waterways proposed bond measure, visit www.kenmorewa.gov/walkwaysandwaterways or contact: Leslie Harris, Community Relations Manager, at 425-398-8900 or lharris@kenmorewa.gov.



VOTER BALLOT MEASURE FACT SHEET

Proposition 1: Walkways & Waterways Improvements



What is Walkways & Waterways?

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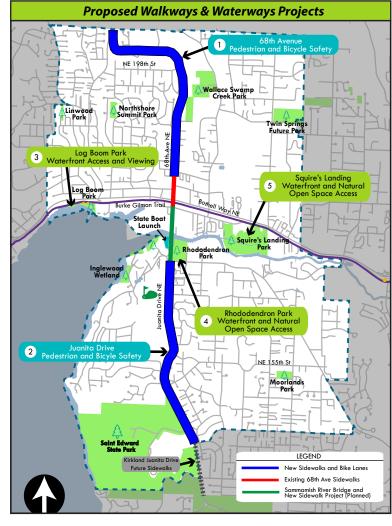
The Walkways & Waterways proposed bond measure is the result of the City's "Imagine Kenmore" public outreach initiative. This initiative began in the summer of 2015 and included a number of public meetings and online interactive methods to solicit public input on priorities for pedestrian and cyclist safety and park improvements.

Through this community engagement process, Kenmore residents confirmed that safe routes for pedestrians and bicycles and connecting residents with the City's public open space and waterfront are top priorities. The Walkways & Waterways project list reflects the results of the Imagine Kenmore public input.

What projects will the Walkways & Waterways bond measure fund?

If approved, Proposition I would authorize the City to issue up to \$19.75 million in bonds to be repaid over a period of 20 years from the date of each bond series to pay for the following projects to be constructed over the next seven years:

- 68th Avenue Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety
 New sidewalk and buffered bike lanes on 68th Avenue connecting downtown
 Kenmore at 182nd Street to the northern city limit.
- Juanita Drive Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety
 New sidewalk and buffered bike lanes on Juanita Drive from the Kirkland city limit north to 170th Street/Simonds Road. Other improvements include adding or extending selected left turn lanes, and improving the curve at NE 155th Place.
- Log Boom Park Waterfront Access and Viewing
 Improve public access to Lake Washington including beach expansion, new trails and viewpoints, picnic areas, waterfront pavilion, environmental enhancements, and access for hand-powered watercraft.
- Rhododendron Park Waterfront and Natural Open Space Access Improve public access to the Sammamish River by constructing a new trail and boardwalk to connect the existing playfield through the natural open space to the riverfront and future dock. The project will also include improving the access drive and parking near the river, as well as environmental enhancements to the shoreline and wetlands.
- Squire's Landing Park Waterfront and Natural Open Space Access Eleven acres of new park development to enhance public access to the Sammamish River. Natural open space restoration, trails, boardwalks, and viewing points will connect the park to the river and adjacent Burke-Gilman Trail along NE 175th Street. The project will also add new docks, parking and a restroom.



If approved, what would the cost of the levy be for a Kenmore homeowner?

If approved, the ballot proposition authorizes the City to levy an excess property tax in the amount necessary to pay debt services on the bonds. The estimated cost for the owner of a median-valued home in the City, \$438,000, is \$140.16/year or \$11.68/month. Debt service on the bonds is expected to remain level throughout the term of the bonds, and as a result, the amount paid by property owners for this purpose is also expected to remain constant while the bonds are outstanding.

Walkways & Waterways
Property Tax Levy Impact
of 32 cents per \$1,000 of Assessed Value

 Home Value
 Annual Property Tax
 Monthly Property Tax

 \$438,000
 \$140.16
 \$11.68

