

# CITY OF SHORELINE CURRENTS

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## Shoreline city hall groundbreaking coming soon

At its final meeting of 2007, the Shoreline City Council unanimously approved the development agreement with Opus Northwest for the construction of a new city hall. Groundbreaking and demolition is set for this spring.

City staff currently working in the Annex building and city hall location will remain there until the new building is complete. Once a certificate of occupancy is issued, staff will move into the new city hall and the Annex building will be demolished. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin in May 2008 with completion sometime in late summer 2009.

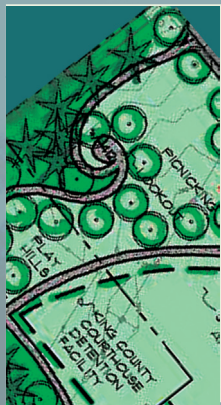
In anticipation of staging and demolition, the City negotiated



**This 30% conceptual design illustration shows the layout of the new city hall building and parking structure looking southeast with Midvale to the right of the building and N 175th street behind it.**

parking agreements with nearby businesses and a church to provide parking for its City employees and construction workers. This will mini-

mize the impact on nearby residents and allow non-City tenants and customers to continue to park at the City Hall Annex during all phases of construction.



## Parks Projects Update

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Learn more on **pages 4 & 5**

*To see more conceptual artist renderings of the new city hall, visit [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com). For more information on the project, contact Project Manager Jesus Sanchez at (206) 546-2519 or [cityhallproject@ci.shoreline.wa.us](mailto:cityhallproject@ci.shoreline.wa.us).*





# Shoreline boasts first female Korean-American mayor

When Shoreline City Councilmembers selected the Mayor and Deputy Mayor in January, they knew they were setting new history for the City. What they didn't realize was they were also setting national history.

Shoreline's new Mayor, Cindy Ryu, is the first female Korean-American mayor in the United States, according to Don T. Nakanishi, Ph.D., Director and Professor of the UCLA Asian American Studies Center. Mayor Ryu is the first Korean-American mayor in Shoreline and Deputy Mayor Terry Scott is the first African-American to serve on the Shoreline City Council.

"I am proud to serve on a City Council that reflects our diverse community," says Mayor Ryu. "I'm looking forward to bringing our various viewpoints together to make the best decisions for the whole community."

The Asian media were the first to note Mayor Ryu's



Shoreline Mayor Cindy Ryu and Deputy Mayor Terry Scott

achievement; she is being featured in many publications across the country including Korea Times, The Korea Daily, Seattle Chinese Post, Northwest Asian Weekly, Christianity Daily, and Media Daum.

Mayor Cindy Ryu was elected to the Shoreline City Council in 2005 and Deputy Mayor Terry Scott was

elected to the City Council in 2007. Shoreline's seven elected part-time City Councilmembers choose a Mayor and Deputy Mayor every two years from among their members at the first meeting of the new year following an election. The Mayor presides at Council meetings and represents the City at ceremonial functions and inter-governmental meetings. The Deputy Mayor presides in the Mayor's absence.



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## Online Survey: Share your opinions on cable and internet service in Shoreline

The City of Shoreline has the ability to regulate certain aspects of cable television service through our non-exclusive franchise with Comcast Cable. Although the City cannot regulate cable rates, it can enforce the agreements in the franchise. This franchise allows Comcast to make use of City streets and rights-of-way for the purposes of construction, operation and maintenance of their cable communication system. Although the current franchise doesn't expire until 2010, Comcast has notified the City that they are interested in negotiating terms for a new franchise.

To ensure that the next franchise meets the community's needs, the City is seeking input on residents' experiences with Comcast's cable service. We invite all Shoreline residents to share their thoughts by filling out the Cable Television and Internet Survey on the homepage of the City's website: [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com). Although we cannot guarantee that all concerns will be addressed, residents' responses will help the City determine the future terms and conditions that may be included in a renewed franchise agreement.

For more information about the City of Shoreline's cable franchise with Comcast or the cable-related community needs survey, contact Management Analyst John Norris at (206) 546-1790 or [jnorris@ci.shoreline.wa.us](mailto:jnorris@ci.shoreline.wa.us).

# Shoreline begins Town Center subarea planning

Earlier this year, the City of Shoreline hosted a community meeting to gather ideas from residents about the Town Center Subarea Plan. More than 30 people turned out to discuss what the Town Center area might look like and what kind of activities should occur there.

The January 30 meeting began with a presentation of the City's original vision of a Town Center as a community area with a civic emphasis around the intersection of N 175th and Aurora Avenue. Widely considered the "Heart of Shoreline," this area is home to three major public projects: the Aurora Corridor Improvement Project, the Civic Center campus and a future Interurban park.

After the presentation, participants broke up into small discussion groups to develop a range of ideas, including some core issues:

- Midvale Avenue becoming a more pedestrian-friendly, slower traffic street with residential and commercial development.
- Strengthen the east-west connections for pedestrians through the Town Center and across Aurora.

- Protect nearby single-family neighborhoods from traffic diverting through residential streets.

The City expects to complete a draft Town Center Subarea Plan this fall or winter. Meanwhile other planning projects are being developed for housing and environmental sustainability in the area and new transition area requirements between intensive land use and single-family neighborhoods. These will likely factor into the Town Center Plan.

For more information about the Town Center Project, contact Senior Planner Paul Cohen at (206) 546-6815 or [pcohen@ci.shoreline.wa.us](mailto:pcohen@ci.shoreline.wa.us).

Project information is also available at [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com).

## What is a Subarea Plan?

Under the state Growth Management Act, cities must adopt Comprehensive Plans to guide their physical development; with this there is the option of focusing on specific geographic areas with more detailed Subarea Plans.

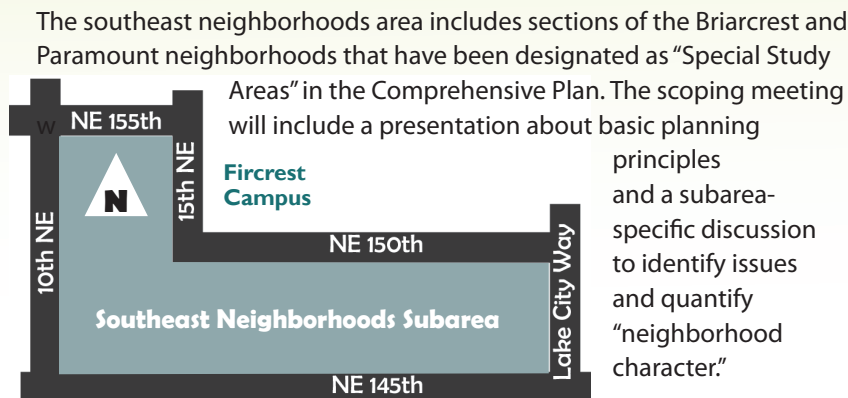
Subarea Plans engage an area's residents and businesses in clarifying and applying existing Plan policies to better reflect changing local circumstances, problems and opportunities.

For example, the City Council will soon adopt a Comprehensive Housing Strategy and an Environmental Sustainability Strategy. The Subarea planning process enables the community to focus on how targeted changes and additions to the Comprehensive Plan can better achieve the strategic emphasis on enhanced environmental sustainability and increased housing choice.

## Southeast Neighborhoods Subarea Plan Kick-Off Meeting

**Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Activities Center at Fircrest Campus, 15th Avenue NE at NE 150th Street**



The southeast neighborhoods area includes sections of the Briarcrest and Paramount neighborhoods that have been designated as "Special Study Areas" in the Comprehensive Plan. The scoping meeting will include a presentation about basic planning

principles and a subarea-specific discussion to identify issues and quantify "neighborhood character."

**More info?** Associate Planner Miranda Redinger  
(206) 546-3826 or [mredinger@ci.shoreline.wa.us](mailto:mredinger@ci.shoreline.wa.us)



# Parks Projects Update

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**Lights on the Shoreline Center Tennis Court will extend valuable court time for the community.**

## Accomplishments

- All three Park Bond acquisitions were complete by the beginning of 2008. The City is now the proud owner of the 15.6-acre **South Woods** (NE 150th Street and 25th Avenue NE), 8.3-acre **Seattle Public Utility parcel** north east of Hamlin Park (NE 165th Street and 16th Avenue NE) and the four-acre **Kruckeberg Botanic Garden** (20312 15th Avenue NW).
- New lights at the **Shoreline Center Tennis Courts** (18560 First Avenue NE) have been installed with the addition of new nets, upright poles and perimeter fencing.
- A new **pedestrian crossing** of N 145th Street at the Interurban Trail was completed in 2007.

## Construction

- **Boeing Creek Park**, below (601 NW 175th Street), will receive much needed park, trail and storm water improvements this summer. The park will remain open during construction and the City is committed to minimizing construction impacts to park users.



- The **Twin Ponds Synthetic Turf Soccer Field** (15401 1st Avenue NE) will begin construction this spring with the field open for use by September.
- **Saltwater Park** improvements (2021 NW 190th Street) are scheduled to begin later this summer. The project includes improvements to the entrance, trails, road and sidewalk, two new parking areas, a new picnic area and an outdoor wash-down shower. The park will remain open during construction and the City is committed to minimizing construction impacts to park users. The University of Washington student restoration project in Saltwater Park continues this year with the third work party in March. Volunteers willing to help maintain the area this summer are asked to call Maureen Colaizzi at (206) 546-0232.

- As mitigation for impacts from the King County's Brightwater Project, a **new two-acre park** is being developed

## More Information

**Parks Planner Maureen Colaizzi at (206) 546-0232**

[www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com)







Developing master plans for parks, such as the one shown above for Saltwater, involves an extensive public input process.

**Park** (18009 Corliss Avenue N) will continue this year in accordance with the approved Master Plan.

- The City held two public meetings this winter for the improvements at **Hamlin Park** (16006 15th Avenue NE) to review design schemes for needed upgrades to the park's central activity area including a new picnic shelter, playground and field improvements. The third public meeting will be held on March 27 to review the preferred design option and prioritize a list of improvements (see box for more details).

### Planning

- City staff met with user groups this winter to establish needed improvements for **city-wide field improvements**. The City is prioritizing projects to be constructed with bond funding.
- An **Off-leash Dog Area** Study Group is preparing critical analysis of potential sites in Shoreline for off-leash areas. Public meetings will be held later this year.
- In April, City staff will present City Council with a summary of the **Trail Corridor** Study Group's soft surface park trail project list. Design for these trails will begin in 2008. Planning for city-wide, hard surface trail connectors will begin this summer.

## Shoreline acquires Kruckeberg Botanic Garden

In January, the City of Shoreline became the official owner of the four-acre Kruckeberg Botanic Garden at 20312 15th Avenue NW.

Set in a wooded, park-like atmosphere, the garden features a collection of native Pacific Northwest plants and unusual species from other lands protected by a conservation easement. The Kruckeberg Garden is dedicated to the educational, cultural and aesthetic enrichment of the community.

The City will make minor improvements at the site and continue to use the services of the non-profit Kruckeberg Botanic Garden Foundation to maintain and operate the garden.

The majority of the funding came from the City's park bond levy, but the City also secured \$300,000 in Conservation Futures Trust funds as well as \$150,000 from the State of Washington to help buy the property.

Later this year, the City will lead the development of a Master Site Plan for the garden. As a public/non-profit partnership, the City and the Foundation will seek grants to fund capital improvements.

The garden is open to the public at designated hours, for tours or by appointment.

at the Richmond Beach Pump Station site on Richmond Beach Drive. Construction is anticipated for this summer. The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Board will be recommending a park name to the City Council this spring.

- The City has begun design on a new restroom for **Richmond Highlands** and for a **new sidewalk** along NE 150th Street adjacent to South Woods. Shoreline expects to begin construction for these projects this fall.

### Design

- Design for **Cromwell**

### Hamlin Park Improvement Project Public Meeting

Thursday, March 27  
6:00 - 7:30 pm

Ronald Room, Shoreline Center  
18560 1st Ave NE

Join City staff and consultants to review the preferred design solution and help identify priorities for improvements at the park.

**More info:** [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com)  
Maureen Colaizzi (206) 546-0232

### Kruckeberg Botanic Garden

For more information, contact the Foundation at (206) 542-4777 or visit [www.kruckeberg.org](http://www.kruckeberg.org).



# It's Happening

## Wednesday, March 19 How to Form a Non-Profit

7:00 p.m., Shoreline Fire Department,  
17525 Aurora Avenue N

Existing and nascent neighborhood groups can learn the basics of how to incorporate as a nonprofit in Washington State. The training is free, but registration is requested. **Register:** Neighborhoods Coordinator Nora Smith (206) 546-8564.

## Monday, March 24 Council Public Hearing on the draft Comprehensive Housing Strategy

7:30 p.m., Mt. Rainier Room, Shoreline Center,  
18560 1st Avenue NE

The Shoreline City Council unanimously accepted the Comprehensive Housing Strategy on February 19. Following this public hearing, they will consider a motion to adopt the strategy. The strategy will guide the City's response to the changing housing needs of Shoreline's current and future residents. The strategy is available for review at [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com); follow the link under the Projects pull-down menu on the right side of the home page. **Agenda Line:** (206) 546-2190.

## Saturday, April 26 Asset-Based Community Development Workshop

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Seattle First Christian  
Reform Church, 14555 25th Avenue NE

A unique opportunity to join with others in Shoreline to form connections that will help make projects happen in your neighborhood. With nationally-known trainer and organizer Jim Diers, participants will learn new tools, sharpen organizing skills and work together to identify a vision and projects to carry out in their Shoreline neighborhood. Training and lunch is \$15; a limited number of free admissions are available for helping with set up. **RSVP Required:** Neighborhoods Coordinator Nora Smith at [nsmith@ci.shoreline.wa.us](mailto:nsmith@ci.shoreline.wa.us) or (206) 546-8564.

## Free income tax preparation

United Way of King County/Hopelink and AARP provide free tax preparation and access to the Earned Income Tax Credit and other tax credits to help working families increase their incomes and create savings. The Free Tax Preparation Campaign allows low-income people to keep more of their hard-earned money and avoid paying unnecessary fees for commercial tax preparation and "rapid refund" loans.

Senior Center, 18560 1st Avenue NE  
Mondays & Fridays through April 14  
By appointment only: call (206) 365-1536

King County Library, 342 NE 175th Street  
Saturdays through April 12  
12:00 to 4:30 p.m.  
Wednesdays through April 9  
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
No appointment needed

Shoreline Hopelink, 15809 Westminister  
Wednesdays, 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For other sites,  
call 211 or 1-877-211-9274.

### What to bring

- Last year's income tax return
- W-2 for all members of household
- Social Security Number or Tax I.D. Number for every member of the household
- Birth date of each person claimed
- Child care provider name, address and Tax I.D. Number
- Checking or savings account number for direct deposit of refund

## Federal Economic Stimulus Package

Normally, people who receive wages or self-employment below a certain amount are not required to file a tax return. However, the economic stimulus law passed in February contains a special provision allowing low-wage workers with at least \$3,000 in qualified income to qualify for the stimulus payment.

You must file a return to receive a stimulus payment. The IRS is encouraging people to file the simple tax return by April 15, 2008.

For more information or to see if you qualify, visit [www.hope-link.org](http://www.hope-link.org) or [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).



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# Get Ready Shoreline

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Month seven of the Washington Emergency Management Division's 12-month program asking residents to devote one hour each month to disaster preparation

### Storing Basic Supplies Under Your Bed

This month you are asked to gather basic response supplies and store them under the beds in your home. Each person will need their own set of items. That way, day or night, you'll know where to go to get the essentials.

Critical under-the-bed items:

- Sturdy shoes that will protect feet.
  - Work gloves, preferably leather, to protect hands.
  - Hard hat to protect from falling objects like chimney bricks and downed trees and branches.
  - Flashlight and light sticks.
  - A card to display in your window or on the front door indicating that you are "OK" or need "HELP"
- Don't forget tape.

**More info:** [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com)

### Three-Week CERT Class Begins April 15

**Tuesdays and Thursdays 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.**  
**Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to noon**  
**Shoreline Fire Department Headquarters**  
**17525 Aurora Avenue N**

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) classes teach the basics of disaster response, including fire suppression, triage, first aid, light search and rescue and neighborhood preparedness. The classes are free for those who live or work in Shoreline.

**More info and register:** Shoreline Fire Community Education Officer  
Melanie Granfors (206) 533-6564.

### Thank You, Shoreline!

*"To the City, facility neighbors and the entire Shoreline community, thank you for your support, patience and commitment to environmental excellence during the design, planning and construction of the new Shoreline Recycling and Transfer Station.*

*We look forward to providing you with quality, innovative recycling and solid waste services at the new facility."*

*Kevin Kiernan, King County Solid Waste Division Director*

NOTE: The Shoreline Recycling and Transfer Station, 2300 NE 165th Street, reopened last month after major renovations.

## Police Citizen's Academy

Search and Rescue, K-9 and Bomb Disposal Units are just a few of the topics covered in the upcoming Police Citizen's Academy.

Shoreline, Kenmore, Woodinville and the King County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring a Citizen's Academy from March 20 through May 22 every Thursday night from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the King County Sheriff's Precinct Two, 18118 73rd Avenue NE in Kenmore.

The academy is a great way for individuals to gain a better understanding of police work and resources available to them. Those who complete the course are eligible to sign up to ride with an officer during part of a patrol shift.

The ten-week course covers a variety of topics, including: Defensive Tactics, Domestic Violence Unit, Traffic Enforcement, Major Accident Investigations, Fraud and Computer Forensics, Street Crimes Unit/Drug Investigations, Homicide and Major Crimes, Green River Task Force, Automatic Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS), Special Weapons and Tactics Unit (TAC 30), Guardian One Helicopter and Marine Patrol.

Registration and an application are required. Contact Shoreline Police Officer Leona Obstler at (206) 546-3636 to register.



# Who, what, where in the City of Shoreline

## City of Shoreline

Shoreline City Hall  
17544 Midvale Ave. N, Suite 100  
(206) 546-1700 Fax (206) 546-7868  
[www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com)

City Hall Annex - Highland Plaza  
1110 N 175th St., Suite 105

Spartan Recreation Center  
18560 1st Avenue NE, Shoreline 98155  
(206) 418-3383 Fax (206) 418-3380

Shoreline Pool  
19030 1st Ave. NE, Shoreline 98155  
(206) 362-1307 Fax (206) 362-8450

Kruckeberg Botanic Garden  
20312 15th Avenue NW, Shoreline 98177  
(206) 542-4777

## Departments & Programs

City Clerk's Office (206) 546-5042

City Manager's Office (206) 546-1303

Communications (206) 546-8323

Customer Response Team  
(206) 546-1700

Economic Development (206) 546-0959

Emergency Management (206) 546-7873

Finance & Information Technology  
(206) 546-0790

Human Resources (206) 546-2622

Human Services (206) 546-1933

Intergovernmental Relations  
(206) 546-0779

Neighborhoods (206) 546-8564

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services  
(206) 546-5041

Planning & Development Services  
(permits) (206) 546-1811

Public Works (206) 546-4207

## City Council

City Council Office (206) 546-1303

Mayor Cindy Ryu (206) 546-8738

Deputy Mayor Terry Scott (206) 546-3904

Chris Eggen (206) 546-1178

Ron Hansen (206) 546-3982

Doris McConnell (206) 546-5953

Keith McGlashan (206) 542-2181

Janet Way (206) 546-6860

## Meeting Location

Shoreline Conference Center

18560 First Ave. NE, Mt. Rainier Room

Agenda Line: (206) 546-2190

## Study Sessions

First & third Mondays 6:30 p.m.

Business Meetings

Second & fourth Mondays 7:30 p.m.

## Popular Numbers

Seattle City Light (206) 625-3000

Seattle Public Utilities (206) 684-5900

Shoreline Water District (206) 362-8100

Ronald Wastewater District (206) 546-2494

Puget Sound Energy (888) 225-5773

CleanScapes (206) 859-6700

Comcast (877) 824-2288

Verizon (800) 483-4100

Qwest (800) 244-1111

KC District Court (206) 296-3679

Senior Center (206) 365-1536

Shoreline Center (206) 368-4122

Shoreline Fire Department (206) 533-6500

Shoreline Historical Museum (206) 542-7111

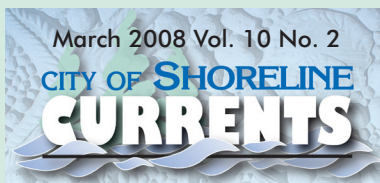
Shoreline-LFP Arts Council (206) 417-4645

Shoreline School District (206) 368-4111

Televised City Council Meetings on Cable Channel 21

Tuesday noon and 8 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday 6 a.m., noon and 8 p.m.

Also on [www.cityofshoreline.com](http://www.cityofshoreline.com)



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## Shoreline Police

### Emergency: 911

Shoreline Police Station

Chief Tony Burt

1206 N 185th St., Shoreline, WA 98133  
(206) 546-6730

Westside Neighborhood Police Center

Officer Leona Obstler

624 NW Richmond Beach Road

Shoreline, WA 98177

(206) 546-3636

Eastside Neighborhood Police Center

Officer Sue Sherwood

521 NE 165th St., Shoreline, WA 98155

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