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Honoring the life of Edwin Pratt

TO HONOR THE LIFE and work of Edwin T. Pratt, a civil rights leader in the Puget Sound region, Shoreline Mayor Will Hall proclaimed December 6, 2018, Edwin T. Pratt Day on behalf of the community. Accepting the proclamation was Sarah Haycox, a Meridian Park Elementary student who began the community petition and campaign to name the Shoreline School District's new early learning center after Pratt. As we reflect on all of the contributions made to our country by African-Americans during this Black History Month, it is important for us to reflect upon the life of Edwin T. Pratt.

As a founding member of the Central Area Civil Rights Committee and Executive Director of the Seattle Urban League, Pratt dedicated his life and career to promoting racial equality and social justice. He led civil rights campaigns against housing discrimination, school segregation, employment bias, and police brutality in Seattle and the region.

Pratt moved his family to a nearly all-white Shoreline in 1959 to highlight and bring attention to residential segregation. Housing covenants and redlining prevented the sale of homes to African-Americans and other minorities. Redlining was the practice of denying financial services, such as loans and insurance, to minorities seeking to purchase homes in many Seattle-area neighborhoods.

Pratt was assassinated in front of his Shoreline home on January 26, 1969 at the age of 38. He was survived by his wife Bettye and two young children, William and Miriam. His murder remains unsolved.

We must honor Pratt's legacy by continuing to take a stand against racism and fight for civil rights and social justice in our community. We can never become complacent and forget the sacrifices made by others to make Shoreline and the region a more inclusive and welcoming community.



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Living the Dream, Dreaming the Life: Edwin Pratt in the 21st Century

In partnership with the Black Heritage Society, the City invites you to view a City Hall art exhibition celebrating Edwin Pratt's legacy.

The exhibition will be on display through April 26.

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Agendas: shorelinewa.gov/councilmeetings

Shoreline's 2019 Legislative agenda

ON DECEMBER 10, City Council approved their legislative agenda for the 2019 state legislative session. The priorities provide policy direction to guide staff in determining support or opposition to specific legislation.

Why do we care so much about what happens in Olympia? Because many decisions made in Olympia have direct and indirect impacts on our ability to provide services to the Shoreline community.

Below are some of the legislative priorities approved by Council. For a full list, visit shorelinewa.gov/council.

State investment and financial support to address homelessness, affordable housing, behavioral health, and chemical dependency services

There is growing awareness of the need to expand the supply of affordable housing across the state, and particularly in the Puget Sound region. The City supports investing in existing subsidized housing programs; providing greater flexibility for programs that support affordable housing; creating new local authority options; and removing barriers, such as changing the Washington Condominium Act to encourage construction of affordable condominiums while maintaining consumer protections.

The City also supports increasing investments in our behavioral health network to improve mental health and chemical dependency programs. This includes providing regional equity so that all areas of the state have access to good quality mental health facilities; supporting a comprehensive opioid response that gives providers, pharmacists, and others alternatives and support in reducing opioid use and availability; and supporting a pilot program for local police departments to hire and utilize mental health professionals in partnership with their officers in the field so that individuals can be connected with services and care rather than defaulting into the criminal justice system.

Local government financial sustainability and flexibility

The City supports a more self-sufficient financial model for cities where cities can control their revenue streams. Cities need to be able to plan for funding from one year to the next; providing cities more local financial flexibility allows each community to make their own choices of how to fund local services.

Salmon habitat protections and climate change

The City supports aquatic and salmon habitat protections and improvements in Puget Sound that will preserve and enhance critical habitat areas. This includes a smart and strategic plan to fix fish blockages (including culverts), reduce the risk and damage from polluted stormwater runoff, and help protect and recover Southern Resident Killer Whales.

We also support legislation that addresses climate change impacts, specifically efforts to reduce transportation emissions through electric vehicle incentives and low carbon fuel, and efforts to improve energy efficiency in buildings.

City-specific priorities

- Continue to seek funding for the N 145th Street/I-5 Interchange improvements, which are essential for the success of the Shoreline South/145th Street light rail station.
- Pursue funding support for: 1) a non-motorized ped/bike bridge over I-5 to integrate connections to the Shoreline South/145th Street light rail station, and 2) a new Community and Aquatics Center.
- Monitor activity both in the legislature and executive branch relating to Fircrest operations and the potential for redevelopment of underutilized property on the campus.

Light Rail Construction Open House

February 26, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Shorewood High School
17300 Fremont Avenue N

A short presentation will begin at 6:15 p.m.

LYNNWOOD LINK LIGHT RAIL construction is on track to begin this spring and will continue into 2024. In anticipation, please join us at an open house to meet Sound Transit's construction team and learn what to expect as work gets underway on light rail.

Representatives from Sound Transit, the construction contractor team, the City of Shoreline, and other partner agencies will be on hand to discuss information on:

- Lynnwood Link light rail final design;
- How Sound Transit builds light rail and what to expect during construction;
- Planned long-term and temporary road closures;
- Maintenance of traffic and bus services during construction; and
- How potential impacts will be managed and mitigated during and after construction.

Information related to early construction activities and their anticipated schedules, including tree and vegetation removal and utility relocations, will also be available.

Please join the City and Sound Transit for this opportunity to speak directly to and ask questions of project staff and contractors about light rail construction.

Online open house

Can't make it to the open house in Shoreline? Open house events will also be held in Lynnwood and Montlake Terrace in February, or you can participate online at lynnwoodlink.participate.online.

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Transportation grant funding

THE CITY HAS RECEIVED over \$4 million in grant funding for transportation projects in 2019.

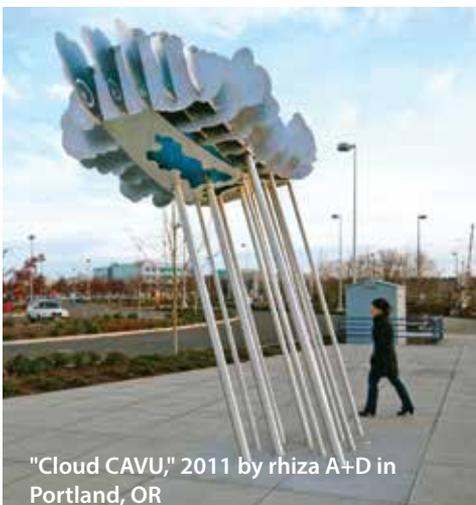
In November of 2018, the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board awarded the City \$3,616,471 in funding for the Westminster Way N (N 155th Street to Aurora Avenue N) project. This is an important project that will support redevelopment of Aurora Square.

The City also received \$467,700 in Federal Safe Routes to Schools funding. Safe Routes to Schools projects look to improve safety and mobility for children by enabling and encouraging them to walk and bicycle to school. This project near Ridgecrest Elementary will add school speed zone flashers and curb bulb-outs on NE 165th Street at the beginning of the school zone in both directions.

By using grant funds, the City can leverage our local tax dollars. Grant funding provided approximately 89% of funding for the Aurora Corridor Project. Grant funds have helped renovate Richmond Beach Saltwater Park, construct the Interurban Trail, and purchase the South Woods property. Since 2004, the City has received over \$135 million in federal, state, and local grant funding.

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"Cloud CAVU," 2011 by rhiza A+D in Portland, OR

Sculpture at Park at Town Center

OUR PUBLIC ART PROGRAM has commissioned Rhiza A+D, an artist team from Portland, Oregon, to create an iconic sculpture at Town Center Park. The piece will be located along the Interurban Trail just north of 175th Street and adjacent to the red brick road. The Public Art Selection Committee, comprised of members from the Shoreline Parks Board and the Shoreline Lake Forest Park Arts Council, selected Rhiza out of 97 submissions to a national open call for artists. The Selection Committee will work closely with Rhiza to refine initial concepts inspired by the interurban trolley that used to run through Shoreline and natural forms. After a process that includes multiple design reviews and community outreach, the artwork will be fabricated and installed by the end of 2019.

For examples of Rhiza's public art commissions, visit rhizaaplusd.com.

A COMMUNITY & AQUATICS CENTER FOR SHORELINE

ON NOVEMBER 28, over 150 people packed City Hall to see concept designs for Shoreline's first consolidated community and aquatics center. Many of those in attendance expressed interest in making sure Shoreline's aquatics programs continue to thrive, others want to see space designated for senior programming, and some came simply to see what all the excitement is about.

We have known for many years that Shoreline Pool has been reaching the end of its useful life in its current condition. A 2016 Pool Assessment confirmed this citing the need for major upgrades just to keep it operating at current levels. Spartan Recreation Center is also in need of significant upgrades.

Anticipating the need to replace Shoreline Pool, the City Council adopted the 2017-2023 Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan in July 2017, which targets opening a consolidated community and aquatics center in 2022. In July 2018, Council chose 17828 Midvale Avenue N to be the site of the new community and aquatics center. A public process identified Aurora as a preferred location because of its central location, proximity to public transportation, and adjacency to the Interurban Trail. In November 2018, architects completed concept designs for a consolidated community

and aquatics center that we shared with the community.

The designs reflect feedback we received from community events, stakeholder meetings, and surveys held throughout 2017 and 2018, while also taking into consideration budget constraints. The result is a facility that is approximately 60,000 square feet with a total project cost estimate of \$80 million.

Facility features included in the initial design are:

- Walking track, gymnasium, fitness area, and dance rooms
- 25-yard, six-lane, lap pool with a deep end suitable for diving
- "Wet room" for pool parties and art classes
- Leisure/recreation pool with play features and a lazy river
- Community rooms available to the public for events and classes
- Catering kitchen to support events and teach classes



Since the November open house, we have received numerous comments that include these common themes:

- Construct an 8-lane pool
- Expand the pool deck to accommodate high volume spectator seating for swim meets
- Create a separate diving area
- Add a commercial kitchen
- Include designated space for senior programming and services

The City Manager appointed 16 residents to a Parks Funding Advisory Committee in August 2018 to consider funding alternatives for park improvements and a new community and aquatics center. The Committee has met roughly every three weeks since September and they are on target to present their recommendation to the City Manager in March. The City Manager will consider the committee's recommendation and place a final recommendation before the City Council this spring.

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Volunteers needed to serve on the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services/Tree Board

THE CITY IS NOW ACCEPTING applications for three volunteers to serve on the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services/Tree (PRCS/Tree) Board. Board Members must live, work, or own property in Shoreline and are appointed by the City Council to serve four-year terms.

The PRCS/Tree Board advises the City Council and City staff on a variety of parks, recreation, public art, and environmental issues including trees on public property; park operation and design; programs and events; property acquisition; arts opportunities; and development of rules and regulations. The Board consists of seven adult members and two non-voting youth members and meets on the fourth Thursday of each month from January through October and the first Thursday in December from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Those interested in being considered must complete a Shoreline Community Services Application available online at shorelinewa.gov/parkboard. Completed applications must be received by the City Clerk's office no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 22.

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SHORT SHORT FILM FESTIVAL

ONCE AGAIN, the Shoreline Lake Forest Park Arts Council, with assistance from the Shoreline Film Office, has attracted hundreds of films less than 10 minutes in length to its unconventional Short-Short Film Festival. The festival takes place on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Shoreline Community College. Tickets are available at shorelinearts.net. Winners represent some of the scrappiest and most talented filmmakers in Washington.

The Short Short Film Festival is just one small way the Shoreline Film Office is working to help bring filmmaking to Shoreline. The City and Shoreline Community College established the Shoreline Film Office to support the Shoreline Community College's Performance Arts/Digital Film Productions Department and realize the City's goal of attracting new industries and jobs to the area.

The Shoreline Film Office works closely with Washington Filmworks at the state level and has twin goals of bringing more filmmaking to Shoreline and fostering the growth of local crews and other small businesses that support the media production industry. The film school at the college is highly respected throughout the region, and the City has so far been successful in attracting approximately \$1M per year in film production activities. In the past few years, we have hosted productions for everything from Super Bowl ads to smaller commercial work, feature-length independent films to short films.

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Tom Coglianese

Employee and Team of the Year

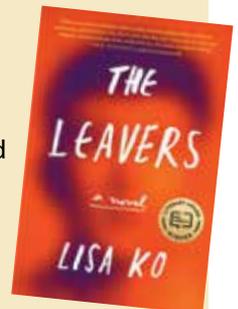
EVERY YEAR, Shoreline employees nominate peers for Employee of the Year for going above and beyond in practicing the organization's values, providing exceptional customer service, and promoting a positive image of the City. The 2018 Employee of the Year is Network Administrator Thomas Coglianese.

In addition to the Employee of the Year, the City also honors the Team of the Year. The 2018 winner was the Sidewalk Prioritization Project Team.

Social Justice Book Group

THE SHORELINE Social Justice Book Group comes together the second Sunday of every month at City Hall. The group provides a rich opportunity to meet neighbors and build community by reading and discussing books written from diverse perspectives.

February's book selection is *The Leavers* by Lisa Ko, winner of the 2016 PEN/Bellwether Prize for fiction. The book tells the story of Deming Guo and his undocumented Chinese immigrant mother, Polly. *The Leavers* is a vivid examination of borders and belonging.



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FREE TAX PREP

DID YOU KNOW many families are eligible for valuable tax credits every year? To get these credits, you must file a tax return (even if you do not owe any income tax). To help ensure you claim all the tax credits you are entitled to, come to one of the free tax preparation sessions sponsored by United Way of King County.

Free tax preparation services

If you earned less than \$66,000 in 2018, you can use United Way of King County's free tax preparation services. Below is a list of locations in Shoreline. For a list of all tax sites for King County or to find sites serving non-English speakers, call 211 or go to freetaxexperts.org.

Available through April 18, 2019.

Shoreline Community College

16101 Greenwood Avenue N
PUB (9000) Building

Mondays 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesdays 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Shoreline Hopelink

17837 Aurora Avenue N

Mondays 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Fridays 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Lake City Customer Service Center

12525 29th Avenue NE, Seattle

Mondays 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Tuesdays 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Wednesdays 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Thursdays 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

What to bring

- Social Security cards/individual tax identification numbers (ITINs) and birthdates for everyone listed on the return
- Photo ID
- All tax statements (W-2 forms, 1099 forms, SSA-1099 forms, etc.)
Health Insurance forms 1095-A, 1095-B, or 1095-C

Note: If you are filing jointly with your spouse, you both must be present to e-file.



CityWise: City Government 101

FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS, the City has offered an intensive, interactive eight-week course on how the City operates. Known as CityWise, the course provides fifteen people with an in-depth look at how decisions are made and encourages them to become more engaged in their community. In the coming months, we will provide a glimpse at the topics CityWise participants learn about.

The first week of the course looks at the basics of how Shoreline City government operates. In Washington State, there are essentially two forms of government for cities: Mayor-Council and Council-Manager.

The mayor-council form consists of an elected mayor, who serves as the city's chief administrative officer, and a council, which serves as the municipality's legislative body. The council has the authority to formulate and adopt city policies and the mayor is responsible for carrying them out. Many mayor-council cities, such as Lake Forest Park, have hired professional city administrators to serve under the mayor and assist with administrative and policy-related duties.

The council-manager form of government consists of an elected city council, which is responsible for policymaking, and a professional city manager, appointed by the council, who is responsible for administration. Shoreline uses the council-manager form of government. The city manager provides policy advice, directs the daily operations of city government, handles personnel functions, and is responsible for preparing the city budget.

Under the council-manager statutes, the city council is prohibited from interfering with the manager's administration. However, the city manager is directly accountable to and can be removed by a majority vote of the council at any time.

In council-manager cities, the mayor is generally selected by the city council and this person must also be a councilmember. The mayor presides at council meetings and is recognized as the head of the city for ceremonial purposes but has no regular administrative duties.

The Shoreline City Council is responsible for directing policy decisions for the City; adopting the budget; determining the service levels to be provided by the City; appointing members of the public to various boards and commissions; and providing general direction to the city manager, among other duties.

Shoreline has seven councilmembers elected at-large who serve four-year terms. Council elections are held in odd numbered years. Three council positions are up for election in 2019 and four are up for election in 2021.

DID YOU KNOW?

Ever wonder where all the water goes when it rains?

Rain that falls on our streets, driveways, and parking lots flows down storm

drains and into creeks, lakes, and Puget Sound without being treated. That means any chemicals, trash, dirt, or pet waste we leave on the ground can end up in the environment. You can help us keep rain water clean and flowing by reporting spills, dumping, or flooding. If you see anything that is not rain water entering a storm drain, please call the Customer Response Team at (206) 801-2700.

WHAT TO DO WITH SYRINGES

UNFORTUNATELY, it is becoming a reality of life that we will come across improperly disposed of syringes, needles, or lancets (also referred to as sharps) from time to time. However, it is both possible and easy to properly and safely dispose of these using tongs, a puncture proof container, gloved hands, and hand sanitizer.

Public Property

If you find sharps on public property, call Shoreline's Customer Response Team at (206) 801-2700.

Private Property

If you find sharps on private property, the City cannot enter the private property to clean it up. You will need to follow the steps below to safely dispose of the sharps:

- If you find a syringe or needle, do not pick it up with your bare hands. Use a glove and either tongs, a shovel, or a broom and dustpan to pick it up.

- Always place used sharps in a safe container. This can be a manufactured sharps container or a sturdy plastic bottle such as liquid detergent or bleach bottle. You can purchase manufactured sharps containers at most pharmacies. Whether you use a sharps container or another sturdy bottle, make sure the lid fits tightly, then tape it shut for added safety. If you use something other than a commercial sharps bottle, label it with the warning: "SHARPS, DO NOT RECYCLE."
- Do not break the needle off from the syringe. Needles can carry HIV, hepatitis and other germs.
- Please, do not flush needles or syringes down the toilet!
- Once the sharp is safely contained, you can take it to the Shoreline Recycling & Transfer Station, located at 2300 N 165th Street. There is no charge for this disposal service.

Put used sharps in a strong, plastic container.

When the container is 3/4 full, put the lid on, seal it with duct tape and label DO NOT RECYCLE.



To watch a video on how to safely handle sharps, you can visit seattle.gov/util/EnvironmentConservation/OurCity/SharpsCollection/.

The opioid epidemic currently plaguing the nation is also impacting Shoreline. In addition to the severe impacts addiction has on individuals and their families, one of the community impacts is the refuse from lives turned upside down. We are working with our community partners to identify what services and processes exist to connect people experiencing opioid addiction with supportive services and identify gaps that may exist. We are also looking at ways to further help the community clean up the physical refuse of the epidemic.

Changes to 2700 number: Even better 24/7 service

BEGINNING FEBRUARY 4, the City will be using an answering service for non-business hours calls to the City's general purpose line – (206) 801-2700. If it is an urgent call that needs an immediate response, City staff, either from the City's Customer Response Team or the Public Works Maintenance Team, will respond within 90 minutes.

Almost since incorporation, the City's three-person Customer Response Team has rotated through standby in three-week cycles providing 24/7 response to Shoreline residents and businesses. Moving forward, City staff from both the Customer Response Team and the Public Works Maintenance Team will share the responsibility for responding to urgent after-hours calls. There will now be a 12-week rotation

staffed by 12 people from these two teams.

Historically, if you called 2700 after hours, you would be sent to a voice-mail. Whichever Customer Response Team representative was on standby would listen to the message and return the call and/or respond if it was urgent. Now when you call, you will be connected to a live person at a call center who will assist you and call City staff, if necessary, for a response. Standby staff will make the final determination on if a response is necessary or if it is something that can wait until normal business hours.

Whether it's a downed tree in the right-of-way; flooding; downed wires; a road failure; or something else needing urgent attention, call (206) 801-2700 – 24 hours a day/7 days a week.

Request Service 24/7

On your computer:

shorelinewa.gov/servicerequest

On your smart phone:

Download the SeeClickFix app

By telephone:

(206) 801-2700

Types of issues to report:

Potholes • Downed trees in road
Downed wires • Abandoned vehicles
Road Failure • Missing street signs
Flooding • Traffic signal issues
Park restrooms in need of service

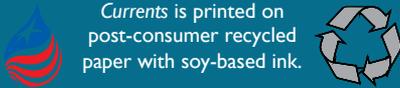
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Shoreline Walks

Volunteer Walk Leaders Wanted for 2019!

Have a great walking route you want to
share with others?

Contact us for more information
about becoming a walk leader and
leading free community walks around
Shoreline.

More Information

ShorelineWA.gov/ShorelineWalks
(206) 801-2638

New walks start in April 2019!

CITY OF SHORELINE PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES

SUMMER CAMPS

- ~ Over 120 camps for ages 3-16
- ~ Full day & half day options
- ~ Register early, camps fill FAST

Registration Starts

March 19 - Shoreline Residents

March 21 - LFP Residents

March 22 - Everyone

Shorelinewa.gov/RegisterNow