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Every day pets are lost.

Licensing your pet provides yet another layer of protection in the event that they go missing.

Did you know?

All cats and dogs residing in the city limits of Auburn require a pet license.

AVOID THE FINE!

Failure to license your pet per Auburn City Code 6.04.010 will result in a fine of \$50



License your pet today!
auburnvalleyhs.org



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Unless otherwise noted, departments are located at City Hall, 25 W Main Street

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253-931-3090

Emergency Management

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253-876-1925

Finance

1 E Main St, 2nd floor
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Human Resources/ Risk Management

253-931-3040

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253-833-2350
auburngolf.org

Auburn Municipal Airport

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253-333-6821

King County District Court—South Division

340 E Main St
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Mountain View Cemetery

2020 Mountain View Drive
253-931-3028
mtviewcemeteryauburn.com

Senior Activity Center

808 9th St SE
253-931-3016

Valley Regional Fire Authority

1101 D St NE (Headquarters)
253-288-5800
Call 911 in case of emergency
vrfa.org

White River Valley Museum

918 H St SE
253-288-7433
wrvmuseum.org

HOTLINES

Code Compliance

253-931-3020 opt. 4

Graffiti Hotline

253-931-3048 opt. 7

Pothole Patrol

253-931-3048 opt. 1

Spills and Water Pollution

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Official City Council MEETING SCHEDULE

City Council Meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00pm

Council Study Sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday each month at 5:30pm.

Meetings are held at Auburn City Hall located at 25 W Main Street and open to the public or can be viewed live at auburnwa.gov/gatv.

FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Auburn,

As I write this, we find ourselves at a critical juncture in the fight against COVID-19 in our community. In the past two weeks, we have seen our federal, state and county health agencies take increasingly aggressive measures to combat the transmission of this disease, yet we also continue to see the number of infections, and unfortunately, deaths, continue to rise.

In recent days, I have instructed City of Auburn staff to close several of our facilities including the Community & Event Center, Senior Activity Center, White River Valley Museum and Auburn Avenue Theater. I did not come to this decision lightly and I understand the deep impact this has, and will continue to have, on our residents.

In the coming weeks, we will, no doubt, face even greater challenges as a city. Yet despite the unknown difficulties that lies ahead, I know that we will grow stronger by leaning on one another and finding ways to support each other as neighbors and friends as we tread through these uncharted waters.

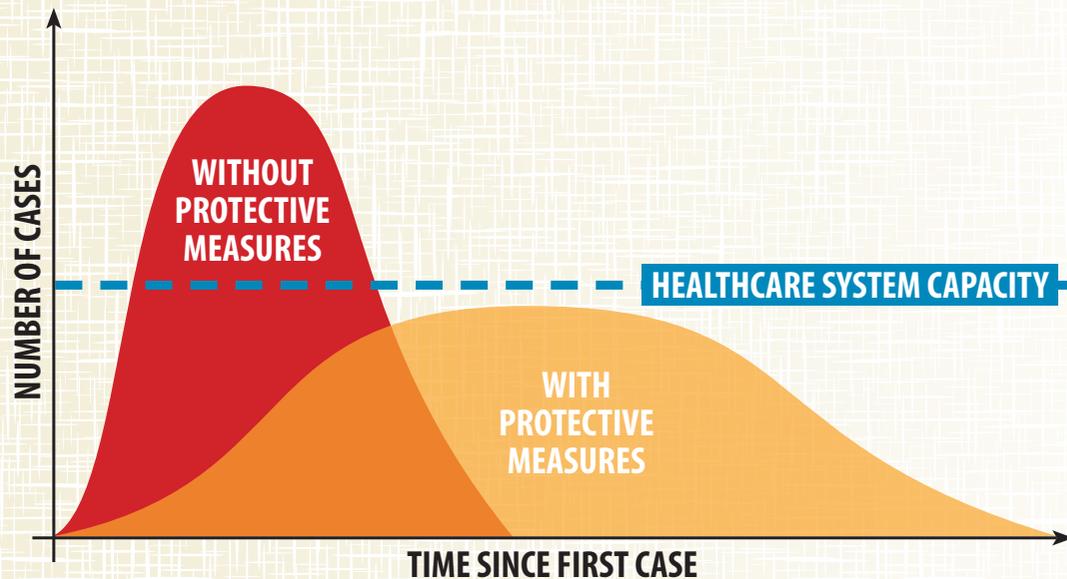
Here, at the City, we are already taking proactive measures to support our small businesses and at-risk communities through a wide variety of outreach efforts. We are also in continuous communication with our state and federal representatives to ensure that our needs are understood as additional assistance becomes available.

I encourage you to visit our website, auburnwa.gov, frequently in the coming weeks and months for the most up-to-date information around COVID-19 and its impact on our city.



Nancy Backus
Mayor of Auburn

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COVID-19

SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY

Fire agencies across King County have put safety protocols into place to protect patients and personnel.



With the continuing spread of COVID-19, the Valley Regional Fire Authority (VRFA), in coordination with King County Emergency Medical Services, King County Public Health and Valley Communications (Dispatch) Center, is taking steps to ensure that our Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) are prepared.

As soon as information became available, VRFA staff began reviewing and updating internal policies and plans regarding pandemic preparedness and infectious disease response. Both the quality and quantity of face masks, eye protection, gloves and other pandemic supplies were assessed and the decision was made to purchase additional items to ensure enough is on-hand for possible outbreaks.

Staff are participating in meetings and teleconferences with Public Health to obtain situation reports on COVID-19. Information is then disseminated to employees and any necessary training is conducted.

Firefighter/EMTs and paramedics play a key role in the response to COVID-19, as they respond to treat sick patients. Fire departments have put various measures in place to help prevent COVID-19 from spreading locally. That process begins

when someone calls 9-1-1. Dispatchers will ask for additional information from callers. If the patient presents with symptoms that could be caused by COVID-19 disease, the dispatcher will advise appropriate protective equipment to responding crews. Firefighter/EMT's will don protective equipment including a fitted mask, gloves, gown and eye protection. When response personnel arrive on scene, they will take extra care when entering the home, treating the patient and transporting (if required).

Once the response is complete, Firefighter/EMT's and paramedics are instructed to follow specific, thorough decontamination procedures before providing care to another patient. Transporting patients who present symptoms of COVID-19 to a hospital will be avoided whenever possible unless the patient's symptoms are severe. The emergency room will be briefed on the arriving patient prior to their arrival, so that the hospital can take necessary isolation action on their end.

At this time, it is not recommended that family members/friends who were exposed to the transported patient report to the emergency room. This will reduce the likelihood that other potentially infected individuals will transmit the virus to those in the waiting room or other public areas.

Members of the public who think they may have contracted the virus and are in stable condition should consult with their primary care physician via telephone, instead of calling 911.

What We Currently Know About COVID-19:

From the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Public Health Seattle & King County

Primarily spreads from person to person, via close contact (6 feet) and respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs/sneezes.

Currently there is no evidence to support transmission of COVID-19 associated with imported goods.

People are thought to be most contagious when they are the most symptomatic (the sickest).

Symptoms can include fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

CDC believes that symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure to an infected person.

There is currently no vaccine to prevent this disease.

The best way to prevent illness is to avoid being exposed to this virus.

Preventative actions also include avoiding close contact with people who are sick, staying home when you are sick, covering your cough/sneeze with a tissue (disposing of the tissue immediately), washing hands often with soap and water and using hand sanitizer if you are unable to wash your hands, avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands, and cleaning/disinfecting frequently touched objects/surfaces.

Facemasks should be used by people who show symptoms of COVID-19, to help prevent the spread of the disease to others and by healthcare providers who have direct patient contact.

Discrimination based on ethnicity/ancestry will make the situation worse. Having Chinese ancestry – or any other ancestry – does not make a person more vulnerable to this illness. Coronavirus doesn't recognize race, nationality nor ethnicity.

Most COVID-19 illnesses are mild with fever and cough. The vast majority of infected people do not require hospital care. A much smaller percentage of people get severely ill with respiratory problems like pneumonia. Elderly people (60+) with underlying health conditions and those with compromised immune systems.

2019 nCoV CORONAVIRUS

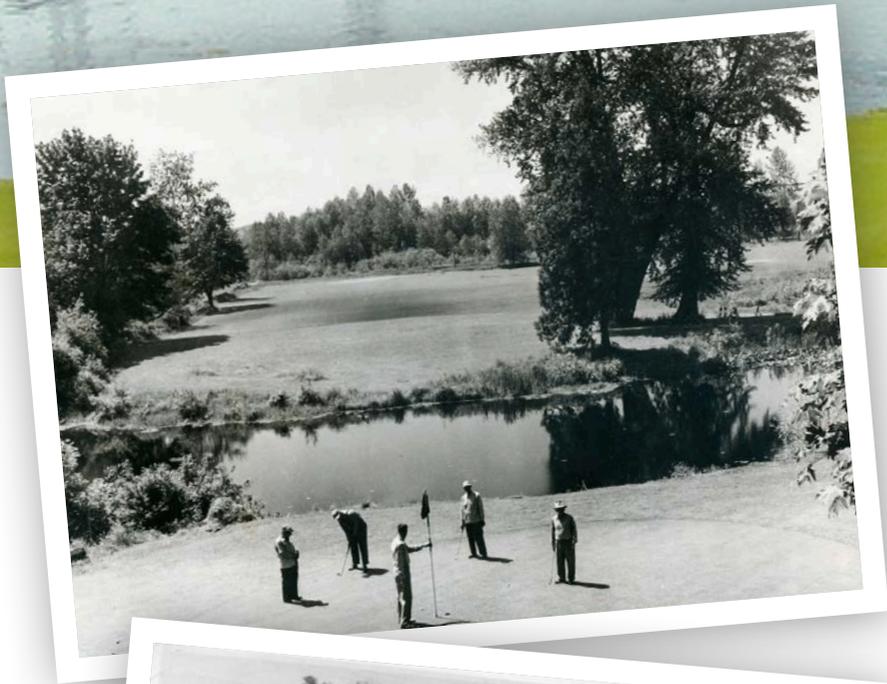
NOVEL CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK (2019-nCoV)

You can help prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses with these actions:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose & mouth.
- Wash hands often with soap & water for at least 20 seconds.

www.cdc.gov/nCoV

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**AUBURN
GOLF COURSE**

**Celebrating
50 years!**



In early February 1948, a group of Auburn citizens gathered together formally for the first time. Many of them were veterans of World War II, soldiers who had bravely served their country. They had gathered in restaurants and living rooms before this meeting, plotting and planning their course of attack. As usual, they came armed with clubs...and golf balls. This was the first public meeting of the Green River Golf & Country Club, the group that created the first publically-accessible nine hole golf course in south King County. The Green River Golf & Country Club officially organized in the 1940s, but the land they would develop into a well-groomed golf course was formerly a hops crop and then part of the Isaac Evans farmland.

The City of Auburn purchased the course in 1969 to fulfill a need for a public recreational golf facility in Auburn. Additionally, the purchase of land previously belonging to the state of Washington, located just to the south of the old golf course property, enabled the city to expand the course to 18-holes, including the unusual dual-elevation portion of the course. Unlike most area golf courses, the first four holes of the modern course are at 250 to 400 feet above sea level; the remaining fourteen holes are at an elevation of about 50 feet. The course was reopened in 1970 as the Auburn Municipal Golf Course under the management of the Parks, Art, and Recreation Department.

Nestled along the Green River and situated on 150 acres, the eighteen-hole Auburn Golf Course offers scenic views from several hillside holes. The fair, but challenging, par 71 course is just over 6,450 yards and hosts over 50,000 rounds of golf each year. The course features over 20 bunkers, two ponds

with fountains, a waterfall, and a slope rating of 121 from the middle tees and 124 from the back tees. In the past several years, two new greens have been built and the course has started an aggressive sanding program to improve year round turf conditions and playability.

The current clubhouse, built in 2007, includes a pro shop, 150-seat banquet and meeting facility, a basement for carts and general storage and a 110-seat full-service restaurant. This clubhouse, located on the same portion of land that the Evans family once farmed hops on, has some of the lodge-style feel that the founding members of the golf course had originally hoped for.

With competitive rates year round, the Auburn Golf Course also offers equipment and power cart rentals, professional instruction and lessons, tournaments and leagues and youth activities. The Auburn Golf Course Men's & Ladies' Club combined exceed 700 members, one of the largest in the state. An additional 200 golfers participate in the Merchants League and Couples League.

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the City's ownership of the course, special rates will be offered at various times throughout the year and the course will host a 50th Anniversary Party on Saturday, June 6, from 6-9 p.m. The celebration will include fun golf games complete with prizes, barbeque featuring catering from Bogey's Public House available for a nominal fee, and free entertainment featuring live music and a roving magician.

For more details, call 253-833-2350 or visit auburngolf.org.



City of Auburn Vision and Value Statement

A COMMITMENT TO SERVICE

The City of Auburn's Comprehensive Plan sets a vision for the future of our City. It is a policy document that helps to guide the City's evolution and growth. The seven values are: Character, Wellness, Economy, Celebration, Environment, Sustainability and Service. In this edition of Auburn Magazine, we want to introduce you to the hardworking team that makes up our Building Services division and spotlight their efforts to serve you, our customers.

In the spring of 2019, we announced a new informational campaign entitled, "Know your zone—Call before you build," spearheaded by Code Enforcement Officer George Winner. As a code enforcement officer, George had encountered several scenarios where tenants, homeowners or landlords had proceeded with a construction project without first consulting with the City and obtaining the proper permits. These situations are typically brought to our attention by a community complaint and sadly, by the time the City gets involved, the project is usually well underway and there is significantly more costs for the owner in the long run.

As a property owner, you may wonder at what point you should consult with the City and how does that added step benefit you? To answer these questions, and to share some insight about why it's critical to have these conversations early on, we sat down with the subject matter experts—a team of professionals that brings a wealth of knowledge and over 120 years of practical experience to the City of Auburn—your Building Services division.

Imagine this scenario: you and your loved one have just purchased your first home and shortly after moving in your significant other proclaims, "We need a larger kitchen!" Maybe you have just been informed you're having twins and you realize you're going to need a second bathroom. Or perhaps an unexpected life circumstance necessitates extended family moving in with you for a prolonged period of time. You'd have the room if you could simply reconfigure the layout of your living space. Whatever the circumstance may be, don't dream any further. Stop right there because now is the perfect time to contact the City of Auburn building division to discuss your hopes and the scope of your project.



A PERMIT MIGHT BE REQUIRED



KNOW YOUR ZONE

The reality is, each member of our team can share countless horror stories or worst case scenarios that they have encountered during their years of service. From contractors doing work they are not licensed and bonded to perform to service providers who have charged their customers for permits they never obtained. They have seen major renovations that have not been built to code and sadly they even shared stories of unsuspecting homeowners who attempted to file insurance claims for damages, only to be informed that their home had been modified without permits, and therefore were not eligible for a payout.

SECTION 105 PERMITS

■ **[A] 105.1 Required.** Any owner or owner's authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, *repair*, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, *repair*, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be performed, shall first make application to the *building official* and obtain the required *permit*.

2015 International Building Code

As a proud property owner, it is important to be an informed consumer since you are ultimately responsible for the work performed. We hope that you would view the staff at the City of Auburn as your ally and advocate. Bring in your ideas and begin to explore what options are available to you. Our staff can discuss the scope of work, review the various codes and regulations that may apply and get you pointed in the right direction before you invest into a project that could ultimately cost you more in the long-run if not executed properly. Yes, there are costs associated with doing things right the first time, but your home or business is a major investment. Unpermitted work can cause your overall property value to be significantly reduced if you decide to sell. You may even be required to tear out the work that was done and return the structure to its original condition. When you consider the added potential for life safety issues, and the associated exposure to liability, the benefits of permitted work certainly outweighs the cost.

So what's the cost, you ask? When you apply for your permits, it is important to understand that there are two portions or installments that factor into the total. The first portion covers the cost of City staff, such as our permit techs and plan reviewers, to analyze your submittal and compare it against building codes. The second portion covers the cost for the in-field inspections. We want to be certain the greater community understands that tax dollars do not help subsidize your neighbor's remodel—it is a direct cost the applicant is responsible to cover. Be sure to read the "Did you know" for additional information on how permit costs are determined.

Once you've met with staff and secured a contractor, you're ready to move forward with the project. Your next step is to apply for the permit. The City of Auburn has moved toward an electronic submittal process for all permits including the following permit types:

- Building (commercial and residential new construction, additions, and alterations)
- Fire (commercial hood systems, fire sprinklers, fire alarm systems, fuel storage, and spray booth requirements)
- Mechanical (duct installation, HVAC, refrigeration, rough gas pipe, rough mechanical, and underground gas pipes)
- Plumbing (backflow, rough medical gas/vacuum, rough plumbing, underground plumbing, and water service)
- Sign
- Civil & Utility permit applications (grading, clearing, water, storm, and sewer)

It is important to note that the City of Auburn does not regulate, inspect or issue permits for electrical work. The Washington State Department of Labor and Industries issues all electrical permits for properties located within Auburn city limits. For more information, call 206-835-1000 or visit their website at www.lni.wa.gov.

Once your plans and permit application are submitted, it will go through an extensive review process prior to permits being issued. Staff will verify that your contractor is registered with the State and ensure they have a current and valid City of Auburn business license. Once approved, your permits will be issued and your project can get underway. There will be specific stages of construction that require inspections which are conducted by our building inspectors. Their onsite visit will ensure that the work meets the code requirements and is in alignment with the original scope of work that was approved by our plans examiner. Having an objective, third party inspection is an added layer of consumer protection as it holds contractors accountable and ensures your project is in compliance. Once the project is complete, a final inspection will be done and recorded. This is the final seal of approval that ensures you have protected your investment and that any future homeowner will enjoy the same security and peace of mind for many years to come.

TO START THE PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS, VISIT auburnwa.gov/permits

Here you will also find additional information on how to apply and what you will need to successfully submit.

If you need additional assistance, please email the Permit Center staff at permitcenter@auburnwa.gov or call 253-931-3090.



City of Auburn Permit Center staff

ARE YOU A DO-IT-YOURSELFER? PLEASE DO YOUR HOMEWORK!

If you are looking to purchase property in the City of Auburn, you can compare the real estate listing with what is reflected on the King County Tax Assessor's website: kingcounty.gov/depts/assessor. If a discrepancy is noted, contact us. City staff can verify if the address is in our jurisdiction and whether there is a city record of permits.

DID YOU KNOW?

"Building permit fees are based on the fair market cost of materials and labor. For repairs and remodel projects you do not need to include the costs for aesthetic elements such as paint, carpet, and finishes."



Development Services Manager Jason Krum

Feature Capital Project

Auburn Municipal Airport Runway Enhancements



Project description

In spring 2020, the City will begin construction on the Auburn Municipal Airport Runway Enhancements project that will extend the runway from its current length of 3,400 feet to 3,841 feet, along with completion of other safety and storm drainage improvements.

The purpose of this project is to improve safety for multi-engine piston aircraft by increasing the takeoff and accelerate-stop distance available. These are the largest and most demanding type of aircraft that make regular use of the airport. These aircraft require the most runway length in an “accelerate-stop” scenario—when an aircraft accelerates to takeoff speed, experiences an engine failure or other unforeseen circumstance preventing the aircraft from continuing take off, and then slows to a complete stop.

The runway length an aircraft requires in this type of scenario is called the accelerate-stop distance and can vary greatly for multi-engine piston aircraft based on weather conditions and the performance characteristics of the specific aircraft. In a worst-case scenario, these aircraft could have an accelerate-stop distance somewhere between 3,500 feet to 4,000 feet.

To increase the accelerate-stop distance available for these aircraft at the Airport Municipal Airport, this project will extend the runway to the maximum length that is possible with the property currently available to the Airport.

Examples of multi-engine piston aircraft



Improvements planned for north end of the runway

The runway will be extended by 200 feet and the taxiways will be reconfigured. The runway cannot be extended further north because Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) standards requires a 240 foot long "runway safety area" between the end of the new runway and 30th St NE. A runway safety area is a clear area around the runway which can be safely used by aircraft if they accidentally undershoot or overshoot the runway during takeoff or landing.

New underground storm detention chambers will also be installed as part of the project. These detention chambers will capture stormwater runoff from the new runway and taxiway pavement and slowly meter it into the City's storm drainage system during a rain storm. These detention chambers are needed for the project to be in compliance with the stormwater regulations in Washington. The ground surface above these chambers will be smoothly graded and planted with grass to meet the FAA standards for a runway safety area.

Improvements planned for south end of the runway

The runway will be extended by 241 feet to the southern edge of the airport property and the taxiways will be reconfigured. New underground storage chambers will also be installed to capture stormwater runoff from the new runway and taxiway pavement. An existing surface storm detention pond will also be removed and its storage capacity will be replaced by the new underground detention chambers. Removing the existing storm detention pond is desirable because surface storm ponds can attract birds and other wildlife which can be a hazard to aircraft using the airport.

In a future phase of the runway extension improvements, the City plans to purchase property and complete improvements to clear and grade an area to make the 240 foot long runway safety area on this end of the runway. This work is currently anticipated to take place in 2022.

Additional safety improvements

Additional safety improvements planned with this project include refreshing the pavement markings on the runway, upgrading the runway and taxiway lights to new more energy efficient LED lights, and replacing the old runway and taxiway signs with new signs.

Project Schedule

The design of this project was completed in fall 2019. The City has contracted with Pivetta Brothers Construction to construct the project which is anticipated to start in April 2020, when the weather is more favorable.

Project costs and funding

The total current project estimate is \$3,923,000 and is 90% funded by Federal Aviation Administration grants. The remaining 10% is funded by a mix of Airport funds and Washington State Department of Transportation Aviation grants.

For more information

For more information on this project, please contact Seth Wickstrom, Project Engineer at 253-804-5034 or via email at swickstrom@auburnwa.gov.



Runway safety area (240 feet long)

New underground storm detention chambers

New taxiway improvements

New runway extension (200 feet)

Taxiway demolition



Runway safety area (240 feet long)

New underground storm detention chambers

New taxiway improvements

New runway extension (241 feet)

Taxiway demolition

FUTURE PHASE
Property purchase and runway safety area improvements

50 Years of Artifacts

Did you know that the White River Valley Museum turns fifty this April?

The Museum's collection has expanded significantly since they first opened in 1970. Thanks to donations from generous members of the community, the Museum has preserved thousands of photographs, documents, and other artifacts that share the stories of the people who have lived in the White River Valley. Take a trip back in time and see some of the unique additions the Museum has been able to save over the last fifty years!

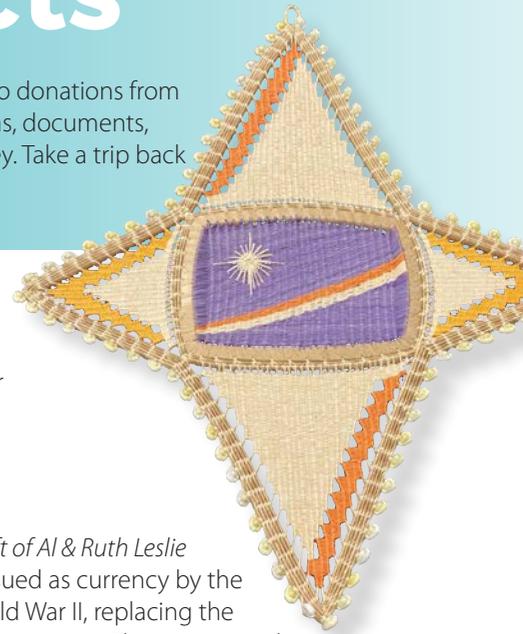


**DONATED
IN THE
1990s**

Clock, Weese Jewelry

1991.0042.005 | Gift of Jim & Louise Weese

Weese Jewelry was a mainstay of downtown Auburn starting in the 1950s. This large display clock hung in their storefront at 202 East Main for two decades before being donated to the Museum.



**DONATED
IN THE
1980s**

Tax Tokens

1981.0006.0041-42 | Gift of Al & Ruth Leslie

These plastic tax tokens were issued as currency by the State of Washington during World War II, replacing the metal tax tokens of the Depression years. They were worth fractions of a penny and were used to pay sales tax on small purchases until they were phased out in 1951.



**DONATED
IN THE
2010s**

Jay Rattle

2015.0043.002 | Gift of Kenneth "Greg" Watson

This Steller's Jay-shaped rattle was made by Morgan Sohappy, a member of the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, in 2005 when he was learning traditional woodcarving. Sohappy went on to teach language and woodcarving at the Muckleshoot Tribal College.

**DONATED
IN THE
1970s**

Hitching Rings

1971.0023.001 & 004

Gift of the City of Kent

These hitching rings were originally installed in the cement in front of Hansen's Blacksmith Shop in Kent. They were allowed to remain for many decades, even getting painted yellow along with the rest of the curbs in the city, until the late 1960s.



**DONATED
IN THE
2000s**

License Plate Frame

2003.0021.001

Gift of Charlaime Rice

Car dealerships like Bothell Chevrolet helped to put Auburn on the map in the 1950s and 1960s as the "Little Detroit of the West." This legacy continues today, with both new and old car dealerships dominating the north section of Auburn Way, the same way they have for over 70 years.

**DONATED
IN THE
1970s**

Coiled Basket with Tumpline

1970.0018.024 | Gift of Mrs. Charles Reynolds

An unknown Muckleshoot weaver created this basket around the turn of the 20th century, most likely to be used for harvesting berries and other plant materials. Coast Salish basket weavers were so talented, they could make coiled baskets with such a tight weave they were capable of holding water.



**DONATED
IN THE
2010s** **Wall Hanging**
2019.0012.001

Gift of the Seattle Marshallese Community
This wall hanging featuring the flag of the Marshall Islands in one of dozens of examples of Marshallese handicrafts recently donated to the Museum by the Seattle Marshallese Community. Auburn is home to one of the largest populations of Marshallese immigrants outside of the Marshall Islands.

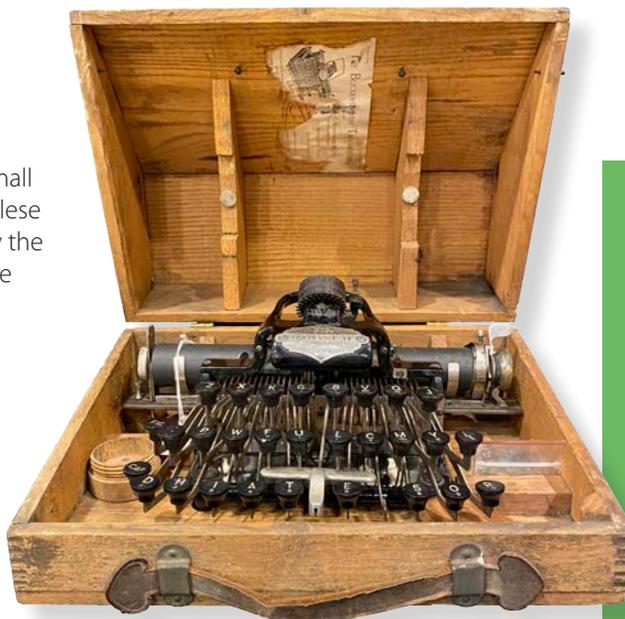
**DONATED
IN THE
1970s** **Wedding Shoes**
1973.0001.031A-B

Gift of Dornford W. Stoliker.
Small, delicate-looking shoes like this pair, worn by Cora Bowder on her wedding day in 1942, sometimes give the impression that all women's feet were very tiny in the past. In reality, very small clothing is much more likely to survive long enough to enter a museum's collection because it is less likely to be worn by multiple people. This phenomena is called "Survivorship Bias".



**DONATED
IN THE
2010s** **Suitcase**
2016.0021.001

Gift of Donna Hutchens
The Shimojima family of Auburn was one of thousands of Japanese and Japanese-American families who were incarcerated during World War II simply for being of Japanese descent. This wooden suitcase was built by Masayasu "Sauce" Shimojima while he was incarcerated at the Pinedale Assembly Center.



**DONATED
IN THE
1990s** **Typewriter**
1997.0013.001

Gift of Jim Bridges
This travel-sized typewriter was used by Bob Bridges of Kent when he served as State Land Commissioner for the State of Washington (1896-1900). Though it was his typewriter, it is most likely that his secretary, Mary Hays, did most of the typing on it while they were on duty traveling across the state.

**DONATED
IN THE
1980s** **A-Y-P Exposition
Souvenir Blocks**

1980.0002.005
Gift of Dorothy Bow Hill
The 1909 A-Y-P Expo may have been held in Seattle, but it brought economic opportunities to the entire Puget Sound region, including the White River Valley. Souvenirs like this block set helped to spread the word around the country that Seattle and Washington state were filled with wealth and resources just waiting to hit the worldwide markets.



White River
Valley Museum
is open
Wednesday
through Sunday
12-4 PM and the first
Thursday of each
month 6-8 PM

ADMISSION

Admission is \$2 for children 18 and under and seniors 60 and over, \$5 for adults, kids 2 and under admitted for free.

Museum members are always admitted for free. First Thursdays and third Sundays are free for everyone!

Visit the Museum's website, wrvmuseum.org for a full listing of upcoming events or follow them on Facebook (@wrvmuseum) to always be in the know.

Do you have an artifact from the White River Valley you would like to donate to the Museum? Visit our website for more information. wrvmuseum.org/research-resources/#donate

While the artifacts in this article are not currently on display, there are tons of great exhibits and objects to view at the White River Valley Museum every day. Celebrate the Museum's 50th Anniversary with 50cent admission the entire month of April!

**White River
Valley Museum**
918 H St SE
Auburn, WA 98002
253-288-7433
wrvmuseum.org



B STREET PLAZA

What should the core of a downtown look like?
What is right for the City of Auburn and
how do we help set that standard?



Maybe you have never thought of it this way, but if you really think about it, the downtown corridor is really an outdoor mall. A very pedestrian friendly environment that, when built and designed well, should be attractive and create a sense of intrigue—an environment that draws you in as you travel through town.

This does not happen by accident, or sheer luck. It starts with a series of decisions, starting with soundly-written city codes, coupled with very deliberate choices and sometimes tough conversations in order to ensure successful building design outcomes.

But this principle doesn't just apply to new construction, it is also important when there is a redesign of an existing building. When you consider the various touchpoints that exist between neighboring properties, a unique opportunity exists—an opportunity to meld the structures into a cohesive and complimentary backdrop when done right. A recent façade improvement project located at the B St. Plaza is an excellent example of how just such an approach can create amazing outcomes.

If you are not immediately familiar with this location, it is the property that is adjacent to the catastrophic Heritage Building fire that occurred in 2017. Those neighboring businesses, and the pedestrian experience, have been scarred by that tragic event ever since. What can we do as a local municipality to help minimize the negative impacts? How can we make strategic investments that not only help improve the visual appeal of the area until a new structure can rise out of the ground, but also help to set the stage for what our downtown will look like? The answer: We can invest in the existing infrastructure utilizing the façade improvement program and funding.

Built in 1957, The Calvo Building is located at 202 East Main St. and highly visible as you travel up and down this primary corridor. At nearly 7,000 square feet, this structure has been the home to many retail establishments during its 63-year history in Auburn. Most recently, it is the home of Auburn Hair and Spa, Top Nails and Spa, Dollar Latino, and J's Teriyaki. One aspect of the overall renovation being proposed at this location was an upgrade to the existing signage.

According to City Planner Alexandria Teague, who was responsible for the sign permit review and approval process, "The initial proposal was for a black background that would be cut out and overlaid with grey vinyl lettering. During the preliminary review, I suggested that the lettering would be hard to read from a distance and the advertising would be lost. Additionally, the design standards for our downtown urban center, or DUC, encourages signage that is highly graphic, creative, and interesting, so I began offering suggestions and different options for the property owner to consider."

Alexandria knew this particular building owner had a very distinct vision for the overall appearance of the building. She encouraged them to come in to discuss the vision and sign materials. This meeting of the minds would enable both parties to visualize the final product and hopefully move the project forward from design to approval. During this time, City staff also participated in follow up conversations with the customer's

(Left top) City Planner Alexandria Teague celebrating the completed improvements.

(Left Bottom) Completed improvements.

sign company. Ultimately, the plans were revised, and samples of what you now see on the structure were provided: a black metal background with a metallic, vinyl overlay "reverse weeded" to reveal the white text. Adding to the character and charm was the use of screws to attach the substrate, as well as the owner's vision to have the signs illuminated by gallery lights to complete the final look. With both parties in agreement, and the final plans submitted and approved by Planning Services and the Plan's Examiner, the project could move from concept to reality.



For this façade improvement project, the owner received nearly \$35,000 from the City of Auburn façade improvement grant program, coupled with nearly \$175,000 in private investment to complete the refurbishment of the building, which is awaiting final inspection. We think you will agree that the final product turned out to be a very appealing backdrop. Teague was asked how she feels about the final outcome given her involvement in the process and she stated, "I think it turned out better than I expected. It's really cool to be able to say, 'I was a part of that.' Our customers don't always know the various options that are available to them. It's fun to help them tap into and explore the wide variety of options to diversify the visual experience that good sign design helps foster. To be able to give a property owner permission to be creative, to think outside the box and see them take advantage of the opportunity is rewarding. Seeing the end product executed well is really satisfying."

Alexandria also encouraged the property owner to participate in a sign program so that the signage of future tenants will conform to the agreed upon standards, and will allow for quicker sign permit reviews and approvals.

To learn more about the façade improvement program and the revitalization of downtown, please visit our website at: auburnwa.gov/downtown.



Mill Pond Park plays host to fishing derbies for youth

Tucked behind the Auburn Riverside High School Tennis Courts and the bottom of Lakeland Hills sits a unique attraction – Mill Pond Park.

Dedicated in 1997, the park was a joint project between the City of Auburn Parks and Public Works Departments, the Auburn School District, and the developer of Lakeland Hills. These entities came together to create a dual-purpose park that provides a recreational experience in a natural setting and provides stormwater detention and filtering for a 400 acre area. The park, named for Mill Creek, which runs through the site, features a permanent pond, a grass-lined bio-swale that becomes a temporary pond during storms, a 1/4 mile paved trail around the circumference of the ponds, and a fishing dock. While fishing in the pond is limited to children under 15, the park is a beautiful setting for all ages to enjoy.

Each spring, the pond gets stocked with fish so it can play host to two popular and free fishing derbies.

The Lions of District 19C, Zone C-3 support a Special Needs Fishing Derby at the park each year. This year, the event will be held on Saturday, April 25, from 9 a.m.-1p.m. Preschool and school-aged special needs youth are invite to bring a fishing rod, some bait and a smile for some great fun at the pond. They are a limited number of fishing poles on site for kids to borrow and siblings and friends are welcome to participate as well, with special needs youth having the opportunity to fish first. There is a limit of five fish per child and Lions Club members will be on hand to clean and package the fish for the kids. Concessions will also be available for purchase.

The Auburn S.O.F. Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers will host their annual youth fishing derby on Saturday, May 2, from 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. for kids ages 14 and under. Kids are invited to bring a rod, bait and their best fishing hat to this fun and free event. The Fishing Derby is also supported by Auburn Sports & Marine and the City of Auburn. A limited number of fishing poles and gear will be available to borrow and concessions will be available for purchase.

MILL POND
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YOUTH SPECIAL NEEDS
FISHING DERBY
SATURDAY APRIL 25



YOUTH FISHING DERBY
SATURDAY MAY 2



Petpalooza



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Saturday
May 16

10am-5pm
Game Farm Park
3030 R St SE



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**Auburn's petpalooza is a monster of an event,
perfect for families and animal lovers alike!**

**You'll find thousands of wagging tails and even roller-skating parrots,
wallabies and pygmy goats at Auburn's 13th annual Petpalooza festival.**

The free event will feature live entertainment that will include, among others, Reptile Isle, Northwest Animal Adventures and The Parrot Lady. Tractor Supply Company's Main Stage will also include performances from the 80 Proof Ale Band, which will be the perfect tunes, while sipping a cold beverage from Rain City Catering's Beer & Wine Garden. Petpalooza also includes pony rides, Mud Bay's Northwest Pet Contest, an agility area, Seattle FlyDogs, agility demonstrations, and over 150 vendors offering a variety of low-cost pet services, adoptions, samples, information and a huge selection of animal-related products.

Returning to Petpalooza is the widely popular All-Alaskan Racing Pigs. This famous racing team features the fastest and funniest athletes to serve up entertainment anywhere! Flat-track racing and hurdling are their specialties, but a good gag is always on the menu. Sourdough Jack and Soapy Smith have been cooking up fun for many years. Don't miss the five shows offered at Petpalooza!

Auburn's Petpalooza doesn't forget about making kids happy (their parents too, as these activities are FREE!). Brought to you by Coastal Farm and Ranch, this year's festival will showcase a 15' x 50' no-barrier petting zoo. Once inside the enclosure, all the animals roam freely with the public. The zoo includes wallabies, goats, sheep, chickens, rabbits and more. Children can also enjoy animal-related face painting, compliments of the Auburn Youth Council, FREE inflatable rides and ArtRageous hands-on art projects. Don't forget to check-out the entertainment schedule – kids love pig races, reptile shows, high-flyin' dogs and talented parrots!

3K/5K
DOG TROT

Registrations are currently being accepted for the Dog Trot Fun Run, a family-oriented fun run/walk that takes place just prior to Petpalooza at 9:30 a.m. Participants may choose between the 3K or the 5K routes. The course is flat, easy and enjoyable for all ages and ability levels. The chip-timed race gives participants the most accurate finish times. Awards will be distributed to

the top participant in six age groups: Child (8 and under); Tween (9-12 years); Teen (13-19); Adult I (20-35); Adult II (36-54) and Senior (55+). The early registration fee is \$18 per person and includes an event t-shirt. Registrations after April 17 are \$23 per person and event day registration is \$25 per person. T-shirts are available on a limited basis for late and on-site registrations. Online registration is offered at auburnwa.gov/petpalooza.

Come hungry, as Petpalooza has almost every food option you can think of from hamburgers and hot dogs to kettle corn, ice cream, gyros, Fisher Scones, pizza and more. This year's festival will also offer a beer & wine garden, located conveniently near the entertainment stage, so you can enjoy some great animal shows or fabulous live music while enjoying a refreshing beverage.

Petpalooza is sponsored by Painting With A Twist, Tractor Supply Company, Coastal Farm and Ranch, and the Muckleshoot Casino. Media support courtesy of 100.7 The Wolf. Complete event information can be found at auburnwa.gov/petpalooza.



Breathe Easy!

Auburn opts for smoke-free parks

Parks provide safe, welcoming places for all genders, faiths, ethnicities and abilities to enjoy and pursue physical activity, healthy lifestyles and leisure experiences through nature. These positive activities in parks have proven time and again to assist in combating chronic disease, an increased prevalence of sedentary lifestyles, stress and poor nutrition habits. Parks and open spaces contribute to a healthier Auburn community. But smoking and tobacco use in parks do not.

In 2009, the Auburn City Council adopted Resolution 4475 that kicked off the Tobacco Free Parks for Kids education campaign. While that campaign didn't formally prohibit smoking in parks, the campaign produced signage that promoted no smoking around ballfields and playground at several of the City's parks. But advocates for Smoke Free Parks wanted to take it a step further and officially ban smoking from Auburn's Parks. In the fall of 2019, Auburn's Healthy Auburn 2020 Task Force and the City of Auburn Parks Board asked the city council to consider a tobacco/smoke free parks ordinance. The issue wasn't about protecting the rights of smokers, but rather about protecting the rights of everyone to have a smoke free environment while visiting their parks.

After public input and thoughtful consideration, the Auburn City Council agreed with the recommendation in November 2019 and approved a smoke-free parks ordinance that added a section to Auburn City Code Chapter 2.22 related to smoking,

Our parks are smoke, vape, and tobacco free



both non-combustible products, like ecigarettes or other vaping devices that produce smoke or vapor, and dipping tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, or snus; and combustible products, like paper cigarettes, cigarillos, and cigars, pipes, and hookahs. If the product emits smoke, or vapor, or contains tobacco, it is prohibited. Violation of this section constitutes a class 3 civil infraction pursuant to 7.80 RCW.

vaping and tobacco use. Specifically, the new code states: In or on any park that is not a golf course, it is unlawful for any person to use tobacco products, to smoke, to vape, or to hold a smoking or vaping product that is lit or producing smoke.

This prohibition includes

The ordinance takes effect in May 2020

Similar to other park conduct expectations such as no alcohol, no littering, leash laws, no fireworks, etc., the primary enforcement tool will be signage to communicate and inform about the park rules. The park rules signs will be update to include the Smoke Free Parks rule and additional Breathe Easy signs will be added to major gathering areas at the parks such as playgrounds, ballfields and picnic shelters.

Enforcement of the new rule will primarily be a matter of education. Trained park staff will communicate the new rule to park patrons, assisting in educating the public about the Smoke-Free Parks rule. Formal enforcement and any fines will be handled by the Auburn Police Department. The City expects a large percentage of smokers to voluntarily comply with these requests or verbal warnings.

"Auburn is proud to provide healthful and welcoming parks for all residents to enjoy," said Parks, Arts & Recreation Director Daryl Faber. "This new Smoke Free Parks policy follows similar bans in more than 1,000 other cities and jurisdictions nationwide, including our neighboring jurisdictions of Kent, Covington, SeaTac, Burien and Seattle."

The smoking ban is supported by several major organizations, including Public Health – Seattle & King County and the American Heart Association.

According to Public Health Seattle & King County, the top two leading causes of death in the City of Auburn are cancer and heart disease. Nearly 1 in 5 deaths in King County are caused by smoking. Additionally, e-cigarette use among high school students has increased from 4.8% in 2012 to 24.6% in 2018. According to the 2019 National Youth Tobacco Survey, five million youth report having used e-cigarettes in the past 30 days and nearly one million report using them daily.

The American Heart Association supported the Smoke Free Parks policy to protect the public from exposure to secondhand smoke. They note that about half of U.S. children ages 3-11 are exposed to secondhand smoke. Comprehensive smoke free laws significantly reduce secondhand smoke and vapor exposure and a growing body of research has found that exposure to secondhand smoke in outdoor areas can be as harmful as exposure in enclosed areas.



CITY OF AUBURN'S ANNUAL CLEAN SWEEP

Saturday, April 18, 2020

HELP REJUVENATE AUBURN BY PARTICIPATING IN SPRING CLEAN-UP!

Help Auburn celebrate **Earth Day** and participate in Auburn's largest volunteer effort! Clean Sweep is just around the corner and you're invited to volunteer for this fun, annual event scheduled for **Saturday, April 18**.

This community-wide volunteer effort will focus on major clean-up, environmental restoration, and beautification efforts in different areas around the city. Volunteer groups will work on general clean-up, landscaping, planting, weeding and other projects at various parks, trails and other sites around Auburn.

Volunteers can register online by selecting the Clean Sweep event at auburnwa.gov/events and can either choose to participate in a specific project or can ask to be assigned to the project that is in need of the most volunteer support.

Everybody is welcome to join in the fun! Service clubs, social service agencies, faith-based groups, scouting troops, businesses, families, and individuals are all invited to come out for the day, work together on some beautification projects, and celebrate Auburn.

Volunteers will be asked to bring tools based on their volunteer assignment (determined once registered), gardening or work gloves, and a broom for the ceremonial sweep along the Main Street sidewalks. Participants are encouraged to wear t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, or other clothing that identifies their group.

The 2020 Clean Sweep project will kick-off at City Hall at 7:30 a.m. with group registration and a pancake breakfast prepared by Kiwanis Club of Auburn. Volunteers will then participate in a Ceremonial Clean Sweep down the Main Street sidewalks at 8:30 a.m., followed by the collective volunteer projects at various sites around Auburn beginning around 9:00 a.m.



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To volunteer to participate in Clean Sweep 2020, or for additional information, please visit the City's website at auburnwa.gov/events, call 253-931-3043, or email events@auburnwa.gov.

If your trash could talk

Imagine you were an archaeologist 100 years in the future on a “big dig” (waste audit) at the King County Cedar Hills Landfill. The landfill will have long since closed in 2040. Today’s landfills are lined to stop leachate (garbage juice) from draining down into the soil into our drinking water systems, so this well-sealed garbage container allows many items to remain intact and not decompose.

So what remnants from the last five generations would be found in this future waste audit? What might these items tell us about the how the people lived and their consumption habits in the 21st century? Were they frugal or extravagant? Waste-watchers or wasteful? Trash reveals a lot about people.

From cradle to grave, all items are created in our imaginations, then they come to life through manufacturing and are purchased through marketing practices. Everything that is in the trash or recycle has gone through this process at some point in time. All items have a cost associated with time, materials and labor. Basically, our landfills are full of money and labor.

The latest study completed by the Washington State Department of Ecology’s Solid Waste Management program reports a record-high trash disposal rate of 5.3 million tons in 2017, with trends moving upward. In the last 17 years, Washington’s population increased by 24 percent – and its waste generation increased by nearly triple that. More simply put, Washingtonians generated 6.6 pounds of trash and 6.2 pounds of recyclables per person per day. Although we recover almost half our waste for recycling and other beneficial uses, our waste generation is still growing and growing... and growing.

What’s the reason for this never ending creation of garbage? Let’s get back to the question, “What remnants would be found in our landfill?” According to many landfill waste audits, the most common items for disposal are: food and food scraps, disposable (one-time use) items, single-use plastics, newspaper and paper, and non-recyclable plastics (anything that is not a bottle, jug or tub). Other items discovered would include: Styrofoam take-out containers and packaging, broken household items and toys, clothing, furniture, appliances, latex paint and non-hazardous electronic waste. Unfortunately as well, many recyclable items and some hazardous waste products would also be present.

The items we see thrown away today reflect a fast-paced life of convenience and could even be said to reflect a life of abundance due to the massive amounts of materials in the landfills. This statement can be hard to swallow if you are one of many families struggling to make ends meet each month. North Americans are notorious for creating garbage, yet struggle to find money to save. Many people have no idea where their money goes.

Start with a home waste audit

Don’t despair...there is good news. Doing a home waste audit is a powerful tool and indicator to see what you are spending your money on, then wasting by throwing away. Grab those gloves and dig in (like an archaeologist) and make a list of what’s in your trash for a month. You may be totally surprised at what you find.

The following information provides tips on how to do a home waste audit, reduce your waste, save on the budget and most importantly – do your part to save our planet’s resources and environment.

The web is a great place for tips and information

There are many websites and YouTube videos offering information on doing waste audits. Just do a web search for “How to do a home waste audit”.

Ways you can reduce waste and save money:

- Think before you buy. Inventory what you already have...do you really need the item?
- Buy better quality items that will last longer.
- Buy in bulk when possible.
- Make a weekly menu and shopping list before you go to the store and stick with what’s on the list.
- Buy items that are recyclable after use (check your recycle guidelines).
- Reuse items or donate gently used items to local agencies. Visit auburnwa.gov.solidwaste.
- Stop buying disposable, single-use products.





TAX RELIEF FOR SENIORS

Did you know?

State law provides two tax benefit programs for senior citizens and the disabled: **property tax exemptions and property tax deferrals.**

More than 26,000 qualified seniors and disabled persons have yet to register for the exemption, and only 1 in 100 of those eligible for deferrals are currently enrolled.

The process of applying is fairly simple. Under certain circumstances, you may be eligible for a property tax deferral or exemption.

Do you qualify?

Senior Citizens/Disabled Exemption Qualifications:

- ✓ Annual household income of \$58,423 or less
- ✓ Own and occupy a house, mobile home, condo or co-op
- ✓ 61 years of age by December 31 of the previous year
- ✓ Retired because of disability
- ✓ Veteran with a 100% service-connected disability
- ✓ You are a widow, or widower, or state registered domestic partner at least 57 years of age whose spouse or state registered domestic partner had an exemption at the time of death.

Once qualified, you continue to benefit from the exemption, but any change in circumstances must be reported to the assessor to avoid penalties.

For information, call 206-296-3920 or the Auburn Senior Activity Center.

Applications and appointments for personal assistance filling out the forms available at Auburn Senior Activity Center

808 9th St | 253-931-3016 | auburnwa.gov



CODE COMPLIANCE CORNER

For more information, or to access all Auburn city codes and ordinances, please visit auburnwa.gov/citycode.

You are the eyes and ears of our community

The City of Auburn is committed to being an efficient and responsive local government. To that end, it is important that we hear from you, our residents. When issues arise in the community, we depend on our neighbors to be the eyes and ears and let us know what you are facing so we have the opportunity to address your concerns. We want to make this process as user friendly as possible and we have established a variety of tools and reporting options for you to utilize.

Citizens can walk into any of our offices to report a concern, or utilize whatever mode of communication works best for you. See below for a list of reporting options.

If you wish to report a concern, it is important for you to be as descriptive as possible in order for us to locate the concern. Photos, addresses, cross streets or landmarks can be most helpful to the city staff that will be following up to resolve the issue identified. We often receive anonymous reports with limited information which makes it challenging to locate and does not give us the opportunity to correct the problem.

While we understand the desire to remain anonymous, if a phone number or e-mail is provided, we can contact the reporting party to obtain additional information in an effort to pinpoint and resolve the issue. Unresolved issues not only impact the immediate area, but also detract from the overall appeal of our community. It is important to note that the City will make every effort to protect the identity of those reporting concerns in the community.

We thank you in advance for being a good neighbor and partnering with us. We take pride in knowing that by working together, we can help maintain property values, improve the quality of our neighborhoods, and preserve Auburn as a city we are proud to call home!

What issues do we want to hear about?

We get information and feedback from the community on a wide range of issues: abandoned vehicles, potholes, illegal dumping, graffiti, street lighting and traffic signals to name a few.

Reporting concerns

Online: auburnwa.gov/reporting

For code compliance issues: Email codeenforcement@auburnwa.gov
Call 253-931-3020, option #4
In person at the Customer Service Center
1 East Main St, 2nd Floor

The newest tool in our reporting toolbox is the SeeClickFix mobile app. This is truly the easiest way to get things fixed in our community. When you identify an issue that needs to be corrected, the key to successful resolution is quite literally in the palm of your hand. We encourage you to download the app and help us help you. Your ability to improve your neighborhood is just a few clicks away.



Your Full-Service Auburn App

Report concerns like potholes & graffiti.

Learn more about the city, sign up for email updates, or even check our traffic cameras.

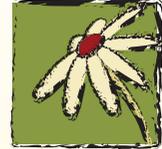
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Auburn, Washington



City of Auburn Code Enforcement

From January 1 to March 9, 2020, Code Enforcement has worked with landlords, homeowners, property management companies and businesses throughout the community and gained compliance on 170 cases. An additional 144 cases remain open and active.



Story Thyme

We asked Sondra Andrews of Duris Farms why she loves the Auburn Int'l Farmers Market



We love being a part of our community by being at the Farmers Market. It is wonderful to meet and talk to new people and experience a little of "yesteryear."

We also enjoy meeting other vendors to see what they do and bring to the Market!

What type of produce do you offer?

Strawberries, Pickling Cucumbers, Slicing Cucumbers, Yellow Squash, Zucchini, Dill, Green Beans

Why or what inspires you to produce your product?

Our parents Al and Hazel Duris started the farm in 1955. As kids, we grew up living and working on the farm every summer! As much as we complained and often wanted to get out of all the work... we learned how to work! Our parents taught us how to have a good work ethic and we grew to have a love for the farm—from the smell of fresh cultivated dirt to the planting and harvesting of the various vegetables. As kids, it was a sign of laziness to watch TV during the day! There was always work to be done. We loved attending Vacation Bible School for the first two weeks in the summer because that would take up 1/2 a day where we got out of the farm work! All that to say is that our parents taught us the work ethic and love for the farm that we experience today... and we continue to have a passion to carry on the heritage our parents left us... to have a love for the land and the opportunity to serve our community. We have a blessed life!





EARTH DAY EVERY DAY

Join us for the 50th anniversary of Earth Day!

Saturday, April 25, 2020

10:00am-4:30pm

Auburn Library

Activities and speakers include:

- 10:00am FREE recycling of most electronics, kitchen appliances, clothing, & more
- 10:30am Worm Composting 101 with Diane DiGleria
- 1:00pm Reducing Your Carbon Footprint with Tom Watson
- 2:00pm Take-Apart Tinkering (Ages 5 and older)
- 3:00pm Bee Mindful! Bees and the Environment with Danny Najera
- 10:30am Story Time
- 12:30pm Story Time
- All day Crafts and exhibits!



Auburn Library | 1102 Auburn Way S | (253) 931-3018

Music of *Richard Strauss*

Sunday, April 26 | 2:30 pm
Auburn Performing Arts Center

Anton Nel, Piano
Wesley Schulz, Conductor

auburnsymphony.org, 253-887-7777

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The 2020 Census impacts the 3Ds: **democracy, data and dollars**

Populations counts from the census give federal, state and local agencies BROAD data about our communities. These numbers effect the number of representatives our state has in Congress and how much money cities and schools receive to fund things like:

- 👤 SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)
- 👤 Libraries
- 👤 Community Centers
- 👤 School meal programs
- 👤 Public transportation
- 👤 Medicare & Medicaid
- 👤 Parks & playgrounds
- 👤 Education programs



Census 2020 FAQs



Does the Census include questions about immigration status?

No.

Can the information in the census be shared?

No. It is against the law for Census workers to share individual responses, including with other government agencies. Census data CANNOT be used for enforcing any type of law, including for housing, public benefits, or immigration enforcement.

What happens if I don't complete the Census?

Census workers will first try to follow-up by mail. If you do not respond, Census employees may visit your home to speak with you.

How do I take the Census?

Invitations to take the Census will be mailed to homes March 12-20. You can respond online, by phone, or by mail. The online form can be found in many different languages at 2020census.gov.

THERE'S SO MUCH TO SEE & DO IN AUBURN'S COMMUNITY PARKS!

Now is the perfect time to get active and visit Auburn's outstanding park system!

Auburn has an extensive system of parks, open space and urban trails comprised of 33 developed parks, over 26 miles of trails, and almost 387 acres of open space for passive and active recreation.



AUBURN ENVIRONMENTAL PARK 413 Western Ave NW	Bird/wildlife viewing tower
BRANNAN 1019 28th St NE	Baseball, soccer, BBQ, skateboarding, restrooms, playground, river/pond access, trails, basketball, field rentals, Free Little Library
FENSTER NATURE PARK 2033 4th St SE	Swimming and tubing access to the Green River, public fishing access, trail access
FULMER 1101 5th St NE	Baseball, restrooms, playground, field rental
GAME FARM 3030 R St SE	Baseball, soccer, BBQ, Pickleball courts, restrooms, playground, river/pond access, trails, basketball, picnic shelter, tennis court, sand volleyball courts, horseshoes, rentals
GAME FARM WILDERNESS 2401 Stuck River Dr SE	Restrooms, picnic shelter, river/pond access, trails, rentals, camping
GSA PARK 413 15th St SW	Baseball, field rentals
ISAAC EVANS 29827 Green River Rd SE	Restrooms, picnic shelter, BBQ, playground, river/pond access, trails, horseshoes, rentals
LEA HILL 31693 124th Ave SE	Restrooms, multi-purpose sport turf, playground, picnic shelter, ballfield, skate spot, half basketball court, public art, Free Little Library
LES GOVE 910 9th St SE	Baseball, soccer, restrooms, Discovery Playground, Bocce Courts, trails, water spray playground, Parks Administration Building, Auburn Senior Activity Center, White River Valley Museum, library, rentals
MARY OLSON FARM 28728 Green River Rd SE	Seven historic buildings, a century-old orchard, a year-round stream with two salmon runs, and extensive pastures and woodlands
MILL POND 4582 Mill Pond Dr SE	River/pond access, trails
ROEGNER 601 Oravetz Rd SE	Restrooms, picnic shelter, BBQ, playground, off-leash dog park, river/pond access, trails, rentals
SUNSET 1420 69th St SE	Restrooms, playground, basketball, baseball, skate park, trails, BBQ, picnic shelter, rentals, Free Little Library
VETERANS MEMORIAL 405 E St NE	Public building, restrooms, playground, basketball, horseshoes, rentals



For a list of neighborhood parks & trails visit auburnwa.gov.parks



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- LES GOVE PARK
- Les Gove Building
- Parks, Arts & Recreation Building
- Senior Activity Center
- Rotary Spray Park
- Museum
- Library

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Drama Camps



Mix & Match Camps



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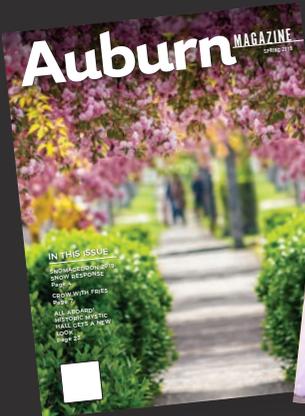
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CITY OF AUBURN COMMUNITY YARD SALE

FRIDAY, MAY 29

SATURDAY, MAY 30

SUNDAY, MAY 31

HOURS (MAY VARY): 9AM-4PM

have a sale!

Registration available April 1-May 8

- Register by 5pm on May 8 to have your address listed on the website.
- Online: auburnwa.gov/solidwasteevents.
- List your sale items online when you register.



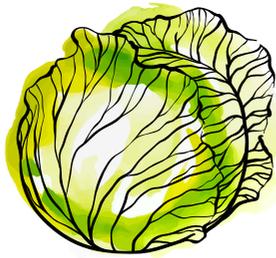
shop a sale!

Yard Sale addresses, map and list of items for sale available online after May 18 at auburnwa.gov/solidwasteevents

get a free yard sale kit!

- Download yard sale kit online
- Pick up yard sale signs after May 18 at the Customer Service Center, 1 E Main Street, 2nd floor





SEE YOU AT THE AUBURN

Farmers Market



SUNDAYS | JUNE 7-SEPTEMBER 20
10AM-3PM | LES GOVE PARK



Auburn Int'l Farmers Market



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