CITY OF KENMORE WALKWAYS AND WATERWAYS

BOND MEASURE UPDATE

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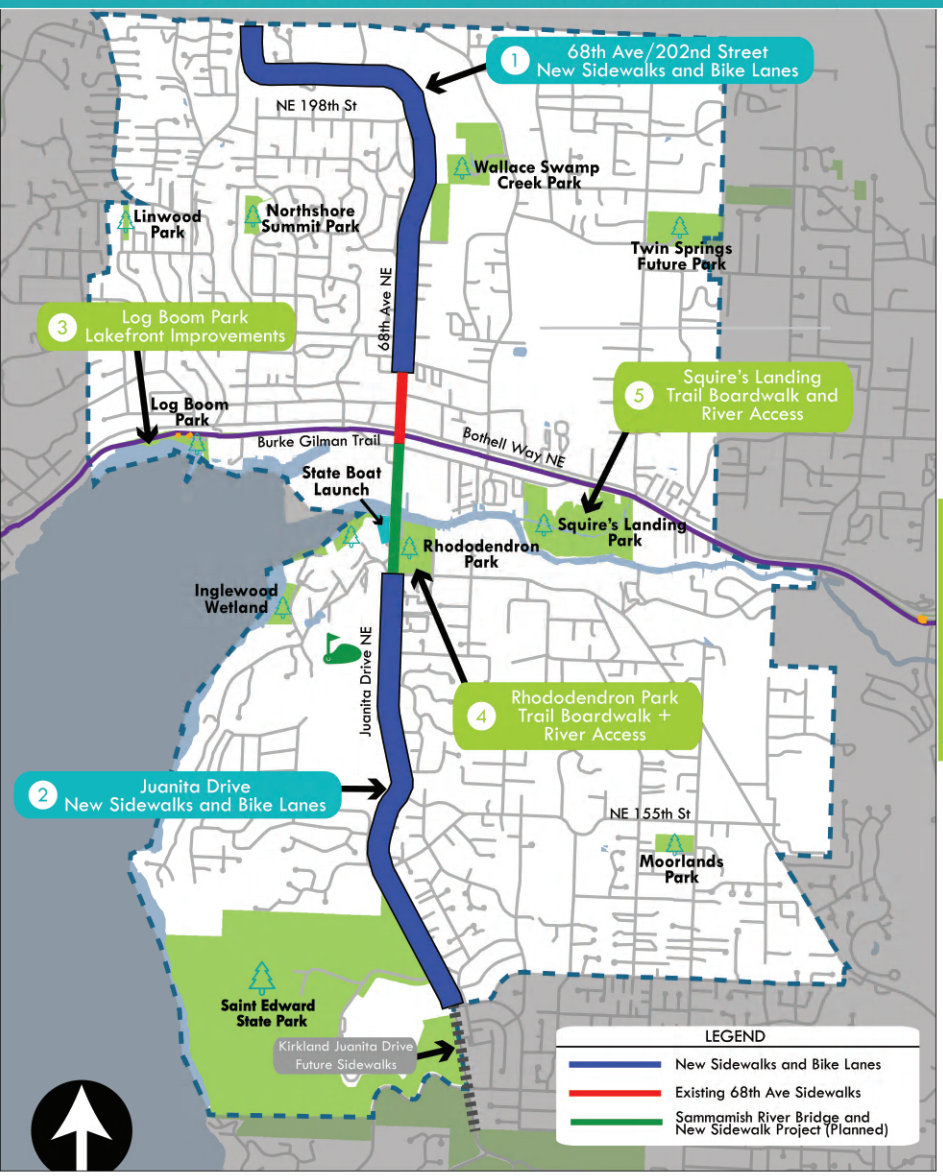

"Imagine Kenmore"

"Imagine Kenmore" was an extensive community engagement effort from Summer 2015 to Fall 2016 that included several public meetings, online interactive tools, and two statistically valid phone surveys. Your community input confirmed that safe routes for pedestrians and cyclists and connecting residents with the City's public open space and waterfront are top priorities.

What is Walkways and Waterways?

After hearing what the community wanted during "Imagine Kenmore", Walkways and Waterways was envisioned - a pedestrian and bicycle safety and waterfront park improvement bond measure approved by Kenmore voters on the November 8, 2016 ballot with 64% voter approval.

Voters authorized the City to issue up to $19.75 million in bonds, to be repaid over the next 20 years, to pay for five new projects. Proposition 1 Walkways & Waterways Improvements was the first city bond measure ever on the ballot in the City of Kenmore, which was incorporated in 1998.

Estimated Cost Per Month for Kenmore Homeowner (assuming home value of $600,000):

2016*- $16.00
2019 - $12.50
2020 *Projected*- $11.50

*Pre-bond measure estimate

Projects Progressing On Schedule

Before the bond measure in 2016, the City estimated the five projects would be completed between 2021 and 2023. We are still on track to meet that schedule.

The projects are funded by the bond measure, grants, and other city sources. Estimates are based on current designs. To see the most current estimates, visit www.kenmorewa.gov/WalkwaysandWaterways.

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1 68TH AVE NE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY

Construction: 2020 to 2022 Cost: $5.1M Bond + $4.8M Grants/Other City Sources (estimated)

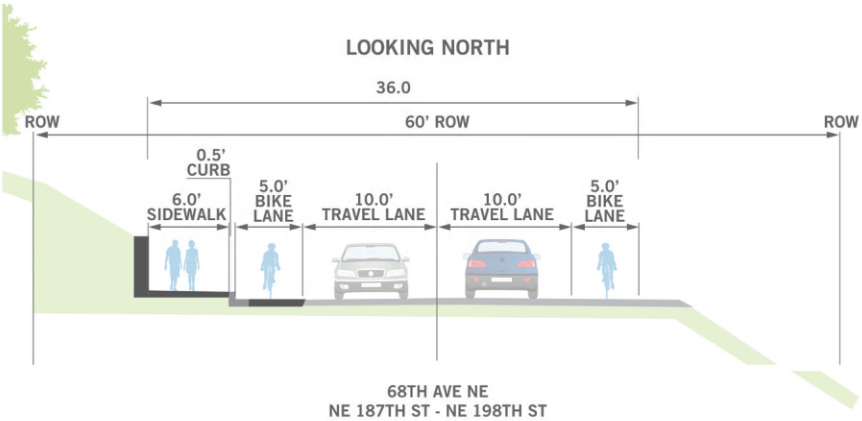
New sidewalk on the west side and bike lanes on both sides from NE 185th St to northern city limits (61st Place NE). Existing gaps in sidewalk on both sides will also be filled from NE 182nd St to NE 187th St. New stormwater system for improved environmental water quality and improved street lighting.

What's Been Done?

- November 2017 Council Meeting - reduced proposed roadway section width to reduce costs/impacts to adjacent streams, trees and driveways
- Public Open House January 2018 to solicit public input on design
- Work on environmental permits, coordination with utilities (PSE, Frontier, Comcast, Northshore Utility District) to plan their relocation work. PSE gas main and PSE/Frontier poles will be relocated prior to construction
- Meetings with property owners about driveway impacts. Improvements have been designed within existing right of way (ROW).

What's Next?

- Continue meeting with property owners to obtain temporary construction permits for driveway transitions and private property restoration
- Design is 90% completed. Expect to advertise job for construction in 2020. Completion expected in 2022.
- Open House for more public input in early 2020



2 JUANITA DRIVE NE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE SAFETY

Construction: 2021 to 2023 Cost: $5M Bond + $11.4M Grants/Other City Sources (estimated)

New sidewalk on east side and buffered bike lanes on both sides of the roadway from south city limits (NE 143rd St) to NE 170th St. Other improvements include adding or extending selected left turn lanes, and improving the curve at NE 155th Pl. New stormwater system, in-line bus stop improvements and improved street lighting.

What's Been Done?

- Public Open House January 2018 to solicit input on design, design work with consultant
- Environmental permits
- Secured $5.5M in grant funding to date
- Continue applying for grants to supplant local funding
- Right-of-way acquisition is underway
- Meetings with nearby property owners about driveway impacts

What's Next?

Design is 90% complete. Open house in early 2020 for more public input. We expect to advertise job for construction in 2020. Completion expected in 2022/2023.

3 LOGBOOM PARK WATERFRONT ACCESS AND VIEWING

Construction: 2022 to 2023 Cost: $3.2M Bond + $800K Grants/Other City Sources (estimate at 30% design)

Improves public access to Lake Washington including a new sandy beach, picnic shelter, boat rental building and public access for hand-powered watercraft, new trails and viewpoints, and environmental enhancements.

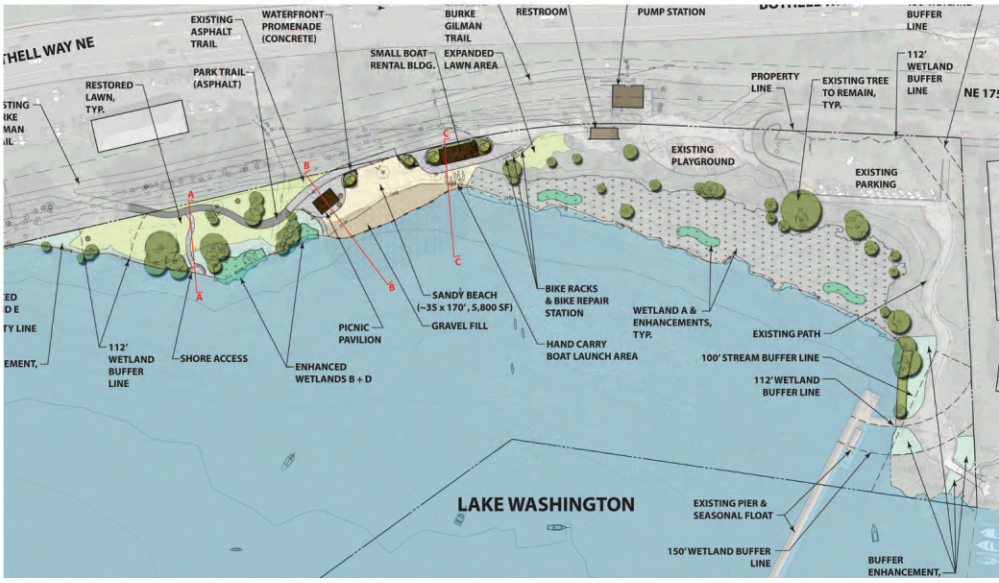
What's Been Done?

- Held Public Open House to review 30% design site plan in 2018
- Permit applications have been submitted to federal, state, and local agencies
- State RCO* $470,575 grant awarded

  *WA State Recreation and Conservation Office

What's Next?

- In the new year, the community will be invited to a public meeting to learn more about the project's 60% design refinements and materials selection
- Continue to address permitting questions from regulatory agencies throughout the remainder of 2019 and into 2020
- Submit Engineering and Building permits at 90% design by 2021



4 RHODODENDRON PARK WATERFRONT & NATURAL OPEN SPACE ACCESS

COMPLETED 2018 Cost: $795K Bond + $145,735 local city revenues

This project has been completed!

We have a new trail and boardwalk connecting the existing playfield through a natural open space to the riverfront and new floating dock (the dock was provided under the same construction contract but funded separately from the Walkways and Waterways bond issue). The project also improved the access drive and parking near the river, as well as environmental enhancements to the shoreline and wetlands.

Although not a bond project, we are also working on a Kenmore Boathouse in the park, which will provide storage for rowing shells for use by rowing programs. Depending on funding, the building may include a small second story area for exercise machines, meeting and coach space. It is primarily funded by grants and is expected to be open in 2021.

Did You Know?

If property values go up, the average amount paid by property owners does NOT go up each year.

Bond payments will be constant over the terms of the bonds. If property values go up, the tax rate will go down in order to keep the bond payment constant (Property Values X Tax Rate = Bond Payment). As more properties come onto the tax rolls through new development, the cost will be shared by these new properties, and the annual cost for all property owners will go down slightly.

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5 SQUIRE'S LANDING PARK WATERFRONT AND NATURAL OPEN SPACE ACCESS

Construction: 2022 through 2023
Cost: $5.15M Bond + $4.5M* Grants/Other City Sources (estimate at 30% design)

New park development to enhance public access to the Sammamish River. Four acres of open space restoration and 1.5 acres of new park infrastructure including bridge and viewing points will connect the park to the river. The project also adds a new public plaza, picnic shelter, boardwalk, docks, parking lot and restrooms.

What's Been Done?

- Public Open House in March 2018 to solicit input on draft design, work with engineering and design
- Submitted land use and environmental permits
- State RCO $500K grant awarded
- County $850K grant awarded for land conversion acquisition
- Work on land conversion process to satisfy State requirements

*Includes land conversion acquisition

What's Next:

In the next year, staff will meet with public to review 60% design and materials selection. Continue addressing permit questions from regulatory agencies. Advance design to 90% for Engineering and Building Permit submittal by 2021.

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