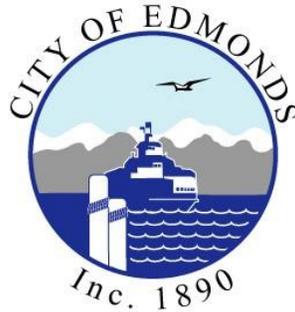


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Out in Edmonds

Walkable Main Street



Most retailers, restaurants and residents support the weekend Walkable Main Street. With that in mind, the City has decided to keep the Main Street event going through the **second weekend in October** to coincide with the end of the Edmonds Summer Market.

Additionally, residents may dine outside for breakfast, lunch and dinner in small curbside dining areas approved by the City. Restaurants may set up tables directly outside their building, next to the curb, so long as it is fenced in and protected by these big orange water-filled barriers.

Under construction

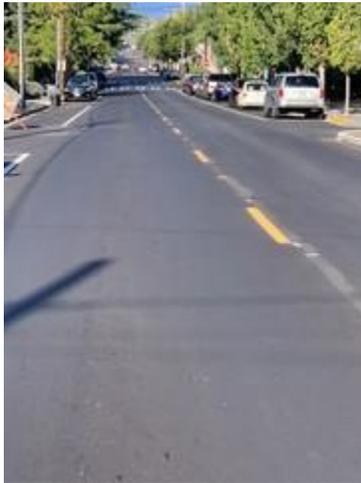
Beach work

We have a small beach closure directly in front of the new Waterfront Center. It began Monday, Aug. 24 and goes through Sept. 14. W.G. Clark, the Waterfront Center contractor, will remove the existing timber bulkhead, three existing pilings and two partially buried concrete structures, remnants of an old boat launch.

Look for the closure signs and please steer clear. It's for your own safety.

Sidewalks

City crews are building out **sidewalks around Edmonds** which prompted many folks to ask how we decide where sidewalks should go. Good question! We answer in our blog.



Dayton Street construction is a wrap!

The Dayton Street project to replace utilities, manage drainage, and repave between 3rd and 9th Avenues is complete. We received a very nice note from a Dayton Avenue resident that made our road crews and contractor blush. It read in part...

“To road crew members — Thank you for your courage and determination to complete the job during the Covid pandemic. You are amazing and very much appreciated. Also, your unfailing courtesy and friendliness turned a potentially major headache into a fascinating experience for us Dayton Street

dwellers. Major educational and entertainment value for we who are self-quarantining!”

Repairs for city buildings

For the next few months, we will work on **City-owned properties**. We will install LED lights throughout City Hall, replace old, leaky windows with more energy efficient glass, replace the old elevator, and replace the roof at Frances Anderson Center.



We can't come to the door right now...

Speaking of City Hall, we've had more people showing up at the locked front door looking for help. We are still **under COVID-19 restrictions** and unable to let you in. Please contact the city staff you need by phone or email. The permitting team is at 425-771-0220. The front desk is 425.771.2525.

Helping Friends, Neighbors and Families

New resource guide online

If you are an Edmonds resident struggling due to COVID-19, the City and the Council worked together to provide a document, a single source of information that brings together dozens of organizations that provide food, shelter, financial support, mental health support and more. [It is easy to use. Just click on the tab that best describes your situation.](#)

Support for working families with school-aged children

Looking for ways to help families with school-aged children, our Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources department will turn Frances Anderson Center into a Learning Center, a space where kids in second through sixth grade can spend the

day or part of the day participating in Edmonds School District online learning so parents can work. [Learn more \(link\)](#)

Boards and Commissions

We are recruiting! But there's a catch. You have to be a high schooler. Our Arts Commission, our Youth Commission, our City Council, and our Economic Development Commission are all looking for new youth members. [Learn more about the recruitment process here.](#)

Economic Development Commission

Early August, the group sent a survey to local businesses to get answers to two questions: "How are you doing?" and "How can we help?" We got back 118 responses and will go through the details in the coming weeks. At first glance, many business owners want to share/learn best practices from each other. This is good information and where we will focus some of our attention.

The Housing Commission

The Housing Commission, a group of Edmonds residents charged with developing proposed policy concepts for what housing could look like in 2021 and beyond, wrapped up their second community survey this month. Over the next month, they'll dig deep into the survey to learn more about your priorities. [Learn more about the Housing Commission](#), [read recent Q and A's](#) and get the latest on the survey.

4th Avenue Cultural Corridor

On Monday, Aug. 24, we hosted a zoom meeting to listen/share some ideas about turning 4th Avenue between Main Street and 3rd Avenue into a walkable, inviting corridor that focuses on the arts and could be a hub for community events. More than 35 people joined the call. [See concepts, take a poll and weigh in on ideas here.](#)

The Arts Commission

The Arts Commission just approved the latest *On the Fence* temporary Art project: The Flock. The piece by artist Mona T. Smiley-Fairbanks is On the Fence at the Anderson Center Playfield Fence. She calls attention to the variety of bird species throughout North America, just in time for [Puget Sound Bird Fest](#), to be held virtually this year, September 12-13. [Learn more about her motivation for the work.](#)



Other news

Rain garden

Boy did you like the story about the rain garden under construction in Sierra Park neighborhood! [Here's an update.](#)



So what do City employees do all day, anyway????

You may not know Jesse Curran, Parks' lead supervisor but once you read his story, you'll be glad he's here!

Walk through the magical Park Department door to learn more.....

In case you lost it...



“PLAY IT SAFE” PLAN

The City of Edmonds “Play It Safe” Plan aligns with Washington’s phased approach to reopening businesses and modifying social distancing measures. The goal is to balance the health and safety of residents with the physical and mental health benefits of using parks, being outdoors and recreating.

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	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4
OPEN Park Amenities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks & Trails (including beaches) • Fishing Pier • Informal Use of Athletic Fields • Temporary Restrooms • Underwater Dive Park <i>Group size restrictions are in effect</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Off Leash Dog Park • Skate Park • Permanent Restrooms • Outdoor sports courts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tennis/Pickleball Courts • Basketball Courts • Petanque • Sand Volleyball <i>Group size restrictions are in effect</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playgrounds • Frances Anderson Center <i>Group size restrictions are in effect</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter Rentals • Athletic Fields for Competition • Parks Open for Regular Use, except for specific CLOSED Park Facilities and CANCELLED Events and Programs listed below.
CLOSED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yost Pool and Hazel Miller Spray Park at City Park for the Summer Season • Olympic Beach Visitor Station (near the Fishing Pier) for the Summer Season 			
CANCELLED Events and Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edmonds SpringFest, Watershed Fun Fair, Health & Fitness Expo, Edmonds Cemetery Memorial Day Celebration, Edmonds Arts Festival, An Edmonds Kind of 4th (parade, race and fireworks), Live Summer Concert Series at City Park and Hazel Miller Plaza, Moonlight Beach Adventure, Classic Car Show, Outdoor Movies. • All Parks & Recreation indoor programming and athletic leagues until further notice (virtual classes still available). 			

Questions: call 425-771-0230 or email: edmondsparks@edmondswa.gov

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More ways to get Edmonds City info

We know people gather information in different ways. Some folks check My Edmonds News every morning, some read the Edmonds Beacon paper copy every two weeks.

The City is expanding ways to get information from us. We are on facebook, [twitter](#), and [now have a blog](#) where we expand on more complex issues like bike lanes and the Housing Commission. Next up: sidewalks!

We believe that if we provide factual, contextual information, it will free up space to discuss issues without also wrestling with factually inaccurate information.

We hope you find this useful and we hope you share this information with friends and neighbors.