This morning, Mayor Armondo Pavone, councilmembers, planning commission members, and city staff joined executives from Topgolf to officially open Topgolf Renton, the company’s first full-service location in Washington and their seventy-eighth globally. Topgolf Renton is the first to feature Topgolf’s skylit central atrium design. It has 102 climate-controlled hitting bays on three levels, a full-service restaurant, and a sports bar. In addition, it features private rooms for corporate meetings, celebrations, and more. It is expected to employ more than 500.

National Night Out is Aug. 2
Renton Police Department command staff, officers, and staff are looking forward to engaging the community in thoughtful conversations during National Night Out at Renton Farmers Market on Tuesday, Aug. 2, from 3 to 7 p.m. As part of the celebration, Renton PD is hosting a Junior K9 Riley coloring contest for the little ones. Entries from various age categories will be chosen to receive prizes. First, download the coloring page and contest rules from our National Night Out page. Then, submit your completed picture at our booth on Aug. 2 or email it to cmorris@rentonwa.gov. Winners will be selected the week of Aug. 8.

National Night Out is a chance for residents across America to send a powerful message about neighborhood unity, awareness, safety, and police-community partnerships. The event also alerts criminals that our community is united and dedicated to building a safer and more caring America.

Lodging Tax Advisory Committee openings
We’re looking for candidates to serve on our Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. The committee reviews applications and presentations from public and non-profit agencies
wanting funding through the Tourism Promotion Grants program.

The committee includes representatives of businesses required to collect the tax that funds the program (e.g., the hotel industry) and those involved in activities authorized to receive funding (e.g., community non-profits). Successful candidates must possess a general knowledge of tourism-related activities.

We have more information and the application on our website.

Chief’s Community Council

Renton Police Department is forming the Chief’s Community Council as part of its continuing efforts to engage with, learn from, and build stronger relationships with our community.

The council will:

- Develop Community Policing Strategies.
- Provide guidance on equity, transparency, and accountability issues.
- Advise on methods to better serve the public.
- Identify public safety issues.
- Collaborate with community leaders, local organizations, and stakeholders to create practical and effective solutions and equitable community policing practices.

If you’d like more information or would like to apply, please visit our website. The application period closes at 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 12.

River Days redux

Find more photos from both days on our Flickr page.

In other news this week

A recap of news posted on the city’s social media accounts. You can find us (@cityofrenton) on Facebook, Instagram, & Twitter. Renton residents can also find us on Nextdoor.

City Council update (agendas, documents, and video from the most current meeting)

COVID-19 (vaccine locations, current mandates, resources)

National Night Out (Aug. 2, 3-7 p.m., Renton Farmers Market)

Parks Projects (Kennydale Beach, Kiwanis, Coulon)

Pop-Up Lunches on Tuesdays

Recreation Guide (current classes, activities, leagues & events)

Renton Farmers Market (Piazza Park, Tuesdays 3-7 p.m.)

Summer Events Guide

Summer Meals Program

Traffic Projects (information on impactful projects)