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## What is the future of Renton's Downtown Civic Core?

*The City of Renton asks for community input at a public workshop on March 2*

**RENTON, WA** – On March 2, 2017, the City of Renton is hosting a public kick-off and visioning workshop for the Renton Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action Plan. Community members are invited to voice their visions for the future of the Downtown Civic Core. Through small group discussions and interactive activities, the participants will identify issues they experience in the area and their ideas for improvements.



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CIVIC CORE VISION AND ACTION PLAN

The workshop is family friendly and light refreshments will be provided. Spanish interpretation will be available at the workshop.

**Who:** Renton community members, downtown business and property owners, and other interested parties

**What:** Kick-Off + Visioning Workshop

**When:** March 2, 2017, 5:30 – 8 p.m. Presentation and activities start at 6 p.m.

**Where:** Renton Pavilion Event Center

The Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action Plan will identify a community-supported vision and actions to build upon Downtown Renton's many assets and strategic location in the region. The Plan will offer strategies to create dynamic spaces for people to gather, safe streets for all modes of transportation, and a bustling business environment.

The Civic Core includes several blocks surrounding the Transit Center, Pavilion Event Center, and Piazza and Gateway parks. It lies within and is connected to the Downtown Business District. The project will focus on the Civic Core's relationship to the business district, and vice versa, as well as its connections to landmarks like the Cedar River, Downtown Library, and the local parks system.

The Downtown Civic Core Vision and Action planning process started in late 2016, with technical analysis by the project team led by the consulting firm of MIG, Inc. A Community Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee are meeting regularly to guide the planning process throughout. The plan is expected to be complete by late 2017.

The project website includes more project information and opportunities for community input:

[www.rentonciviccore.com](http://www.rentonciviccore.com).

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***About the City of Renton***

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 101,300 (2016), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our website ([rentonwa.gov](http://rentonwa.gov)), Facebook page ([CityofRenton](https://www.facebook.com/CityofRenton)) and Twitter ([@CityofRenton](https://twitter.com/CityofRenton)).