

Mercer Island Parks & Recreation Commission



Department Report

February 3, 2022

Mercerdale Playground Update

- In mid-December, crews finished installing the new train play sculpture at Mercerdale Park and the rest of the playground structures will be installed this week.
- **Next steps:** Playground surfacing comes next! We need dry weather and minimum 45-degree low temperatures to install the resilient surfacing – it may take several weeks to get a window.
- City staff are estimating completion in late February.
 - And planning a ribbon cutting on a date TBD.
- Visit the project page for more photos of the installed playground equipment <https://letstalk.mercergov.org/mercerdale-playground>



February 3, 2022



Community Center Update

- Expanded hours and opportunities are coming!
- Current offerings include: Senior Gym Walking, Indoor Playground, Volleyball, Pickleball, Badminton, Basketball, and Ping-Pong.
 - During Senior Gym walking, we are seeing a group of 7-10 participate in self-directed exercise and Tai Chi. Great to see our seniors again, and getting fit during this FREE drop-in time!
- Patrons are also encouraged to enjoy the MICEC Art Gallery.
- Staff are currently taking reservations for gym and dance room rentals, and are putting the finishing touches on preparations for future Mercer Room booking (expected to begin around May 1).
- Updated hours and additional information can be found at: www.mercerisland.gov/MICEC



February 3, 2022



Summer Camps

- The Recreation Division is already thinking about summer and ready to go bigger and better this year!
- Anticipated programs include:
 - Kayaking/paddleboarding
 - Lego
 - Various sports
 - Bike skills
 - Theater and movie camps
 - Art
 - Camp Mercer- Powered by the JCC
 - And more!
- Staff anticipate marketing to begin in the next few weeks.
- Information on camp options and registration will be found at www.mercerisland.gov/parksrec



February 3, 2022



Accepting Comments and Responses to Draft PROS Plan

- The 2022 Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan (PROS Plan) is now in the Final Draft stage.
- You can help shape the future of our parks system and recreation programming by reviewing the draft plan and sharing your feedback.
- Full discussion is scheduled for the next City Council meeting on February 15.
- Share your feedback at the February 15 City Council Meeting or on the PROS project page <https://letstalk.mercergov.org/miprosplan>



February 3, 2022



North Mercer Island / Enatai Sewer Upgrade Project

- Construction for the North Mercer Island/Enatai Sewer Upgrade project is just around the corner and King County wants to hear from local residents about how best to communicate during construction.
- If you haven't yet, make sure to take their survey before it closes.
- This survey is available to everyone. Return the paper copy sent to mailboxes early January or go to <https://publicinput.com/KingCountyNMESurvey> to fill out the survey online.
- Make sure to complete your survey online or mail the paper copy to King County by **February 8, 2022**.



February 3, 2022



Restoration Event

- Join EarthCorps and the City of Mercer Island on **Saturday, February 12 from 10am-2pm** in planting new native trees and shrubs in the boundaries of the Upper Luther Burbank Bike Skills Area.
- Volunteers will be planting to start the next generation of canopy trees and stabilize slopes that surround the bike skills area before it is built out this spring.
- No experience necessary, but registration is required, and space is limited!
- Please bring a mask, water bottle, and lunch for the mid-day break.
- Visit www.mercerisland.gov/calendar



February 3, 2022

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022



Aubrey Davis Park Trail Safety Improvement Project Virtual Meeting

- On March 2, 2021, the City Council approved the recommendations made by the Parks and Recreation Commission for a menu of improvements to the Mountains to Sound (I-90) Trail through Aubrey Davis Park.
- On **Thursday, February 17 at 5:30pm**, the City will host a Virtual Meeting on the project.
- The public will be able to give feedback on design alternatives via an online survey for three weeks after the open house.
- Visit the project page for more information and provide your ideas <https://letstalk.mercergov.org/adtrail>



February 3, 2022



Thank You!

February 3, 2022

