

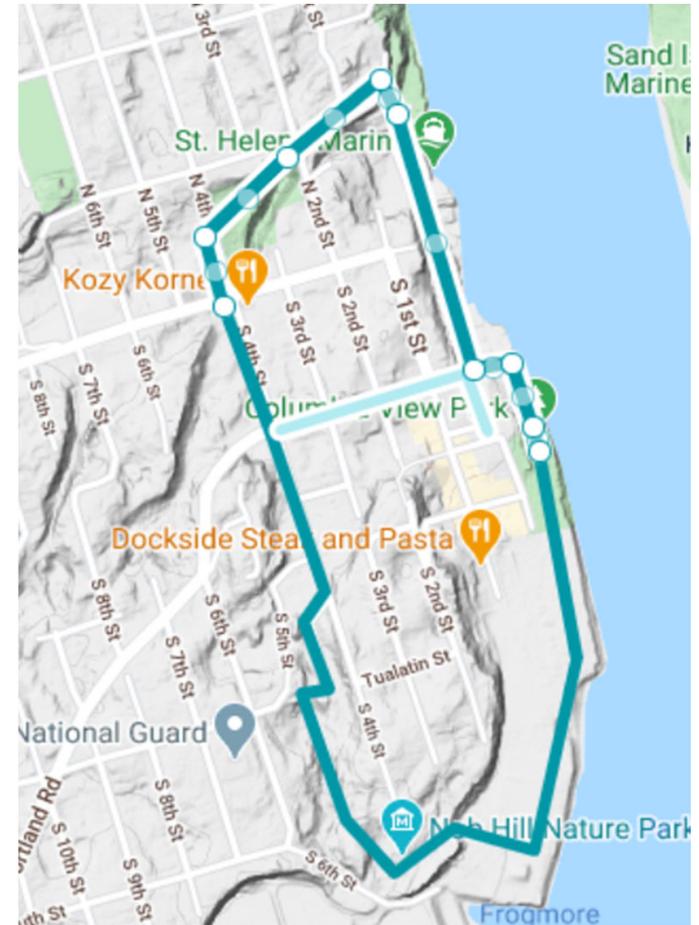


ST. HELENS URBAN TRAIL / PATHWAY

ST. HELENS PARKS AND TRAILS COMMISSION

WHAT IS THE ST. HELENS URBAN TRAIL / PATHWAY?

- Suggested route for residents and visitors to explore our city:
 - Approximately 2.5 miles in length
 - Connects 6 parks
 - Showcases scenic river overlooks
 - Passes various historical sites
 - Connects local businesses



WHY DOES THE CITY OF ST. HELENS NEED THIS?

- **Livable Community**
 - Opportunities for outdoor recreation
 - Public education on park offerings
- **Economic Development**
 - Circulates through Old Town district
 - Local shopping, restaurants, businesses, tourism activities, and holiday festivities
- **Community Engagement & Partner Opportunities**
 - Columbia County Museum Association
 - Lewis & Clark Trail Partnership
 - Main Street St. Helens
- **Our Citizens are asking for trails / pathways to connect areas of the community**
 - Community survey
 - Commission meeting visitor comments
- **Boost Awareness of Parks**
 - Passes through lesser known parks
 - Highlights different aspects of our history, nature and culture (Nob Hill Nature Park, Godfrey Park upgrades, river connections at Grey Cliffs and Columbia View)
 - 5th Street right of way connection

PRIORITY 1 REQUIREMENTS

- Finalize suggested route
 - Staff to collaborate and confirm proposed route
- Improvements to Grey Cliff Trail [COMPLETE]
- Evaluate need / options for safety barrier at top of Grey Cliff Trail
- Add to website & materials:
 - City [website](#)
 - Existing [map of Parks & Trails](#)
- Install signage

FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

- **Added safety improvements**

- Including crossings and sidewalks in future projects
- Benefits suggested pathways throughout the city as well as overall community safety

- **Benches at Overlooks**

- Added over time in areas deemed important
- Consider these areas for future community donations

- **Future Pathways**

- Connect to additional business areas, parks and points of interest throughout the city
 - Connect to other local cities
 - City-wide trails opportunities for inclusion in the next Parks & Trails Masterplan
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QUESTIONS & NEXT STEPS