



This Week in Renton

Mayor Armondo Pavone



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Saluting Randy Corman

Councilmember is honored as he retires after 28 years of service to the residents of Renton.

Mayor Armondo Pavone presents Randy Corman Day proclamation and gifts to Randy and his wife Cathy.

Monday was "Randy Corman Day" in Renton.

Councilmember Corman, whose 28 consecutive years as a councilmember is the longest in city history, retired after the city council's last scheduled meeting for 2021 on Monday.

To recognize and honor his career in public service, the council unanimously passed a proclamation designating Dec. 13 as [Randy Corman Day](#) in Renton.

Said Mayor Armondo Pavone: "Tonight is bittersweet. Randy has done so much for Renton in helping guide our city's growth. I can't think of another councilmember who can match his accomplishments. Thank you very much for all you've done on behalf of our community and me. It's been an honor and a pleasure to serve with you."

Randy thanked all those he worked with and members of the community.

"It's been a great honor serving the city of Renton," he said. "My extreme gratitude to all the people [listed in the proclamation](#), the five mayors and 21 councilmembers with whom I've served. The greatest gift for me has been a front-row seat to see how hard so many people are working to make our city a better place. Thank you for the memories and thank you for the opportunity."

During his career, he played a prominent role in almost every part of the city we enjoy today: The Landing, Southport, Seattle Seahawks headquarters, Renton Farmers Market relocating downtown, new and redeveloped parks, and two new libraries. He also represented the city's interests in developing, funding, and delivering the [I-405/SR 167 Master Plan](#) and [Eastrail](#).

To put his career in perspective, check out these numbers courtesy of City Clerk Jason Seth:

- **28 years:** City's longest consecutively serving councilmember. Councilmember Thomas Trimm served 33.5 non-consecutive years.
- **2,200 hours:** Estimated number of hours on the dais. We're conservatively estimating 90 minutes per council meeting and an average of 36 meetings per year. Divide that by 60 minutes and multiply by 28 years to get 1,512 council meeting hours. Include Committee of the Whole meetings, and you get to about 2,200 hours. And that total doesn't include city and regional committee meetings.
- **5:** Number of mayors he worked with—Earl Clymer, Jesse Tanner, Kathy Keolker, Denis Law, and Armondo Pavone.

Randy, thank you for your heart, passion, and love for our community. Because of you and your accomplishments, Renton is genuinely a better, more welcoming community.

Holiday Events

Holiday events on tap this weekend and next week:

- **Santa House:** Presented by [Renton Downtown Partnership](#) and [Renton Civic Theatre](#) (507 S. Third St.). [Santa House](#) is open on Saturday, Dec. 18, from 1 to 4 p.m. and on Sunday, Dec. 19, from 5 to 7 p.m. Have your holiday photo taken, and then download it for free.
- **It's A Wonderful Life:** [Renton Civic Theatre](#) (507 S. Third St.), Dec. 17-18. [Tickets](#).

- **The Nutcracker:** [Renton IKEA Performing Arts Center](#) (400 S. Second St.), Dec. 17, 18 (2 shows), and 19. [Tickets](#).
- **Renton's Holiday Lights:** Holiday lights are on display at [Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park](#) (1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N), [Piazza Park](#), and downtown street light poles from 5 to 9 p.m. through Jan. 1, 2022.
- **Polar Bear Plunge:** Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022, [Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park](#) (1201 Lake Washington Blvd. N). Join your family, friends, and neighbors to ring in the new year with a plunge into Lake Washington. The 2022 Plunge requires registration for either a 9 a.m. or 10 a.m. time slot. Registration opens on Dec. 1. Our [Polar Bear Plunge](#) webpage has registration information.

In the 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](#).

[Blood Drive: Dec. 28 & 29](#)

[City Council update](#)

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[Lunch Pop-Up: Dec. 21](#)

Photos: [Battle of the Badges](#)

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[Winter Weather Preparations](#)

Upcoming

Mondays, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Free. Sustainable Renton [drive-thru grocery store](#), St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

Wednesdays, 6 p.m., Renton Live! Online connection promoting business, non-profits, and activities within the Renton community. Find the weekly link on their [Renton Live Facebook page](#).

Daily, King County Libraries. Resources and events. Filter by [event](#), [program](#), and [location](#).