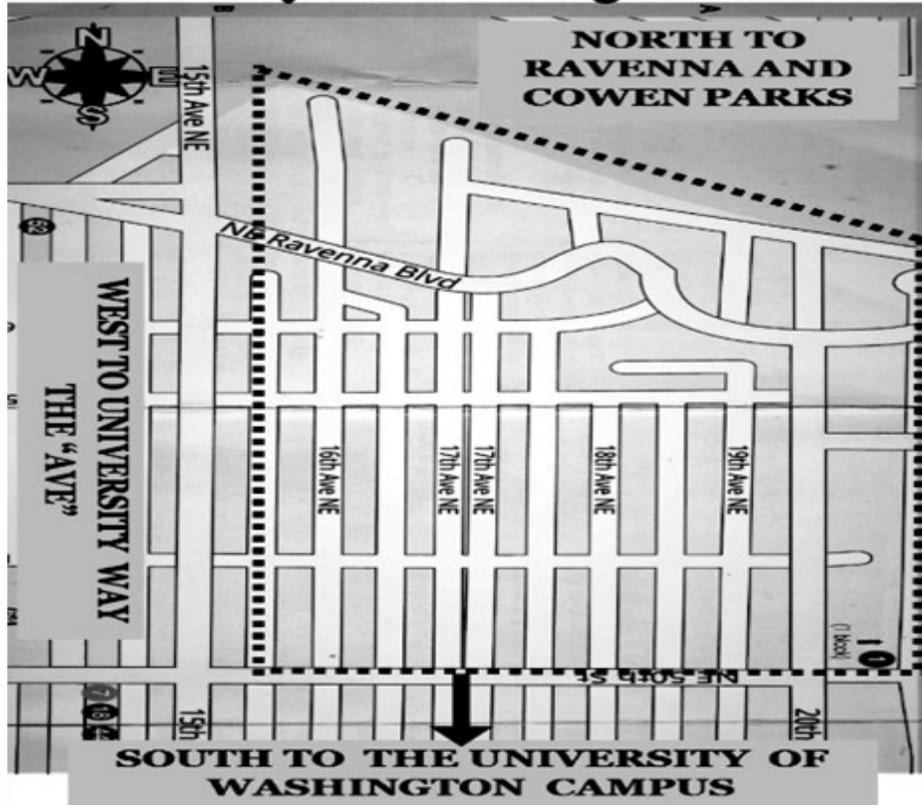


# UPCC NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2020 EDITION



## University Park Neighborhood



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# IMPORTANT UPCC UPDATES

MEET THE NEIGHBORS



**THE TRADITIONAL SEPTEMBER  
ANNUAL UNIVERSITY PARK PICNIC  
HAS BEEN CANCELED FOR 2020**

Not to worry, however....Whenever the world returns to some sort of 'normalcy', we will start our new tradition:

A FUN JUNE CELEBRATION, IN RAVENNA PARK,  
Including our annual membership meeting –election and our  
very popular annual neighborhood picnic



## **SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Proposes to dump parking from 15th Ave NE onto 16th Ave NE**

During the process of planning the Repaving Project for 15th Ave NE, the SDOT received complaints from residents of the multi-unit apartments and apodments along that street about the loss of on-street parking spaces. In response to these complaints, the SDOT has offered this solution: simply expand parking onto the east side of narrow 16th Ave NE, between NE 55th Street and NE Ravenna Blvd.; in other words, dump the problem onto the University Park Neighborhood! This last-minute decision was revealed in a letter sent out to the affected city blocks within the last week, without any official notice of a public comment period.

The City appears to have listened to parking loss concerns from people on 15th Ave NE, but the City made no outreach to neighbors on 16th Ave NE for potential concerns about added parking and its adverse impact.

See page 8 for more details!

## **THE OFFICIAL UPCC WEBSITE:**

**[www.upcc.org](http://www.upcc.org)**

Please visit this site to learn more about our organization and the various issues we are currently addressing, as well as upcoming events.

The website also contains the following information:

- ◆ Our bylaws and membership information
- ◆ Our recent newsletters and flyers
- ◆ **"WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY PARK - Where things are and how stuff works."** (PDF Version) This is an introductory booklet to our unique neighborhood. Be sure to share this valuable resource with your neighbors, especially those new to University Park.

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## YOUR UPCC BOARD ON ALERT AND EVER AT WORK!

### ◆ An update regarding the apartment project at 5228 15th Ave NE:

This proposal has been on our radar for well over a year. Originally the owner requested a project upzone (an isolated rezone of his lot), which would have created an overwhelming structure of increased height, density, and bulk... and only a narrow alleyway from our neighborhood. But, the request was pulled and the height was reduced. During a recent administrative design review (due to covid19, the traditional review was canceled by emergency legislation), the UPCC board submitted a formal comment letter, along with letters from various individual members within our neighborhood. We just received the official conclusion and we were pleased to discover that our comments did actually make a difference in the recommendations itemized within that report. For instance, the developer has been directed to redesign the main entrance to the structure along 15th Ave NE, making it more inviting to the neighborhood:

*“The entry shall be redesigned to further distinguish the lobby entrance and create a relationship with the street side amenity space. This includes creating a connection between the lobby and amenity space at the same grade, creating a larger entry porch, with overhead weather protection for the entry door and, if applicable, doorway connection to the amenity space.”*

### ◆ An update on the student housing project for the University Christian Church Property on the southwest corner of NE 50th and 15th Ave NE.

UPCC has made another influential impact on this major project just a short distance from our family neighborhood. Here are some excerpts from the Design Review Decision document:

From the comments submitted:

- Recommended that the project design should respond to the design of the adjacent building to the south and other historic buildings in the area,
- Concerned about the lack of parking proposed with the project and its effect on the availability of parking within the surrounding area.
- Concerned about the safety concerns related to the alley courtyard shown in Concept 3.
- Questioned where will moving vans and drop-offs related to the project will go if there is no on-site parking dedicated to the project.
- Concerned with height, bulk, and scale
- Would like to see native plants within the courtyard
- Expressed concerns for a rezone to allow 75' rather than 65' height \*

**\* Staff note: This proposal no longer includes a contract rezone from NC2-65 to NC2-75 (M)**

Furthermore, our own University Park was referenced, with special comments about how the new project should reflect and respect our uniqueness:

*“Reinforce the existing pattern of generous front setbacks. Incorporate occupiable amenity spaces from front setbacks with areas for large shade trees and landscaping. Take cues from the design, scale, and character of historic buildings, including: grand entries; sloped roofs; the use of brick, masonry, and wood; vertical window proportions; and a high degree of architectural detailing.”*

**Conclusion: “... there are several items which require further design response before the proposal can be determined to meet the Design Guideline and Early Design Guidance. As such a second Recommendation review will be required.”**

**Who says that letters don't make any difference?**

# A Message from Councilmember Alex Pedersen

## TWO MAJOR PIECES OF LEGISLATION

**TRANSIT:** the November ballot measure giving voters the option to renew funding for our Seattle Transportation Benefit District to support transit

On Monday, July 27 -- after a lengthy debate on several amendments -- your City Council unanimously approved a 6-year transit measure with a 0.15% sales tax to send to the November ballot, giving voters the option to renew funding for our Transportation Benefit District. The current measure is funded by a 0.1% sales tax (the 0.1% of the 10.1% total sales tax in Seattle). To keep the promises I previously made about not increasing the sales tax, I voted against the amendments to increase the prudent rate the Mayor originally proposed. But, in the spirit of compromise and unity that City Hall so desperately needs during these tumultuous times, I joined all my colleagues to make sure we put this transit measure on the ballot for voters to decide.

(From the City) This proposal will:

- Provide safe, efficient, and frequent transit for all Seattleites, particularly our essential workers fighting against the global pandemic.
- Preserve a robust, connected transit system in Seattle
- Make investments that address acute mobility needs in areas like West Seattle.
- Invest in ORCA opportunities for students and Low Income Access programs for our vulnerable neighbors
- Maintain the voter-approved 0.1% sales tax to provide needed resources for transportation investments and ensure continuity of critical services despite financial restrictions caused by I-976 and COVID-19.

My comments: *“It was up to us, here in Seattle, to beat the clock before the money for transit expired. Fortunately, my colleagues and I share common ground in believing that public transit is an essential and affordable option to move the most people in our region, as we look forward to a vibrant economy and a healthy planet.”*

**INTERNET:** the “Internet for All” Resolution to address the social justice imperative of overcoming the digital divide to achieve digital equity for Seattle. This resolution was passed on Monday, July 27th. If you called into the Council meeting to comment, emailed Councilmembers, or participated in our preliminary, yet extensive stakeholder engagement process, we thank you for your time and efforts. Your feedback and input are reasons for this successful passage.

My statement on the passage of the resolution: *“Seattle is a city that rightfully prides itself on world-class technology, but the COVID crisis has laid bare the inequities and injustices of the Digital Divide. We can no longer afford to allow limited access to the internet to prevent learning, to impede our workers, or to hinder our small businesses. It’s time to provide reliable and affordable access to the internet as part of our city’s vital infrastructure for social justice, for education, and for economic development. Passing our resolution today amps up Seattle’s long-term efforts to achieve Internet for All.”*

**NEXT STEPS:** As the chair of the City Council Committee that includes technology, I’m having our Seattle Department of Information Technology present an initial report this Fall.

# More News from Councilmember Alex Pedersen

## CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON THE INTERNET—YOUR OPTIONS

- ◆ **Listening:** Even though City Council is not currently holding meetings in person in order to follow public health guidelines, you can still follow along by listening on your computer. You can also listen on your phone by calling 206-684-8566.
- ◆ **Commenting:** You can also submit public comment by sending an e-mail to me at Alex.Pedersen@seattle.gov or to all 9 Councilmembers at council@seattle.gov. Please remember to add “For City Council Meeting” in the comments. Now you may phone into the meeting to speak directly to the Council live. Note that we received over 30,000 e-mails— an unheard-of volume— in June/July, so I ask for your patience as we try to respond to those District 4 constituents who asked for a response. Either way, we read your e-mails and they have an impact. Thank you for taking the time to contact me.
- ◆ **Virtual Meetings with Your Councilmember Pedersen:** I continue to schedule virtual in-district office hours, so we can chat by telephone or via Skype. Please continue to sign up through my website so I can hear your ideas, concerns, and requests. Due to their popularity, we are behind on scheduling these meetings, so thank you in advance for your patience. To get your comments to me right away, simply send an e-mail to alex.pedersen@seattle.gov

## COVID19 UPDATE

- **Governor’s latest orders:** On July 25, the Washington State Secretary of Health expanded face mask requirements to any indoor setting outside your home, as well as any outdoor setting where maintaining six feet of distance is not possible. Please continue to wear a mask in public and practice social distancing. The Governor also extended the eviction moratorium through October 15.
- **More Action at City Council:** Consistent with my support of COVID relief and recovery legislation and budgets, I joined my colleagues to vote in favor of this COVID relief bill: Council Bill 119812. This legislation taps larger amounts from our Emergency Fund and Revenue Stabilization Fund. While a strong advocate for building up and preserving “rainy day” funds, I believe the COVID pandemic is a sufficiently severe crisis justifying the use of these emergency funds. These funds will be replenished with future revenues.

## MORE WAYS TO ENGAGE ON SPD’S BUDGET

- Our City Council Budget Chair, Public Safety Chair, and Council President are signaling that much of the important work to fully re-imagine public safety will require ample time and will, therefore, likely occur during our more thorough Fall budget process. Our Council office has already received countless phone calls and over 30,000 e-mails, including 2,000 from our District 4 residents! I plan to organize a robust budget panel in District 4, which will include our City Budget Office and other officials so that District 4 residents can ask their thoughtful questions about the city budget and public safety.

## OUTREACH TO DISTRICT 4

- **How to sign up for my newsletter:** <https://tinyurl.com/District4News>
- **My contact information:**
  - Alex.Pedersen@seattle.gov
  - Phone: (206) 684-8804



# MAYOR DURKAN'S NORTH SEATTLE VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

JULY 28, 2020

Mayor Durkan held a virtual town hall meeting for the Seattle North End neighborhoods. She was accompanied by various department heads: Police Chief Carmen Best; Patty Hayes of Public Health; Chief Harold Scoggins of the Seattle Fire Department, and Jason Johnson of the Human Services Department. The following issues were discussed, including opportunities for questions:

- ◆ **COVID19 and the uptick in positive cases:** the fourfold increase is due to non-compliance with orders: avoid crowds, 6-foot separation, hygiene, masks, and staying home if feeling sick.
- ◆ **Protesters, rioters, and the police force:** Protesters and their First Amendment rights should be protected, as long as they are peaceful. Violence and destruction will not be tolerated. This demands that the city still provide a sufficient police force 24/7. Violent actions against police will be prosecuted and any excessive force by police officers will be independently investigated.
- ◆ **The Police Department:** We must reimagine the role of the police department, reassigning certain duties to other professionals, such as social workers, to be more effective and responsive. But those duties must be well defined and appropriatedly staffed, with a backup system in place, should violence occur. To this goal, the City will continue to engage in a broad conversation throughout the city, allowing all voices to share their concerns and ideas. Note that some duties are already being performed by the new Health One program (see below).
- ◆ **Schools:** addressing the concerns that children of color will further behind while schools are closed and how to provide extra support through on-line options and various centers for tutoring and mentoring.
- ◆ **Homelessness issues:** These efforts will soon be part of a King County –wide Agency.

## SEATTLE'S HEALTH ONE

Since November 2019, the Seattle Fire Department has been testing out a new unit for responding to non-emergency 911 calls in downtown. The "Health One" unit is staffed by a team of specially trained Seattle Fire Department firefighters and a civilian social worker. The unit helps people with non-emergency 911 requests like substance abuse, non-emergent medical issues, and a need to access services. Seattle leaders designed the Health One unit to respond to those types of calls to allow SFD units to focus on emergencies like structure fires and vehicle collisions.

*"The two firefighters and civilian social worker we've assigned to this unit have received in-depth specialized training on how to address the needs of the patients served by Health One. They are equipped with the resources necessary to provide patients with individually tailored services and diversion options,"* said Fire Chief Harold Scoggins.

Referral and transport resources include urgent and primary care, next day appointments, connection with behavioral health organizations, referral to homeless outreach and shelters, case management within SFD's High Utilizer and Vulnerable Adult programs and more. In addition to standard emergency medical services equipment, the vehicle is also equipped with outreach supplies for unsheltered clients.

The Health One unit operates 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday and respond to calls in the downtown core and adjacent neighborhoods, including Capitol Hill.

## 3-1-1 CALL CENTERS PROPOSED FOR SEATTLE

### by Councilmember Alex Pedersen

In reviewing the recent data on 9-1-1 calls showing approximately half of those calls are NOT emergencies involving potential crimes, it became clear to me that we need to implement something I have been advocating for years: a 3-1-1 Call Center open 24/7 to handle non-emergency calls. These 3-1-1 Call Centers have been working effectively for millions of residents in other big cities across our nation. It's simply not effective or fiscally responsible to require highly paid, armed police officers to respond to every type of call received on 9-1-1. Here's what I wrote in Crosscut in 2017:

“Activate a 3-1-1 Call Center Available 24/7. Do what has worked well for more than a decade in cities from San Francisco to Chicago to New York: enable people to dial an easy-to-remember phone number (3-1-1) to request city services and report concerns, from potholes to policies. The City's Customer Service Bureau is available ONLY on weekdays and Councilmember office hours for constituents are scant or inconsistent. Few can remember the City's non-emergency phone number and it provides only minimal services. While the “Find It Fix It” technology works for some, a 3-1-1 Call Center open 24/7 will enable residents without access to fancy iPhones to receive the best customer service. A 3-1-1 Call Center will also make our communities safer by reducing the number of non-emergency calls to 9-1-1 operators. City managers and Councilmembers could use the 3-1-1 software system to track responsiveness and results for their constituents.”

Other success stories for 311 Call Centers: Boston, Denver, Philadelphia, Washington D.C., and at least 75 other major cities.

Creating a robust 3-1-1 Call Center is certainly NOT anywhere close to a solution for our police accountability problems, but it is a partial answer to provide safer, more appropriate responses to residents who request help from their city government. When some folks say, “De-fund” the police,” a 3-1-1 Call Center provides some structure for how we might operationalize that aspirational goal in a way that provides customer service to our residents and community wellness tailored to community needs to supplement 9-1-1.

### Is it Time for 3-1-1?



**It's a good thing we have our reliable quarterly University Park Community Club Newsletter!!!**

Source:  
The Seattle Times  
Horsey editorial cartoon  
Sunday, May 17, 2020  
page D2

## PAVING UPDATES

### 12th Ave NE and NE 43rd Street Repaving

The scope of this project will include:

- Repaving of NE 43<sup>rd</sup> from Roosevelt Ave NE to Brooklyn Ave NE
- Repaving of 12th Ave NE from NE 45<sup>th</sup> to NE 43rd
- Transit improvements
- Sidewalk construction
- Bike lane upgrades on 12th Ave NE
- New bike lanes on NE 43rd
- New signals and operations
- Bus reroutes
- Parking removal
- Relocation of load zones

Benefits of this project include:

- Providing adequate paving structure for the anticipated bus volumes that will be rerouted onto NE 43<sup>rd</sup> and 12th Ave NE
- Connecting the city bike network with new bike lanes
- Increasing transit options with added bus service
- Extending the useful life of the roadway with paving
- Safer crossings with new or enhanced signals
- Enhanced pedestrian safety with sidewalk upgrades

### 15th Ave NE Repaving Project — BAD NEWS!

SDOT has finalized plans to pave 1.3 miles of 15th Ave NE starting at NE 55th Street north to Lake City Way NE. This is the result of the City's efforts to work with community members, business owners, and schools to share street design concepts and to learn about how they get around the neighborhoods—a process which started in the summer of 2016.

**Well, at least we thought the plans were finalized until some of our neighbors just received a letter revealing a newly proposed solution to address the reduction in on-street parking spaces along 15th Ave. NE:**

During the process of planning this extensive and comprehensive project, complaints were submitted from residents of the multi-unit apartments and apodments along 15th Ave. NE about the pending loss of on-street parking spaces. Note that demands for such spaces have increased radically due to the recent HALA and U District Up-Zone, which exempt new development from including off-street parking, based on the assumption that most renters would not own cars, because of the availability of public transportation within the newly designated Urban Village. In spite of this promised reality on the part of City Planners, renters not only have cars, they are allowed to obtain RPZ permits for Zone 6, giving them access to free, legal parking within the adjacent University Park Neighborhood.

In response to these complaints, the SDOT quietly and quickly offered this solution: to open up on-street parking on the east side of narrow 16th Ave NE, from NE 55th to NE Ravenna Blvd, in spite of the additional negative impacts on traffic and safety in our single-family neighborhood. This unvetted decision demands an immediate and forceful response, before the plans are finalized.

**The UPCC board is presently drafting an official letter in support of those neighbors directly affected, but also on behalf of its entire membership, including our specific objections, supported by facts, history, and valid concerns. Please contact us to share your feedback and ideas, express your opinions, and show your support!**

**Concern neighbors should also contact Councilmember Alex Pedersen of District 4, at [Alex.Pedersen@seattle.gov](mailto:Alex.Pedersen@seattle.gov) and Darrell Bulmer, the SDOT contact person for this proposal at [darrell.bulmer@seattle.gov](mailto:darrell.bulmer@seattle.gov).**

**This is another example of why we rely on our members to keep alert!**



## SAFeway LAND USE UPDATE

The Safeway Supermarket located at 4732 Brooklyn Ave NE is in the process of redeveloping its current footprint. The proposed land use project calls for the current building to be torn down and replaced with a new 7-story, 186 unit apartment building, with retail and underground parking for 172 vehicles. There have been three Early Design Guidance Meetings and a Final Administrative Design Review, which was recently held on June 16, 2020. Upon completion of the last review, the Design Review Board recommended approval of the project with certain conditions (See SDCI Record #3033508-LU for more details.)

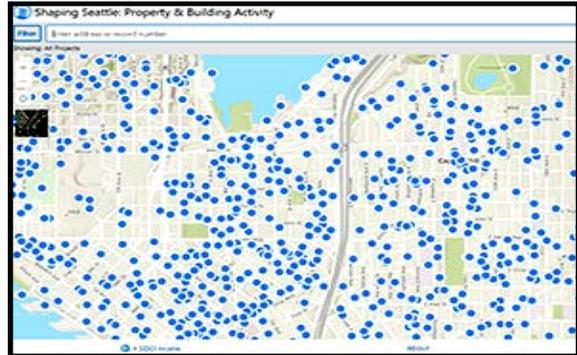
Overall there has been widespread support for the project by various individuals and community groups, which have provided practical input regarding design, access, and public amenities. Access to the building's supermarket will include several walk-in street-level entrances, a vehicle access ramp to the underground parking lot, and alley access for service vehicles.

A joint open space at the southwest end of the new Safeway development will tie in with the adjacent open space for the new M Tower (NE 47th Street and Brooklyn Ave NE), still under construction. Original plans called for the current Safeway store to close and be demolished in the third quarter of 2020, but that could be delayed due to the extended design review process just completed.

**Once started, the entire project is expected to take two years to complete, as Safeway's long-term commitment to the U District remains solid and secure.**

## NEW "SHAPING SEATTLE MAP" FOR RESEARCHING PERMITS

SDCI is pleased to announce the release of its new [Shaping Seattle: Property & Building Activity](#) map. This new, mobile-first map allows users to find active construction, land use, and Design Review permits in their neighborhood. The new map will make it easier for you, our customers, to research active permits, find related documents and permit records, and comment on land use permits under review. We've optimized the map to work on mobile devices so you can quickly find permit information about projects you see when walking in your neighborhood.



Each project has a detail page that provides several key pieces of information in an easy-to-use format. Simply click on the blue dot to get additional information, including:

- Image of project (for Design Review projects)
- Project description
- Project milestones during the permitting process
- Links to related records and documents
- Public comment option (for land use projects)
- Incentive zoning and mandatory housing affordability information (if applicable)

The new Shaping Seattle: Property & Building Activity map replaces the old Shaping Seattle: Buildings map that was for Design Review projects only. This expanded version brings the popular functionality of the Shaping Seattle map to construction and land use permits as well.

# (RRIO) RENTAL REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION ORDINANCE Means “safety first”

## DID YOU KNOW THAT?...

- ◆ ... this city ordinance was passed to “help ensure that all rental housing in Seattle is safe and meets basic housing maintenance requirements. All rental property owners in Seattle must register their properties with the City. Inspectors will make sure all registered properties comply with minimum housing and safety standards at least once every 5 - 10 years.”
- ◆ ... the UPCC has been monitoring certain externally visual violations by recording the addresses and submitting formal complaints.
- ◆ .... handrails are required on all external staircases of 4 or more steps for any registered rental property.

The handrail regulations, including specific measurements and other details, can be reviewed at the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspection (SDCI) website:

**Tip #319: “Getting a Grip on Handrails”**

**Note that these regulations apply to all properties, not just rental properties, although RRIO is restricted to rental inspections.**

**UPCC board at work for you:** UPCC successfully submitted complaints, after board members experienced difficulty delivering our flyers to certain addresses on 18th and 19th Ave NE. Although it took some time for the city to work with the individual landlords, we were able to obtain resolution regarding about eleven properties.

**Again, we call on our residents to be our eyes and ears.** If you notice other such violations, which will cause safety issues for our neighboring renters, make a formal complaint with the city, to initiate an inspection process:

## How to file a complaint

- 1: Call the Violation Complaint Line at (206) 615-0808:
  - For time-sensitive complaints
  - If you don't have a valid email address
  - If you are unable to fully describe the potential violation using the online form
  - If you cannot provide an exact address on the online form
- 2: Visit the Seattle Services Portal for complaints that are not time-sensitive
- 3: Submit a letter to:  
Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections— Code Compliance  
700 Fifth Ave., Suite 2000 P.O. Box 34019 Seattle, WA 98124-4019

To track the city's investigation and results, you need either the address of the property or case number, which is assigned after the complaint is processed.

Remember that safety concerns are not just issues facing our students and other renters. We should all be aware of ways to make our own properties safer and more easily accessible –for our friends and family, and for others, such as postal workers, meter readers, and EMTs.

***Let's make our entrances both  
welcoming and secure.***

# U DISTRICT BIA (BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA) RECEIVES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL

## **BIAs keep neighborhood business districts vibrant; U District BIA now will also focus on preventing displacement**

The new BIA Ordinance was summarized by Councilmember Alex Pedersen of the 4th District:  
“Business Improvement Areas are positive, community-driven economic development tools that help keep neighborhood business districts clean and safe throughout our city. The legislation I crafted with the Mayor incorporates many key principles sought by smaller businesses, including better representation, good governance, and the preservation of existing shops and restaurants. During and after the COVID-19 pandemic, we need to give our small neighborhood businesses the support they need to thrive.”

### **Concerns addressed:**

- The University District includes our world-class university and a new light rail station that is opening next year. The U District has some of the most diverse international selections of food and hundreds of units of low-income housing. A study of The Ave found that nearly 2/3 of its small businesses are owned by women and people of color. Concerns about displacement have deepened as the U District has been designated as an “Urban Center” and is slated to absorb substantial new building density with recent and potentially new upzones.
- Currently the U District BIA funds and operates a Clean and Safe program, including a new REACH program assisting unsheltered and other high barrier individuals. During the COVID-19 crisis, the BIA is also linking many of the small businesses to relief programs. The BIA, with its one million dollar budget, was set to expire this spring if not renewed by the City Council.
- After a careful review of the previous BIA ordinance, Pedersen listened to the concerns raised by several small businesses with triple net leases -- through which landlords pass major costs to the proprietor, including taxes, insurance, and maintenance costs -- and attempted to synthesize the variety of input. Pedersen worked with the Mayor’s office to reform the BIA for the U District in what became Council Bill 119779.

### **Key improvements in the adopted legislation include:**

#### **Better Representation:**

- Adds two small businesses with “triple net” leases to the board.
- Adds a residential tenant to the board.
- Right sizes and caps Ratepayer Advisory Board membership for more proportional representation.

#### **Good Governance:**

- Creates a new competitive process to select the most qualified Program Manager to run the BIA’s services.
- Imposes Term Limits on the Ratepayer Advisory Board.

#### **Prevents Displacement:**

- Adds the prevention of displacement to the BIA’s mission to help existing businesses, including those owned by women and people of color, stay in the U District despite economic changes and challenges.
- Mitigating displacement is imperative as the U District continues to undergo substantial changes due to governmental actions such as upzoning the density allowed and installing a new light rail station set to open in 2021.
- The prevention of displacement could serve as a model for other BIAs.

**For more information on this topic, please visit Alex Pedersen’s blog: <https://pedersen.seattle.gov/>.**

**SUNNY WEATHER + NO SCHOOL =  
A RECIPE FOR STUDENT PARTIES!  
PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS**

**Work with your student neighbors to prevent and resolve any potential issues in advance with these party tips from the N of 45th Working Group:**

- Only invite the number of guests your house or apartment can hold. Open invitations on Facebook or random texts to everyone in your cell can result in an unruly & unwanted crowd.
- Designate a sober greeter for the door. This person can regulate the number of people and help deal with problems of gate crashers. Most problems in the U District at parties arise from non-UW students crashing. Know whom you invited and stick with the plan.
- Keep the noise level down, check out our section on noise for more info about the law and the penalties. Getting a citation or visit by the police is sure to be a party downer and could cost you \$269 or more!
- Give your neighbors your number so they can call you before they call the police.
- Drink responsibly. It is against the law for anyone under the age of 21 to consume alcohol. Minors can receive Minor in Possession Citations which can result in fines ranging from \$250-\$1000. If you provide the alcohol to a minor, you can be charged with Unlawful Furnishing of Liquor to a minor and also face criminal prosecution.
- Have food and snacks as well as non-alcohol drinks, as well as plenty of drinking water. Stay away from salty snacks as they can make people drink more. .
- Friends don't let friends drive drunk. You have heard it a thousand times, but do you want your friend killed in an accident because of a party at your house? Use the bus, call a cab and take away keys. Who cares if your friend gets a bit mad, at least they are alive!
- Things getting out of hand? CALL 911!!! Don't try to deal with it yourself. SPD and UWPD would rather help deal with a problem before someone gets hurt.
- Clean up after your party. Remember, UW Students are good neighbors. Don't leave bottles, cans and other debris in your yard

**Make a formal complaint and report:**

Historically, residents in University Park have been reluctant to call the Seattle Police 911 number regarding various issues in the neighborhood. This ranges from large out-of-control parties, residential noise ordinance issues, possible on-going drug activity, suspicious activity, such as possible car prowling, etc.

Bottom line: if you feel a police presence is needed to resolve a safety issue, call 911! The dispatcher will ask a variety of questions, but don't be intimidated as the information is needed for the responding officer(s).

Our North Precinct Commander routinely tells us to call, because these reports document safety issues in a particular area, even if priority-wise, the police arrive time-late.

If it is a UW-student related issue, such as noise, after calling 911, it is imperative that you also alert the following, in a timely manner:

- UW Community Standards and Student Conduct Office at <https://www.washington.edu/cssc/>
- UPCC board member who coordinates with the SPD and UWPD: Ray Kraft at [raykraft@gmail.com](mailto:raykraft@gmail.com).

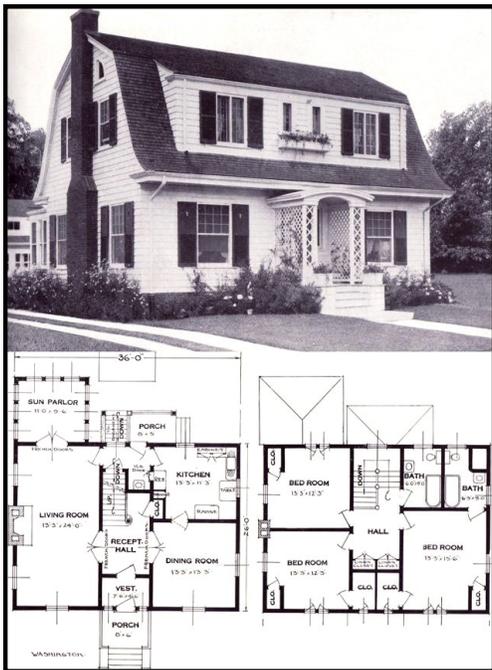
# ARCHITECTURE STYLE 101

## In the University Park Neighborhood

### The Dutch Colonial

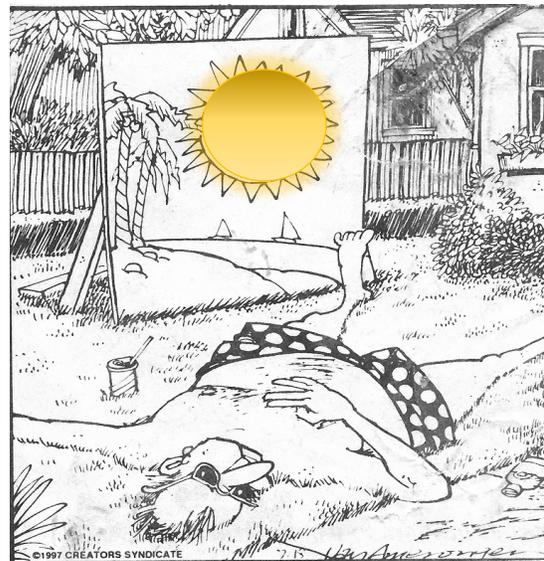
The Dutch Colonial is a subtype of the Colonial Revival style. Dutch Colonial-style houses are distinguished by their gambrel roofs. Most are steeply pitched gambrels containing almost a full second story of floor space; these have either separate dormer windows or a continuous shed dormer with several windows. A full- or partial-width porch may be included under the main roof line or added with a separate roof. Dutch Colonial-style houses in the University Park neighborhood commonly feature front-facing gambrel roofs with side entries. In other words, these homes were rotated ninety (90) degrees, in order to fit and maximize the narrow lots that were a distinct feature of our neighborhood.

In fact, these lots have historic origins, when the Moore Investment Company, which platted our neighborhood, apparently wanted to maximize its profits by creating small lots, most of which were under 4,500 square feet. These narrow lots also fit well onto the neighborhood's narrow streetcar suburb lots. And, in spite of these limitations, fairly substantial houses were constructed and grace the streetscape to this very day.



(Source: Department of Planning, Seattle—Home inventory)

**STAYCATIONS**  
 How to bring  
 the tropical  
 sun and beach  
 to your home!



No-frills vacationer E : \_\_\_\_\_ (you!)