Waypoint Park

Description

This project includes developing a waterfront park along Whatcom Waterway in the vicinity of Roeder and Central Avenue. The project will be coordinated with other improvements along the waterfront including the Granary building and Granary/Laurel Street. Pending available funding and phasing of other waterfront projects, phase 1 construction will include only a portion of the park; however, the entire Whatcom Waterway Park area will be included in the preliminary design phase, which will be completed under the initial design phase.

This project has been identified as a priority project for public access and enjoyment of the Waterfront District development site. Access to the waterfront, both physical and visual, has long been a desire of the citizens of Bellingham. This project is included in the Waterfront Master Plan and the City of Bellingham’s Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan.

Funding

- Real Estate Excise Tax
- Washington State Department of Commerce Grant
- Greenway Levy
- Park Impact Fees
- Washington State Department of Ecology Grant

Status

First phase of construction, which included public access improvements to Central Pier, began January of 2017 and was completed in December of 2017. The following phase of work included development of Waypoint Park, which began December of 2017 and was completed August 2018. Future phases of park development at the waterfront will be implemented pending other commercial building development in the area.

Reference

- Waypoint Vicinity map (PDF)
- Waterfront District
- Waypoint Park Plan (PDF)
Affected Neighborhoods

- City Center
- Lettered Streets

Participating Departments

- Parks and Recreation

contacts

Parks and Recreation Department
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