

## SOUTH RENTON COMMUNITY GARDEN – PROJECT PROPOSAL INFORMATION

**Potential users:** Neighborhood residents, employees, seniors, disabled, veterans, renters, youth, restaurants, schools, non-profits, and more. To establish the garden, we plan to work with a group like Seattle Tilth with experience and success on similar projects.

**Who is Paying?** A goal is to minimize any potential costs to the city. Construction, maintenance, water, plants, soil, and other costs will be covered by neighborhood association and donations.



**Location:** Portion of City-owned parking just North of Burnett Linear Park

**Why on Burnett?** It's our primary north-south connection to the Cedar River, Piazza, Market, Linear Park, Transit, and Downtown. It will be a showpiece for South Renton and Downtown.

**City's Vision:** City councils and the community have approved multiple concepts to change this area and extend Burnett Park between South 5<sup>th</sup> and Houser to increase green space.

**Community's Concept:** Establish a garden in this area specifically with shared and individual plots and education opportunities. There is high interest, leadership to make it happen, and more gardening space needed than is currently available in the area.

**And the Existing Parking Area?** The proposal will not use all parking in the middle of Burnett that supports neighborhood activity. Overall there is an abundance of parking, plenty of available and free parking on the block, with the garden in the very infrequently used area.

**The Key is Location!** Location is integral to initial and long-term support for this project and in support of Renton's urban agriculture, healthier living, and locally grown foods movement.



### Opportunities to Participate:

- Watch youth interact with parents and seniors
- Eat community grown fruits and vegetables
- Learn about plants, soils, an improved diet
- Watch property values increase
- Relax after work in new active green space
- Teach or mentor a beginner
- Provide donations to food bank, friends
- Help design, build, run a new garden