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Upcoming Events

 <p>Kingston Public Market Sunday's May 5 - Oct. 7 https://ceraaugmom.wixsite.com/my-site</p>	 <p>Kingston Kiwanis Benefit Concert & Brewfest June 1, 2024</p>	 <p>Kingston Pirate Festival June 8, 2024</p>	 <p>Kingston 4th of July Celebration July 4, 2024</p>	 <p>Summer Concerts July 27- Aug 31, 2024</p>
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About the Port

	<p>Mary McClure Commissioner District 2</p>
	<p>Laura Gronnvoll, Commissioner District 3</p>
	<p>Steve Heacock Commissioner District 1</p>
	<p>Greg Englin Executive Director</p>

The Port of Kingston services 6,941 District Voters. The mission of the Port of Kingston is to enhance the economic and social well-being of the Port district residents through economic development, and by providing a waterfront facility for recreation and leisure activities.

 262 Slip Marina	 335 Parking Spots	 Mike Wallace Park	 Golf Course & Casino
 49 Slip Guest Dock	 WSF & Kitsap Transit Ferry Terminals	 West Kingston Road Park	 Retail Shops
 2 Launch Ramps	 Kingston Cove Yacht Club	 North Beach Park	 Restaurants
 Non-Ethanol Fuel Dock	 Fishing Pier	 Kingston Kiwanis Park	 Bike Trails & Cycling

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SR104 Holding Lanes ATMS Realignment Update

Ferry traffic congestion has been a challenge for many years. A partnership between five agencies and multiple community groups came together in 2019 to conduct a study into developing some solutions to these traffic challenges. With the support of Kitsap County Commissioner Christine Rolfes, the agencies received a \$500K grant through WSDOT for the study. This study resulted in a 30% design of a potential solution to help address traffic congestion along SR104 in Kingston.

This study incorporated three components that have now melded into one project:

- SR104 Ferry Holding Lot (at the NW corner of Lindvog and SR104)
- SR104 Active Traffic Management System (ATMS) which serves to issue ticket to vehicles during peak periods)
- SR104 Realignment (which shifts the eastbound vehicle traffic from Main Street to First Street establishing a two way (entry/egress) for all vehicular traffic

WSDOT, Kitsap County, WSF, Port of Kingston and Kitsap Transit are working together with Kingston Community Advisory Committee and other community groups and individuals to design and engineer a system that is right sized and improves traffic and sets a course for near- and long-term improvements for people that live in and around Kingston and everyone who passes through our town. Below is a QR code that links directly to Kitsap County's project profile for this work. You can also find a link on the Port of Kingston's website here: <https://portofkingston.org/governance-2/>

Please convey your thoughts and concerns (and also a good word is always appreciated) to your port commissioners, **Steve Heacock, Laura Gronnvoll, and Mary McClure**, who work on behalf of this community and who you elected to represent your interests. They helped secure an \$18.5M investment in transportation infrastructure to move this project forward.



Meet our new Director of Operations and Real Estate

We are pleased to announce that TJ Quandt is joining the Port of Kingston as Director, Operations and Real Estate. TJ has well over twenty years of experience in the maritime industry. In his current capacity, he will provide leadership and oversight of the day-to-day operations, strategic growth initiatives, and long-term planning for the marina, fuel dock, boat ramp, parking, and the port's real estate portfolio. His first day at the port will be May 20, 2024.

His career reflects a deep commitment to the marine industry, including working in Alaskan fisheries, marine trades, boat repair, and over 14 years in public sector working with port authorities. TJ has extensive experience including managing four different marinas, two boatyards, RV parks, launch ramps, as well as working together with marina tenants, and community organizations addressing diverse maritime issues and organizing events.

In addition to his role at the Port of Kingston, TJ currently serves as a board member for the Northwest Marine Trade Association (NMTA), the Pacific Coast Congress of Harbormasters (PCC), and the Association of Marina Industry (AMI). With these positions, he maintains a unique position, actively contributing to the broader marine industry's governance by representing regional and local maritime interests. Also, he is recognized as a Certified Marina Manager (CMM) by the Association of Marina Industry, highlighting his expertise and leadership.

TJ and his wife have three children and live in Port Townsend where he and his wife were born and raised. We are so fortunate to have him join us here in Kingston and look forward to many years of service to our community.



Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan

UPDATE SCHEDULE

- **Board of Commissioner Hearing – April 8th**
- **Preferred Alternative Selected – April 24th**
- **Next Draft Documents Released – August 2024**

Preliminary Alternative Selected	Draft Documents Released	Public Comment and Outreach for Draft Documents		Preferred Alternative Selected	Final Documents Released	Board Adoption of Plan
April 2023	December 15, 2023	December 15, 2023 - January 31, 2024	January - March 2024	April 2024	August 2024	December 2024
The County Board of Commissioners selected three preliminary land-use alternatives to review for environmental impacts.	Draft EIS, Comprehensive Plan Elements, Capital Facilities Plan, and Development Regulations released for public review.	Public comment period on the draft EIS.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach, including virtual/in person public meetings, community advisory council presentations. • Briefings and work sessions with Board of County Commissioners and Planning Commission. 	The County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing to select a preferred alternative which will include aspects from one or all of the preliminary alternatives.	Final EIS, Comprehensive Plan Elements, Capital Facilities Plan, and Development Regulations released for public review.	The Board of County Commissioners will make a decision on the final version of the proposed Comprehensive Plan.

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The Port of Kingston is delighted to welcome back **Carter Krantz** and **Nicole Novack** as our seasonal part-time Marina Attendants for another exciting season! With the warm weather rolling in and boats beginning to dot the waters, their return couldn't have come at a better time.

With Carter and Nicole back on board, visitors can rest assured that their time at the Port of Kingston Marina will be nothing short of exceptional. Their return marks the beginning of another exciting season filled with smooth sailing, warm welcomes, and unforgettable experiences.

Please join us in welcoming Carter and Nicole back to the Port of Kingston. Together, let us create memories, foster connections, and celebrate the joy of life by the water.

Port of Kingston's Accounting and Marina Software Conversion

On May 1st, the Port of Kingston achieved an important milestone with the successful conversion of its Accounting and Marina Software programs. Port staff went through an extensive process of planning and preparation. The "Go Live" event marked the beginning of an effort to improve our efficiency internally and improve our customer service. Despite encountering a few minor issues, the overall transition has gone well.

While no implementation is without its challenges, the Port of Kingston's transition encountered only minor issues.. These challenges served as valuable learning opportunities, enabling the team to refine processes and enhance system functionality. We believe the staff's efforts and commitment to excellence resulted in the smooth execution of the software conversion.

This conversion to the Sage Intacct (Accounting) and MarinaGO (Marina) marks a significant leap forward in the Port of Kingston's operational capabilities. The integrated software solution promises to streamline workflows, automate routine tasks, and provide real-time access to critical information and decrease costs. With enhanced reporting capabilities, staff can make data-driven decisions, , make simple transactions simple so we can focus on better serving the needs of customers.

The successful conversion of its Accounting and Marina Software sets the stage for future growth so we can attract more visitors to Kingston and help support local businesses. With a solid foundation in place, the Port is well-positioned to adapt to evolving industry trends, and adopting new technology should help us not only with our performance but also our compliance audits with the State Auditor's Office. We expect that this should help lower our audit costs. All the Port staff especially appreciate the customers that have supported us during this transition and our partner financial institutions including the staff at the Kitsap County Treasurer's Office.

Smooth sailing lies ahead, guided by a commitment to excellence, collaboration, and customer-centric values.

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