

## Phase 2 Reopening Toolkits Available

The City of Seattle developed toolkits to help businesses in various sectors reopen, based on Washington Department of Health and Public Health - Seattle & King County guidelines. The toolkits have guidance for restaurants and taverns, retail, professional services, personal services, fitness and training, and domestic services. Toolkits are available in Amharic, Traditional Chinese, Korean, Somali, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Businesses can also call OED for assistance at 206-684-8090 (interpretation available in Amharic, Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean, Somali, Spanish, Vietnamese).

Link to the Toolkits - [http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19/covid-19-reopening?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](http://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19/covid-19-reopening?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

Images below: Columbia City Bakery Pick-up and Gather Sidewalk Sale



## Free Sidewalk and Curb Space Permits

To support small businesses and ease reopening during Phase 2, the Seattle Department of Transportation is accepting applications for sidewalk and curb space permits, which allow restaurants, retail stores, vending trucks and carts to operate in the sidewalk or curb space in front of their business. These temporary permits will be available for up to six months. Be aware that there are program limitations for locations on a "principal arterial", like Rainier Avenue.

To learn more about these permits, and decide if these options are right for your business, visit the permitting site:

[http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/permits-and-services/permits/temporary-permits?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/permits-and-services/permits/temporary-permits?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

## Parking Meter Fees Returning

The City will re-start charging for paid parking and enforcement of paid parking and parking time limits on Monday, July 13. Initially, parking rates will start at the lowest hourly rate (\$0.50/hour) in all paid parking areas. Time-limited parking and enforcement in unpaid areas will also begin July 13. For the first two weeks after July 13, Seattle Police Parking Enforcement will err on the side of issuing courtesy notices and warnings for non-payment violations rather than citations, to help ease the transition back to paid parking.

SDOT intends to stay at \$0.50/hour for at least several weeks, and see how paid parking transactions are doing compared with pre-COVID demand, recognizing some areas may be returning to business sooner than others.

## Masks Required Universally in WA

All people in Washington state must wear a face covering in any indoor or outdoor public area. Children under two should not wear a face covering. People unable to wear a face covering for medical reasons are not required to. The mask may be removed to eat, drink, or communicate with someone who is deaf or hard of hearing.

## Latest CC Re-Openings!!!

- Eileen Fisher
- Columbia City Alehouse (new ownership!)
- Rudy's
- Who else? Let us know at: [info@columbiacityseattle.com](mailto:info@columbiacityseattle.com)

Images below: Eileen Fisher Renew....Kelly and Emily at CC Ale House



## "Columbia City Safe" Reopening Campaign Update

Thank you to so many businesses that have requested new "open" signs and "safe" seals. You can expect delivery starting Wed, July 8. If you have not been able to respond to the survey, here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SBRN3DR>



## Collaboration with Adjacent Neighborhoods... Rainier ABC

The CCBA is working together with the Hillman City, Genesee and Brighton business districts as part of the Rainier Avenue Business Coalition, or Rainier ABC. The intent is that by working together we can assist more of our area businesses (in particular businesses owned by people of color and immigrants), improve the pedestrian environment for all four districts, increase our effectiveness in advocating for common goals, and create operational efficiencies. The work of the Rainier ABC is being supported this year by a \$50,000 grant from the City's Office of Economic Development. Here are some current Rainier ABC activities with direct benefit to Columbia City:

- Representing Columbia City and the other districts at the South Precinct Advisory Council;
- Printing required Covid-19 safety posters for free distribution to businesses;
- Reducing our need for police intervention through the development of reliable, effective alternatives to calling 911.

Image below: BLM poster and Columbia and Hillman Arts and Cultural District South End Yard Art - Artist: Larine Chung



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