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# Renton City Councilmember Ed Prince earns Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership from Association of Washington Cities

Councilmember completed 30 hours of training in five core areas to earn this distinction

## RENTON, WA (JUNE 29, 2023) - City of Renton

Councilmember Ed Prince has earned an Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership (CML) from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC). Kristi Rowland, Renton's Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, presented the award at Monday night's Renton City Council meeting. Rowland also serves as the current President of the Washington City/Council Management Association and on the Association of Washington Cities board.

"Congratulations to Councilmember Prince for earning his advanced certification," said Mayor Pavone. "His desire to go beyond his normal councilmember duties reflects his dedication to serving our residents."

AWC's Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership program recognizes city and town elected officials for accomplishing training in five core areas:

- Roles, responsibilities, and legal requirements •
- Public sector resource management
- Community planning and development
- Effective local leadership
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion

Councilmember Prince was awarded the advanced certificate after earning an additional 30 CML credits including at least one training in the diversity, equity, and inclusion competency area – and demonstrating community service. He earned the first step, the Certificate of Municipal Leadership, requiring 30 credits in 2015.

Councilmember Prince is serving his third four-year term on the city council, first winning the election for Position Five in November 2011. He is in his second year serving as the Council's President Pro-Tem in 2023 and chairs the Planning & Development Committee, vice-chairs the Public Safety Committee and is a member of the Transportation Committee.



**Renton Councilmember Ed Prince** 





"Being a councilmember is a serious obligation to me and receiving my Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership continues to give me more skills to better serve the residents of Renton," Prince states.

Councilmember Prince is the Executive Director of the Washington State Commission on African American Affairs. He also serves on the AWC Board of Directors, is a member of the Sound Transit Board of Directors and Sound Cities Association, co-chairs the King County Regional Homeless Authority, and is vice-chair of the Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management Policy Board.

Councilmember Prince is the third member of the council to earn an Advanced Certificate, joining Ruth Pérez (2019) and Valerie O'Halloran (2022). Mayor Armondo Pavone (2023) and Councilmember Kim-Khánh Văn (2022) also hold a certificate.

He and his wife, Meegan, have a son and a daughter.

### About City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 107,500 (2022), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace, and favorable business climate have attracted nationally recognized companies wishing to provide employees and their families with an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, Super Bowl Champion (2014) Seattle Seahawks, two-time (2016 & 2019) MLS champion and CONCACAF Champion (2022) Seattle Sounders FC (in 2024), and the eternal resting place of rock icon Jimi Hendrix. You can find more information on our website, news releases, Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor pages.

### About Association of Washington Cities

The Association of Washington Cities (AWC) serves its members through advocacy, education, and services. Founded in 1933, AWC is a private, non-profit, nonpartisan corporation representing Washington's 281 cities and towns before the state legislature, executive branch, and regulatory agencies. AWC provides training, data, publications, and programs such as the AWC Employee Benefit Trust, AWC Risk Management Service Agency, AWC Workers' Comp Retro, AWC Drug and Alcohol Consortium, and AWC GIS Consortium.

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