

## Why a Smoking and Vaping Ban?

It is clear from the King County Public Health Statistics that a disproportionate number of Auburn residents are at a high health risk compared to the rest of the County. Realizing such, the City of Auburn launched the Healthy Auburn 2020 “Blue Ribbon Committee”. It is understood that smoking and vaping in parks may still occur should an ordinance be approved as this infraction would fall low on the list of police priorities but if the health and experience of any park visitors is positively affected, then we’ve create a better public space. Our intent is to launch a “Just Breathe” campaign similar to the City of Kent, modify all of our permit, rental, tournaments, etc. paperwork. Below is the City of Kent code where they excluded the Riverbend Golf Course, as we would with the Auburn Golf Course. Many of the agencies on the I-5 corridor have already implemented a code similar to this.

Kent Code:

### **4.01.135 Smoking, vaping, or tobacco use in parks prohibited.**

It is unlawful for any person to smoke, vape, or use tobacco products in or on any park property or park facility, excluding the Riverbend Golf Course facility. This prohibition includes both noncombustible products, like e-cigarettes or other vaping devices that produce smoke or vapor, and dipping tobacco, chewing tobacco, snuff, or snus; and combustible products, like paper cigarettes, cigarillos, or cigars, pipes, and hookahs. If the product emits smoke, or vapor, or contains tobacco, it is prohibited.



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