

PRESS RELEASE FROM CITY OF SEATTLE

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City has awarded a construction contract for a new Pier 58; to begin this Fall

SEATTLE (May 9, 2022) – The City's Office of the Waterfront and Civic Projects has awarded a construction contract to Pacific Pile & Marine, LP for \$34.5M to build a new <u>Pier 58</u>. The contract also includes the removal of Pier 63. Construction is anticipated to begin in Fall 2022 and will take approximately two years to complete. The former Pier 58, also known as Waterfront Park, was removed in 2020-21.

"We're excited to reach this milestone and to be one step closer to having another new pier for the public to enjoy on our waterfront," said Angela Brady, Director of the Waterfront Seattle Program. "The new pier includes a marine habitat-sensitive design, will be a welcoming space for all, and will include an iconic playground that will encourage visitors from near and far to visit."

The <u>final pier design elements</u> include multiple areas to relax and enjoy scenic views of Elliott Bay, including a shaded tree grove and elevated lawn, a plaza and event space that can be used for concerts, outdoor movies and other pop-up events, and a new children's playground. The playground will have play elements for all ages and abilities and features an 18-foot jellyfish-inspired climbing structure, a slide with rolling tentacles and swinging features. After the completion of the pier, it will be managed by partnership between the Seattle Parks Department and <u>Friends of Waterfront Seattle</u>.

Pier 63, dilapidated and closed since 2017, will be removed for safety concerns. Its removal will improve the ecosystem of the nearshore habitat providing more light for plants to grow and marine life to flourish.

Pacific Pile & Marine LP was also the contractor for Pier 62, which has hosted many exciting public programs since it opened in September 2020.

Learn more about the new Pier 58 at <u>waterfrontseattle.org</u>.