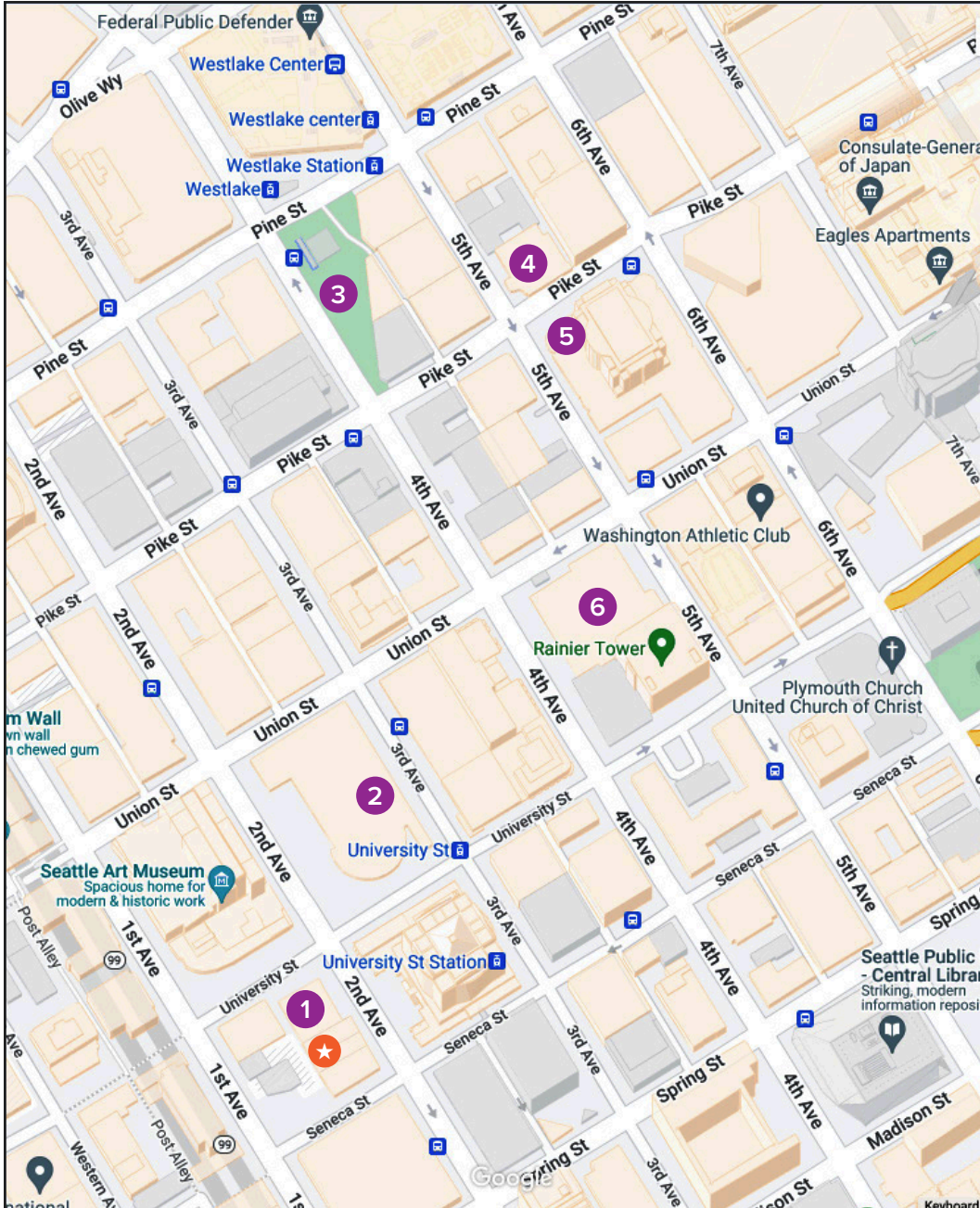




Pike Pine Renaissance Walking Tour | NORTH TOUR



Puget Sound Regional Council



Meeting Place

★ 2 + U Tower | 1201 Second Avenue

Meet in front of the Victor Tavern (in the plaza under the building between First and Second Avenues and University and Seneca Streets). Access the plaza from First, Second, or University.

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1 2+U Tower

Opened in 2019, the 2+U Tower has 38 stories with 686,000 square feet of office space and 17,000 square feet of retail, arts, and culture space. It also has 24,000 square feet of covered outdoor open space, a unique feature that is open to the public.

Learn more at <https://2andu.com>



2 Benaroya Hall/Third Avenue Improvements

The City of Seattle is making changes to 3rd Avenue in downtown and Pioneer Square to make buses more reliable and efficient and streets safer and more comfortable for people walking, biking, and rolling. Over the next 2 years, the city will be building street, sidewalk, and bus stop upgrades, expanding bus only restrictions, repaving 3rd Avenue, and working with King County Metro to upgrade real-time information kiosks at bus stops. This is a part of the City of Seattle's bigger plan to make downtown safer, easier to get around, and more welcoming.

Learn more at <https://www.seattle.gov/transportation/projects-and-programs/programs/transit-program/3rd-ave-improvements>





3 Westlake Park/Pike Pine Renaissance

The City of Seattle and Downtown Seattle Association are partnering to provide a vibrant pedestrian experience on one of the busiest corridors in downtown. The project will make improvements to Pike and Pine streets between Capitol Hill and the Pike Place Market, with connections to the new waterfront. Elements include making Pike and Pine Streets one-way streets from First Avenue to Bellevue Avenue to create more room for wider sidewalks and protected bike lanes, adding trees and greenery, updating lighting, renovating facades, installing seating, and providing consistent corridor design elements. The goal is to provide a safe and vibrant stage for enjoying city life, whether for traveling to and from destinations or staying to eat, drink or shop.

Lean more at

<https://downtownseattle.org/advocacy-initiatives/pike-pine-renaissance/>

<https://waterfrontseattle.org/waterfront-projects/pike-pine-renaissance>



4 Coliseum building

The Coliseum Theater was one of the first theaters in the world intended specifically for movies, given that its auditorium didn't have a stage. It did have an elevator, electrical system and pipe organ, plus an in-house orchestra that accompanied silent movies. The building is a Seattle landmark and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Clothing retailer Banana Republic occupied the building for years. After Banana Republic's 2020 pandemic closure, the space sat vacant behind boarded-up windows. The building was recently used as a temporary art space, funded in part by grants. The City of Seattle and local arts nonprofits provide funding to support art installations in vacant downtown storefronts.

Lean more at

<https://www.seattletimes.com/entertainment/visual-arts/seattles-downtown-banana-republic-store-to-become-art-space/>





5 Cedar Hall at US Bank Building

The US Bank Building is a 44-story, recently renovated building with about 944,000 square feet of office space. It is LEED Gold and Energy Star certified. Cedar Hall, a street-level space in the building, was built as a communal meeting place for art, culture, and retail.

Lean more at <https://usbcseattle.com>



6 Rainier Square

Rainier Square is considered the tallest residential building in Seattle and is the highest tower since Columbia Center was built in 1985. This 1.1 million square foot project includes a 58-story tower containing 734,000 square feet of office space and 189 apartment residences on its uppermost floors. PCC Community Markets, the only full-service grocery store in downtown Seattle, is located on the ground floor.

Lean more at <https://www.rainiersquare.com>



i Seattle 2030 District

The Seattle 2030 District is an interdisciplinary public-private-nonprofit collaborative working to create a groundbreaking high-performance district in downtown Seattle. The District works on sustainability issues such as energy, transportation, and stormwater. The Bellevue 2030 District was recently launched.

Lean more at <https://2030districts.org/seattle/>

