

## King tides damage city's marinas

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Warrenton's marinas took a hit over the winter with damage from the weather and several king tides.

The tides – the highest predicted during the year – occur when the orbits and alignment of the earth, moon and sun combine.

"We've had kind of a wet and windy winter and a lot of king tides," Harbor-master Jane Sweet told city commissioners Tuesday night. "We've had a lot of power issues this year."

The walkway to A Dock, the one closest to Seafarers Park, washed away during one of the storms, and king tides caused some of the shortest pilings to get caught up on other docks, damaging them.

Sweet reported on the state of the marinas at the request of Commissioner Mark Baldwin.

"I don't ever want to see our docks look like that," Baldwin said. "That's a lot of money and safety and liability. ... I'd like to see us do a better job."

And problems were caused by a lack of maintenance, he added.

Unfortunately, the pandemic forced

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## City eyes options for 'al fresco' dining on the town

### Design selected for city's food pod

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The vision for Warrenton's new downtown food truck pod includes a cozy outdoor dining room surrounded by trees and protected by a canopy and encircled trucks.

The city will use the empty lot it owns just south of City Hall. Once set aside for the Fire Department, city officials have decided best use of the lot is to make money there through space rentals and to help other businesses succeed by drawing more

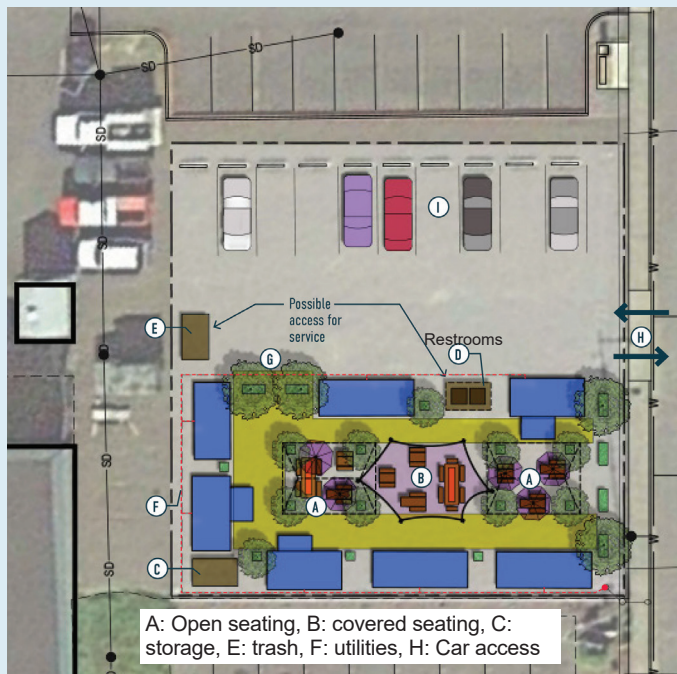
people downtown.

Greenworks PC of Portland developed three designs that were reviewed by food truck owners, the city's Urban Renewal Advisory Board, and dozens of city agency directors and staff members.

Two of the designs were given high marks, while a third, which had all carts near Main Avenue and forced drivers to pass between them to park, was rejected for safety reasons.

Warrenton city commissioners, in their role as

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