

REFLECTION PLAZA

Washougal Parks Department



History of Reflection Plaza:

In 1880, Fritz Braun disassembled and moved his Park Hotel from Parkersville to this site, now known as Reflection Plaza. Washougal's first town pump, dug in the center of the intersection of Main and Pendleton, gave explosive growth to the new community in 1882. Life flourished around this water source. When the first pump collapsed, residents dug a second pump in the same location. Historical records skip a beat about the Reflection Plaza site, leaping forward to more modern times, long after automobiles replaced horses. In 1991, Washougal purchased and demolished the Texaco gas station and neighboring apartments for a town square. Reflection Park had a gazebo, popular water fountain, and a wooden platform "stage". With the 2005 revitalization of downtown Washougal, the Park experienced a modern re-design and a name change. The new Reflection Plaza's tower stands symbolically to mark the location of Washougal's first town water pump. Today, Reflection Plaza serves as Washougal's center piece for hosting community events. In 2010, the Camas/Washougal Garden club donated a living Christmas Tree, which staff dotes colorful lights upon in winter.

Location:

1703 Main Street

Amenities:

Benches, pooch/human drinking fountain, electrical outlets, Wifi, paved open space, and a recently planted live Christmas Tree replaced the need to cut down trees for future annual tree lighting ceremonies.

Recreation Opportunities:

Reflection Plaza acts as the hub of Washougal with easy access to downtown merchants, Washougal's public buildings, the area museum, and recreation opportunities beyond the SR-14 Pedestrian tunnel. Reflection Plaza provides a trendy venue for public events and offers individuals a charming niche to enjoy the amenities of downtown.

