

New restaurant announced for waterfront: WildFin



The WildFin American Grill in Tacoma. (Courtesy of WildFin)



Barry Cain of Gramor Development holds up a cookie frosted with an image of the future Grant Street Pier, the signature element of Vancouver's waterfront park, which will open in 2018. Cain also announced a new restaurant for the development: WildFin. (Ariane Kunze/The Columbian)



The WildFin American Grill in Tacoma. A WildFin will be part of the Grant Street Pier development on the Vancouver waterfront. (WildFin)



A large crowd turned out of the groundbreaking at the The Pier on the Vancouver Waterfront on Monday afternoon. (Brooks Johnson/The Columbian)

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Vancouver's downtown waterfront is getting another restaurant.

Developer Barry Cain announced [WildFin American Grill](#) would overlook the Grant Street Pier during a groundbreaking for that iconic piece of the waterfront park on Monday afternoon.

“WildFin is exactly the kind of restaurant we wanted to attract,” Cain, president of Gramor Development Inc., said in a statement. “They are the perfect complement because of their attention to the quintessential Northwest quality fare that comes directly from nearby farms, fields, waters and ranches.”

The Vancouver waterfront marks the Puget Sound-based restaurant’s fourth location, having opened in Issaquah, Renton and at Tacoma’s waterfront.

“As you stand here today and see what’s planned, it’s hard not to be excited,” owner Attila Szabo, a Southwest Washington native, said Monday during the groundbreaking.

WildFin’s menu prominently displays its Northwest suppliers and features a fairly high-end selection of seafood and other fare.

Szabo said the interior will be similar to its Tacoma location, though the exterior will be consistent with the overall themes planned at the Vancouver waterfront.

“WildFin has been searching for the right location in Vancouver for some time and looks forward to becoming a part of Vancouver’s vibrant community,” Szabo said in a statement.

The 7,500-square-foot restaurant is set to open in fall 2017 and will be next to Twigs Bistro and Martini Bar, the first restaurant announced for the Columbia Waterfront project. The restaurants will occupy separate buildings where Grant Street ends and the city park and pier now under construction meet the Columbia River.

Those eateries join WareHouse '23, at the Port of Vancouver’s Terminal 1 development just upstream, which officially opens for dinner at 3 p.m. Tuesday inside the former Red Lion Vancouver at the Quay.