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MEMORANDUM

To: Kurt Triplett, City Manager
From: Marilynne Beard, Deputy City Manager
Date: June 21, 2015
Subject: CITY COUNCIL RETREAT FOLLOW-UP

RECOMMENDATION:

City Council reviews the results of the City Council brainstorming exercise and considers the staff recommendation for next steps.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

At the May 29, 2015 City Council Retreat, the Council developed a list of topics of interest for possible future action. A total of thirty three topics were identified and the Council then prioritized the topics for importance and or immediacy by placing dots next to individual topics. The attached list shows the list of topics in priority order (those receiving the most "dots" (or votes) to the fewest. Seven topics received three or more votes. Staff is recommending the following next steps for the top seven topics.

- **Sustainability Advisory Committee** – Assemble as needed as a significant environmental trigger arises that would benefit from advisory committee input. At that time, Council can identify the types of individuals best suited to be appointed to the advisory committee and their charter.
- **Lake and Central** – The City Manager will discuss this topic further with the City Council to gain an understanding of common interests and potentially recommend funding for an evaluation of options at the mid-biennial budget update in November.
- **Open Labor Negotiations to the Public** – Refer to the Finance and Administration Committee for further study and discussion.
- **Affordable Housing Symposium** – Refer to Planning and Economic Development Committee and Planning, Public Works and Human Services Committee to better understand Council interests and desired outcomes.
- **Downtown Parking** – Recommendations were provided to the City Council for short and long term actions. Based on Council direction, staff is in the process of implementing a variety of strategies including upgrades to the Library Parking Garage,

improved signage and way finding, permit parking on Lake Avenue West, increased hours of paid parking at selected lots, time-limited parking on Market Street and further study regarding the feasibility of new parking south of City Hall and potential options at the Lake and Central lot.

- **Recovery of Credit Card Discounts** – Staff will develop an issue paper on this topic for the mid-biennial budget review.
- **Real Estate A-Board Signs for Businesses outside Kirkland** – Selected sign code amendments are included on the adopted Planning Work Program and are scheduled to begin in late 2015. This topic will be included in the reviews.

Although staff is recommending that these topics be addressed in this coming year, many of the remaining topics are already underway or will be during this biennium (e.g. reclaimed water, Accessibility Report implementation, creative fireworks enforcement, and so on.) Staff is looking for Council concurrence with the recommendations or alternative direction from the Council on individual topics.

Council Retreat Brainstorming Session May 29, 2015

Dots	Topic
•••••	Sustainability advisory committee
•••••	Lake & Central
•••••	Open labor negotiation to public
•••••	Affordable housing symposium
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••••	Parking downtown
••••	Recovery of credit card discounts
••••	Real estate A-board signs for other communities
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•••	Data retention and privacy policy
•••	Human services advisory committee enhanced role
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••	Other options for Women's Shelter
••	Develop green codes phase 2
••	Enhance Arts Commission support
••	Sustainability program coordinator
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••	Bike share program
••	Disability and accessibility report status and implementation
••	Shuttles for supplementing bus service/neighborhood circulators/partner with private service (e.g. Mountain View)
••	Second or more transit oriented developments
••	Enforcement of multi-family parking capacity post certificate of occupancy
••	Requirement for public parking in new development
••	Charge for nursing care calls for non-medical problems
••	Paid sick and safe leave
••	Creative fireworks enforcement
••	More information to neighborhood on major projects – signage
••	Auxiliary parking lot (Marina Park) private/public partnership
••	No idling policy (especially around schools)
••	Reclaimed water study
••	Demolition fee for affordable housing
••	SCA Rise presentation on healthcare initiative
••	Urban tree canopy protection
••	Sister City presentation
••	Sustainability standard for all public improvements
••	Walking access to Lake in front of single family homes with redevelopment
••	Broadband and conduit policy (PW standard for new development)