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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** David Ramsay, City Manager

**From:** Jennifer Schroder, Director of Parks and Community Services  
Michael Cogle, Park Planning Manager

**Date:** October 30, 2007

**Subject:** Resolution Amending the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

City Council adopt the attached Resolution amending the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan to include potential use of the historic Forbes House as a Community Facility.

### **BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:**

The Juanita Beach Park Master Plan was adopted by the City Council in May of 2006 (Resolution R-4570). The master plan described possible uses for the historic Forbes House as follows:

*"...the historic residence provides space for park offices, meetings, family reunions, and weddings. The entry garden and small orchard provide outdoor rooms for events and celebrate the historic character of the house." (pages 25 and 31 of the master plan).*

The Master Plan inadvertently omitted specific references to use of the building for other community purposes, such as space for appropriate non-profit organizations. "Community Facility" is a defined term in the City's Zoning Code, as follows:

*"A use which serves the public and is generally of a public service, noncommercial nature. Such use shall include food banks, clothing banks, and other non-profit social service organizations; nonprofit recreational facilities; and nonprofit performing arts centers."*

An amendment to the park master plan requires that the Park Board hold a public hearing. Public notice (including direct mailings to nearby residents, display signs, email notices to the neighborhood association, and City website postings) was given for the Board to hold such a hearing on Wednesday, September 12, 2007. No citizens spoke at the hearing. Following the hearing, the Park Board voted unanimously to recommend that the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan be amended so that the Forbes House could be used as a Community Facility in the future.

RESOLUTION R-4675

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND  
AMENDING THE MASTER PLAN FOR JUANITA BEACH PARK.

WHEREAS, the Park Board and Department of Parks and Community Services organized and completed an extensive planning process to create a vision for the future of Juanita Beach Park, involving important stakeholders and interested citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution 4570 on May 16, 2006, adopting the master plan for Juanita Beach Park; and

WHEREAS, the Park Board and Department of Parks and Community Services desire the amendment of the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan to expand allowable uses of the historic Forbes House to include use as a Community Facility; and

WHEREAS, a Community Facility includes uses which serve the public and are generally of a public service, noncommercial nature, and may include: food banks; clothing banks; other non-profit social service organizations; nonprofit recreational facilities; and nonprofit performing arts centers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to public notice on September 12, 2007, the Park Board conducted a public hearing for the purposes of soliciting public comment on the proposed amendment to the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Park Board has provided the City Council with a written report and recommendation on the proposed amendment to the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, in open public meeting, the City Council considered the written report and recommendation of the Park Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. The Kirkland City Council hereby adopts and approves amendments to the Juanita Beach Park Master Plan to expand allowable uses of the historic Forbes House to include use as a Community Facility.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

Signed in authentication thereof this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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MAYOR

Attest:

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City Clerk