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MEMORANDUM

To: David Ramsay, City Manager
From: Tracey Dunlap, Director of Finance and Administration
Date: February 17, 2009
Subject: Remittance of Duck Dash Raffle Tax Receipts to Selected Agencies

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the remittance of the Duck Dash raffle tax receipts to an agency or agencies on the list of Community Human Services Agencies recommended to the City Council by the Human Services Advisory Committee.

BACKGROUND DISCUSSION:

The Kirkland Rotary has a Duck Dash each year on the Fourth of July. This fundraising event provides funds to support the Kirkland Rotary. The event continues to grow, and currently raises over \$40,000 after deduction for prizes.

All organizations that have raffles in Kirkland are required to collect and remit a raffle tax to the City. Gross revenues less cash paid as/for prizes are used to determine the taxable amount. When a raffle is conducted by a charitable or nonprofit organization, no tax is imposed on the first ten thousand dollars (per calendar year) of gross receipts. The raffle tax due is based on the taxable amount times a rate of five percent.

At the June 1, 1999 City Council meeting, the Council requested that staff and the Human Services Advisory Committee review options and make recommendations for a process to distribute raffle tax revenues to human service agencies. Since that time, the City has honored this request by distributing raffle tax collected to local nonprofit or charitable organizations as requested by the event organizer.

City staff is proposing that the 2007 and 2008 Kirkland Rotary Duck Dash raffle tax be paid to the following agencies:

2007	\$650.77	Hopelink - Emergency Food Services
	\$650.78	King County Sexual Assault Resource Center
2008	\$961.05	Senior Services of Seattle King County - Meals on Wheels Program
	\$961.05	YWCA – Homeless Women’s Day Center