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**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
MEMORANDUM**

To: City Council
From: Park Board
Date: April 9, 2009
Subject: Council/Park Board Joint Meeting

The Park Board is looking forward to discussing the following topics with the City Council at our joint meeting on April 21st.

2008 Accomplishments: A brief review of work accomplished in 2008

Park Board Work Plan: A review of major components of the Boards 2009 work program

Possible Future Park Funding Measure: A discussion about options, timing, and next steps related to a possible future park bond, levy or other park funding ballot measure

Attachments: 2008 Accomplishments
2009 Work Plan
Funding Measure Timeline options

Park Board list of accomplishments for 2008

The following is a list of accomplishments the Board completed in its advisory role to staff and the City Council:

- Developed a trail and park improvement plan for Forbes Lake Park
- Developed a design for new Everest Park Restroom/Storage Building
- Completed master plan for Rose Hill Meadows Park.
- Revised McAuliffe Park Master Plan and begin implementation
- Reviewed and updated the Parks' Capital Improvement Program for 2009 – 2014
- Expanded community garden/pea patch program – 20 new garden plots at McAuliffe Park
- Replaced playground equipment at Spinney Homestead Park
- Completed cemetery business plan
- Completed construction and dedication of the garden arbor at Heritage Park
- Acquired 1.49 acres contiguous to Forbes Lake Park

Park Board 2009 Work Plan

Goal 1: Develop or redevelop existing parklands and public recreation facilities.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 1.1:</u> Implement the approved development plan for Forbes Lake Park	Finalize design and initiate permitting activities in anticipation of 2010 construction for Phase 1 improvements	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 1.2:</u> Implement Juanita Beach Master Plan	Construct Phase 1 improvements to park	2009 through spring 2010
<u>Objective 1.3:</u> Complete improvements to Rose Hill Meadows	Complete improvements to park property in South Rose Hill neighborhood	Complete construction by October
<u>Objective 1.4:</u> Revise McAuliffe Park Master Plan and begin implementation	Seek opportunities to implement aspects of the McAuliffe Park plan as appropriate.	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 1.5:</u> Expand community garden/pea patch program	Provide additional opportunities for community gardening/pea patches at McAuliffe Park	Spring 2009
<u>Objective 1.6:</u> Update the City's Comprehensive Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (PROS PLAN)	Update to six-year planning document	Complete by June
<u>Objective 1.7:</u> Develop a pilot off-leash dog area in Kirkland	Find a suitable location, secure sufficient volunteer stewardship commitment and donated funds for a pilot OLA	Throughout 2009
Goal 2: Maintain or increase maintenance and operational levels of service for parks and for recreation facilities.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 2.1:</u> Green Kirkland	Implement restoration plans including volunteer stewardship components	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 2.2:</u> Repair/replace deteriorating park amenities	Complete repair/replacement of identified playgrounds, docks	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 2.3:</u> Minimize negative impacts to park system and park/recreation users due to budgetary reductions	Provide advice and guidance to staff as requested regarding potential community impacts related to proposed and/or implemented budgetary reductions	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 2.4:</u> Peter Kirk Pool Capital Improvements	Implement upgrades to meet new code requirements and improve pool operations	Throughout 2009

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Goal 3: Develop more revenue-generating opportunities, alternative revenue sources, and private partnerships within the park system.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 3.1:</u> Develop and implement Marina Park business plan	Maximize opportunities for revenue-generating activities at Marina Park, such as recreation concessions and events	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 3.2:</u> Implement Cemetery business plan	Provide policy guidance regarding implementation of Kirkland Cemetery business plan, including feasibility of facility expansion	Throughout 2009
<u>Objective 3.3:</u> Planning for possible future park bond and maintenance levy	Explore strategic issues related to the planning and timing of a possible park bond and maintenance levy. Make recommendations to City Council as requested.	Throughout 2009
Goal 4: Develop partnership opportunities with the Lake Washington School District.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 4.1:</u> Finalize new Joint Use Agreement with LWSD	Revise existing agreement to ensure reciprocal use of public facilities in a manner which maximizes opportunities and equitably meets the broad needs of the community	Throughout 2009
Goal 5: Develop more indoor recreation space.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 5.1:</u> Indoor Recreation Center	Actively seek potential community partners and conduct site analysis as sites are identified	Throughout 2009
Goal 6: Acquire open spaces, unusual and unique sites, and neighborhood park land in areas of the City where recreation opportunities are deficient.		
Objective	Description	Timing
<u>Objective 6.1:</u> Acquire suitable land for community park land and/or open space	Be responsive to acquisition opportunities as they arise	Throughout 2009

Potential Future Park Funding Ballot Measure Timing Scenarios
(Using tasks/timeline of 2002 Park Bond/Levy as a successful model)

Task	November 2011 Ballot Measure	November 2012 Ballot Measure
	Complete by:	Complete by:
Council Authorizes Project Start	February 2010	February 2011
Form Exploratory Committee	April 2010	April 2011
Develop Preliminary Potential Project List	June 2010	June 2011
Project Planning and Cost Estimating ⁽¹⁾	November 2010	November 2011
Finalize Potential Project Package Scenarios	January 2011	January 2012
Surveys and polling ⁽²⁾	February 2011	February 2012
Final Draft Funding Package	April 2011	April 2012
Additional survey and polling ⁽²⁾	April 2011	April 2012
Council Decision to Place Measure on Ballot	May 2011	May 2012
Council Passes Formal Ballot Ordinance ⁽³⁾	June 2011	June 2012
Election	November 2011	November 2012

(1) Task completion timeline may vary based on the type and number of potential projects requiring additional planning, design, and cost estimating. This task may require funding for design, engineering, land appraisals, and other related consulting services.

(2) This task may require funding for costs related to opinion surveys and/or polling services.

(3) This task will require funding to place funding measure on County election ballot.