



KIRKLAND PARK BOARD

Date: July 10, 2013

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Council Chambers, City Hall

The mission of the Park Board shall be to provide policy advice and assistance to the Department of Parks and Community Services and City Council in order to ensure the effective provision of Parks and Community Services programs and facilities to the residents of the City of Kirkland.

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** *5 minutes*
June Park Board Meeting Minutes
4. **ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE** *5 minutes*
5. **REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**
No items
6. **PRESENTATIONS**
No items
7. **COMMUNICATIONS** *10 minutes*
 - a. Correspondence
 - b. Staff Reports
 - July update
 - c. Committee Reports
 - d. Comments from the Chair
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - a. Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan Update *10 minutes*
 - Topic: Progress report
 - Action: Discussion only
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a. Plaza of Champions Nomination *15 minutes*
 - Topic: Review Plaza of Champions Nomination
 - Action: Consider recommendation to Council
 - b. Edith Moulton Park Master Plan *10 minutes*
 - Topic: Staff presentation on master plan process
 - Action: Discussion only

10. MEETING EVALUATION

5 minutes

11. ADJOURNMENT

Estimated meeting completion: 7:30 p.m.

Following Adjournment: Park Board Tour of Waverly Beach Park

Next meeting: September 11, 2013

KIRKLAND PARK BOARD

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 12, 2013

1. CALL TO ORDER

The June Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Sue Keller.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Sue Keller, Vice Chair Shawn Fenn, Sue Contreras, Jim Popolow, Kevin Quille and Adam White

Ted Marx was excused.

Rick Ockerman was absent.

Ms. Keller introduced new Park Board Member Jim Popolow.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Jason Filan, Jennifer Schroder and Tim Werner

Recording Secretary: Cheryl Harmon

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Contreras moved to approve the May minutes as presented. Mr. White seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE

No items.

5. REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

No items.

6. PRESENTATIONS

No items.

7. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

Ms. Keller noted the email received by Marta Collins regarding off-leash areas.

b. Staff Reports

Ms. Schroder reported on recreation registrations, day camps and marketing.

Board members noted former Park Board Member Amy Johnson receiving the Eileen Trentman Memorial Scholarship and commented on yoga camps.

Mr. Filan introduced newly-hired Parks Maintenance Supervisor Tim Werner.

c. Committee Reports

Mr. White attended the Market Neighborhood meeting, commented on Juanita Beach parking and a Kiwanis Park bench.

Ms. Contreras asked the Board and staff about attendance at Summerfest and reported on volunteering at the Cemetery in preparation of Memorial Day.

Mr. Fenn reported on the Community Planning event held at City Hall.

d. Comments from the Chair

Ms. Keller commented on the Totem Lake Park Master Plan open house event, and discussed a possible joint meeting of the Park Board, Planning Commission and Transportation Commission, and reported on the Highlands Neighborhood meeting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. North Juanita Open Space

Ms. Schroder recapped the discussions held regarding North Juanita Open Space to-date and shared two proposed improvement options for the site. Staff answered questions related to the site.

Ms. Keller opened the meeting for public comment on the site. Comments were received from Steve Guidi, Mansoor Jaffry, Jayna Mason, Mark Sauze, Natalie Rasmussen, Jocelyn Rasmussen, Helen Rasmussen, Elizabeth Apple, Elaine Cummins, Fiona Sauze, Brad Corob and Bobby Choi.

Mr. White moved to accept the option of improving the site utilizing goats. Mr. Quille seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

b. Totem Lake Park Master Plan

Mr. Cogle reintroduced Andy Mitton of Berger Partnership who shared themes emerging from the community engagement processes at the Totem Lake Park Open House and the Community Planning event at City Hall.

Board members provided comment on the emerging themes.

Mr. Cogle encouraged Board Members to attend the July 16th City Council Study Session and shared the next steps in the planning process.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Waverly Beach Renovation Plan

Mr. Cogle announced that Anchor QEA was the landscape architecture firm selected to develop the Waverly Beach Renovation Plan and presented the project schedule, budget, community engagement and renovation planning process.

Mr. Cogle recommended dedicating a portion of the July meeting to touring the park with the consultants.

b. Finn Hill Surface Water Site

Ms. Schroder shared information related to a surface water drainage basin located on Finn Hill and answered questions about the site.

10. MEETING EVALUATION

"Very happy to see the community..."

"Great to have community members young and old..." "...and from all parts of the neighborhood."

"That little park is going to be all good."

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fenn moved to adjourn. Mr. Quille seconded. Motion carried (6-0).

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Jennifer Schroder, Director
Parks and Community Services

Sue Keller, Chair
Park Board


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To: Park Board
From: Jennifer Schroder, CPRP, Director
Date: July 2, 2013
Subject: June Staff Update

RECREATION DIVISION

- Recreation staff is in high gear overseeing a comprehensive list of summer programs and activities. Over 6,068 participants have enrolled in a recreation class or camp this summer.
- July is officially National Parks and Recreation month, and staff has been busy preparing to embellish the display case at City Hall to bring this to the public's attention. On July 2nd, Mayor McBride will proclaim July as National Parks and Recreation Month in the City of Kirkland.
- The fall/winter brochure is in production. 38,000 brochures will be delivered to homes on August 16th.
- Recreation Manager has hired Carly Parker as our On-call Aquatics Coordinator who will be overseeing the pool and beaches during Kelsey Hayes' leave.
- Recreation Revenues to date:

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
2012	\$41,025	\$25,821	\$292,534	\$139,963	\$99,568	\$112,559	\$711,470
2013	\$48,715	\$35,086	\$296,350	\$145,766	\$117,807	\$121,050	\$761,775
variance	\$7,690	\$9,265	\$816	\$5,803	\$18,239	\$8,491	\$50,304

North Kirkland Community Center

- North Kirkland Community Center welcomes three new instructors to our staff: Stephanie Harper, Jennifer Pineda and Amber Peters. Their specialties include dance and gymnastics.
- It is official, camps have begun! The week of June 24th NKCC hosted four camps: Animated Avatar Green Screen Video Camp for ages 9-15, Junior Summer Day Camp for ages 5-8, Giggles and Grins, and Summer Theatre Camps both for Preschoolers ages 3-6 years. It was messy, loud, and a lot of fun!
- Five new volunteers have received their training and schedules to help in a variety of summer camps. Staff would like to acknowledge the volunteers' generous donation of their time and skills which contribute to a positive camp experience.

Aquatics

- July 1st was the official start of lifeguard services at Houghton, Waverly and (new this year) Juanita beaches. Lifeguards will be on duty 7 days a week, noon – 6pm, through September 2nd.
- Orca Swim Team is now underway at the Peter Kirk Pool. This year there are 182 participants on the team. The first swim meet is July 13th at Peter Kirk Pool starting at 7:30am against the City of Everett.

Sports and Fitness

- Spring softball leagues are winding down and summer interest is increasing. Due to marketing via direct mailer staff has seen an uptick in the amount of co-ed teams showing interest in the

summer league. The spring co-ed division due to low enrollment but this upcoming summer season we have six teams registered and two on the waitlist.

- The summer camp season has been begun. The first week of camps and lessons has gone well despite the rainy weather. All three locations of tennis camps/lessons and two Skyhawks sports camps are operating this week. In the coming weeks we will be holding a skateboarding camp, several soccer camps, a track and field camp, lacrosse and more.
- The brand new beach volleyball league started on July 25th. It was a wet one with intermittent showers during the matches. But, the games were able to be played and participants had a great time. Many mentioned how impressed they were with the new courts and the quality of the on-site staff. Many thanks to the Parks division for their work constructing the new courts.
- The pee wee soccer season concluded on June 15th with medals being presented to each participant and kids and parents leaving the site happy and eager to return for the fall season. To capitalize on that excitement, staff opened fall registration for the program on June 17th. There have already been 86 registered out of the 200 spots available.
- "Leap into Summer" ice skating camp was a huge success again this year! This popular camp had 25 students registered. Campers had a great time as they learned the skills and fun of ice skating. Each day, campers came dressed up for a different Theme. On the last day parents and friends were invited to watch the children perform what they had learned from the week.

Peter Kirk Community Center

- On June 27th a group of six volunteers from Symetra cleaned the PKCC kitchen from top to bottom as part of their company's week of service program.
- On June 14th, the Peter Kirk Advisory Board hosted the KTUB Teen Feed. The Board served the teens hot dogs, watermelon, chips and cookies. The teens were thankful as always and the Advisory Board looks forward to continuing this tradition.
- This summer PKCC is offering some great van trips including sold out trips to Jak's Grill, Chihuly Garden and Glass/Seattle Great Wheel, the Sequim Lavender Festival and two trips to Orcas Island/Rosario Resort to name just a few.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

Youth and Human Services

- Bluefish Festival was held June 8th. The event featured teen art pieces, live teen bands, arts & crafts, and more.
- Youth Council held its last meeting of the school year on June 17th. The group will resume meeting on August 26th.
- For the 2012-13 school year, Kirkland's Teen Traffic Court program heard 50 cases. The program has not seen this many participants since the 2004-05 school year. The first session of Teen Traffic Court for the 2013-14 school year will be August 2nd.
- Kirkland's Summer Feeding program began on June 25th. Lunches will be served on Tuesdays at two sites: 11:30 am – noon at 132nd Square Park; and 12:30 pm -1:00 pm at Juanita Beach Park (north side of Juanita Drive near the Forbes House). 36 lunches were served in the first week.
- The Juanita Friday Market has just completed two months of operation with the assistance of Kirkland Youth Council members. Average number of vendor participants per week has been 26. Special events have included the Safety Fair on June 7th and the Youth Craft Fair on June 28th.

MAINTENANCE DIVISION

Athletic Fields

- Lee Johnson Field – It is officially tournament season! The 4th of July traditional Firecracker Tournament is scheduled July 3rd through the 7th with Kirkland Baseball Commission as this year's host. KBC and the Merchants are hosting three other tournaments at Lee Johnson this month. It should be a very fun month!

- Crestwoods – The City of Kirkland Recreation Division softball programs wrap up their season with playoffs this month at Crestwoods and then begin their second season shortly thereafter. The Seniors will finish their season in very early August. Kirkland American Little League continues to use Field 4 for practices. Various day camps will be on-site as well, including those hosted by Kirkland Parks and one hosted by Seattle Sounders.
- Everest – Kirkland American Little League are hosts to a handful of tournaments at Everest this month. KALL's first season of use will come to an end by July 28th, when the fields officially close for maintenance to prepare for the Junior Softball Little League World Series in August.
- Kirkland National Little League has wrapped up their regular seasons at both Juanita Beach and 132nd Square. Both sites are now in use for day camps as well as a sprinkling of other various programs, including Underdog Sports Kickball program.

Volunteers

- In June, Environmental Adventure School provided many hands and much needed assistance on two dates at Juanita Beach. Staff thanks the students for their very hard work. They did a great job! Thank you, EAS!!
- Christ Church Academy, Ms. Heric's class, worked alongside crew member Sara one last time for the school year at Juanita Beach Park. We always enjoy CCA and are so grateful for their help throughout the year. Thank you, CCA!
- Eagle Scout Daniel Kelly worked with crewmember Oscar Chavez at OO Denny Park on a trail project on June 22nd. Mr. Kelly brought along several other scouts and adult volunteers for assistance. Combined, the group provided 119 hours of service and they, too, did a fantastic job. Thank you, Scout Kelly!

Notes from the Field

- With the Cemetery's Cornwall house scheduled for demolition this month, staff took some time to save several large rhododendrons and replant them at Marsh Park. Soils were prepared, plants given an extra shot of vitamins, and copious care was taken to increase their rate of survival. The neighbors at the Cambria Condos, just north of Marsh Park, were appreciative of the efforts.





- On the other side of Marsh Park, the pathway and old railroad ties were in need of some attention. In their stead, new asphalt and concrete curb was installed. Special thanks to the Public Works department for their concrete curb machine and expertise with the asphalt.
- This month the North Juanita Open Space will be getting some additional attention from the goats! A survey of the site was completed late June and a herd from “The Goat Lady” is scheduled for early July.
- The Peter Kirk Park restroom renovation is scheduled to begin this month. Council awarded the bid to Moon Construction at their June 18th meeting. Estimated start of construction is mid-July.
- Beautiful weather and warm temperatures have our waterfront parks and pool at full capacity. Large volumes of patrons enjoying the water resources on these wonderful summer days!

GREEN KIRKLAND PARTNERSHIP

- On June 8th, Friends of Kiwanis Park hosted the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) Wealth Management Team and community volunteers. Volunteers removed invasive plants that were regrowing in previously cleared areas. RBC submitted this event through its Blue Water Project, which resulted in Green Kirkland Partnership receiving a \$1,000 donation to support natural areas restoration.
- On June 8th Green Kirkland Partnership shared a booth with the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan at the Community Planning Day held at City Hall. The event provided an opportunity for the public to ask questions about and comment on the importance of natural areas.
- On June 1st and 14th Green Kirkland Steward Judi Radloff hosted her two volunteer events at Crestwoods Park. She led a small group of neighborhood volunteers to maintain forested areas that were initially cleared of invasive plants and planted through Pearl Jam band funding.
- On June 21st EarthCorps and the Green Kirkland Partnership hosted a volunteer event at Kiwanis Park. During the afternoon 68 volunteers removed Himalayan blackberry, mulched cleared areas and cared for previously planted areas within in the park.
- On June 26th and 27th Symetra employees volunteered at Cotton Hill and Juanita Bay Park respectively. At both of the parks volunteers engaged in a mix of invasive species removal and other native plant care.
- The mapping of five new parks into habitat management unit began on June 14th with a site walk-through of these parks attended by Tim Werner, Nelson Salisbury (EarthCorps), Katie Cava, Collins Klemm, and Sharon Rodman.
- Green Kirkland Stewards continue to host recurring volunteer events in their respective parks
 - Juanita Bay Rollers: 4th Saturday of the month events at Juanita Bay Park
 - Juanita Bay Park Volunteers: Thursday, 10am-noon at Juanita Bay Park
 - Highlands Neighborhood: Wednesday, 10am-11am at Cotton Hill Park
- The following table summarizes Green Kirkland Partnership events and other activities conducted by volunteers in May. It includes event volunteers and ongoing volunteers (ongoing field and administrative work).

Date	Park/Work	Group Name	Number of Volunteers			Hours	Dollar Equivalent ¹
			Youth	Adult	Total		
5/11	Kiwanis Park	Friends of Kiwanis Park and EarthCorps	39	52	91	364	\$8,259.16
5/16	Juanita Bay Park	GK Stewards and Ford of Kirkland	0	21	21	42	\$952.98

5/25	Juanita Heights Park	GK Steward	0	2	2	6	\$136.14
5/25	Juanita Bay Park	Juanita Bay Rollers	2	4	6	18	\$408.42
Ongoing	Administrative		0	4	4	32.50	\$732.89
Ongoing	Field work		0	16	16	120	\$2,722.80
May Total							\$21,612.23

¹ Dollar Equivalent = Hours x \$22.69

- Upcoming volunteer events open to the general public:
 - Saturday, July 13th at Kiwanis Park from 9 am to 12 pm. Sign up by emailing friendsofkiwanispark@gmail.com
 - Saturday, July 27th, at Juanita Bay Park, 10 am to 1 pm. Contact JBRollers@gmail.com.
 - Wednesdays, July 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st at Cotton Hill Park, 10 am to 11 am. Contact Karen Story karen@tinyisland.com.
 - Thursdays, July 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, at Juanita Bay Park, 10 am to 12 pm. Contact Nona Ganz, 425.822.1618, nonaganz@frontier.com.
- Photos of several recent volunteer events can be viewed at www.facebook.com (search "Green Kirkland Partnership").



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MEMORANDUM

To: Park Board
From: Michael Cogle, Deputy Director
Date: July 1, 2013
Subject: PROS Plan Update

Recommendation

That the Park Board receives an update on the PROS Plan process.

Background

The following project tasks have been completed thus far:

- Project initiation meeting
- Park and facility site tour
- Site assessments and inventory
- Stakeholder sessions (see attached summary reports)
- June 8th Community Planning Day (see attached summary report)

Next steps:

- Community survey conducted by Elway Research (July)
- Service Standards Assessment & Benchmarking Analysis (July – August)

A copy of the project timeline is attached for your information.

In addition, we have received several emails from citizens participating in the Kirkland 2035 Comprehensive Plan Update process. Copies of emails are attached for your information.

Attachments



City of Kirkland Park, Recreation & Open Space Plan



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Elway Research



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Project Timeline

Over the next nine months the City of Kirkland Department of Parks and Community Services will update the City's Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan. Major tasks and anticipated timeline:

Major Tasks & Deliverables

Information Gathering

- 1 Project Initiation Meeting*
- Community Profile; Demographic & Trend Forecast*
- Park and Facility Site Tour*
- Site Assessments & Inventory (SvR)*
- Draft Mapping Products*

Community Engagement Process

- Community Meetings (SvR)*
- Park Board Work Sessions*
- Stakeholder Sessions*
- Community Survey (Elway Research)*
- Public Information Collateral*

Recreational Needs Assessment

- Service Standards Assessment & Benchmarking Analysis*
- Needs Assessment Summary Report*

Preliminary Plan Development

- Draft Parks & Recreation Plan*
- 6-Year Capital Improvements Plan*

Final Plan Development & Approval

- 2 Sessions with Park Board*
- 2 Sessions with the City Council*
- Final PROS Plan & RCO Self-Certification Materials*

Timeline

April - July 2013

- April*
- April - May*
- May*
- May - June*
- May - July*

May - October 2013

- May, July, October*
- May, July*
- May - June*
- May - July*
- On-going*

June - August 2013

- June - July*
- July - August*

August - November 2013

- August - October*
- September - November*

October '13 - January 2014

- October - December*
- December - January*
- January*

For more information: Michael Cogle, Deputy Director, City of Kirkland Parks and Community Services
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PROJECT NUMBER: #05-13-PK ISSUE DATE: May 16, 2013
PROJECT NAME: Kirkland PROS Plan

RECORDED BY: Steve Duh
TO: FILE
PRESENT: Michael Cogle – Kirkland Parks & Community Svcs
Sharon Rodman – Green Kirkland Partnership
Katie Cava – Green Kirkland Partnership
Deb Powers – Kirkland Urban Forester
Teresa Swan – Kirkland Planning & Community Development
Ted Marx – Kirkland Parks Board
Adam Jackson – King Co Conservation District
Margaret Schwender – Sustainable Kirkland
Steve Duh – Conservation Technix
Jean Akers – Conservation Technix
Nate Cormier – SvR Design Company

SUBJECT: Stakeholder Session Meeting Notes: Environmental Groups (05/08/13)

Michael welcomed everyone and initiated the meeting. He thanked everyone for their participation and mentioned that the PROS Plan update will link with other city planning efforts underway this year, including the Comprehensive Plan, the Cross Kirkland Plan and other specific site plans.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Steve provided a brief overview of the PROS Plan project and introduced his team. He highlighted the elements of the planning process for the Plan and noted a set of questions that were the focus this session's discussion.

DISCUSSION / COMMENTS

- There are good choices across the city for a variety of play opportunities.
- Understanding the current state of the city's urban forest requires a look at quantity and quality. Public tree inventories are outdated and do not include the annexed neighborhoods. The Green Kirkland Partnership has made improvements to several natural areas, but more work is needed. An urban forestry canopy goal of 40% was written into comprehensive plan based on an older Puget Sound study. Annexation has allowed the city to meet its canopy coverage goal. A recent canopy assessment shows progress on this goal and includes data by watershed, land use and parcel. The 40% canopy goal may be reassessed in the pending comprehensive plan update to refine the policy and possibly segment the goal by land type or other use classifications.
- Stormwater is a concern, especially in the Finn Hill and North Juanita areas. How is the tree removal allowance going to affect stormwater management? The city is planting trees in stormwater management areas and restoration sites; this is a good program. Can the city do more in this area?
- What are the corridors for wildlife through Kirkland's open spaces and what animals are present? The Audubon Society has lists of birds and some mammals on a site-by-site basis, but this information is not available on a park system-wide basis. The Bridal Trails State Park contributes to habitat for coyotes and

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rabbits, and the landfill site on the south side of the city has been an ongoing issue regarding nuisance pests.

- Regarding the 33-acre landfill site and transfer station, Little League currently has a lease agreement for its use of the site for ballfields. There had been consideration of the site for a 9-hole executive golf course. The city and county have concerns about the long-term liability for the recreational use of the capped landfill. The adaptable re-use of the landfill is an untapped resource for the city, and the current landfill management practices limit potential habitat value. It is the city's position that the existing activities on the landfill are happenstance, and future remediation, restoration and re-use of the site requires an intentional plan.
- The Audubon Society is under-utilized resource. Juanita Bay is good example.
- Kirkland is designated a Community Wildlife Habitat, the sixth in Washington to receive this honor, by the National Wildlife Federation. The Community Wildlife Habitat team has mapped all of the certified properties, including 5 parks. Restoration projects are coordinated with habitat protection and the seasonal needs of wildlife.
- The restoration of Totem Lake is untapped potential. The Cross Kirkland Corridor is perceived as a potential green connection as a wildlife corridor, for increasing tree canopy and as an edible forest. It connects to 7 parks.
- The perception of "green" walking corridors can extend beyond actual parks and trails to situations such as Park Lane – green space in the street and separation from traffic. There may be opportunities for more green/urban (ROW) spaces and sidewalks. There is a potential to integrate parks & greenway connections and concepts with transportation and public works (comp plan) programming under review this year.
- The 2006 Shoreline Conditions Plan showed that 90% is 'bulk headed' and much of the are has mown lawn to the edge of the water. There is a list of park renovation projects to support shoreline restoration and lake ecology. Private property owners are looking to the city to take the lead on bulkhead removal and shoreline/lake improvements. An intern was hired by Planning to identify grants to help fund shoreline restoration projects. The PROS Plan should address and reinforce the shoreline enhancement program.
- There are environmental concerns about boaters, docks and marina activities. Can they be more sustainable in terms of dock materials or fuel? A structural analysis of City's docks currently is underway.
- Land acquisition can target key protection projects. Finn Hill had a "plan" for green connections.
- The goal is for having parks within a certain distance of every household. A GIS analysis, particularly of new annexation, could reveal oversized lots, canopy coverage, acquisition opportunities, among others. As part of the comprehensive plan update, a land capacity analysis for new annexation is expected from GIS in mid-June and may reveal potential park acquisition and urban forestry canopy preservation areas that can be useful to the PROS planning effort.
- The Green Kirkland Partnership has restoration volunteers at Peter Kirk school – which connects between two parks. The city needs an environmental center for seminars and classes.
- How can we use public lands as venues for public (environmental) education, programs, signage, events,..? Recent survey results highlighted public education and outreach as priorities for urban forestry. Green Kirkland program participants like the interpretive signs with plant identification, process, and

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nature information. Message the stewardship programs. Two-pronged value to help park projects or take-home information for ecological improvements.

- Consider demonstration gardens with native plantings, composting practices, worm bin, etc. Install more kiosks with information about parks and their projects. Work with the school district to include environmental learning gardens in new school projects.
- Use the website to promote environmental volunteer opportunities and share information about community organizations (i.e. help seniors pull blackberries)
- Tap into the Environmental Horticulture program at Lake Washington Institute of Technology to teach people to grown native plants or work with landscape professionals.
- Park rangers give tours at Juanita Bay every Sunday. The rangers are volunteers and offer tours for school groups and support the Audubon with annual bird counts. The program operates on grant funding. Program publicity is through local newspapers, Audubon Society and park kiosks.
- Are there opportunities for more green roofs? What can the city do to incentivize or “credit” green roofs, living walls,..?

Every effort has been made to accurately record this meeting. If any errors or omissions are noted, please provide written response within five days of receipt.

-- *End of Notes* --

cc: Michael Cogle
File



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PROJECT NAME: Kirkland PROS Plan

RECORDED BY: Steve Duh
TO: FILE
PRESENT: Michael Cogle – Kirkland Parks & Community Svcs
Karen Story - Highlands Neighborhood
Deirdre Johnson- South Rose Hill/Bridle Trails Neighborhood
Katrina Thomas - North Rose Hill Neighborhood
Johanna Palmer - Evergreen Hill (Kingsgate) Neighborhood
Jill Keeney - Everest Neighborhood
Carol Buckingham - Central Houghton Neighborhood
Sue Keller - PB & Highlands Neighborhood
Denise Campbell – Market Neighborhood
Janis Rabuchin - Market Neighborhood
Jeanette Leach - Finn Hill Neighborhood
Steve Duh – Conservation Technix

SUBJECT: Stakeholder Session Meeting Notes: Neighborhood Association Group (06/03/13)

Michael welcomed everyone and initiated the meeting. He thanked everyone for their participation and mentioned that the PROS Plan update will link with other city planning efforts underway this year, including the Comprehensive Plan, the Cross Kirkland Plan and other plans.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Steve provided a brief overview of the PROS Plan project and noted a set of questions that were the focus this session's discussion.

DISCUSSION / COMMENTS

Memories About Being in Kirkland

- Playing in the woods
- Waterfront parks - showcasing the lake and water access
- Pitching at Lee Johnson field under the lights
- Picnics at Juanita Beach Park
- Wandering about and playing - being free to roam
- Talking about how cool/fun the equipment is and having special names for the parks (i.e., castle park)
- Wooded wetlands in Everest Neighborhood
- Going off into the woods and roaming for hours
- Dragging big sticks and having open places for kids run
- Volleyball at Houghton Beach

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General Comments

- Half of Evergreen Hill is within a private facility (Kingsgate/Queensgate), which has many homeowners associations that are strong with their own parks and pools. The 132nd Square Park is the only park serving the rest of the neighborhood association. Finding additional land will be difficult. Largest lots are near school. Another development of 75 units is going into the neighborhood
- Houghton is extremely fortunate with park spaces. The under-developed sites are neat. Phyllis Needy is a tot lot that sees a lot of use and has a restroom. The Emerson campus has ball fields. Parking is lacking, and the challenge is getting people to the parks
- Need to educate folks on walkability (i.e., walking paths with distances and elevations). The 60th Avenue pedestrian route runs from the water to over the hill (and 405)
- Connect parks with safe walking trails, paths and sidewalks. People have to wander to find minor trails; they are hidden or unknown
- Woodlands Park & Mark Twain Park have parking issues
- South Rose Hill - Rose Hill Meadows Park has parking issues; needs designated parking off the main thoroughfares
- Market Neighborhood Association has some pedestrian safety and access concerns. Connectivity is a concern, especially near Juanita Beach near the old Jack in the Box
- Waverly Beach has minor drive with no turn-around or parking
- Need restrooms and basketball at Heritage Park
- Citywide, we need another multi-use community center
- Finn Hill Neighborhood Association has 15,000 residents, but is underserved. O.O. Denney is down a little road; Big Finn Hill is nice and large, but it is a county property and has connectivity/safety issues across Juanita Drive. The neighborhood needs more playgrounds and parks within a 1/4 mile

5-Year Look Forward: What is needed?

- More off leash areas and better enforcement of places and signage where dogs can/can't be off leash and for waste pickup. Jasper Dog Park is wall to wall dogs. City needs to get in front of the off leash issue (re: enforcement, waste, kids intimidated) [Michael Cogle mentioned that off leash areas may be considered as part of future master plans for new parks, such as in the planning process for Edith Moulton Park. There is less interest in trying to locate off leash areas within existing developed parks.]
- Regarding trails, it would be nice to have separated sections for cyclists and walkers/runners
- Mountain bike skills area - no park within Kirkland accommodates mountain biking. The wooded area of Ben Franklin School has a history of use for dirt bikes, but the area is degraded and highly compacted.
- Better connectivity - look for easements under power lines and over pipeline; connecting with them has been a challenge
- Signage - interpretive signs at Juanita Bay are nice and educate people about the site and wildlife. Consider adding more signage and historical information to celebrate places and people from the past
- Tie the downtown to Park Place

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- Consider a splash park (zero depth water fun) in the downtown area - possibly at Heritage Park or Peter Kirk Park
- Covered parks - covers over playgrounds for more all-season use
- All-season turf fields - the community missed out with Lake Washington High School; they could do something about Juanita High when it is rebuilt
- Restrooms are needed at more parks
- Juanita Bay - restrooms closed in winter months, which is high time for birding season and counts to aid Audubon
- Garbage cans - maybe more reliance on pack in/out mantra
- There is no recycling at Everest Park

Communications

- Controversy is required to get people's attention
- Consider adding more kiosks, like the Everest kiosk; if available in different places, they could serve as a community message boards
- The City uses a lot of ways to communicate, maybe a bit too much - sometime we are inundated. Brevity in message is the key, then provide a link with keywords
- The City's list serves overlap; the NHAs get messages from the City liaison, plus individual departments
- Provide small, localized (neighborhood area or smaller) maps of nearby parks
- Not all parks have addresses; some are hard to find. Google doesn't even have it right; some parks with nicknames are also a challenge

What is different in Kirkland in 2035?

- We have a first class recreation center - multipurpose center with pool
- We have more connections to the water - water trails, swim lessons at public beaches, sailing club. Look at Meydenbauer Bay - club with kayaking and boating
- We have more active parks. In the future, there will be more units with small lots or no usable outdoor space. Provide more sport courts

Are there community activities your neighborhood has considered as a partnership project with the City?

- Parks are the community front porch - a basketball court could be that place where people gather; the City needs more outdoor courts
- Develop an improvement program that is neighborhood based. What can residents do and how to get approvals for work? Is there a list of work to be done for each park? Provide a way for neighborhoods to take ownership of small improvements.
- Rotary partnered with Starbucks for the shelter at Everest Park
- More shelters are needed. For neighborhood events, tent rentals consume the event budget. Shelters are income source for the City, but they need associated parking

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- Denneyfest - parking is an issue. O.O. Denney is down a narrow road; people park at Finn Hill Middle School and use a shuttle bus to get to the park for the event.

Recreation

- 'Wild teens of Finn Hill' - encourage kids to participate in live-action activities or tournaments (e.g., hunger games style competitions); Parkour classes
- It is a headache to drive around the region for year round swim lessons because the options are very limited within Kirkland
- Swimming is a safety issue - in the past, residents had access to St Edwards and now Juanita High School is threatened.
- Barefoot boogie - DJ in gazebo or park space for open dance
- Recreation programs can be a little pricey when you have several kids taking classes; do more with pass options or punch cards
- Spread out the recreation venues - use alternative locations (i.e., schools)

Where Should the City Focus Efforts for the Future?

- Plan and implement the Cross Kirkland Trail
- Providing all-season turf for ball fields for year-round play
- Another community center
- Provide an indoor pool
- An indoor and covered high activity area (i.e., covered playground)
- Easy walking access to parks
- Integrate the PROS Plan elements with other City projects and plans

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PROJECT NAME: Kirkland PROS Plan

RECORDED BY: Steve Duh
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Jeanne Thompson - PKCC Advisory Board
Matt Kreitlow - Slow Pitch Softball
Tyson Wellock - WAVE Aquatics
Laura Caron - participant of North Kirkland Community Center
Laurene Burton - EvergreenHealth
Dave Wager - Senior Council
Linda Murphy – Kirkland Parks & Community Svcs
Steve Duh – Conservation Technix

SUBJECT: Stakeholder Session Meeting Notes: Recreation Program Users Groups (06/03/13)

Michael welcomed everyone and initiated the meeting. He thanked everyone for their participation and mentioned that the PROS Plan update will link with other city planning efforts underway this year, including the Comprehensive Plan, the Cross Kirkland Plan and other plans.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

Steve provided a brief overview of the PROS Plan project and noted a set of questions that were the focus this session's discussion.

DISCUSSION / COMMENTS

General Comments

- I like that Kirkland has a small town feeling
- My involvement started through the Senior trips
- Crestwoods / Norkirk - park slide, I like that the City offers different types of experiences
- As newer resident to Kirkland, it's friendly but a bit difficult to meet people - programs offered allowed for development of friends and wider social circle
- Do more cutting edge things (i.e., Parkour games/course, teen art, ninja warrior obstacle course). Develop a scavenger hunt or geocaching program. Build an app to better inform people of what's available
- Downtown has great destination parks but no playgrounds for kids. Need more kid parks.
- Need more activities and spaces for teens and young adults. City offers a lot for young kids and adults/seniors.
- EvergreenHealth is starting to review a health needs assessment for the community. Physical activity and nutrition are major factors. Community gardens could be a strong linkage. Recreation programs allow the

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community to participate in activities that lead to being healthier. Walking is a great exercise but it is unsafe in many places of the city.

Facilities

- Indoor recreation space is needed. Consider a community center with indoor vendors for social gathering; an indoor gym and running track. Totem Lake Mall may be a good site for center.
- Consider indoor small rides for kids and people with disabilities (i.e., swing that can accommodate a wheelchair)
- Need more places for walking. Kirkland is not a good running/walking city, since there are too few sidewalks and many difficult street crossings. Trails are good, but we need better access to them
- Kirkland loses folks to other places for ball fields and tournament play. Need a complex with 4 softball fields and overlay with soccer/lacrosse. Look at Everett/Renton/Lynnwood
- Crestwoods Park has ball field safety issues (outfield, foul line delineation, fencing, slope)
- The potential loss of Juanita High School pool is a serious issue for the community. WAVE Aquatics runs the pool via an agreement with LWSD and serves approximately 300 kids per month. WAVE provides swim lessons through competitive swim and aqua aerobics. The pending construction bond for LWSD and redesign for Juanita HS likely does not include a new pool. This would leave only the Kingsgate pool (semi-private) and Peter Kirk Pool (outdoor, 2-3 month) to serve the community.

5-Year Look Forward: What is needed?

- Senior Center is in good shape - has nice people, good staff and good programs (incl. senior law, tax assistance). Parking onsite is a challenge and detracts from coming here. Need more parking and need better enforcement. Add better signage.
- There is more evening use of the Senior Center, since the younger seniors are working during the day and may have prolonged their employment. During the daytime, it is mostly older seniors.
- City has no center for hosting larger events. Senior Center has only very narrow windows when it is not booked. Scheduling for a four day event extends out over the next year. A large recreation center could be such a venue for 250-400 people - could be in partnership between adjoining communities.
- WAVE Aquatics brings in close to 400 participants to the region for team and swim competitions. Link to local economic development, hotel rooms and need for pool space
- Provide more for teens (i.e., family dance at school with teen break dance performers from the teen center)
- Provide more marketing for what we have and for things happening. Look at the Seattlego website for ideas. Attend the Farmers Market, Sr Volunteer Fair and EvergreenHealth fair with an information booth/kiosk to market city services - have games for kids, flyers, program guides. Develop a mobile app - something to spark interests in finding local recreation facilities.
- Review the city's demographics against the programs offered and facilities to explore gaps in service.
- Consider a reader board on Main St. Install more location/directional signage to point people to parks and destinations.

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- EvergreenHealth provides levy funds for senior center. Partnering with City to design community wellness program. Use social media platform to provide more information about health and wellness topics and activities.

Where Should the City Focus Efforts for Future?

- Advertise what you have and get more information out into community
- Indoor pool - all ages, therapy pool, zero depth entry, lap pool with cool water for competitions
- Large community recreation center - with aquatics and gym space
- Interactive social media platforms
- Safe environments to walk - don't sacrifice the notion of developing a broad, safe walking network for one big trail (Cross Kirkland Trail).

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Seth Andersson - Kirkland American Little League
Steve Lytle - Kirkland Lacrosse
Tim Mortimore - Lake Washington Youth Soccer Association
Bill Johanson - Juanita Baseball Club
John Bacon - Northwest University
Phil Lavesy - Kirkland National Little League
John Chadwick - Junior Softball World Series
Pauline Miller - Senior Co-Ed Softball
Glenn Beard - Kirkland Baseball Commission
Nesah Thomas-Schadt - Kirkland Parks & Community Svcs
Jason Filan - Kirkland Parks & Community Svcs
Steve Duh – Conservation Technix

SUBJECT: Stakeholder Session Meeting Notes: Parks Board (05/08/13)

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PROJECT BACKGROUND

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DISCUSSION / COMMENTS

League Overviews

- LWSYA: 7,000 players in league overall, with 700 in Kirkland; participation rates have been flat over the past few years; the boy/girl ratio has been even
- KNLL: 450 players in league, and there has been a slight decline in recent past; Softball is generally one-quarter of the league; their region is north Kirkland
- KALL: 720 players in league; their region is south Kirkland
- Senior Co-Ed Softball: has 10-12 teams and they play on Mondays & Wednesdays at Crestwoods Park
- City Recreation: Softball enrollment has been down last four years; Pee Wee soccer has been growing
- Lacrosse: 250 boys on 11 teams; the league has been running for only 3 years; the league built field at Big Finn County park; there will likely be a split in the league coming in future into two groups of 175-300

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players each. No girls are served yet in the league; if that league starts, it would have an additional 400 girls and would be significant new demand for field space

- Junior Softball World Series: 10 teams
- KNLL & KALL have approximately 20% softball and 80% baseball; 100% Kirkland residents; 72 teams, ages 4-12, softball to 16 yrs old; Kirkland LL plays at Kirkland Middle School or the Lee Johnson field; there is a need for fields for practice
- Juanita Baseball: 100 players, 3 teams, under 17 years old, mostly Kirkland residents; the league is an outgrowth of KNLL - it is north Kirkland centric and aims to develop players for Juanita High School; it is an American league team and the home field is Juanita High School; the season starts at the end of the high school season - Memorial Day through early July
- Boys & Girls Club has a field onsite; it has 200+ players in its Junior Football program (tackle); the Club uses school fields at Lake Washington High School and Juanita High School for games and use junior high school fields for practices

School District Facilities & Relations

- Lake Washington School District has hard fields in poor condition; there is a lack of agreement on field improvements
- Need a better master agreement with Lake Washington School District, especially since the District can't afford to maintain their fields
- The change from middle schools to junior high schools has led to a reduction in school sports; this has created a trickle down with increasing demand for youth sports. Finn Hill and Kamiakin merged leagues; 7th and 8th graders are not being well-served; there is a need to reintroduce Pony and Junior leagues
- Finn Hill Junior High baseball infield unsafe; Kamiakin fields are being reclaimed by nature

Field Inventory & Maintenance

- Overall field inventory - Kirkland city parks look great; Lake Washington School District needs to transfer to city parks the field maintenance and scheduling to control usage;
- Kirkland doesn't have ability to do tournaments due to the lack of fields or a complex
- Regarding soccer fields, there is one at Crestwoods Park and others at the middle schools, but school fields have holes and ruts and are generally unsafe. LWSD is out of money
- Juanita Beach Park - field is good for younger kids, but bigger kids hit it too far
- 132nd Square Park - same issue
- Crestwoods and Everest as tournament fields
- High level players are doing practices on elementary school fields
- There are no fields suitable for 10+ year old or Junior level players
- LWYSA uses web-based scheduling of fields; the City stopped watering Spinney Homestead Park and it is hard to play [Note: with passage of the Parks Levy, funding for irrigation for this site has been restored]
- Field fees - KNLL pays approximately \$23,000 in rental payments to King County; Pony league can't afford additional field fees

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- Lake Washington School District locked up fields to avoid paying custodians

Field Needs

- Turf surfacing - look at Sammamish and Bellevue; field rentals is a charge for use (pay to play).
- Kirkland needs turf fields to help avoid rain outs and for better field safety; explore the capital expense versus the operations and maintenance costs; it is different for turf fields. Turf fields are always rentable. Turf fields can accommodate a portable pitcher's mound and multiple pegs for different base line lengths.
- Crestwoods Park field #2 has lip at outfield which is dangerous and causes balls to pop up; it also has foul line, slope, and fencing issues to navigate
- Girls lacrosse is an upcoming program and will have capacity impacts; overall need would be for four turf fields for spring for boys and girls lacrosse, and they still would need practice fields in other areas.
- Kirkland is an older city with limited open spaces and vacant lots; it is hard to piece together large enough parcels to aggregate for a large sports complex
- New growth will occur in north Kirkland; the Kingsgate area now has many seniors, but younger families with kids are moving in
- As a long-term option, re-look at Seahawks facility at Northwest University; it has zoning/use issue to overcome
- Two years ago there was a field study completed as part of the preparation for the parks levy - see Michael Cogle for study/report. One option was to expand Lee Johnson for year-round usage for soccer, lacrosse and baseball

Other Comments

- Look at Northshore Soccer / Woodinville as example - Woodinville youth soccer field became little league and soccer field; \$5.8 million invested with \$3.5 million coming from the soccer club
- Marymoor is another example - multi-sport fields, partial turf (i.e., turf infield, grass outfield)
- I-405 is a divider - football is split by freeway
- Field lighting - NIMBYs are the greatest challenge, lighting not necessarily desired since it enables play that is too late into the evening, kids need time to do homework
- Kirkland Baseball Commission is an affordable option for kids; it is a non-profit, and all funds raised go back into community; paid for and built scoreboards at Juanita Beach Park; KBC needs access to affordable fields to keep their program accessible to local youth; caution about equity and loss of leagues from charging for field use. Crestwoods Park lost leagues due to field quality (no fence, wonky lines)
- Scheduling - field allocation should be set by number of kids in the league and geography - scheduling needs to be a give and take; LWSD needs to release the maintenance of their fields
- Developer of Park Place Mall has considered swapping location of buildings in exchange for extra fields at Peter Kirk Park

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SUBJECT: Stakeholder Session Meeting Notes: Parks Board (05/08/13)

Michael introduced Steve Duh and Jean Akers of Conservation Technix, the consultants selected to help update the City's Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan. He reviewed the overall scope of work for the PROS Plan update and mentioned that the plan will link with other city planning efforts underway this year, including the Comprehensive Plan, the Cross Kirkland Plan and others.

The Board was asked for feedback on the current state and the future of the City's recreation programs and parks system.

DISCUSSION / COMMENTS

What memories do you want residents to keep of being in Kirkland?

- Happy faces of recreation; People enjoying their time in recreation; Pictures of father-daughter dances, doge ball
- Photos from turn of the century at Juanita Beach; Families playing and having fun - little league, taekwondo tournaments, playing at playgrounds; Heritage of good experiences.
- Parks are the community's front porch - places to congregate, to gather and create relationships; Connectivity with trails and without needing a car; Grounded in the community.
- Surprising them with something in a park; People interacting with others they might not otherwise; Interactions and relationships with staff
- Marine Park - its access to ice cream, beaches and baseball; Juanita Beach - history with beach house and cabins
- The best part of Kirkland is the parks; there is something for everyone; childhood memories; "timeless happiness" - where they loved their childhood, loved being in Kirkland
- Sports fields - there is a need for more field space, move into multi-use fields across sports venues; Marymoor as an example

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What's missing?

- Need more skateboard parks; more parks to fill the known gaps; indoor recreation space
- The limiting factors are acquisitions and funding; Can't find large enough land for needed facilities; Could facilities be leased - look at Totem Lake Mall. It could be a community hub, as economic development, as an "incubator" for re-invigorating commercial space. [Jennifer reminded the Board of the indoor facilities plan and that subsequent action toward the establishment of a new center will require a business plan, a cost/benefit assessment and a desirable location.]
- Consider opportunities for a cooperative, joint use venture; The Goat Hill homeowners association owns a small strip of land next to Juanita Beach Park; this could be used for a boat launch or for KDOG water access; There may be a concern about adjacent wetlands and ensuring their integrity with those uses.
- Seek partners in pursuing land acquisitions; indoor aquatic facility needs a partner to make economically feasible - look to Northwest University, Kenmore, Bothell, Woodinville, Evergreen
- There are significant neighborhood park gaps, especially in the annexation area; There is under-utilized city-owned property in the Finn Hill neighborhood
- Can more elements be added to existing parks, such as Parkour or exercise stations?
- More pea patches, edible forests, community gardens; demonstrate where food comes from.

What are other priorities?

- Hold true to the list of levy projects; the levy was sold on that list and we need to deliver on it
- Getting existing parks back to good condition and commit to the park maintenance included in the levy

What recreation opportunities are missing? What are the constraints?

- The City's programming is "best practice" and current; staff are great
- The only drawback is lack of space; there is a lot of demand - summer camps are full, swim classes are full
- Take advantage of water/lake context (i.e., stand-up paddle boarding)
- Find collaborations for more adult programs – currently limited due to facility inventory and school district priority for youth activities

How is community awareness about City programs and parks?

- In the annexation area, some people don't necessarily understand or comprehend all that is available; staff does a great job of promoting and communicating
- Need more equitable access to recreation programming
- Parks and Rec is on top of their game; it is the selling feature for the business community
- Levy success demonstrates community support of parks and its importance. We're moving at good, steady, thoughtful pace. Keep pace with good fiscal management and stewardship of resources

What are the key items to be incorporated into this Plan?

- Indoor recreation facility; Revitalize Totem Lake
- Balance - between recreation, natural areas, wetlands, parks

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- Dovetail neighborhood plans into planning process, although some areas have not yet been planned
- Consider easy/cheap tasks (low-hanging fruit) for immediate implementation (i.e., pea patches) and move slower for harder projects
- Staff has done well at finding the balance and being deliberate with easy/hard projects or moving fast/slow

Michael reminded the Board of the opportunity for joint planning and collaboration between this plan and other city projects. He referenced the upcoming Open House on June 8th from 10am to 2pm. He requested Park Board member participation.

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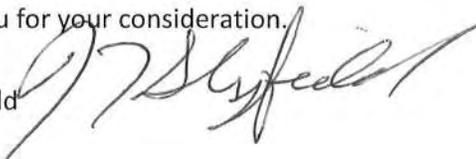
Kirkland — City planning meeting input for 8 June 2013

Three topics that will improve Kirkland:

1. Include a swimming pool as part of the new Juanita High School.
2. Remove Professional Panhandlers.
3. Widen the corner of 100th Avenue and 145th Street NE.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jim Slyfield



1. Juanita High School Pool

Current plans to replace Juanita High School do not include a swimming pool. This is understandable from a strictly cost-cutting point of view. However, this is very short sighted.

Providing our citizens with an affordable opportunity to learn how to swim, and to continue swimming as a competitive sport, life-time fitness activity, and social - recreational opportunity is worth the cost of building and more importantly, maintaining a full-sized swimming pool at tax-payer's expense. Users should be expected to pay their fair-share, but not the full cost plus profit taking by a commercial company.

Learning to swim is a critical life skill. Non-swimmers live in fear of drowning. Even if they are ignorant of the consequences of falling in, they have a degraded life-style without the pleasures of enjoying aquatic activities. If insurance companies were to share their proprietary actuarial tables of who lives and who dies after they fall in the water, you can bet that the non-swimmers end up dead a lot more often than those who can swim.

Swim lessons. The Juanita HS Pool provides 250 elementary school kids with swim lessons every month. This is a very valuable 'life insurance' benefit to our community, as well as their families and the children themselves. Adults who never learned to swim, or would like to improve their skills should be encouraged to pursue swimming lessons at the Juanita HS pool.

Competitive swimmers. Unfortunately, too many decision makers look at people who have chosen to become really serious about using a community resource as leeches on society. This includes our school and Masters Programs. LWSD and NSD swim teams use the Juanita HS Pool. Removal of the pool will most likely mean cancelation of these programs. Master's program participants are adults, who have chosen to make swimming their 'life-time' sport. If you look at their level of fitness compared to the

general population, you should notice that they are much more fit and in better health than most all other citizens. This choice can be encouraged by providing an economical choice rather than paying a lot more at a commercial "Health Club" pool.

Fitness 'lap' swimmers. Such as my wife and I use the Juanita High School pool 2 to 4 times a month as part of our personal fitness program. We are not as fast as the masters, but we are in the water, getting a good work out. Swimming complements our other activities because we can not run as often as we used to, if at all.

Water Aerobics and other therapy programs use the Juanita HS pool. This is a very good way for people who are obese, or have joint or other mobility issues to make progress on their road to recovery.

Community physical fitness and activates. Just getting in the water a couple of times a year is more than most citizens who are non-Master or fitness swimmers will ever do. Having a community resource like the Juanita HS pool allows them to have the option of this choice.

Less than friendly "**Wave Aquatics**" management. The restrictive hours of lap and open swimming times have reduced my wife's ability to get to the pool. She used to swim in the mornings before going to work. With the current schedule of not allowing fitness swimmers until 7am, she can no longer do this. The lifeguards have been very pleasant and helpful. I hope that the less than pleasant demeanor of Becca the pool manager, has not been part of the LWSD's decision process to eliminate the pool. Perhaps if we had a more welcoming and user-friendly pool management, we'd have more people taking advantage of this valuable local resource.

False economies. Short-sighted maintenance decisions have ruined the pool at Saint Edwards State park, the Bothell Forward Thrust pool, and the Sorenson pool in the old Woodinville School building. Maintenance of the pool in the new school buildings needs to be a major financial consideration.

Comparative cost and quality of commercial swimming pools. There are several commercial pools in the area. They tend to be shorter than the standard 25 yard length and cost a lot more per visit to use. Also their pricing usually involves an up-front initiation fee and daily use fees.

Will we engage in "rent seeking behavior" or provide a needed social service? We currently pay \$37 for a 10-swim punch card. This is a good deal. Even if it was \$5/swim, we'd still come. But if you are interested in seeing just how much the market will bear, you will kill the goose that lays the golden egg. May I propose that our city make an investment in encouraging people to take care of their bodies? How much more do we improve our community, and society, because we have a base level of aerobic fitness or we don't drown if we just fell off the pier?

2. Professional Panhandlers.

Who are these guys? For the last several years, the same creepy people have been hanging out on the corners of 116th Avenue and 124th Street. **Who are their handlers?** Perhaps we can get their handlers to

use them in a less than **'in your face'** method of generating revenue, other than blighting our community? The wealth creating citizens who pay taxes have already funded multiple social services for people who want to help themselves. Low-skill jobs are available for those willing to do them. Just ask the day-laborers hanging out at the Home Depot parking lot. At least they are willing to turn to and make it happen.

3. Pave the corner of 100th Avenue and 145th Street NE.

This corner needs to be widened and re-paved. I commute on my bike several times a week. When returning home, I come south on 100th Avenue. Then turn east on 145th Street at the Four Corner Church. The South East quadrant of that intersection is very narrow, there is no shoulder, and the pavement is very rough. Would it be possible to re-pave this corner and widen the east bound section of 145th Street by a couple of feet? This would give cyclists a little more of a chance to get out of the way of motorized vehicular traffic.

Thank you for your consideration.

PROS PLAN COMMENTS (Received May – June 2013)

From: Kristin Bockius
Sent: Thursday, June 06, 2013 7:33 PM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: Dog Parks!

Kirkland needs more dog parks! I used to live in Kirkland but I sure would visit Kirkland more if I could bring my dog to enjoy off-leash parks. In fact, I still drive in to take him to Jasper's almost every weekend!

From: Doraine
Sent: Friday, June 07, 2013 12:14 AM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: Need more areas for dog recreation

Hello,

Please accept this input for consideration as Kirkland plans for future expansion. We need:

- More off-leash trails. My dog responds to voice control, and leashes on steep trails can present a potential hazard to other dogs and hikers when snagged or tangled. Also, dogs really don't get adequate exercise when forced to travel only at the walking speed of the owner. Dogs need to run.
- More beach and water access. Swimming (and fetching in water) is an excellent way to exercise dogs. Also off-leash is preferred, as it makes me very nervous to try and swim a dog on leash when I don't swim and leashes can get snagged on submerged obstacles. I refuse to endanger my dog in this way, and hope the city can employ some common sense in allowing off-leash water access. Fetching sticks and balls in the water (or on land, for that matter) is also an activity for which leashes are not suited.
- Agility equipment in dog parks! Many dogs need mental stimulation, and agility is an excellent way to engage the minds of dog and owner. It's a great way to develop a closer bond with our dogs.
- More restaurants and cafes with outdoor patios that allow dogs. I would go out to eat more if I could find more places that welcome well-socialized dogs with their humans. Europe is very accommodating to dog owners, even inside cafes! Fremont is a local example of how welcoming a town can be to the canine resident population. I would love to see places on the Eastside who can adopt that level of dog-friendliness and inclusion.

I live in Bothell and so would like to see these areas as close to Bothell as possible.

Regards,

Doraine Raichart

From: Debra
Sent: Friday, June 07, 2013 12:14 PM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: KIRKLAND 2035

Greetings!

As a relative newcomer to Kirkland (moved here in Dec 2011) we have been delighted with our new community and appreciate the great services we receive as residents of the city. Our encounters with the city have all been positive, except perhaps a parking ticket received downtown! We are interested in the vision and plans being made for the future of Kirkland and want to provide our input to the KIRKLAND2035 initiative.

I have a special interest in recreation facilities, having earned my B.S. in Recreation & Parks Mgt from the University of Oregon and as a former member and Chairperson of Parks & Recreation Advisory Boards in previous locations where I've lived, including Muscle Shoals AL and Bartlett TN. Over the years we have been very involved in recreation and athletic activities when raising our children. Now that we find ourselves as "empty-nesters", we still enjoy the parks for walking, picnicing and playing with our dogs. When we first arrived, we were disappointed that Kirkland had no off-leash areas where we could play with our dogs and found ourselves heading to Redmond's Marymoor park. However, since we have smaller dogs, we didn't feel comfortable there because it was too open and the dogs were not as behaved or controlled as we found at other dog parks. We were so happy to discover Jasper's Park - a new addition to the city and a wonderful place to take our dogs to play. We soon got involved with Jasper's by joining the Board and are advocates for the furry park patrons and their humans who enjoy Jasper's.

We would like to advocate for the creation of additional off-leash parks in the city of Kirkland. There area many dogs living in Kirkland who need a safe place to play with their owners. We hope that you will consider creating more parks for these citizens in the future. Another benefit of off-leash parks is that it reduces the dogs who may play off-leash in neighborhood parks illegally. These parks benefit the dogs, their people and the others in the community who are not so crazy about dogs.

Thanks for your time and for giving us a chance to share our vision for the future of Kirkland!

Chuck & Debra Blagg

From: Karla
Sent: Saturday, June 08, 2013 10:05 AM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: ideas for improving Kirkland as an All American City!

The KDOG park has been an incredible to benefit to living in Kirkland. Please include more dog parks in your future plans...ones with trails, ones with water access and larger open areas. We use Jasper's park every day and have to drive quite a long way to get there..... allowing dogs at existing park during certain

hours would be a great way to go.....dogs walking, dog swimming and playing with their owners is just as important outdoor activity as others bike riding, trail riding and walking etc. for people to enjoy.

Please keep dogs and their owners in mind when making new plans and activities.

Thank you.

Karla Richardson

From: Beth Rimmer
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2013 8:07 PM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: Community Planning

Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend this week's parks planning meeting or the community planning day, but did want to contribute the following ideas:

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5. The marina is a beautiful park with great views, but it feels like Kirkland downtown can't capitalize on it with the parking lot separating the businesses from the pathway. And there really isn't sufficient parking for both park usage and shopping and dining. I suggest that planners consider replacing the parking lot and old buildings along the fringe of the parking lot with an entirely new structure that includes three floors of underground parking, and puts the patios of restaurants and stores along the edge of the park and provides more walking and charming accessibility for people shopping at these businesses. The businesses from the old building would be moved into the new building. The building could have multiple floors and be tiered to maximize the amount of outdoor patio space with a view. To help pay for this, it may help to expand the number of boats that can be moored at the marina (like palisades in Magnolia). To improve accessibility to this new shopping center, I recommend tearing down the buildings that line 85th – from Café Vita to Wendy's and beyond to create room for an additional car lane. The higher end businesses could be relocated to the new shopping center and eatery that lines the marina.

From: Gwen Heib
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2013 3:26 PM
To: Kirkland2035
Subject: Off-Leash Dog Park

Hello,

I enjoy taking my dog to Jasper's Park and have volunteered as a Steward. But my German shepherd has a mania for water sports. Marymoor is quite a trip away and I really don't trust the stagnant water that the Sammamish Slough provides. So usually I have to go to the dog park on Mercer Island.

With all the waterfront that Kirkland enjoys, I believe that a place should be set aside for our dogs. O.O.Denny Park (now annexed) has been the unofficial dog water sport park for many, especially during the off-season when the entire park is deserted.

I urge the City to consider setting aside a waterfront area for our dogs and residents to use so we don't have to drive to another city to find room for this sport.

Sincerely,
Gwen Heib

2013-06-06
kirkland2035@kirklandwa.gov

Regarding your Kirkland 2035 Planning:

Specific Ideas

1. Attract Landmark Theatres to take over an unused or underused movie theater in Kirkland. The Totem Lake theaters leap to mind but Park Place might be a candidate. The purpose is to bring art films to Kirkland along the lines of Landmark's Harvard Exit or Varsity Theater. Tacoma has The Grand Cinema, from which inspiration could be taken.

2. Attract organizations such as the Seattle Shakespeare Company to the Kirkland Performance Center. Perhaps you could establish eastside premiers at the KPC.

General Ideas

According to the way I see it, there are two kinds of parks:

1. Activity Center
2. Tranquility Center

Kirkland should avoid the blunder made by King County parks in focusing primarily on activity centers. I stopped going to Marymoor Park because of the infernal model airplanes. I agree that children need a place to play and such places are activity centers. However, stressed people need quiet places where they can sit and gaze upon trees, birds, and whatever else nature has on offer. Since King County provides numerous activity centers, I encourage Kirkland to create tranquility centers.

Sincerely,
Mark Sanders

From: Jean Guth
To: Kirkland 2035 Planning

Centrifuge for Bathing Suits at Peter Kirk pool: Will I see these in Peter Kirk pool this year? I first saw these available in pools in Seattle in 2010 and they worked great in drying your suit and keeping the changing area floor more pleasant. They are in the women's changing space at both Mounger and Colman outdoor pools. There is an incentive to use them since you take home a much dryer suit and they seemed sturdy and durable. Kids need to be tall enough to push down on the top to operate them so it self-selects to a more responsible group of kids using them (and they liked to use them). This would be a great addition to the crowded changing space in Peter Kirk and help keep the floor a lot less nasty. There is the continual question of where to put your wet suit while you change (on the hook it drips onto the benches, there are no hooks other than in the shower space or over the benches, lying on the bench it makes a wet puddle) and the floor can be quite wet at Peter Kirk at times. At Medgar Evers indoor pool, there is a single centrifuge for use on the pool deck but it is not nearly as handy as having it the changing room, also the M.E. changing room are much larger there so it is always possible to find a dry spot to stand in and change.

Tot Lot Texture Addition: We saw pea gravel used as the ground material in a toddler play area with small sculptures in Boulder, CO and the kids really seemed to enjoy exploring the texture. Parents liked it because it did not get all over the kids like sand does. I wondered if it would not work well as the material under the turtle statue at the Tot Lot instead of wood chip. Going to park for this age group is about texture and is a sensory experience and this would be a nice complement and contrast to the sand pit and woodchip under the other structures. I don't know how pea gravel would do in our soggy weather or if the turtle needs to have a cushioning material under it.

Pesticides at the Tot Lot: We love the Tot Lot! I would love to see the Tot Lot become pesticide free. Since I have been going with my kiddo in early 2011, some chemical weed killers have been used along

the fencing because plants were visibly dead along there. The Tot Lot is next to the community garden that is pesticide free so this would be in keeping with that concern. Even those pesticides generally regarded as safe are reason for concern especially for this vulnerable age group:

- Children at the Tot Lot are likely to eat something that they have dropped/has fallen on the grass
- Children at the Tot Lot will use the fencing as support while walking and exploring
- Children at the Tot Lot are likely to be barefoot
- Children at the Tot Lot are more likely to put their hands in their mouth
- Many children at the Tot Lot are there daily eating snacks and lunch at the site
- There is no water at the Tot Lot to wash hands off before eating, etc.

Solutions might be, trying to go pesticide free or use a vinegar or something natural like that and seeing the consequence, or repositioning/raising the fencing by a few inches to allow for better clearance for edging tools.

Community Garden program: It is great to see the community garden program growing. McAuliffe Park seems like it would be a perfect setting for a collaboration with Seattle Tilth or a Tilth-like organization offering more classes so gardeners could have more success, leading to less turnover. Also with the new Kirkland chicken ordinance passed this past year, there is more interest in backyard hens, and Tilth offers a slate of established chicken classes. Tilth seems to have had a good experience with the program they have started a few years ago in Issaquah's Pickering farm. They also would provide and maintain inspirational gardens (their Wallingford garden is educational and fun to walk around) and support composting and rain gardens efforts, all focuses of Public Works. Tilth also provides educational signage at their sites with tips for all gardeners and could help put more community in the Kirkland community garden program and help it as it expands. We got our chickens through a Tilth chickens classes message board. Tilth also runs teacher training programs that would benefit the new focus on the environment that many local schools have now. 116th is a busy road and it appears Tilth-type classes are mostly offered at times that would not impact traffic. While such a partnership is not the money-maker that is foreseen in the McAuliffe Master Plan, these types of activities seem to blend well with the current and future interests of Kirkland residents.

Off Leash Hours, trails etc: Dog owners are probably your number one park user – in every weather and at all times of the year, they are using Kirkland's parks. Every dog owner wants to avoid conflict with other park users. Exercise for both dog owners and their dogs is part of the daily routine and the reason they come to parks. By creating legal windows and avenues for use such as off-leash hours until 9:30 or even 10AM and after 5:30, the city can mitigate illegal off leash activity and create a supportive group of dog owners who help to enforce the rules. Off-leash trails in some places will help to increase public safety – dog owners are the “right element” and off leash parks successfully discouraged criminal activity in Seattle's Belltown and at Mountlake Terrace's Aquatic center. Putting off leash trails in Edith Moulton, in Finn Hill and other selected sites will create a local resource that dog owners will use and help to maintain as proven by Jasper's Park. Even off leash hours at Juanita Beach might be considered to try to bring in a less “party” segment of users.

Indoor Aquatic Center: It would be so great to see one in Kirkland!

Spray Park: Especially without a pool, Kirkland should have a couple of these geographically distributed! It does not need to be the scale of Crossroads, which might create a “destination spray park”. The one at Grasslawn Park is fun too on much smaller scale. It would be nice if it could have one cool feature (I will put the large spinning globe at Crossroads in my “one cool feature” category). Location near a retail center is good and provide picnic tables. It would be a nice addition to the

playground at Peter Kirk Park or Juanita where it is near to restaurants. One of the things we like to do is use the shaded seating area near the spray park at Crossroads, one person goes to get food at the mall, and then you have a nice evening picnic of take-out while your kid runs around.

Drop-In Weekend Toddler Gyms: It would be nice to have this locally when it is a rainy Saturday morning and you are desperately looking for a place to let your toddler run loose. Seattle offers a number of locations with Saturday Drop-in Toddler Gyms for \$3, there is no staff involved in the operation other than a front desk taking money down the hall and it is pretty basic (bleachers for parents to sit on). The one we use in Seattle is held in a basketball court at the Rainier Community Center in Genesee. It has 2 very small bouncy houses and then just a big selection of cars, hula hoops, some legos, scooters, etc. It all packs up tightly in a single closet. We like this location because it is also walkable/stroller-able to restaurants in Columbia City so a location where you could walk to lunch after tiring your toddler (most toddlers don't appreciate being put in a car seat) would be a bonus. Maybe the large room in the Peter Kirk Community Center would work for a trial Saturday Drop In Toddler Gym? and it is walkable to eateries so supports those local retailers.

Kirkland Community Foundation – I keep thinking this might be an organization that could help many of the Kirkland wish list items.

From: Tracy Doering (LCA)
Sent: Saturday, June 08, 2013 7:27 PM
To: Kirkland2035; Michael Cogle; Jennifer Schroder
Subject: My vision for Kirkland 2035

Dear Kirkland City Planners: Thank you for this opportunity to share my voice! Here's what I think:

(1) Parks – we need more dog off-leash areas!:

We've enabled a wonderful recreational space for the community in Jasper's Dog Park – thank you! We are so fortunate to have the support of the City, community and an army of committed KDOG volunteers. We need more off-leash areas so that Kirkland residents can enjoy multiple forms of recreation with their dogs, and we need these areas to be closer to Kirkland residents' homes (in various neighborhoods), ideally so that many residents can walk to their neighborhood off-leash area and the carbon footprint is further reduced. I would love for our Kirkland to be like the cities of [Bend, OR](#) and [Bellingham](#) (just a few examples, but I could provide many more) that have multiple off-leash areas throughout their cities, mix of open spaces with off-leash trails, water access, grassy fields, and areas like Jasper's Dog Park, fully fenced with cedar ground cover.

We have some existing parks that are large enough (I'm thinking of Edith Moulton and Watershed Park) for full-time off-leash use in designated (likely fenced) areas and others where we could implement seasonal and/or limited off-leash hours. Waverly Beach Park would be a great site for limited hours off-leash use so that dogs could have beach access and get swimming/water retrieving exercise. Juanita Heights Park would also be a great site for limited hours off-leash use, and the Finn Hill neighborhood parks that are governed by King County, O.O. Denny and Big Finn Hill Park, would also be great sites for limited hours trails use and water access. In some of the smaller parks, I envision implementing some play spaces for the little

dogs. We're seeing increased usage of the small dog area at Jasper's Dog Park, and a small dog area really doesn't require allocation of much space.

I so hope that when we evaluate spaces and begin to plan new parks in Kirkland, we always ask the question as to multiple or mixed uses of those important shared resources so that the large percentage of families in Kirkland with dogs feel satisfied that their tax dollars are going to the recreation they want (and currently have to support through donations on top of their tax dollars). It's hard enough for some families with limited budgets to have and properly care for the dogs they dearly love, so we need to make better use of their tax dollars that are allocated to parks. Why should dog owners have to use so much of their own resources – time and energy to petition and lobby, monetary donations, time and energy to fundraise, build and maintain recreational spaces – when other taxpayers enjoy the family recreation they want through their tax dollars and without any or much less effort on their part? King County describes Marymoor Off-Leash Area as “Disneyland for dogs,” and while that is true and the county/Serve Our Dog Areas (SODA) have done a fantastic job in making Marymoor a “destination dog park,” the county has so many parks, but just one where dogs are allowed off leash. If you think about the percentage of dog owners living throughout King County who regularly (or would regularly) use dog parks as compared to mountain bikers (just one example in thinking about mountain bike improvements being made at Big Finn Hill Park), and the comparative percentage space for those recreational uses in King County parks, the county could do a better job overall in planning for mixed uses throughout the many parks and open spaces it governs. I am so hopeful that Kirkland will do better than that and implement more than one off-leash area for its population.

- (2) Cross-Kirkland Corridor: My vote is most definitely for a walking and biking trail allowing dogs on-leash, and I would jog and walk my dogs on that trail often! We frequently jog/walk the Burke Gilman and Sammamish River Trails, and I've often thought it would be so great to have a trail like that in Kirkland. The one complaint I have about the Burke Gilman and Sammamish River Trails is that it is not really relaxing jogging or walking on those trails because they are so heavily populated with cyclists. Pretty much every day I'm out there, I encounter at least a few irresponsible cyclists and even with responsible cyclists, I am always somewhat on edge, worried about my safety and that of my dogs. Tolt Pipeline Trail, however, is much more relaxing experience for us because there are a manageable number of mountain bikers and it's a pretty wide dirt/gravel trail – allowance for the joggers/walkers (including those with dogs on leash), horse riders, and mountain bikers all on one trail. I am all for mixed uses, but I wonder if two trails could be created or if there could be allocated uses for certain sections? In thinking about surrounding spaces just off the trail, if there is any way to implement off-leash recreation for dogs in that plan, that would be so wonderful, but as to the trail itself, I realize that safety considerations might not allow for off-leash recreation in any sections. A great mixed use example I'm thinking of is Victoria, B.C., where there is a lovely bike/walking trail with beautiful views that extends north from the city and there is a section of the trail where dogs are allowed off-leash (if I remember correctly, cyclists can't be in that section) as it connects to an off-leash field. I so enjoy visiting cities where I see lots of off-leash spaces, and the B.C. cities I've visited have done a wonderful job in allowing for off-leash trails in designated areas.
- (3) Juanita Drive: I'm not even sure how to comment on design improvements (would need to attend upcoming meetings and become educated), but my concern is probably more about irresponsible drivers. I often see police patrolling during commute hours, mostly in the

mornings, but rarely in the evenings (7-11 p.m.), when I've seen weaving cars on the road on a handful of occasions over the past few years. Just this week I had an evening encounter with an obviously impaired driver who ran a stop sign and pulled out in front of me onto Juanita Drive, cutting me off and causing me to slam on my brakes. This driver continued to speed at least 10 MPH over the speed limit and swerve all over the road in front of me. Thankfully, this driver stopped (surprisingly) at the light by Juanita Beach and I was able to get a license plate number, but this driver continued on, speeding through a red light at Juanita and 98th, where pedestrians were starting to cross (terrifying to witness). If a police officer had seen this, that driver most definitely would have been stopped, and unfortunately I didn't have my cell phone with me, so I had to drive back home to call 911. We've seen too many fatalities on Juanita Drive because of irresponsible drivers and at least one fatality from drunk driving in the past year -- it perplexes me that we don't have more police patrols along the entirety of Juanita Drive in the evenings, not just during commute hours or what most of us think of as the "DUI hours."

- (4) Totem Lake and Totem Lake Mall: I agree that a walking trail should be extended around the lake. I'm sure that I'm one of many to comment that the mall in its current state is a tragedy. We need a full-service shopping center much like our neighboring cities, and I would love to see this mall take on the charming look and feel of one like University Village. Except for Gilman Village in Issaquah, we don't really have any malls on the eastside that I'd classify as "charming," so I think adding a little more charm would be a great thing for the entire eastside and would obviously bring more revenue to our city. In my opinion, downtown Kirkland is a much more charming city than Bellevue or Redmond, and we really need to do outreach and try our hardest to make improvements in that area of Totem Lake because well, in its current state it takes away from the charm. I know there's only so much that can be done in economic downturn, but I think we should make this a priority and employ best efforts to make it happen.

Thank you, again, and thank you for all your hard work to make Kirkland a wonderful place to live! I hope my input has been helpful and that you continue to get lots of great feedback from others.

Sincerely,

Tracy Doering

From: Denise Campbell
Sent: Wednesday, June 05, 2013 10:21 PM
To: Michael Cogle
Subject: Parks meeting follow up

Hi, Michael,

Thanks for hosting the meeting on Tuesday evening for neighborhood representatives to provide input on Park Planning. As promised, I have compiled the feedback received from our Market neighbors in the enclosed document. We had 16 unique responses and a few common themes emerged that I have summarized below. I have also highlighted what I believed to be key points in the enclosed document in an attempt to make it a little more manageable.

Spray/splash park

6 responses

Bike trails/connection/safety	5 responses
Rec center/indoor pool	4 responses
Basketball court/indoor or out	3 responses
More Lake activities	3 responses

We really appreciate you and your team taking time to meet with neighbors and hear our ideas and feedback and certainly value everything the Parks department does for our community. Good luck with the 2035 planning process!

Denise & Janis
Market Neighborhood

MARKET NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY INPUT ON PARKS

1) Rails to Trails...if/when they resolve the lawsuit, turning our old rail line into a bike trail will be a lovely addition to Kirkland, and they should consider a way to safely connect biking families from the trail to the downtown area.

2) What could they do better...closing the bathrooms at our parks over winter is a real bummer, the parks are really used year round.

I value the all of our parks and the pool. I would love to see Juanita beach park improve its kids play structure, possibly add a spray fountain park.

Kirkland desperately needs a proper, full sized basketball court where kids can play a game of pick up. Crestwoods court is awful - badly maintained with horrible hoops and rims- and the downtown court is well used, but only a half court.

There is a huge emerging youth basketball population here in Kirkland and nowhere for them to play! An indoor court would be even better, but that's expensive.

Also- would love a connected trail system!

I'd like to see more activities on the lake... opportunities for kayaking, canoeing, paddleboarding, sailing classes/rentals and a rowing club for all ages. I would love to see our youth have these opportunities to use our waterfront and to learn to enjoy the various watersports.

What I would like to see is a small splash area, zero depth fountain with rubber/cork surface with timed arc fountains the kids can run through in the summer at Heritage park. You see these circular arc fountains for kids with no standing water (it all falls to the sides in small grates) at resort places like Beaches in Jamaica for example. No one can drown or hurt themselves since it is a non-skid surface. Nice feature for hot days in July and Aug. and safer for little kids that can't swim than having them down at Marina park. You only need one feature, not a splash park. It would be fun and much better than the silly rock area down near the tennis courts that they installed. It would be turned off during the cold months, only on during the summer. Maybe June/July/Aug. would be appropriate. So many places like Ballard/Crossroads have small spray parks. It is time for Kirkland to catch up with just one small feature!

Parents of toddlers would love this. They could setup picnic blankets for lunch or dinner near the fountain at Heritage Park and the kids could run through the fountain with no worries about their toddler walking into the water like exists at Houghton, Marina Park, and Waverly Park.

Also, kids want a feature like this. I have seen so many little kids hit their head on concrete as they slip in the fountain at Marina park. Whoever designed it did not think about how slippery angled concrete

would be. It is an unsafe water feature in our parks. The concrete base should be leveled with flat drain grates.

It is crazy that we don't have a pool with a slide, yet we have a diving board. They could install a slide, and take turns with whether the diving board is open vs. the water slide, since both need to feed into deep water.

I love the idea of the Lynwood Recreation Center - large indoor pool with lazy river, splash area, and large water slides. Don't know if a budget could be coddled together to accomplish a similar facility, but I would rather have a pool we could visit year round than an outdoor one.

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I too love your ideas (*above*). The little water park idea is similar to many in Australia and would be simply fantastic if we had our own here in Kirkland.

I would like to see a safer connecting pedestrian route between Juanita Park (the one with the bridge) and Juanita Beach Park...currently bike riders, pedestrians, etc. have to swing out against flow into very busy traffic (or through parking lot of Michael's) to reach Juanita Beach Park.

I love the idea of a spray park at heritage! That would be amazing.

As a mother of 2 under 5 years old I find myself in the summer driving over to greenlake to go to the wading pool because there is nothing really similar here on the east side that is free. Also, I know there are "spray parks" here in the belleveue area, but in Tacoma they call them spray grounds and they, in my opinion, had a great layout of spray and what not. Something like that in heritage park or Juanita beach park would be amazing!

More "active" parks with features that draw people and provide something to do. Especially needed for the older youth (basketball courts, walls for lacrosse or tennis – wall ball, climbing walls, par 3 golf, ultimate Frisbee, mountain biking trails). Also would love to see an indoor rec center with pool, courts, exercise studio, etc.

We need more recreational opportunities on the water. It is such a fabulous feature of Kirkland and is underutilized/promoted by the city. Summer camps to include kayaking, paddleboard, sailing. Kayak rentals and water "trail" maps with points of interest along Kirkland shores. Swim lessons held in Lake Washington.

(last entry was in response to questions as follows)

Visioning/Values/Goals

What do you value about Kirkland Parks & Recreation?

- Parks are great for exercise, socializing, appreciating wildlife, and enjoying peaceful relaxation
- Summer recreation programs are nice for young kids; we haven't tried them for teens or adults, yet.

Are today's program offerings and parks sufficient to keep your neighborhood healthy/active/engaged? What, if anything is missing or needed?

- We love the parks around West of Market (Juanita Bay, Waverly, Heritage, Marina Park); we also enjoy others around Kirkland (Watershed and others). We are blessed to have so many great parks in Kirkland.

From: Marta Collins

Sent: Sunday, May 26, 2013 11:17 AM

To: Kirkland2035

Subject: Kirkland 2035

To Kirkland City Planners,

Please continue to support and provide off-leash areas for dog owners. It enhances the quality of life for so many Kirkland residents. I would like to suggest the park across the street from Juanita Beach Park be designated as an off-leash dog park. There are areas of the park that are not utilized and when Juanita Beach was closed it became a gathering area for dog owners to meet and socialize while our pets frolicked, because so few people use that park, as far as I know there were never any complaints? Dog owners are very active in the community and we are a passionate group. Thank you for all your support of our newest park and keep the momentum going.

Marta Collins

From: Joy

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2013 6:54 PM

To: Kirkland2035

Subject: Keep Kirkland off leash dog areas

Kirkland's off leash dog areas are the best, the best managed I have ever used. "The extent K Dogs goes to is tremendous." Nicest pets nicest people. Dogs are the most popular pet. "Kirkland should keep and the off-leash dog areas it has and plan for more." It's a good city, desirable, that plans for people and their dogs".--Joy(ce) Miller

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 PROJECT NAME: Kirkland PROS Plan

RECORDED BY: Steve Duh
 TO: FILE
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 Staff from Kirkland Parks & Community Services
 Members of the Kirkland Parks Board
 Project Team Members from Conservation Technix & SvR

SUBJECT: KPROS Open House Meeting Notes: Community Planning Day (06/08/13)

Several long-range and strategic plans are being updated and developed that will shape Kirkland's future in land use, housing, transportation, parks and trails. Community members were invited to a Planning Day on Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kirkland City Hall. Information and interactive activities occurred to engage residents and businesses in the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan, Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan, Comprehensive Plan Update, and the Transportation Master Plan, in addition to other on-going projects such as the Urban Forestry Management Plan, Juanita Drive Study and Totem Lake Master Plan.

As part of the PROS Plan update, the project team prepared informational displays covering four major themes for parks and recreation. These display stations included Indoor Recreation, Outdoor Recreation, Green Linkages (trails/connections) and Conservation. City staff, Parks Board members and project team staff engaged with participants to explore current issues, needs and interests related to park and recreation services.

RECURRING COMMENTS FOR SYSTEM-WIDE ENHANCEMENTS

The following represents a synthesis of recurring or common comments received at each station.

Category	Considerable Interest	Moderate Interest	Some Interest
Indoor Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pool & Aquatic Facility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gym Indoor fitness space 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specialized activities: archery, climbing wall, dance, covered spaces, indoor track
Outdoor Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N Kirkland & Juanita Hill area parks Off Leash Areas Sports fields & School access 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exercise stations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community gardens - farm to table Sunday Parkways style street closures / bike events
Green Linkages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finn Hill & Juanita area trails Sidewalks & pedestrian friendly routes More multi-use trails 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CKC for pedestrians and bikes Connections to Burke Gilman, Puget Sound Electric and Sammamish River Trails 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water trails Signage / wayfinding I-405 pedestrian bridge connecting Edith Moulton & Kingsgate
Conservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quiet places to think/ walk/hike Connecting natural areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nature classes & outdoor education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Balance natural area acquisition with other needs



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DETAILED COMMENTS PER DISPLAY STATION

Indoor Recreation Station

-- Comments from Question Board --

1. How satisfied are you with Kirkland's public indoor recreation facilities?

- 1.1. Juanita Pool is at risk, St Edwards pool is closed. Can Kirkland find ways to partner with State and Lake Washington School District to maintain indoor pool facilities?
- 1.2. Preserve Juanita High School Pool and field house!
- 1.3. Need gym! Indoor pool! Weight/exercise!
- 1.4. South Kirkland community center/pool please!
- 1.5. I love the indoor pool at Juanita HS – and it is at risk of loss when school is rebuilt!
- 1.6. Keep an indoor pool in Kirkland

2. A wide array of activities exist today – from sport courts, to aquatics, to fitness, to walking/running. What recreation opportunities are missing?

- 2.1. Please save the cannery
- 2.2. Archery indoor range or outdoor
- 2.3. Indoor pool like Bellevue & Edmonds
- 2.4. Places near Houghton like the old BCC campus near park & ride to take classes and exercise
- 2.5. Most rec fields are baseball, which is great, but there is also a need for other fields for sports such as soccer and ultimate Frisbee
- 2.6. Greater variety of dance classes in downtown Kirkland
- 2.7. We need an indoor water aerobics pool, instructors & schedules. Only one on eastside at the YMCA in Bellevue!
- 2.8. 365 day swimming – competitive lanes, cool down pool, diving
- 2.9. We need to maintain/expand/upgrade an indoor aquatic facility
- 2.10. Spray park! Zip-line short one see Seward Park
- 2.11. Climbing gym & racquetball/squash courts like Edmonds
- 2.12. More covered spaces –shelters, benches. All season multi-function space, i.e. canopy over rec area that can be lifted in good weather

3. Are there specific ages or age groups that need access to additional programs? What types of activities/programs should be available to them?

- 3.1. We love Seattle's toddler gym. 10a-1p for \$3, drop-in Sat. Peter Kirk? need weekend
- 3.2. Indoor bouldering or climbing for teens. Indoor playground for very young. Indoor skate park preteen & teen. Therapeutic (warm) pool for older adults or anyone for physical therapy
- 3.3. Consider subdividing NHAs into smaller neighborhood units – maybe based on political precinct boundaries
- 3.4. All ages
- 3.5. All ages/families. Combine facilities. Full time day care facility with facility for after school activities & facility for adult gym to reduce after school/work car trips
- 3.6. More off-leash areas for dogs in more parks

-- Photo Board (tally of red dots) --

- 12 - indoor pool
- 4 – indoor track

- 3 – climbing wall
- 2 – exercise rooms
- 1 - play rooms
- 1 - adult classrooms
- 0 “votes” – dance floors, indoor gathering spaces, school gyms, performances, indoor play facility, fitness equipment

Green Linkages Station

-- Comments from Question Board --

1. What streets or other rights-of-way do you use to access or get between parks?

- 1.1. Hike over the Tundra private property to get from the top of Finn Hill to Juanita Beach
- 1.2. I never walk from park to park. Connecting them is a nice idea, but is not of great value. Create linear recreation using existing routes and destinations
- 1.3. Sidewalks used to be even with driveways. Now they dip making it harder to walk/unsteady
- 1.4. At 60th street, across railroad, to get down to Houghton Beach park. Public access alley at 105th and 58th street to get to Carillon Woods
- 1.5. With rail corridor, provide enough access points for pedestrian safety & emergency access

2. What are the key routes you would take, but don't because of access restrictions or other concerns?

- 2.1. I don't walk down Juanita Drive because of traffic – would love a way down Finn Hill to Juanita
- 2.2. An illegal sign by a neighbor has been posted on the Woodinville Water District ROW that connects Kirkland-Woodinville rail trail with 135th Ave NE at NE 135 street. The sign was not erected by the water district but claims to be. It “prohibits” pedestrian connectivity.
- 2.3. From upper Watershed Park down creek (Cochran Springs?) to Yarrow Bay Business District. No good path currently
- 2.4. Cross Kirkland is hard to walk right now

3. Where are the missing links?

- 3.1. More pedestrian friendly routes to get to parks
- 3.2. Better sidewalk/path linkage Central Houghton to 108th to park & ride. Bikes & Peds. Corridor will help
- 3.3. End of Forbes Creek
- 3.4. Pedestrian bridge between Edith Moulton & Kingsgate Park over I-405
- 3.5. Sidewalk on 7th Ave (Norkirk) is not complete. Hard to walk it to Peter Kirk
- 3.6. A linkage (on the water) maybe between Juanita Bay Park & the Beach Park. Without use of the street

4. What improvements to streets would encourage you to walk or bike more frequently?

- 4.1. Pedestrian corridor down Finn Hill to Juanita
- 4.2. Please have our new cross corridor pedestrian friendly, not just bike friendly as with Burke Gilman
- 4.3. Allowing bikes on sidewalks when no pedestrians are present at 5 mph max speed, stopping/yielding to pedestrians as needed
- 4.4. Sidewalks that are continuous on 1 side of the street at least
- 4.5. Street corners that are lighted, especially at arterials, that would allow drivers to see pedestrians on sidewalks crossing streets. This is especially a conflict in winter when drivers make a turn
- 4.6. Lack of sidewalks impacts walking safety
- 4.7. Transit stops at playfields, so preteen daughter could get to things without me driving

-- Photo Board (tally of red dots) --

- 12 – multi-use trail
- 5 – rail corridor
- 5 – utility corridor trails
- 4 – neighborhood access paths
- 3 – neighborhood greenways
- 1 – on-street bike paths
- 1 – creek corridors
- 1 – bike lanes
- 1 – bike boulevards
- 0 “votes” – the waterfront, neighborhood walking maps, street parks

-- Map Board (sticky note comments) --

- Mountain bikes in Finn Hill; better trails to other parks
- Juanita Drive touring bikes need safer
- Water trail for paddle boarders and kayakers
- Lake Washington Boulevard sidewalk widening would be nice – very crowded on sunny days
- Lake Washington Boulevard walkability use as a joyful connection
- Informal linkages in Finn Hill area on private
- Bike on 100th to Burke Gilman Trail
- Links to regional trails especially Sammamish River Trail (Cross Kirkland Corridor)
- Better signage and wayfinding (to bridges)
- Stairs & ramps on 100th at Slater
- Formalize connections to Puget Sound Energy trail
- Trails through Forbes Creek Park (JBP) (red dot added)

Outdoor Recreation Station

-- Comments from Question Board --

- 1. How satisfied are you with your neighborhood’s parks? How about other Kirkland parks that you visit?**
 - 1.1. We need more developed parks in the Juanita High School area
 - 1.2. Bonfire facilities like they have at Golden Gardens Park in Seattle
 - 1.3. Need doggy poop bags @ parks. Get a neighborhood person to adopt a park & pick up poop
 - 1.4. I am loving the early morning lap swim @ Peter Kirk pool
- 2. Is there a demand for more park space in your neighborhood? Where?**
 - 2.1. 109th area near Juanita HS
 - 2.2. Soccer fields tennis courts in Houghton
 - 2.3. More dog off-leash areas in various neighborhoods – water access and trails where families can get exercise with their dogs
- 3. What other types of outdoor activities or park uses should Kirkland provide? What is missing? What is needed?**
 - 3.1. The corridor being developed will help
 - 3.2. More exercise stations like at Crestwoods Park

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- 3.3. Off-leash hours for dogs am, pm
 - 3.4. Bicycle-free streets events, like Sunday in Seattle
 - 3.5. Indoor pool like Bellevue, Edmonds
 - 3.6. For everyone's use we need more facilities near ICS & Emerson School & Lakeview School
 - 3.7. Swings & other moving play equipment that increase vestibular development in kids
 - 3.8. More partnerships with schools to use facilities as parks
 - 3.9. More soccer fields
 4. **Are today's parks sufficient to keep our growing population healthy, active and engaged in 2035? How should the park system serve a changing Kirkland?**
 - 4.1. More parks with more amenities for relaxation and native study
 - 4.2. Partnership with YMCA to develop a facility in Kirkland
 - 4.3. A large indoor recreation facility with lap & therapeutic pools, maybe housing recreation department in Totem Lake. Could serve our urban growth area
 - 4.4. Further develop school field-park partnership to offer more options for outdoor sports. Also master plan for Big Finn Hill and include playfields possibilities
 - 4.5. Transit access to parks for those who don't drive, i.e. older adults, young kids
 - 4.6. "Mixed Use" creates extra need for outdoor recreation (no backyards to play in!) Developers of mixed use should provide adequate outdoor facilities
 5. **What are your top priorities for Kirkland's parks, facilities and amenities?**
 - 5.1. Open areas to be enjoyed by all. They have to be a place where people feel safe
 - 5.2. Live within basic funding; No more levies
 - 5.3. Bathrooms
 - 5.4. Restroom funding should be available – too many restrooms closed
 - 5.5. Increased number of parks in North Kirkland (annexation area). Continued maintenance and operations at the high level we expect for our parks
 - 5.6. Garbage service should be reinstated for picnic waste and dog waste
 - 5.7. Yes, no more levies

-- Photo Board (tally of red dots) --

- 4 - farm-to-table facilities (added note on dot: "community garden & food bank")
- 4 – organized exercise classes
- 3 – youth playfields
- 3 – parklets
- 3 – tree top zip line
- 2 – dog park
- 2 – exercise stations
- 2 – bike skills park
- 1 – waterfront docks
- 1 – baseball + softball fields
- 0 "votes" – playgrounds, swimming pool

-- Map Board (sticky note comments) --

- Mountain bikes in Finn Hill; better trails to other parks
- Fire station opportunity to connect the park – with pedestrian overpass (northwest corner of Big Finn Hill Park)
- Trail markings, directions, usage
- Gondola - Juanita up to Finn Hill (Juanita Bay area)

- Orienteering/"adventure races"
- I second orienteering more permanent courses
- More swimming facilities (in/outdoor) (downtown vicinity?)
- Close down major corridors (to cars) ne Sunday afternoon per month for biking/street life (like Portland)
- Incorporate space for dogs off-leash
- Joint use playfields at International Community School
- Playground access at/near schools
- Watershed Park incorporate space for dog off-leash area (Watershed Park)
- Provide funding for invasive species removal throughout the park system. Would be youth employment opportunity
- Joint use contracts – extend park maintenance beyond playfields to habitat around schools. Emerson playfields (Emerson HS area)
- Plus ability to get lost (arrow pointing to Watershed Park)
- Bike skills park (impromptu) (arrow pointing to natural areas - east of 90th street & SE of Mark Twain Elementary School – actually outside city limits)
- Make this vacant wetland a nature park! (arrow pointing to area near Ohde pea patch)
- Monday going N – garbage bin obstacles + grates + parking (arrow pointing to N/S road at Mark Twain Park)
- Plants, exercise station, places to sit walkway/path "Iota Park" (arrow pointing to near 127th & 109th)
- Missing link on bike route (arrow pointing to 124th & 124th)
- Street scramble. categories for bike or walking. Mergio.com. learn about neighborhood. Aim people toward safest routes – i.e. neighborhood greenways.

Conservation Station

-- Comments from Question Board --

1. **Why do you value Kirkland's natural areas? As a place to hike or walk? Part of a great view? For their contributions to wildlife and stormwater quality?**
 - 1.1. An opportunity to get exercise, walk my dog and think about my day and contemplate. Love the trails in Kirkland.
 - 1.2. Hike The green space is important to balance the anxiety that affects us all living in the U.S.
 - 1.3. Our family regularly walks/hikes on the trails along the lake & in Watershed Park & Big Finn Hill. They are recreation AND water quality significant
 - 1.4. Hike & walk. Commune with nature
 - 1.5. They are areas to relax, walk, think and meet friends without having to drive too far or at all!!
 - 1.6. Natural resource protection and preservation
 - 1.7. I enjoy the surprising encounters with wildlife!
 - 1.8. Trails as part of natural areas
 - 1.9. Carillon Woods –for swings/play structure – for just hanging out in nature, as a break – walk dog – headwaters for Carillon Creek
2. **How important is it to acquire and preserve lands as natural areas compared to other uses of parkland and City resources?**
 - 2.1. Imperative
 - 2.2. Very! (two dots added)

- 2.3. Very important to provide wide spectrum of uses. Natural areas opportunity for education
- 2.4. Not that important given the other needs and limited resources
- 2.5. To me this is not important. Other than wetlands, natural areas with no access by people is a waster of undeveloped land for the city. The land does not have to be all mowed lawn , but there should at least be trails. It should be for use by people.
- 2.6. It's one of the key variables that set this and any "good" urban area apart!! Very important!
- 2.7. I think Kirkland has done a good job in "older" Kirkland. It is very important to continue this effort in our "new" annexed areas.

3. Have you participated in natural area restoration through Green Kirkland or other restoration opportunities? What would make you want to participate if you haven't already?

- 3.1. Green Kirkland – greater involvement with Cascadia Community College students – expand their existing MLK day to year-round opportunities
- 3.2. Yes, I've helped with Green Kirkland & would be interested in doing more when I retire
- 3.3. Stewardship partnerships with local schools
- 3.4. Concern about maintaining areas in restoration. Keeping up with returning invasive plants
- 3.5. Extend invasive plant removal to the Corridor. Blackberries out organize volunteers. I have participated before
- 3.6. 20-year forest restoration plan – is this online

4. What do you want kids to remember about growing up in Kirkland?

- 4.1. To respect and care for place they live – learn to extend globally
- 4.2. Need an environmental center to teach kids about natural areas and their critical ecological benefits
- 4.3. Respect for how fragile the forests are – humans deeply impact the health of our forests
- 4.4. Healthy forests, great parks for users, clean waterfront parks
- 4.5. A backyard where they can play with friends
- 4.6. "I love natural areas" 2 kids
- 4.7. All the memories! Beach walks, nature hiking, etc.
- 4.8. Parks, pedestrian quiet community that appreciates the environment
- 4.9. It is safe fun outdoors place to be
- 4.10. That Kirkland had soooo many options for activity: out in parks, sport fields, downtown (library, shops, etc.) recreation, swimming, just playing in neighborhood, that they as kids had access to.

-- Photo Board (tally of red dots) --

- 4 – mitigation banking (plus 1 comment on dot: "for Totem Lake")
- 3 – environmental education classes
- 3 – creek corridors
- 3 – wetland boardwalks
- 2 – wildlife corridors
- 2 – habitat restoration
- 2 – tool library
- 1 – historic sites
- 1 – shoreline restoration
- 1 – online restoration tracking tool
- 0 "votes" for educational signage, soft shorelines

Additional sticky notes on Photo Board

- Remember crime prevention thru environmental design of parks and OS
- Nature classes designed for families – similar to the Padilla Bay Preserve classes in Bayview, WA.
- Neighborhood car sharing run by city

- Connecting natural areas to protect & enhance their value and function

-- Map Board (sticky note comments) --

- Sustainable trail use needed for Big Finn Hill Park
- Need parking and/or access from Juanita Drive to OO Denny trail (upper)
- Status of wetland east of high school? Connection opportunity with N-S power lines (east of Juanita HS)
- Garbage cans & dog waste bags at entrances to Watershed Park

Other sticky notes (not oriented to specific questions)

- O.1 Juanita Bay restaurant pad (once a Jack-in-the-Box) has poor access and fails to sustain business – convert to park land?
- O.2 Big Finn Hill maps are confusing – easy to get lost. Wayfinding needed. Some concerns about conflicts with cyclists (mtn bikers)
- O.3 Consider need to provide spill over for events from Marina Park – Peter Kirk? Juanita Beach?
- O.4 Vegetation mgt along Cross Kirkland corridor?
- O.5 interpretive signs are valuable additions on trails in natural areas
- O.6 Connecting natural areas & access to and from Cross Kirkland
- O.7 Night lights affect nocturnal animals – need a policy to protect nocturnal wildlife
- O.8 remove poison hemlock. It's a danger to the public.

Every effort has been made to accurately record this meeting. If any errors or omissions are noted, please provide written response within five days of receipt.

-- *End of Notes* --

cc: Michael Cogle
File

**CITY OF KIRKLAND****Department of Parks & Community Services**

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MEMORANDUM

To: Park Board

From: Michael Cogle, Deputy Director

Date: July 1, 2013

Subject: Plaza of Champions Nomination

Recommendation

That the Park Board considers the nomination of Emmy Award-winning meteorologist Chris Warren into Kirkland's Plaza of Champions.

At the Board's July meeting the Board has the option to:

- 1) Recommend to City Council that the nomination be accepted; or
- 2) Recommend to City Council that the nomination be denied; or
- 3) Defer a recommendation pending (1) a need for more information from the applicant if determined by the Board to be necessary; and/or (2) more time is required by the Board to consider the nomination.

Background

Kirkland native Chris Warren has been nominated for induction into Kirkland's Plaza of Champions. Please see the attached application form that has been submitted on his behalf.

About the Plaza of Champions

The Plaza of Champions was initiated in 1988 to honor and recognize those groups and individuals in the greater Kirkland area who have not only reached the pinnacle of achievement in their chosen field, but have also, through that achievement, contributed in a significant way to our community. This contribution may be in providing state, national, or international recognition for Kirkland and its residents, and/or improving the quality of life for a significant segment of the greater Kirkland community.

Criteria for recognition and honor are intended to be both broad and flexible. However, the standards set for this tribute are intended to be high.

The following criteria will be used in selecting Plaza of Champions inductees:

- Local, State, National, or International Level of Achievement

- Identity with Greater Kirkland
- Significance of Achievement
- History of Achievements, including: documents, press clippings, photos or other examples of media coverage related to the achievement.

A copy of the specific nomination criteria for the program is attached. Information and application materials for the Plaza of Champions are made available via the City's website.

The Park Board has been established as the review panel to consider all nominations. Final acceptance is determined by the City Council. Honorees are inducted in a public ceremony and have a bronze plaque installed in their honor at the Plaza of Champions in Marina Park.

Bill Warren, the person who has submitted the application, will be invited to attend the Board's meeting to answer any questions.

A list of past honorees is also attached for the Board's information.

Attachments



KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS Nomination Guide

CRITERIA AND ELEMENTS

An applicant for recognition should satisfy the listed minimum number of the elements from each of the three (3) criteria listed below. Applicants must meet the eligibility requirement listed in Criterion I, must meet at least two (2) of the elements from Criterion II, and must meet at least one (1) of the elements from Criterion III.

In addition, the applicant must also furnish a history of achievements. These achievements must have occurred at least one calendar year prior to submission of the application. The honor cannot be conferred unless the history is provided.

Applicants will be reviewed by the Kirkland Park Board, whose decision will be final.

CRITERION I

LOCAL, STATE, NATIONAL, OR INTERNATIONAL LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

The following basic eligibility requirement must be met before a nominee can be considered for possible induction.

ELEMENTS:

1.1 Level of Achievement

The level of achievement by the individual or team must be explicitly stated and should be the highest possible level of achievement in fields such as science, education, athletics, the arts (music, drama, literary, fine arts, etc), medicine, debate, etc.

The Plaza of Champions is not intended to recognize **lifelong or enduring** achievement in a particular field unless the applicant has previously received an award for such lifelong achievement.

This basic achievement element also provides the opportunity for nomination of first-time achievements (examples: first Kirkland resident to swim the English Channel, first Kirkland individual or group to participate in a national competition, etc.).

If it is not possible to identify the highest possible level of achievement, the applicant must provide a detailed explanation as to why the achievement is considered to be exceptional.

CRITERION II

IDENTITY WITH GREATER KIRKLAND

Applicant must consider Kirkland to be his/her home or identify with Kirkland in such a way that the Kirkland community recognizes the applicant as a "Kirklander."

At least two (2) of the following elements must be met before a nominee can be considered for possible induction.

ELEMENTS:

2.1 Born in the Kirkland area.

This means that the parent(s) were residing in Kirkland at the time of the candidate's birth.

2.2 Currently resides in Great Kirkland area.

Applicant currently has a Kirkland address. Applicant must live at this address at least six months of the year.

2.3 Lived in Greater Kirkland area for at least ten years or longer and consider Kirkland their home town.

2.4 Has improved the quality of life in Greater Kirkland.

2.5 Worked (or has worked) within the community or owns a business in Greater Kirkland area.

The applicant is a past or present Kirkland area business owner or worker who has contributed in a special way to the community.

2.6 None of the above.

An applicant may still be considered even if the preceding elements do not apply. Substantial documentation, however, will be required in this instance so as to demonstrate the applicant's identity with Greater Kirkland.

CRITERION III

SIGNIFICANCE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The applicant must fully explain the significance of the achievement. It must be further specified if the achievement is the result of an individual or team effort. No individual members of a team will be recognized. The team members, however, may be recognized by name.

At least one (1) of the following elements must be met before a nominee can be considered for possible induction.

ELEMENTS:

3.1 Recognition of the achievement by the Kirkland community.

Applicant must submit a statement which explains how the community has been affected by the achievement as well as the manner in which the community was informed (e.g.,

press coverage received subsequent to achievement – include press clippings and any other examples of media coverage).

3.2 Peers recognize this achievement as outstanding.

Persons in the same field must recognize the achievement as outstanding and worthy of recognition. A statement of endorsement for the applicant from leaders in the applicant's field is expected. The peer group may include a person, or persons, residing outside the Kirkland area.

3.3 Played a key role in a group effort which without this individual's achievement would not have taken place.

The candidate formed an organization or group and was instrumental in making it operational. The group or organization benefited the community in a demonstrable way.

3.4 The achievement has improved the quality of life for a large segment of Greater Kirkland area residents.

For example, the achievement may have resulted in increased educational or recreational opportunities for area residents.

HISTORY REQUIREMENT

The history and description of the achievements must be in narrative form and in sufficient detail to completely support the conferring of this award. The person or persons writing the history must provide sufficient in-depth history to enable future readers to completely appreciate the significance of the applicant's contribution. Include, if possible, documents, press clippings, photos, or other examples of media coverage related to the achievement.

If the history is written by anyone other than the applicant, it must be read and signed by the applicant (when possible) and thus documented as a true and accurate account. If the award is conferred, the history will be placed in the Kirkland Library to serve as a reference and permanent record of the achievement.



**KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS
Nomination Application Form**

Name of Honored Group or Individual:

Chris Warren

Achievement or Award to be Recognized:

Emmy for best weather forecast of the year

Date or Dates of Achievement or Award:

2009

Name of Person(s) Submitting Application:

Name: Bill Warren

Address: 13932 93rd Ave. N.E.

City: Kirkland

Zip: 98034

Phone: 425-821-1468

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Relationship to Honored Group or Individual:

Father

If applicable, list members of Group and their roles:

(attach extra page if necessary)

If applicable, list other key individuals and their roles (coach, parent, sponsor, teacher, etc.):

(attach extra page if necessary)

Agreement

In submitting this application, I understand that the applicant must meet the required qualifications and that this application will be reviewed by the Kirkland Park Board, and that their decision will be final. I further understand that if this application is accepted, a fee of \$200 will be paid to the City of Kirkland to cover the cost of the plaque, engraving, installation, and maintenance. The plaque will not be installed until all application materials are received and the fee has been paid.

Signed: Bill Warren Date: 5/19/13.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS

Application Form

Criterion I

LOCAL, STATE, NATIONAL, OR INTERNATIONAL LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

Name of Applicant: Chris Warren

Please explain how the applicant meets this eligibility requirement. Attach extra pages as necessary.

Kirkland native Chris Warren was hired by NWCN and King 5 in Seattle in 2003. He worked for Northwest Cable News during the week and was the weekend weather anchor for King 5 Television. He also filled in as weather anchor for Jeff Renner and Rich Marriott, when they were unavailable. He brought viewers stories from out in the field as a reporter and photographer, and from the newsroom as a news anchor and video editor.

In 2008, Chris Warren won an Emmy for best weather forecast of the year. This was his first major achievement.

The same year, NBC hired Chris to co-anchor a national daily prime time show at their Weather Channel in Atlanta, Georgia (www.weather.com). Chris will frequently appear on the Today Show, NBC Nightly News as well as MSNBC and CNBC.

In 2010, Chris was recognized again as he was chosen to represent the United States at the Worlds Fair in Shanghai, China, which brought meteorologists from around the world. This weather symposium was sponsored by the Chinese Government.

KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS

Application Form

Criterion II

IDENTIFY WITH GREATER KIRKLAND

Name of Applicant: Chris Warren

Please explain how the applicant meets at least two (2) of the elements listed for this eligibility requirement. Attach extra pages as necessary.

Element Explanation: _____

Chris Warren grew up in Kirkland, attending Juanita Elementary, Finn Hill Junior High and graduating from Juanita High School in 1993. He lived in Kirkland for nearly 20 years and considers Kirkland his hometown.

He currently lives in Atlanta, Georgia, but still owns and maintains his condominium in downtown Kirkland.

His parents, Bill and Margy Warren, still reside in their Finn Hill home.

KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS

Application Form

Criterion III

SIGNIFICANCE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Name of Applicant: Chris Warren

Please explain how the applicant meets at least one (1) of the elements listed for this eligibility requirement. Attach extra pages as necessary.

Element Explanation: _____

Chris Warren is an Emmy-winning meteorologist from a top 10 TV station in the country. Many Kirkland residents tune into King 5 weather daily, which means Chris has informed locals about the weather with his outstanding award-winning coverage. Chris received press coverage following his Emmy, including on the King 5 station and King 5 online (see attachments).

KIRKLAND PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS

Application Form

History Requirement

Name of Applicant: Chris Warren

Using the criteria and elements as a guide, please furnish a complete history and description of the achievement in narrative form. Attach extra pages as necessary. Please note that if the history is prepared by anyone other than the applicant, it must be read and signed by the applicant (when possible) and documented as a true account. Please include, if possible, documents, press clippings, photos, or other examples of media coverage related to the achievement.

Please see attached

History Requirement

Kirkland native Chris Warren is fascinated with how the atmosphere works and he loves to share the whys and hows of weather. This passion has led him to be recognized for his achievements in meteorology.

Chris was born in 1974 in Spokane, Wash. and moved to Kirkland in 1976. He grew up in Kirkland, attending Juanita Elementary, Finn Hill Junior High and graduating from Juanita High School in 1993.

A Washington State University graduate with a major in Communications, Chris received his AMS (American Meteorological Society) accreditation from Mississippi State University and began his career interning at KTVZ Television in Bend, Ore.

After his internship, the station hired him to do reporting, weather and co-anchor their daily morning show. After two years, Chris was hired by KSBY television in San Louis Obispo, Calif. for their weekend weather anchor and news reporter.

Wanting to return to the Northwest, Chris was hired by NWCN

and King 5 in Seattle in 2003. He worked for Northwest Cable News during the week and was the weekend weather anchor for King 5 Television. He also filled in as weather anchor for Jeff Renner and Rich Marriott, when they were unavailable.

He brought viewers stories from out in the field as a reporter and photographer, and from the newsroom as a news anchor and video editor.

In 2008, Chris Warren won an Emmy for best weather forecaster of the year. This was his first major achievement. He brought his outstanding award-winning coverage to the Kirkland community and to others around the region. His accomplishment was also recognized on King 5 television (and online).

The same year, NBC hired Chris to co-anchor a national daily prime time show at their Weather Channel in Atlanta, Georgia (www.weather.com). Chris will frequently appear on the Today Show, NBC Nightly News as well as MSNBC and CNBC.

In 2010, Chris was recognized again as he was chosen to represent the United States at the Worlds Fair in Shanghai,

China, which brought meteorologists from around the world.
This weather symposium was sponsored by the Chinese
Government.

For additional information and videos, Google "Chris Warren
weather."



Above, Kirkland native Chris Warren frequently appears on the Today Show.

PLAZA OF CHAMPIONS HONOREES

<u>1988</u>	JoAnne Gunderson Carner	L.P.G.A. Hall of Fame Golfer
<u>1989</u>	Rick Acton	N.W.P.G.A. Champion Golfer
	Dorothy "Didi" Anstett	1968 Miss U.S.A.
	Hot Dog U.S.A.	World Champion Rope-Skipping Team
	1980 Kirkland National Little League All-Stars	3rd Place in Little League World Series
	1982 Kirkland National Little League All-Stars	Little League World Series Champions
	1975 Tyee/Bel-Kirk Senior Babe Ruth Team	World Champions
	Andrew Okada	Collegiate Boxing Champion
	Steven Earl Todd	Champion Wheelchair Athlete
<u>1991</u>	Demetri Corahorgi	Medal of Honor Recipient
	1974 Kirkland National Little League Girl's Softball Team	2nd Place in Little League World Series
	1980, 1990, 1991 Northwest College Women's Basketball Teams	National Christian College Athletic Association National Champions
<u>1992</u>	Julie Ann Gregg	Bicycle Racing Champion
	Chris Sharp	1990 Peabody Award for Excellence in Broadcast Journalism
<u>1993</u>	Rick Colella	1976 Olympic Bronze Medalist - Swimming
<u>1994</u>	1993 Kirkland/District 9 Big League Softball Team	Little League World Champions
<u>1995</u>	Maxine Conover	1958 U.S. National Women's Bicycling Champion
<u>1996</u>	Glen Ethier	1972 International Broadcasting Award and 1973 CLIO Awards for Excellence in Broadcast Advertising
<u>1998</u>	1963 Lakeside Gravel Baseball Team	1963 Connie Mack Baseball National Champions
<u>2001</u>	Randall Garretson	1964 - Junior National Ski Jumping Champion 1964 - Nordic Combined Junior National Champion

(No additional inductees since 2001.)

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MEMORANDUM

To: Park Board

From: Michael Cogle, Deputy Director

Date: July 1, 2013

Subject: Edith Moulton Park Master Planning

Recommendation

That the Park Board receives a status report on the Edith Moulton Park Master Planning project.

Background

This year staff will begin developing a Master Plan to guide future development of Edith Moulton Park. The City has hired a consultant team led by Otak, Inc., a Kirkland-based company, to help with the project.

Attached for the Board's review is a copy of Otak's Statement of Qualifications (SOQ), which was submitted in response to a request for proposals (RFP) from some of the region's top landscape architects. Staff will provide a quick overview and answer questions at the Board's July meeting and will schedule a future site tour for the Board in the fall.

Attachment



Edith Moulton Park

Planning & Development

Submitted to the
City of Kirkland

Submitted by
Otak, Inc.

April 30, 2013



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City of Kirkland
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Kirkland, Washington 98033

Re: Statement of Qualifications for Edith Moulton Park Planning & Design—Otak File No. 32280

Dear Selection Committee;

Edith Moulton was a truly wonderful person to have cared so much about children having a place to experience nature. We would be honored to help Kirkland transform this park into a place where nature is both enjoyed and protected, and where neighbors can experience the full benefits of this wonderful place. The 26 acres of streams, wetlands, mature forested uplands, and open grassy areas are already enjoyed by the community and have incredible potential to be experienced by more residents in new ways.

In addition to making the park a great place, there is another important opportunity. Community participation in planning this park can be a catalyst in bringing the surrounding neighborhood together. Whether property owner, renter, students, or others, the community has a project to be excited about that is both important and beneficial to the neighborhood and the City of Kirkland as a whole. A community involvement process that creates knowledge and understanding brings out the best ideas and moves participants to agreement on shared goals. That consensus building will result in both strengthening the neighborhood and a thoughtful, sustainable plan for the park.

There are three things we would especially like you to know about our team:

- We are very experienced at successfully completing projects much like the Edith Moulton Park.
- We are absolutely committed to helping you make this a model park for experiencing and protecting nature.
- We are overflowing with creative ideas and enthusiasm to enhance this place for the neighborhood and Kirkland community.

In honoring the legacy of this park, we will work closely with you to make the most of this incredible resource. Our proposed project team is located in our Kirkland office. We've been located in the community since 1988. We are very familiar with Edith Moulton Park and neighborhood. Some of our team members live or have lived there and can envision many opportunities for the park to strengthen its role as a valuable public space in the North Juanita Neighborhood.

This Statement of Qualifications presents our experience and proposed project approach. We would enjoy the opportunity to further present our capabilities and proposed approach in a personal interview. In the meantime, feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or would like additional information. My desk phone in Kirkland is (425) 250-5369 and my email is mandi.roberts@otak.com.

Warm regards,
Otak, Incorporated

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mandi Roberts". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mandi Roberts, PLA/ASLA, AICP
Principal-in-Charge

PROJECT OVERVIEW

With the transfer of the Edith Moulton Park ownership from King County to the City of Kirkland in 2011, the City inherited an important responsibility to honor the legacy that Edith Moulton intended when she publicly donated the land in the 1960s to “*save some nature spots for posterity before it is too late,*” so that “*small children could have a place to play other than the street.*” The 26-acre forested farm site, with trails, meadow, and a portion of Juanita Creek, will be transformed through this planning, design, and implementation project—protecting the natural features and qualities as always intended, and greatly enhancing the function and usability of the site for the surrounding neighborhood and community. Through active public engagement and planning and design excellence, the Otak team will bring the new vision for this vital public asset to reality. What better way to honor the 50 years of public use of the park than improving it for many more decades of being loved by the community and bringing children and adults together with nature in the way Edith Moulton intended.

TEAM INTRODUCTION

Since we were established in 1981, **Otak** has built a reputation based on integrity, skill, and creativity. These qualities, combined with the energy and passion of our professional staff, have produced an award-winning firm committed to collaborative success. Otak’s in-house staff brings a strong depth of capabilities and expertise. With more than 200 professionals firm-wide, we offer services in planning, landscape architecture, public and community involvement, water and natural resources, architecture, civil engineering, structural engineering, surveying and mapping, and permitting.

The interdisciplinary composition of our firm enables our project teams to gain a strong sense of the full range of issues and considerations that affect every

project. This broader perspective helps us develop creative, context-sensitive solutions that are at the same time practical, functional, and compliant with local, state, and federal requirements. We are also known for creating sustainable solutions through integrated design, including green infrastructure and green building approaches that are cost effective and highly constructible.

We strongly believe that effective planning and design enhances the connection between people and places. Otak’s award-winning achievements in park planning and design are based on our commitment to projects that are sensitive and responsive to their context and environmental resources, and embraced by and connected to the communities where they are located. We bring a strong diversity of experience working on parks and trails, including planning, design, and development of improvements, creation of park master plans, and development of parks and recreation plans, implementation strategies, capital improvement plans, strategic plans, resource management plans, design guidelines, and maintenance programs. Our experience extends from programming and conceptualization to construction and operation—bringing projects from vision to reality in communities.

Our extensive portfolio of parks and trails projects includes working in sensitive natural areas that



"Every child should have access to a little bit of wilderness."

- Edith Moulton

Photograph of Edith Moulton from Kristi Tvrdy via Kirkland Views weblog

encompass wetlands, lakes, streams, and other natural features. We’ve completed parks and trails planning and design at the local, regional, state, and federal levels and in a wide variety of settings. We are fully knowledgeable about the regulatory and permitting requirements that affect development along shorelines and in critical areas and their buffers in Kirkland and Washington State, as well as applicable federal requirements. Our work is highly regarded. For example, we are one of a few select firms to provide on-call planning and design services to the National Park Service (NPS).

Otak’s Kirkland office interdisciplinary team brings the entire core capabilities needed for development of Edith Moulton Park, and we can ultimately take the project through full design, if desired. We are located just minutes away from City Hall and bring a strong familiarity with the community and the site. We’ve invited Hart Crowser and Historical Research Associates to support our team on this project.

For the past 39 years, **Hart Crowser** has provided geotechnical, environmental, and natural resource services for clients throughout the Puget Sound area. Their staff of 110 includes local engineers, geologists, and scientists who have completed both large- and small-scale projects. Their experience related to park projects includes geotechnical design and construction services for paved and gravel surfaced trails, parking facilities, bridges, culverts, rockeries, and retaining walls. Hart Crowser also has provided a range of environmental services and special studies for local and regional park projects.

Since 1974, **Historical Research Associates (HRA)** has provided consulting services in cultural resource management, litigation support, and historical research. HRA is a small business concern with 17 archaeologists who meet the Secretary of the Interior’s qualifications in prehistoric and historic archaeology,

23 historians who meet the qualifications in history, and two historians who meet the qualifications in historic architecture. HRA's services include a full range of capabilities including archaeological and historical background research; inventory and resource recording; archaeological site and historical resources eligibility assessment/evaluation; data recovery mitigation and other services including work in compliance with state and federal regulations applicable to cultural and historic resources.

KEY PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE

Our team is organized to leverage the full capabilities of our experienced and talented in-house staff and

key subcontractant partners. We are readily available to undertake the anticipated work tasks for your project and will be committed to its successful completion within the City's desired timeframe. Through the resources of our team located in Kirkland, we'll be able to deliver creative, sound solutions in a cohesive, cost-effective manner.

The organizational chart below illustrates the structure of our team and indicates lines of reporting. Following are brief biographies for our project manager and key personnel proposed for this project.

Curtis LaPierre, PLA/ASLA, AICP, LEED AP, Project Manager

Curtis is deeply committed to the profession of landscape architecture and believes that design professionals have a special responsibility to make our communities better places. He is very active with the American Society of Landscape Architects (currently serving as Washington's trustee). With 28 years of experience working as a planner and designer on public projects, Curtis has worked on many successful public park and trail projects that address the insights and interests of his clients, as well as stakeholders, neighbors, and the community-at-large. He is skilled at gathering input and ideas and guiding planning and design processes that are shaped by the public process and that also address technical issues and needs related to public health, safety, and welfare. Curtis

TEAM ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



PROJECT TEAM			
Community Outreach/Public Involvement Mandi Roberts Curtis LaPierre Mike Wert (<i>Hart Crowser</i>)	Arborculture/Forest Management/Tree Risk Assessment Tom Early Civil Engineering/Cost Estimates Kevin Kraxberger Curtis LaPierre	Structural Engineering/Pedestrian Bridges Steve Wilson Water Resources Engineering/Stream Restoration Russ Gaston Environmental/SEPA/Permitting/ Critical Areas Kevin O'Brien Darcey Miller Mike Wert (<i>Hart Crowser</i>)	Cultural Resources/Historic Interpretation Heather Lee Miller (<i>HRA</i>) Graphics/Visualizations Mark Shelby Marissa Chargualaf Surveying and Mapping Bill Lawrence
Park Planning and Design Mandi Roberts Tom Early Mark Shelby	Geotechnical Engineering/Pavement Analysis Rolf Hyllseth (<i>Hart Crowser</i>)		

is an energetic facilitator who makes community members feel listened to and their ideas respected. Park planning is inherently a process whereby only some of the ideas will be employed. Curtis' clear and direct communication style assures that participants understand the decision process and what is best for the park, the neighborhood, and the environment.

In addition to planning and designing parks, shared-use paths, and trails, he is experienced in creating public plazas and spaces, paving design, designing a wide variety of site amenities, planting design, irrigation, and lighting design. Curtis is especially adept at visualizing design solutions and uncovering opportunities that add otherwise unrealized value to projects. He is a LEED accredited professional and develops highly creative yet constructible and sustainable site designs. Select experience includes:

- Wallace Park/Swamp Creek Master Plan; Kenmore, WA
- Centennial Park; Bothell, WA
- Freeland Trail; Island County, WA
- Legacy Park and Lake Front Improvements; McCall, ID
- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Columbia Park West Master Plan; Kennewick and Richland, WA
- Boeing Creek Park, Trail, and Stormwater Improvements; Shoreline, WA
- Pioneer Square Park and Occidental Corridor Improvements; Seattle, WA
- Centennial Trail Extension; Snohomish, WA
- Shoreline Interurban Trail; Shoreline, WA

Mandi Roberts, PLA/ASLA, AICP, Project Principal and Public Involvement Lead

Over the past 26 years of her work in planning and landscape architecture, Mandi has gained extensive experience in project management, public and community involvement, parks and recreation, trails,

environmental analysis, interpretive planning and design, and public space master planning and design. She loves working with people and discussing the merits of different design ideas. Mandi gets people excited about their projects and is especially adept at communicating the design possibilities each project holds. Her friendly and inclusive style of meeting facilitation gives project stakeholders the confidence that their project is in good hands. Mandi has developed and successfully implemented a range of public and stakeholder involvement tools, including interactive workshop series, web-based activities, and various outreach media. Select experience includes:

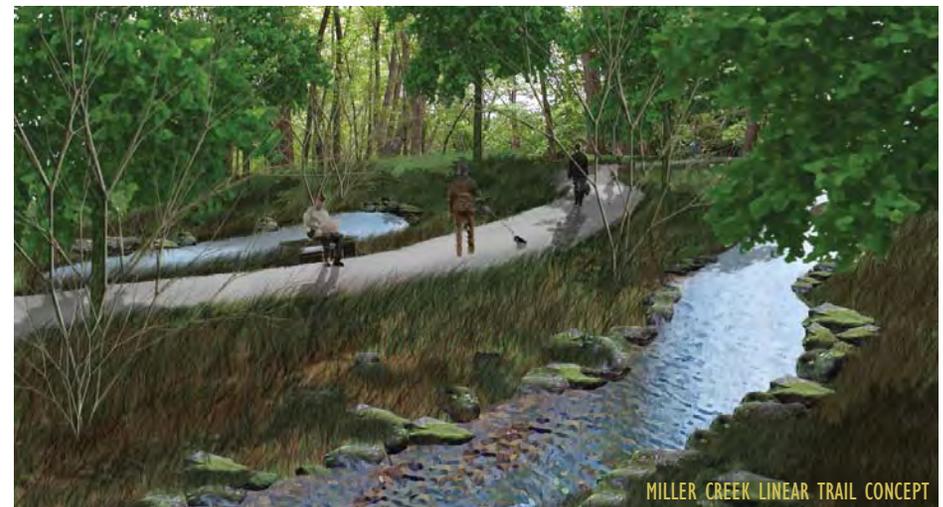
- Legacy Park and Lake Front Improvements; McCall, ID
- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Overlake Village Stormwater and Park Facilities Conceptual Design; Redmond, WA
- Station Camp/Middle Village Park; Pacific County, WA
- Cape Disappointment State Park Trail; WA
- Mark Twain Neighborhood Park; Kirkland, WA
- Shoreline Interurban Trail; Shoreline, WA
- Green Gateway Park Conceptual Master Plan; Woodinville, WA
- Trail Corridor; Federal Way, WA
- Various NPS Projects; Nationwide
- Washington State Parks Interpretive Planning and Design; WA

Tom Early, PLA/ASLA, LEED AP

Tom is a landscape architect and ISA certified arborist with five years of experience. His design

experience includes trails, campus projects, arborist analysis services for local agencies, streetscapes, parks and public spaces, ecological restoration for streams, wetlands and uplands, and irrigation design. He is effective talking to people about trees and the value of trees and makes confident and objective recommendations about trees that might present too much risk. Select experience includes:

- On-call Development Review Arborist Services; Kirkland, WA
- Juanita Creek Tributary Stabilization; Kirkland, WA
- Legacy Park and Lake Front Improvements; McCall, ID
- Station Camp Middle Village Park; Pacific County, WA
- Columbia Park West Master Plan; Kennewick and Richland, WA
- Pioneer Place Park and Occidental Corridor Improvements; Seattle, WA
- Wallace Park/Swamp Creek Master Plan; Kenmore, WA
- Boeing Creek Park, Trail, and Stormwater Improvements; Shoreline, WA



MILLER CREEK LINEAR TRAIL CONCEPT

Mark Shelby, PLA/ASLA

Mark is a landscape architect and urban designer with 21 years experience in master planning and the design of parks, trails, campuses, streetscapes, and public art integration in project design. He also provides construction administration and construction observation on various projects. Select experience:

- Station Camp Middle Village Park; Pacific County, WA
- Parks Cost Estimating and Capital Programming Support; Kent, WA
- Centennial Trail Extension; Snohomish, WA
- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Overlake Village Stormwater and Park Facilities Conceptual Design; Redmond, WA
- Paine Field Community Park Master Plan and Design; Snohomish County, WA
- Various NPS Projects; Nationwide

Kevin Kraxberger, PE

Kevin is a project engineer with 15 years of experience. He works well with landscape architects and understands that sometimes less tangible things like views, a special tree, or the shape of a lawn can really matter. Kevin, Curtis, Mark, and Mandi have worked on a number of successful park projects together. Kevin always makes major design contributions especially in access design and green infrastructure. Select experience includes:

- Centennial Park Improvements; Bothell, WA
- Paine Field Community Park Master Plan and Design; Snohomish County, WA
- Community Center Civil Design; Mukilteo, WA
- Columbia Hills State Park; Klickitat County, WA
- Station Camp Middle Village Park; Chinook, WA

Russ Gaston, PE

Russ is a senior water resources engineer with 24 years of experience. His design experience includes combining drainage infrastructure improvements with

parks, open space areas and trail corridors, stream and wetland habitat restoration, stream and ravine channel stabilization, and surface water BMPs for public works projects. Select relevant experience includes:

- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Overlake Village Collocated Stormwater and Park Facilities Plan; Redmond, WA
- Wallace Park/Swamp Creek Sediment Pond Improvements; Kenmore, WA
- Boeing Creek Basin Infrastructure and Park Improvements; Shoreline, WA
- Juanita Creek Improvements; Kirkland, WA

Steve Wilson, PE, SE

Steve is a structural engineer with seven years of experience in the design and development of bridges and structures for parks, trails, and transportation projects. He gets to engineer the creative consequences of the landscape architects at Otak. Steve and Curtis typically work together on bridge railing designs, pedestrian bridge design, and retaining structure design. He has also engineered gateways, restroom buildings, and other park structures. We have included Steve for any pedestrian bridges across the creek or park structure engineering. Select experience includes:

- Station Camp Middle Village Park Overlook Structures; Pacific County, WA
- Cape Disappointment State Park Multi-use Trail; Ilwaco, WA
- Willapa Hills Trail Bridge Replacement; Lewis County, WA

- Spring Creek Pedestrian Bridge; Winthrop, WA
- WA State DNR Trail Bridges; Skagit County, WA
- Highlands to Landing Pedestrian Connection; Renton, WA
- SE Southworth Drive Bridge Replacement and Estuary Enhancement; Kitsap County, WA

Kevin O'Brien, PhD

Kevin is a wildlife biologist with 21 years of experience working in the fields of ecology, zoology, and wildlife biology. He has worked with Curtis and the other team members on a number of stream and wetland restoration projects in parks and other public places. He understands the need to balance people access to natural areas with the protection of streams, wetlands, and other habitat resources. Select experience includes:

- Boeing Creek Park, Trail, and Stormwater Improvements; Shoreline, WA
- Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission On-call Environmental Services; WA
- Heritage Park Project; Kitsap County, WA
- Warren G. Magnuson Park Environmental Analysis; Seattle, WA
- Mt. Scott/Scouter Mt. Trail Loop; Portland, OR



- Valley Estates Bank Stabilization and Culvert Replacement; Redmond, WA

Darcey Miller, PWS

Darcey is an environmental scientist with 13 years of experience in wetland and stream delineation and permitting, wetland mitigation and restoration, ESA consultation, and wildlife habitat studies. She is also accustomed to working with landscape architects on park projects. Darcey is especially talented at helping craft restoration projects that avoid or reduce permitting efforts. Select experience includes:

- Warren G. Magnuson Park; Seattle, WA
- Habitat Assessment of Gages Slough; Burlington, WA
- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Riverview Park Channel Restoration; Kent, WA
- McKinley Park Wetland/Stream Assessment and Wetland Buffer Mitigation; Tacoma, WA

Bill Lawrence, PLS

Bill is a survey manager with 30 years of experience. His expertise includes boundary, topographic, right-of-way, and construction surveys, preparation of records of survey, plat maps, condominium plat maps, precise control systems, construction layout monitoring, and preparation of legal descriptions and exhibits for document support. Select experience:

- Juanita Creek Basin Improvements; Kirkland, WA
- Kirkland Emergency Sewer Improvement Programs (1999-present); Kirkland, WA
- SDOT 2011 Sidewalk Development; Seattle, WA
- WSDOT Statewide On-call Surveying; WA State
- Shoreline Interurban Trail; Shoreline, WA
- Sammamish Trails, Bikeways and Paths Plan; Sammamish, WA

Marissa Chargualaf

Marissa is a talented graphic designer with eight years of experience. Her experience includes graphic

design and production of several park master plan and design reports, as well as the design of newsletters, posters, interpretive panels and products, and other public involvement and outreach materials. She has also provided graphic design for design guideline and toolkit documents and studies. Marissa has created specific designs for wayfinding signs and elements as part of streetscape projects. Select experience includes:

- Legacy Park and Lake Front Improvements; McCall, ID
- Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/ NERA Redevelopment Project; Burien, WA
- Overlake Village Stormwater and Park Facilities Conceptual Design; Redmond, WA
- Various NPS Projects; Nationwide

Mike Wert (Hart Crowser)

Mike is an environmental scientist with 30 years experience conducting natural resource site characterizations, feasibility studies, and impact assessments. Mike has lived near Edith Moulton Park for many years and goes there often. He will provide technical input on natural resources issues; offer strategies to expedite agency consultations and permitting; and contribute to the stakeholder outreach and SEPA compliance process. Select experience:

- Medina Park Improvements; Medina, WA
- NPS Transportation Study and Shuttle Plan for Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park; CA
- Yacht Club Marina; Kirkland, WA
- White River Trail; Sumner, WA
- Beach Club Improvements; Mercer Island, WA

Rolf Hyllseth, PE, LG

Rolf is a geotechnical engineer with 23 years of experience on a wide variety of projects. His project-relevant expertise includes trail subgrade analysis, retaining wall design, slope stability analysis, surface erosion evaluation, pavement design, building foundation analysis, pedestrian bridge foundation design, as well as geotechnical design for culvert

crossings and storm drainage systems. Select experience includes:

- Soos Creek Trail & Park Facilities; King County, WA
- Foothills Trail Stream 5 Bridge Crossing; King County (near Enumclaw), WA
- UW Intramural Fields; Seattle, WA
- Transportation Gateway Roadway Improvements; Des Moines, WA

Heather Lee Miller, PhD, Senior Historian

Heather is the lead of HRA's above-ground history program, which is a subsection of HRA's Cultural



PAINE FIELD PARK PLANNING AND DESIGN



Resource Management (CRM) division (with a focus on architectural history and historic preservation within various federal, state, and local regulatory contexts). She has worked on projects related to cultural resources management, Section 106/110 and NEPA/SEPA compliance, development of historic contexts, inventory and evaluation, and mitigation reports, in addition to litigation support. An effective project manager with both a strong grasp on the larger framework within which cultural resources compliance occurs and an eye for detail, Heather also has exemplary research, writing, and editorial skills, having worked for close to two decades in scholarly journal and book editing. Select experience includes:

- Interpretive Plan Development for Decommissioning PacifiCorp’s Condit Hydroelectric Project; WA
- Cultural Resource Services at Baker River Hydroelectric Project; Skagit and Whatcom Counties, WA
- Cultural Resources Services for Cushman No. 2 Hydroelectric Power Plant Historic District; Mason County, WA
- Nicodemus Historical Site Historical Resource Study; Nicodemus, KS
- Evaluation and Documentation of the Klein Farmhouse; Ellensburg, WA

STAFFING AND RESOURCES

Be assured of our full enthusiasm and commitment to the Edith Moulton Park project. We’ve assigned our project staff with an understanding of their current workload and availability to complete the project, including all three proposed phases. We would not assign staff to a project if they did not have the availability to complete the work from beginning to end. And we evaluate our workloads and assignments on an ongoing basis to ensure that our staff continues to be assigned with sufficient time to meet project requirements and deadlines. As a firm of more than 200 people, we also bring a strong depth of resources to support our team’s technical work on the project. The table below shows anticipated involvement of team members matched with their current availability.

PROJECT UNDERSTANDING AND CRITICAL WORK ELEMENTS

HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Edith Moulton had incredible foresight and cared about children having access to nature in their own community. The 26-acre forested park, named in her honor, is the bit of wilderness envisioned by Edith as so beneficial for children and others to experience. In the heart of suburban Juanita, the park is within walking distance of Juanita High School and adjacent to Helen Keller Elementary School. This former farmstead of the Moulton family is treasured by the neighborhood and has the potential to become a truly wonderful place to enjoy nature.

Edith Moulton was raised by her grandmother on the property that was originally a 20-acre farm. Half the land was cleared for an orchard and pasture. A couple of old black walnut trees and apple saplings remain near the original farmhouse. Edith lived on the land following her grandmother’s death and just before her own death, left the property to King County. It was Edith’s wish that the land provide a place for children

to play in nature. The farmhouse burned down in the 1960s. King County Parks constructed a paved access road, parking, and picnic structures, but those improvements have since fallen into disrepair.

Fortunately, the park’s forested areas, meadow, wetlands, and creek tributaries are largely intact. Existing trails through the park access the creek and stands of mature trees, but these are in need of repair or replacement or may need to be relocated or reconfigured in areas that follow the stream banks too closely. Parking is currently parallel to the street, but could be doubled if desired by parking perpendicular to the street. The main lawn area at the front of the park is an especially nice feature and well situated.

EDITH MOULTON PARK PLANNING AND DESIGN PROCESS AS A CATALYST FOR FOSTERING JUANITA NEIGHBORHOOD SPIRIT

Kirkland values its exceptional parks, natural areas, and recreation system and seeks to provide a wide variety of opportunities aimed at promoting the

Team Member	Anticipated Availability
Curtis LaPierre	50%
Mandi Roberts	10%
Tom Early	35%
Mark Shelby	15%
Kevin Kraxberger	20%
Russ Gaston	10%
Steve Wilson	10%
Kevin O-Brien	10%
Darcy Miller	25%
Marissa Chargualaf	20%
Mike Wert	2%
Rolf Hyllseth	3%
Heather Lee Miller	5-10%

community's health and enjoyment. Edith Moulton Park has incredible potential to provide access to open space and nature, as well as outdoor recreational, interpretive education, and socializing opportunities. This park planning and design effort will present a clear vision for appropriate development and recreation use of the park and guide the City's plans for future investment in the park. Another important opportunity relates to community involvement in planning and design for Edith Moulton Park, which can offer this recently annexed part of the Juanita neighborhood a way to demonstrate how neighbors working together can achieve great things. This will be the first neighborhood park improvement effort since the annexation, so it is very important that the process engage the neighbors in a productive and fruitful design dialogue and that the end product exceed the expectations of the neighbors.

Otak has recently been involved in other similar types of projects—examining potential solutions for parks, recreation, trails, and open space in suburban



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neighborhoods. Our work developing the Kenmore Swamp Creek Master Plan and planning and design of the Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail in Burien are just two examples. We will leverage our experience and merge this with ideas and insights from the community to create wonderful solutions specifically fitting to the Edith Moulton Park context and neighborhood.

PARK CONTEXT AND SURROUNDING USES

The park has a lot of potential to offer activities that would attract both neighbors and other Kirkland residents. This context needs to be considered in developing an outreach process to discover how the neighbors, the two nearby schools, and greater Kirkland residents may benefit from the park. The schools can especially benefit from the creek, wetlands, and mature forested upland environments in the park—especially the presence of various salmon species in Juanita Creek. Otak has had an office in Kirkland since 1988 and several of our staff members have or still live in the Juanita neighborhood. We understand the park and its surrounding context and we can visualize the opportunities to enhance its role and functions in the neighborhood.

Also, while we have the full capability to provide field survey for the park, existing aerial and GIS mapping can serve as the basis for development of the program

and schematic plan, coupled with field reconnaissance. Eventually topographic and boundary surveys can be completed prior to implementation of improvements. This will allow the survey work to be focused on specific areas of expansion and improvement, a more cost-effective approach. The map on the following page depicts the general context of the park and surrounding land uses. We have highlighted some of the key attributes of the park, as well as existing conditions within and adjacent to the park.

Otak brings extensive experience in the planning and design of shared-use paths and trails through sensitive areas, which will be beneficial as we consider the potential benefits and impacts of existing and proposed trails.

NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

A large portion of the park is shown on King County maps as wetland, and it will be important for the design to be developed in conjunction with the City's critical areas ordinance. While a specific wetland and creek delineation will be needed prior to implementing park improvements, we believe that the schematic design process can proceed based on field reconnaissance by qualified biologists (which we have in-house). The field reconnaissance also will help



MAIN LAWN AREA

PRELIMINARY CONTEXT ANALYSIS



identify key issues to be addressed in the master plan from an ecological perspective. The schematic design process also will consider the potential for increasing park activities and help the Parks Staff and Park Board weigh the potential impacts and benefits of various ideas for park improvements.

The key to a successful design will be to arrive at the correct balance of habitat protection and type and intensity of park visitor use. Ideally, improvements to stream, wetland, and upland habitat will also improve the visitor experience by attracting a wider variety of birds, mammals, and amphibians. For example, the wetland buffers could be enhanced with plant species that dissuade visitor encroachment and provide cover and food for song birds. Consistent with Edith Moulton's wishes to bring people together with nature, the park visitor experience can be enhanced by better wildlife viewing opportunities, including quiet trail surfacing and overlook structures that allow viewing without impacts at the creek. Interpretive features, both static and electronic, can engage park visitors in better understanding the natural systems of the park and how these support the broader ecosystem of the region. We envision that the park could become an outdoor environmental education laboratory for nearby schools as well as the greater community. There



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may even be opportunities to engage students in park improvement efforts and certainly in its long term care and stewardship.

Potential habitat improvements could include:

- Planting shade-tolerant conifers that will eventually grow to replace the older trees in the park; we need to plan for succession
- Planting a greater diversity of trees, shrubs, and emergents; especially at the stream edge
- Creating a few habitat trees (snags) where appropriate
- Creating better habitat for amphibians such as rock piles
- Adding more food sources and nesting structures to attract more birds
- Creating log structures to attract small mammals

When we designed the improvements for the Juanita Creek corridor, downstream of Edith Moulton Park, we added large woody debris, creek bed gravels, and extensive stream bank planting to enhance fish and upland habitat and creek hydrology.

TRAILS IN SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENTS

Otak brings extensive experience in the design of paved and non-paved shared-use and foot paths through natural areas. One technique we have used is to flag a trail centerline in the field and have the project stakeholders walk the alignment. We then survey the flags and make and needed adjustments to the alignment in the office. In addition, we have prepared construction documents for pedestrian bridges in park settings for the NPS, Washington State Parks, and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources. We understand how various factors can influence the type of design and materials for pedestrian bridges, including considerations related to construction access and long-term maintenance.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING

Otak brings extensive experience working with regulatory agencies at the state and federal levels on similar types of projects. We have also worked with the City of Kirkland on several projects and understand City requirements and provisions. As part of the program and schematic plan development, we will coordinate with agency representatives and outline the permitting steps that will be required for implementation of future improvements. Additionally, development of the schematic plan may require completion of a SEPA checklist. Completing SEPA at the end of the schematic design stage could help expedite future implementation of the project in phases with the expectation of a streamlined SEPA process and more predictable permitting with the state and federal agencies such as the Department of Ecology and US Army Corps of Engineers. This strategy could also enable the City to couple park improvements with pre-determined mitigation so that the improvements would be self-mitigating.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND OUTREACH

Completing the park planning and development for Edith Moulton Park will occur through an inclusive, transparent process. The City anticipates significant involvement from the community and surrounding



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neighborhood, particularly adjacent property owners in the plan development process. Our team will work closely with City staff and serve in an active role in developing and implementing an engaging and successful public involvement process. Through our extensive experience creating and facilitating effective public and stakeholder involvement programs, we can offer a wide range of tools and activities to engage diverse community interests, including an exciting, interactive workshop process we call the Community Design Dialogue. The potential to have regular interactions with a local stakeholders group in the Juanita Neighborhood will be critical to the planning and design process, along with Community Design Dialogue workshops that involve the neighborhood, special interest groups, agency representatives, and the public. We also will support City staff with interactions with and presentations to the Park Board, City Council, and state and federal permitting agencies. Refer to our proposed approach in the next section for additional information.

SPECIALIZED CAPABILITIES

Otak's experience and specialized interdisciplinary capabilities are perfectly suited to the Edith Moulton Park project. We bring extensive experience designing parks and recreation facilities, as well as trails in similar



OTAK AND CURTIS LEADING A PROJECT WORKSHOP

types of settings. Our capabilities in environmental interpretation and enhancing visitor experience in natural areas can support a variety of opportunities for the site. Our proposed project manager, Curtis LaPierre, has a particular interest and experience in off-leash areas (OLAs). He visits and evaluates OLAs by observing both dog and owner behavior and knows what works for dogs and what the potential impacts are to neighbors and surrounding natural areas. With our team partner, Heather Miller from HRA, we also have the capacity and experience to research and interpret the history of the Moulton farmstead. Bringing shared experiences to visitors is another way to create lasting memories and enhance the enjoyment of public places. Wouldn't it be great if kids visiting the park could learn something about what life was like for Edith Moulton when she was a child living on the farm? We have recently prepared plans for community orchards and natural play areas in parks—play areas that use only natural structures and materials and kids' imaginations, and this is another area of specialized experience that will benefit this project.

PROPOSED PROJECT APPROACH

Otak's park designs are innovative, sustainable, and successful. A collaborative and effective planning and design process is the foundation for this success. We have put together a thoughtful approach that allows us to meet the City's expectations for project completion, integrating important meetings and interactions with stakeholders and the community along the way. Our approach addresses the three phases of work proposed by the City with public involvement as an integral part of all phases. In the scope of work that follows, we expand upon the three main tasks with a number of supporting subtasks for completing the efforts summarized in the City's RFQ. We have prepared a preliminary schedule on page 16 that illustrates the timeframes for completion of these tasks. We look forward to the opportunity to coordinate with City

staff on the scope of work and schedule and make refinements as needed prior to commencing work.

PHASE I—DEVELOP PARK DESIGN PROGRAM Task 1.1 Project Start up and Ongoing Project Management and Coordination

This task will involve finalizing the work plan and the communications plan (public and stakeholder involvement plan), kicking off the project in a meeting with the City team, and ongoing project management and coordination activities. Throughout the process, strong project management, close team coordination and regular communications will be important. Given the importance of keeping the project on track, we suggest weekly progress meetings between Otak's project manager, Curtis LaPierre, and the City lead. With Otak's office location in Kirkland, it is envisioned that many of these progress meetings can occur at the City; the rest via phone. We also will meet weekly with our project team at Otak to coordinate internal work efforts. Another important project management strategy will be close tracking of progress on submission packages to meet the deadlines shown in our proposed schedule. Otak has the ability to draw from extensive in-house resources to meet production deadlines. Our project managers coordinate work efforts with their teams and other project managers on an ongoing basis to ensure that project milestones are achieved in line with the original schedule commitments.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare draft and final project work plan (scope, schedule, responsibilities) and communications plan (public and stakeholder involvement plan).
- Prepare preliminary vision, goals, and objectives for the master plan to share with Parks staff and the Park Board.
- Hold a kick-off meeting with City team (agenda, meeting materials, and notes) and gather all

relevant background information. The meeting will focus on review of project parameters, the communications plan (community involvement strategy), and the proposed work plan (project timetable and products/deliverables). Information to be gathered will include past planning documents and studies, GIS maps, existing surveys and assessor's maps, utility maps, historic plans and documents, as-builts, and other data and information.

- Design team and Parks project manager site visit with Parks staff and Park Board members to discuss existing conditions including stream, wetland, and upland habitat conditions, and park infrastructure.
- Hold weekly progress check-ins between Curtis and the City's project lead.
- Coordinate ongoing project communications and work efforts (internal to the team and with City staff), with phone call records and substantive emails retained as part of the project record.
- Prepare and provide monthly progress reports to accompany invoices.

Task 1.2 Analyze Existing Conditions

This task will complete an inventory and assessment of the park and surrounding context. Base mapping for



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this work can be supported by existing aerial mapping and GIS sources the City has available and that Otak has access to. We will review and verify existing conditions and have our biologists conduct a field reconnaissance of the wetland and creek tributaries.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Review all background information and conduct site reconnaissance and prepare an inventory of existing conditions. The inventory will use existing mapping to best approximate wetland and stream boundaries and the associated buffers.
- Conduct meetings (or phone interviews) with agency representatives from Parks and Community Services, Public Works, Planning, and Park Board.
- Complete initial base mapping for the park site using available aerial and GIS data combined with information from the field reconnaissance.
- Prepare Existing Conditions Inventory and Analysis Package; update base mapping to create a detailed existing conditions map or series of maps showing natural and man-made features, including topography, wetlands, streams, buffers, vegetation, utilities, structures, and other features as necessary for the purposes of master planning and permitting. Prepare a supporting narrative site inventory and analysis to accompany the mapping, with photos illustrating existing conditions.
- Prepare draft and final historic and cultural resources report and integrate key findings into existing conditions analysis. Findings related to site history and the Moulton family will be integrated into interpretive themes and concepts for the park.
- Revise draft vision, goals, and objectives based on input from Parks staff and Park Board members.
- Communicate and coordinate with various local, state, and federal permitting authorities necessary for understanding regulatory issues and constraints, particularly related to sensitive areas, creek access, and recreation activities, and conduct

meetings (some as phone interviews, some site visits) with agency representatives, including:

- Parks and Community Services staff
- Public Works staff
- Planning staff
- Park Board members
- King Conservation District members
- US Army Corps of Engineers biologist
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Prepare a report that summarizes work completed under this task and identifies key issues and opportunities to be further explored in Task 1.3. In addition to existing uses, it is anticipated that opportunities for new recreation uses will be explored, some at a perfunctory level, some at a more detailed level. These new uses may include some or all of the following: parking, interpretive trails and viewpoints, picnicking/group gathering areas, off-leash dog area, and neighborhood connections.

Task 1.3 Develop Draft and Final Park Design Program

As part of the work under this task, we will confirm vision, goals, and objectives for the park, complete a detailed assessment of issues and opportunities (Opportunities and Challenges Assessment), and develop the design program.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare a graphic summarizing site opportunities and constraints at a scale that can be displayed at the first community workshop.
- Coordinate with the City and prepare for Community Workshop #1, which will focus on getting input on the vision, goals, and objectives for the park, as well as key issues, opportunities, necessities, and wish list items.
- Facilitate Community Workshop #1 to gather information about park visitor experiences, their knowledge of park use and the type of fish and

wildlife observed. Speak with park neighbors about their observations of when and how the park is currently being used. Also determine community interest in various types of potential improvements to the park. Document input received in a brief workshop summary memorandum.

- Provide Park Board briefing of Community Workshop #1 results and review and discuss draft park program ideas.
- Provide City Council briefing of Community Workshop #1 results and discuss project status.
- Develop draft program for the park, considering how potential improvement scenarios and alternatives might achieve the program. Prepare a draft Phase 1 report compiling previous work efforts from Tasks 1.2 and 1.3 and summarizing the existing conditions analysis, identified issues and opportunities, and the draft program for the park (including improved facilities such as parking, interpretive trails, viewpoints, picnicking and group gathering areas, neighborhood connections, stream, wetland, and buffer enhancements, and other potential park features identified in the process.). Potential interpretive themes and concepts and methods for interpretation and environmental education at the park will be developed as part of the program.



- Prepare presentation materials for Community Workshop #2.
- Coordinate with the City and prepare for Community Workshop #2, which will focus on getting input on the draft program for the park and potential improvement solutions.
- Attend and facilitate Community Workshop #2; document input received in a brief workshop summary memorandum.
- Provide Park Board briefing of Community Workshop #2 results and review refined draft program for park.
- Finalize Phase 1 deliverable package and prepare materials for Park Board and City Council presentation and review.
- Assist with Park Board review and approval of design program.
- Assist with City Council review and approval of design program.

PHASE 2—DEVELOP SCHEMATIC DESIGN

This task will focus on development and analysis of schematic design alternatives and selection of preferred solutions coordinating closely with City Parks staff and Park Board members and involving stakeholders and the community. The overall outcome of this task will be the completed schematic design and draft SEPA checklist. The schematic design package will include a summary of Phase 1 work efforts, as well as illustrations, sketches, and reference images of schematic design alternatives and preferred approaches. A narrative supporting the proposed design, along with cost estimates and cost analysis information also will be included. Our schematic design package will integrate a variety of considerations, including recreation opportunities, habitat and natural area enhancement and protection, stormwater management and water quality opportunities, site engineering, and utility considerations. The ongoing project management and

coordination activities associated with Phase 1 will continue throughout Phase 2.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Assist the Park Board in establishing evaluation criteria for schematic alternatives. For this type of project we like to use a goals achievement matrix that relates back to the previously agreed upon goals and objectives for the project. Each of the schematic alternatives can be assessed in terms of how they related to the goals and objectives of the project.
- Prepare at least two schematic design alternatives based upon the approved design program for the park and prepare conceptual level line-item construction cost estimates for each alternative. Assist staff in preparing operational and maintenance cost models. The schematic design alternative package will include plan and section graphics, perspective sketches, and concept drawings and reference imagery and other information, including a narrative describing proposed park features, including interpretive program elements. Prepare a draft narrative that summarizes Phase 1 work, as well as schematic design alternatives, cost implications, and regulatory criteria. Identify issues that will require further analysis and study as part of ongoing design and implementation.
- Meet with Parks staff to review schematic design alternatives and draft schematic design package.
- Meet with Park Board to present and review schematic design alternatives and draft schematic design package. Identify preferred approaches using evaluation criteria previously developed.
- Meet with agency representatives and permitting authorities to review initial schematic design direction to inform permitting strategy for the project.
- Coordinate with the City and prepare for Community Workshop #3, which will focus on getting input on the draft schematic design

alternatives analysis and selecting a preferred or hybrid schematic design alternative.

- Attend and facilitate Community Workshop #3; document input received in a brief workshop summary memorandum.
- Meet with Parks staff and Park Board to review Community Workshop #3 results and confirm direction for draft schematic design.
- Provide briefing to City Council regarding Community Workshop #3 results and direction of schematic design.
- Make refinements to draft schematic design based on Parks staff and Park Board input and prepare presentation materials.
- Update cost estimate and operational models.
- Create a draft phasing program for development of the park that identifies priorities for improvements, responsibilities for improvements, and a timeline for implementing improvements.
- Identify scope and schedule of permitting process.
- Attend meetings with the Parks staff team to review draft schematic design and phasing program.
- Coordinate with the City and prepare for Community Workshop #4, which will focus on getting input on the draft schematic design and phasing program.

- Attend and facilitate Community Workshop #4; document input received in a brief workshop summary memorandum.
- Meet with Parks staff and Park Board to review results of Community Workshop #4 and discuss any refinements to be made to the schematic design and phasing for Board's recommendation to the City Council.
- Meet City permitting authorities to review draft schematic design and phasing program.
- Meet with the Park Board to present draft schematic design and phasing program.
- Finalize schematic design and phasing package, including Phase 1 products and Phase II schematic design.
- Revise cost estimates.
- Assist with Park Board review and approval process.
- Assist with City Council review and approval process.
- Prepare draft SEPA Checklist. The purpose of preparing the checklist at this time is to determine if there is more information needed on potential impacts that could be acquired during the next phase of work.

PHASE 3—DESIGN DEVELOPMENT, PERMITTING, BIDDING, AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT

Task 3.1 Delineations, Geotechnical Work, and Topographic Survey

We propose to complete the detailed wetland and stream delineation, topographic survey, and geotechnical work at this stage of the project. We recommend waiting on these efforts until the schematic design is complete and accepted in order to avoid using budget for detailed mapping where that mapping may not be required. Our past project experience is that forested areas that are expected to be preserved in large part may not need extensive critical areas delineations and topographic surveying. (We will

use aerial and GIS mapping, as well as existing critical areas mapping and site reconnaissance to inform work efforts in Phases 1 and 2, as discussed above.) From the approved schematic design, we can approximate the limits of work and perform a subsurface investigation where any paving or footings would be located, delineate the wetland and stream boundaries, and prepare a topographic survey. The site survey and delineations work will identify and locate natural and built features, including topography, wetlands, streams, vegetation, utilities, structures and other features. With this data, the final design base maps can be built and work begun on the 60 percent plan set.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare draft and final wetland and stream delineation/critical areas report.
- Prepare draft and final geotechnical report.
- Prepare draft and final topographic survey.

Task 3.2 Design Development

This task will advance the preferred schematic design plan to the design development level (approximately 30 percent completion) and prepare a draft design development package. The design development stage is where design solutions, details, materials, and construction methods are developed and decisions made about elements to move forward into construction. The cost estimate and operation model developed previously will be updated to the design development level.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare the design development package will include plan and section graphics, perspective sketches, and design development drawings and details, cut sheets and other information, including a narrative describing proposed park features, including interpretive elements and design templates.
- Review draft design development package with City Parks staff



- Meet with Park Board to present and review design development package.
- Meet with agency representatives and permitting authorities to review at pre-application meetings (for permits not already initiated at the end of Phase 2).
- Coordinate with the City and prepare for Community Workshop #4, which will focus on getting input on the draft design development package.
- Attend and facilitate Community Workshop #4; document input received in a brief workshop summary memorandum.
- Meet with Parks staff and Park Board to review Community Workshop #4 results and confirm direction for final design.
- Provide briefing to City Council regarding Community Workshop #4 results and direction for final design.
- Make refinements to and finalize design development package based on Parks staff and Park Board input.

Task 3.3 Prepare and Process Permitting and Regulatory Approvals

Based on the assessment of permitting requirements completed in Phase 2, we will develop required permitting and regulatory approval packages and provide assistance during the review and approvals processes.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Develop required permitting and regulatory approval packages in draft form for City staff review.
- Coordinate City staff review of permitting packages/applications.
- Finalize permitting and regulatory approval packages based on City staff review comments. (Some of this work may occur concurrently with final design and final design plans at the 60

percent or more complete levels will be submitted with applications as required.)

- Submit permit and approval applications and coordinate with regulatory agencies and departments during their review.

Task 3.4 Final Plans, Specifications & Estimates (PS&E)

This task involves preparation of final (PS&E for the project, advancing the design development package to the 60 percent, 90 percent, and 100 percent (for bidding) levels.

Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare 60 percent PS&E. At 60 percent, the design and construction documents will contain a complete layout of the project elements with most design details. Specifications will be in rough form with bid items identified and the cost estimate prepared.
- Submit any long review period permits such as a Section 404 permit or Hydraulic Project Approval if required at the 60 percent design level; identify required permits; prepare, submit, and secure all regulatory permits or approvals as necessary to complete work.
- The City may wish to public open house/ neighborhood meeting at the 60 percent design stage. This is early enough to address public comments in the design process before finalizing the plans for construction. It would also provide another opportunity to touch base with the community on progress toward implementation.
- Prepare 90 percent PS&E. At 90 percent, the construction documents are nearly complete with only minor details to be completed. In preparing this package our designers will focus on the information a contractor needs to bid and construct—a critical detail in minimizing ambiguities and providing the clarity needed for tight bids. At this stage, the complete bid and

technical specification manual will be assembled, comprised of the City's boilerplate bid, contracting documents, and technical special provisions to the base standard specifications. The cost estimate will be updated and the documents submitted to the City for final review.

- Prepare 100 percent PS&E. At this stage, prior City review comments and edits will be incorporated and the construction documents complete. A hard copy of the final PS&E package will be submitted to the City prior to producing documents for construction bidding.
- Develop final drawings and construction specifications.

Task 3.5 Bid and Construction Services

This task includes bidding the project and construction services.

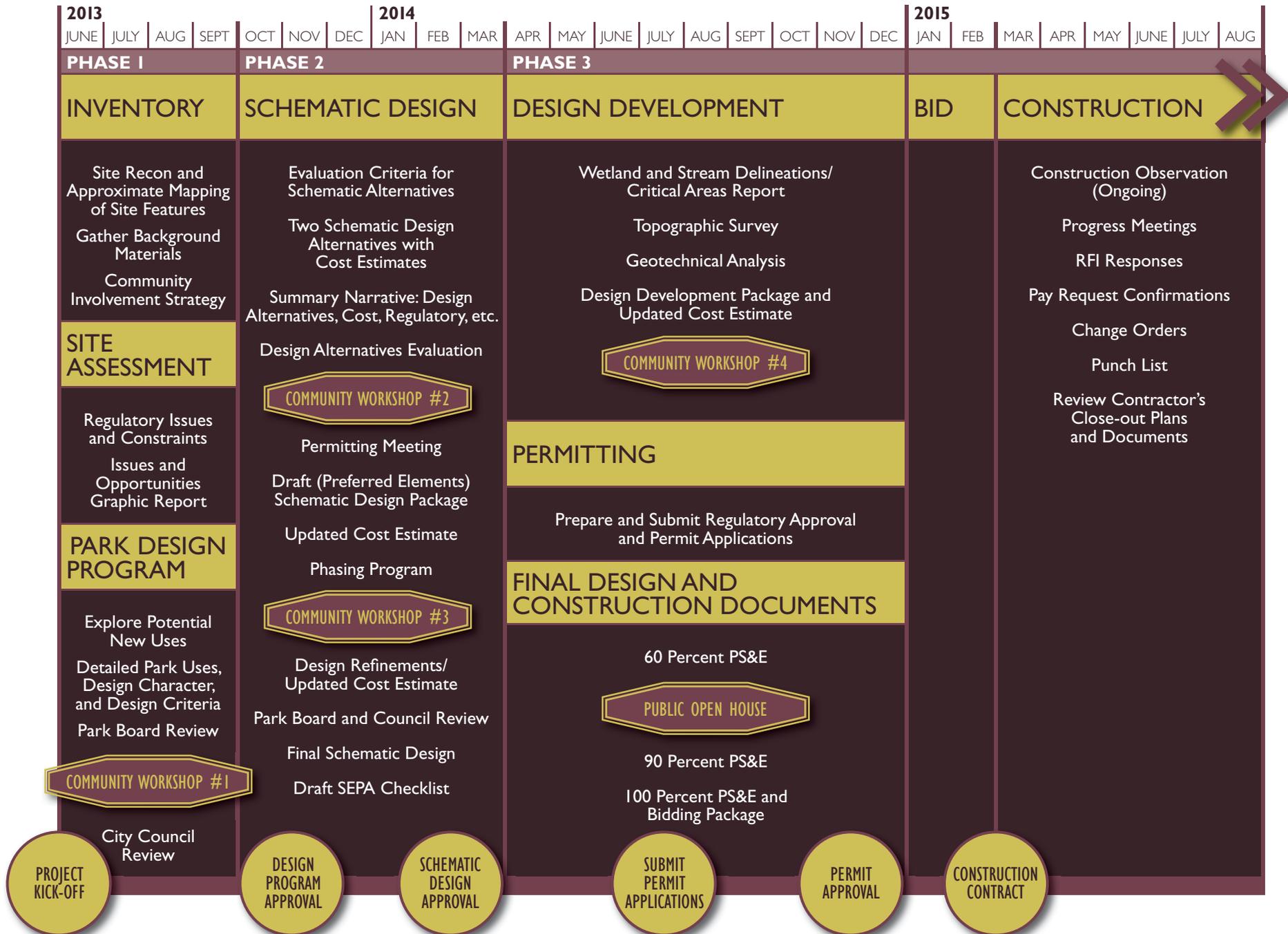
Subtasks and deliverables include:

- Prepare bid specification package, conduct pre-bid conference, assist with addenda, etc. It may be helpful during the bid process to hold a site walk to explain limitations on access, sensitive areas, staging areas, etc.
- Construction services may include periodic construction observation; organize, attend, and summarize weekly or bi-weekly progress meetings; provide written clarifications of drawings and specifications; review and recommend approval of contractor; prepare change orders and make recommendations for their approval; prepare project completion punch list items; ensure contractor provides drawings documenting the construction plans and provides required product specifications, maintenance, and operating manuals to the City.

PRELIMINARY PROJECT SCHEDULE

The preliminary schedule/process chart on the following page is based on a review of the anticipated

PRELIMINARY PROJECT SCHEDULE AND PROCESS



timeline and tasks to be completed for Phases 1-3 in the City's RFQ. We look forward to coordinating with the Kirkland Parks project team to further refine this approach and our proposed scope of work. Be assured of our full commitment to meeting the schedule and budget parameters established by the City.

SIMILAR EXPERIENCE

Otak has completed numerous park master plan and park and trail improvement projects for local, state, and federal agencies including visioning and development of long-term strategies for managing and improving recreational facilities. This includes work for many Washington cities including Kirkland, Kenmore, Shoreline, Redmond, Bothell, Bellevue, Renton, Seattle, and others. We have also worked on various projects in Oregon and Idaho, including completion of a major renovation to McCall, Idaho's Legacy Park along the shore of Payette Lake in the heart of the community—a project that received an Idaho Smart Growth Award in 2012. A common theme of our work is from vision to reality. We concentrate on creating plans that don't just sit on shelves, but that are practical, realistic, and immediately ready to move forward.



WALLACE PARK

RELEVANT PROJECT EXAMPLES

Wallace Park/Swamp Creek Master Plan | Kenmore, WA

This 25-acre park is bisected by Swamp Creek. About two-thirds of the park land is covered with forested wetland and includes a large disturbed area. Current uses include dog exercising and nature watching. The City anticipates developing additional facilities on the park property including restrooms, picnic and play areas, and a youth sports field. Otak analyzed existing conditions and developed a list of program elements and objectives from previous planning work and neighborhood input and developed a suitability matrix to illustrate appropriate and sustainable uses for specific areas of the park. The large disturbed areas, for example, were determined to be the best location for an open grass meadow. Otak provided two plan alternatives that were presented to the community and then a recommended master plan was established. A final draft was adopted and today serves as the development guidelines. One of the most important findings of the public process was a consensus that the park should provide places for kids to explore, create, and to rely less on typical structured play equipment. Otak prepared concepts for a nature play area, which includes logs and rocks that can be used to build temporary forts or other structures, a climbing wall, and a slide built into an existing hill.

Centennial Trail Extension Master Plan and Design | Snohomish, WA

This project completed a portion of trail located in the City of Snohomish within the former rail corridor that follows the general alignment of Lincoln Avenue. The project includes a 12-foot-wide asphalt trail, parking facilities, frontage improvements at street crossings, approximately four acres of landscaping, park signage, and related park amenities. Otak's work consisted of surveying, master planning, preliminary engineering, preparation of final construction documents, and

construction management. The master plan included arrival landmarks with wayfinding and historic interpretation opportunities, gardens, picnic sites, a large market plaza near the library, and a preserved section of rail that can include a car shed and rail car displays.

Centennial Park Improvements Master Plan and Design | Bothell, WA

This 54-acre park parcel (six acres of developable land) is located in a rapidly changing area of Snohomish County at 12th Avenue SE and SE 208th Street (Filbert Road). The parcel includes North Creek and its associated wetlands and buffers. Project elements included a wetland interpretive area with loop path



and buffer enhancement, a parking lot for over 80 vehicles, a restroom facility, group picnic shelter and tables; site furnishings, and the relocation of the North Creek Schoolhouse to serve as an interpretive center. Otak was responsible for development of a wetland mitigation plan, construction drawings for the site per the approved master plan, preparation of bid documents for construction, preparation and submittal of permit applications, and preparing contract documents for the historic restoration of the schoolhouse including moving it from its original location south of the park. In addition, Otak used LID methods to capture and treat runoff needed for a restored demonstration wetland. Portions of the parking lot use pervious grass pavers for overflow event parking to reduce the visual impact of large expanses of unused paved parking lot during normal use.

Medina Beach Park Master Plan and Shoreline Restoration | Medina, WA

This park is the City of Medina's largest waterfront park. The purpose of the master plan was to develop a long-term plan with goals to control the erosion behind the park's waterfront bulkhead, to develop a larger beachfront, create marine habitat, improve dock access, and enhance the focal point of the park. Otak worked with the City and Park Board, and supported public hearings for final acceptance by the City Council. We reviewed funding sources, including environmental funding for development of a more natural restored shoreline. Following the master plan work, Otak led a team of environmental scientists, geotechnical engineers, and structural engineers to design repairs to several features of a park at the City of Medina City Hall along Lake Washington. The project removed a concrete bulkhead and replaced it with a natural shoreline featuring gravel favorable to salmon habitat and shoreline plantings that improve nearshore habitat as a result of increasing refuge areas and food for migrating salmonid juveniles. The project included a pedestrian pier that allows visitors to view

the aquatic habitat enhancements, as well as design of the shoreline restoration that could be used as a model for the community and surrounding region.

Legacy Park and Lake Front Improvements Planning and Design | McCall, ID

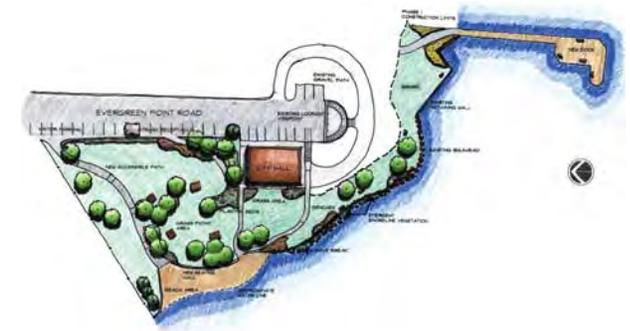
As part of a major urban renewal project in the mountain town of McCall, Otak designed an extensive renovation of Legacy Park, a ten-acre community park that borders Payette Lake and serves as the most cherished public space in the heart of the community. The intensive process started with development of a master plan and continued all the way through the design and construction. Key elements included park renovation, shoreline rehabilitation, and pedestrian promenade, boardwalk, and streetscape improvements. Otak developed the design based on a thorough public involvement and community outreach process. The project also included interpretive displays at overlook points along the promenade addressing the Town's history and water quality and natural resource themes associated with the Payette Lake watershed.

Pedestrian Bridges in the Olympic National Park; WA

Otak served as the lead designer and Hart Crowser as the geotechnical engineer for this design-build project. The project involved two bridges, which are replacements for an existing bridge and culvert that were washed out during prior flooding. The 150-foot long Crystal Creek bridge site crosses a steep ravine in an area of complex geology and severe slope instability, including unstable fills, and rock fall, debris flow, and translational landslide hazards. The 220-foot long Staircase Rapids site is remote and accessible by foot or helicopter only. Both bridges utilized ground anchors to support the bridge anchors. The bridges are located in a pristine setting and were designed not only for pedestrians, but also equestrians and mule trains.

Warren G. Magnuson Park | Seattle, WA

Otak was the part of the design team that provided all the habitat components of the master plan for this park. The project included construction of new athletic fields and pedestrian and vehicular access to the fields; construction of a trail system integrated into a constructed wetland complex, and a drainage system that retrofitted the existing stormwater system and served to provide wetland hydrology to the constructed wetlands. Services included analysis of existing conditions, wetland delineation and impact assessment, preparation of Technical Appendices for the DEIS and Supplemental DEIS documents, and habitat restoration design for all habitats in the 65-acre open space portion of the park. Otak was the lead in obtaining all regulatory permits including an Individual Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers and Individual



MEDINA BEACH PARK

401 Certification from Ecology. We also prepared the BA for Section 7 compliance of the ESA. The habitat design is fully integrated with the athletic field portion of the master plan. Educational opportunities were designed into the habitats. Otak continues to provide monitoring of vegetation, water quality, and use by amphibians and aquatic invertebrates.

Boeing Creek Park, Trail, and Stormwater Improvements | Shoreline, WA

The need for a comprehensive basin analysis to address flooding of over 25 properties and roads was identified in a drainage complaint investigation provided by Otak as part of an on-call drainage services contract with the City. Otak provided project management, civil and water resources engineering, survey data



collection, landscape architecture and park and trail design, and developed a public involvement program to gain public support for construction of the improvements. Work elements included a regional stormwater pond retrofit, Panterra park regional stormwater facility retrofit, and Phase 1 of the 3rd Avenue stormwater trunkline. Otak updated the Boeing Creek Park Master Plan and incorporated those park amenities into this project, which included park trails, parking, interpretive signs, benches, overviews, and native plant restoration.

Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/NERA Redevelopment | Burien, WA

Work included planning open space, recreational, and habitat rehabilitation along the Miller Creek corridor; land use and site master planning; infrastructure planning and conceptual design; SEPA and EIS analysis; facilitating a successful partner, stakeholder, and public involvement program; and comprehensive planning and associated regulatory and design guidelines. The concept plan that Otak developed for the Miller Creek corridor involves creating a linear park and trail connecting a network of public and private open spaces collocated with regional stormwater facilities. Cost estimates and illustrative design concepts were prepared for inclusion in grant applications for the project. Otak is now moving ahead with final design of Phase 1 of the linear park, trail, and stormwater facility improvements.

Station Camp Middle Village Park | Pacific County, WA

Otak designed an outdoor park and interpretive landscape with elements that tell the important story of this place. Visitor orientation, accessibility, safety, cultural sensitivity, and site connectivity have been important design considerations. Otak initially prepared the park master plan and then followed the project all the way through final design and construction. The design integrated pedestrian

circulation, LID stormwater facilities, earthwork, wetland mitigation, and the necessary permitting associated with construction of the park.

Paine Field Community Park Master Plan and Design | Snohomish County, WA

Otak developed the master plan for the newly improved 14-acre park. Building upon existing ball fields run by the Mukilteo Little League and an additional seven acres purchased by Snohomish County from Paine Field Airport, Otak developed a master plan based on input from the community. Otak led a series of stakeholder and open public meetings, as well as prepared project newsletters, graphic displays, and questionnaires for the project. As a result, the master plan proposed a range of park amenities for a diverse mix of neighborhood users. Otak prepared the construction documents for Phase 1 improvements and provided project management. Improvements included a paved primary parking area and a secondary gravel overflow lot, sport field lighting for one of the existing ball fields, site lighting for the paved parking area, pedestrian circulation pathways, a shared use soccer field, a children's play area, a combined restroom/picnic shelter, a sculpture plaza,



as well as site utilities, grading and drainage, water quality treatment, and park planting.

Parks Cost Estimating and Capital Programming Support | Kent, WA

Otak assisted the City of Kent Parks, Recreation & Community Services with analyzing potential costs for maintenance improvements of existing park assets and for potential future park development to serve its growing community. Otak prepared planning level cost estimates for design and construction of community parks, neighborhood parks, trails and open space, greenway corridors, undeveloped land, and recreational facilities. Our team had to work quickly and efficiently to produce over 50 estimates within a very short timeframe.

Cape Disappointment State Park Multi-use Trail | Ilwaco, WA

Otak provided survey, engineering, landscape design, bidding assistance, and construction support for this multi-use trail. Otak designed a half mile multi-use trail including significant portions on a structure running through sensitive and rugged terrain. The trail provides a safe route for pedestrians and bicyclists to travel from the parking lot to the North Head Lighthouse Road. The trail runs parallel to SR 100, crosses several steep ravines, all the while avoiding impact to the endangered Marbled Murrelet's old-growth forest habitat.

Pioneer Square Parks Master Plan and Occidental Park Improvements | Seattle, WA

Otak provided professional services for a master plan and implementation strategy for Pioneer Park, Occidental Park, and the Occidental Corridor, a historic system of parks and open space in Seattle's Pioneer Square. The public and neighborhood representatives participated in a series of forums, providing input on ideas for enhancing the aesthetics, accessibility, safety, and programming. The end result was an action plan that prioritized the implementation of short-, medium-,

and long-term improvements; identified the cost of improvements and recommended funding strategies for implementation. A second phase included schematic design, design development, and contract documents for new paving and new drainage and utility systems.

Shoreline Interurban Trail | Shoreline, WA

Otak completed the Interurban Trail, an urban multi-modal corridor in Shoreline, through an interdisciplinary design effort. This regional trail follows the historic line and abandoned rail corridor of the old Interurban Streetcar route that brought commuters into Downtown Seattle daily from residential areas to the north. The trail will eventually provide a continuous network from Seattle to Everett just as the old streetcar did. Otak prepared a preliminary design report for the entire trail alignment and final design PS&E for the north, south, and south central portions of the alignment, all portions of which have been constructed. Graphics reminiscent of the early trolley have been integrated into the wayfinding sign and mile marker package for the trail.

City of Kirkland experience:

- Mark Twain Neighborhood Park Renovation
- Juanita Creek Improvements Planning and Design

- Juanita Creek Tributary Bank Stabilization
- 100th Street Sidewalk Improvements
- On-call Development Review & Arborist Services
- Cochran Springs Creek Culvert Replacement
- Emergency Sewer Program (1999-present)
- Nonmotorized Plan
- NE 85th Avenue and 128th Avenue NE Intersection Improvements

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Miller Creek Linear Park and Trail/Stormwater Facility Improvements

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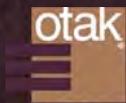
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