

Parks Funding Exploratory Committee Meeting #8

January 12, 2023



Local Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the Southern Salish Sea region lies on the unceded and ancestral land of the Coast Salish peoples, the Duwamish, Muckleshoot, Puyallup, Skykomish, Snoqualmie, Snohomish, Suquamish and Tulalip tribes and other tribes of the Puget Sound Salish people, and that present-day City of Kirkland is in the traditional heartland of the Lake People and the River People. We honor with gratitude the land itself, the First People – who have reserved treaty rights and continue to live here since time immemorial – and their ancestral heritage.







Welcome from Councilmember Curtis



Agenda Overview

- Dinner, team connecting time
- PFEC process and charge
- · Review: Previous discussions, needs assessment
- Parks ballot measure elements
- Group Photo
- Break
- Discussion (Small Group, Large Group, Questions)
- Closing (done by 8:30pm)





Jan 12	In between	Jan 26	In between	Feb 9	In between	Feb 23	March 2?
Receive Flashcards	send informal input	Informal input results		Dialogue; Flashcards		majority package	
	Talk w/ others	Funding mechanism		Funding mechanism		Decide funding	
	if it helps you prioritize		Talk w/ others if it helps you prioritize	Test for consensus	Talk w/ others if it helps you prioritize	mechanism	



Review of PFEC Subjects

- Tour of Juanita Beach Park
- Tour of Peter Kirk Community Center
- Tour of Peter Kirk Park
- Visit to North Kirkland Community Center
- Visit to the Sammamish Community & Aquatics Center
- Parks & Rec 101: Current Operations & Future Possibilities: Maintenance Focus
- Parks & Rec 101: Current Operations & Future Possibilities: Recreation and Administration Focus
- Preliminary site analysis as part of the aquatics and recreation center(s) feasibility study
- Kirkland Budget, Funding Mechanisms & Ballot Measure History





Community Needs Review: PROS

Most important <u>amenities</u> and <u>facilities</u>:

- · parks and open spaces,
- · trails in parks/city trail system,
- · restrooms in parks,
- lifeguarded beaches,
- community gardens,
- outdoor pool

Needs that are not being met:

- synthetic turf fields,
- synthetic turi fields,
- pickleball courts,off leash dog parks,
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- restrooms in parks,
- community gardens,

Most

important programs and services:

- special events,
- environmental and outdoor programs.
- · fitness programs,
- · aquatics programs,
- health and wellness programs,
- sports programs

Needs that are not being met:

- · adaptive/special needs programs,
- · culturally-specific programming,
- environmental & outdoor programs.
- · after-school & camps,
- special interest/education programs















Community Needs Review: PROS

Most important needs for improvement:

- · indoor aquatics center,
- · new parks in the north area of Kirkland,
- · indoor recreation center,
- · new parks in my neighborhood,
- more free or non-fee based special events and activities,
- · splash pads and other water play features

What actions would increase your participation:

- · year-round restrooms,
- recreation center or indoor aquatic complex,
- · better lighting/security,
- better condition/maintenance of parks/facilities,
- improved communications about offerings,
- · more parking,
- · more facilities or amenities















Community Needs Review: Data

· Programmatic Data

- 3,575 unique individuals on waitlists in 2022
- 2022 programs with wait lists: aquatics programs, preschool and youth programs
- Shortages significantly impacting programming ability: gym space, gaming/technology room, group exercise rooms, pickleball courts, cricket field
- Community seeking more beyond current offerings: group fitness classes, martial arts classes, art programs

Parks data

 Regions of the city that fall below the goal of a 10-minute walk to a park: northern and southcentral parts of the Finn Hill Neighborhood, north-west corner of the Juanita Neighborhood, north-west part of Evergreen Hill, and the southern half of the South Rose Hill/Bridle Trails Neighborhood

Demographics and Trends Data for Kirkland

- Highest participation for activities for adults: walking for exercise, hiking, weightlifting, camping, yoga, road biking
- Highest participation for activities for youth: walking, leisure in parks, nature-based activities, bicycling
- · Growing water activities: paddle boarding, kayaking
- Growing aerobic activity: high impact intensity training (HIIT), cross-training workouts, row machine, swimming
- Growing team sports: rugby, baseball, swimming on a team
- Growing individual sports: triathlon, martial arts, MMA for fitness
- · Growing racquet sports: cardio tennis, pickleball

7 Operating-focused Elements

- O-A Eco-Friendly Enhancement of Kirkland's Parks and Athletic Fields
- O-B Enhanced Customer Service, Outreach, and Communications
- O-C Enhanced Fitness, Health, and Wellness Programs
- O-D Enhanced Recreation Programs for Youth and Teens
- O-E Growing Community through Inclusive Events
- O-F Increased Lifeguarding at Beaches and Water Safety Education Program
- O-G Parks and Recreation System Where Everyone Belongs





15 Capital-focused Elements

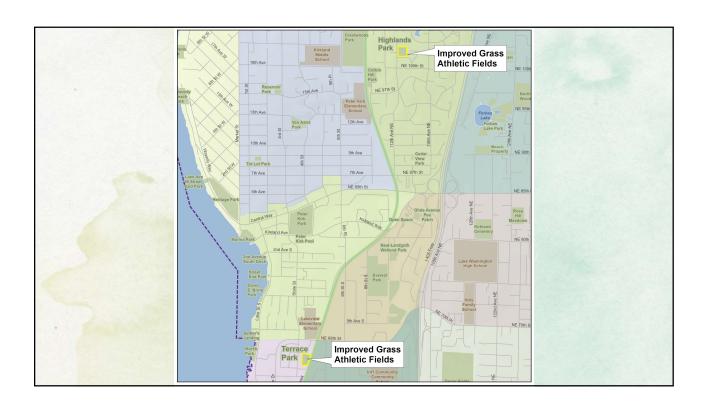
- C-A Community Gardens at Edith Moulton Park and Beyond
- C-B Enhanced Park Safety and Security
- C-C Facility: Aquatics and Recreation Center at Houghton Park and Ride
- C-D Facility: Redevelop North Kirkland Community Center
- C-E Green Loop Trail Master Plan and Priority Segments
- C-F Juanita Beach Park North Development
- C-G Mark Twain Park Development

- C-H Additional Year-Round Restrooms Across Kirkland
- C-I New Sport Courts
- C-J Renovated Skatepark at Peter Kirk Park
- C-K Snyder's Corner Park Development
- C-L Synthetic Turf Multi-purpose Sports Fields - Crestwoods
- C-M Synthetic Turf Multi-purpose Sports Fields - Peter Kirk Park
- C-N Terrace Park Connection to the Cross Kirkland Corridor
- C-O Totem Lake Park Boardwalk and Cross Kirkland Corridor



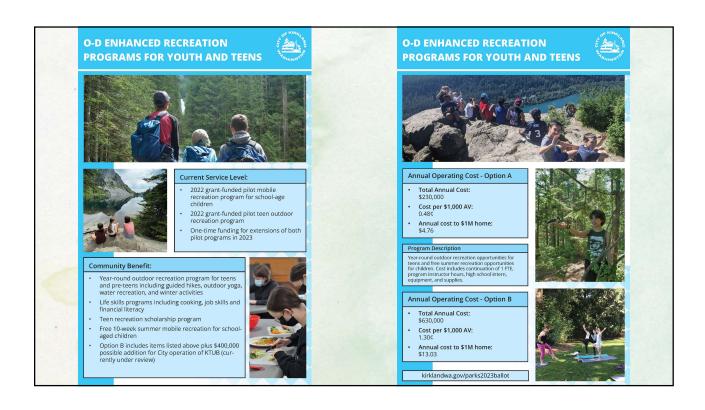


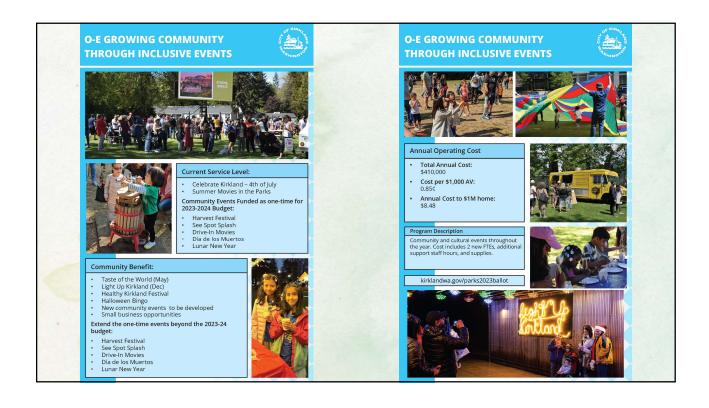


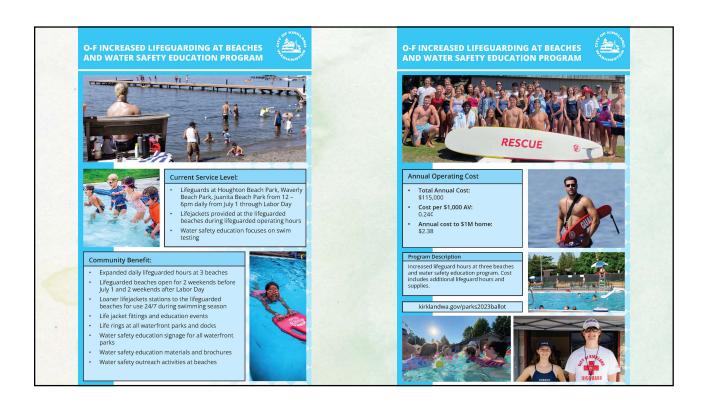






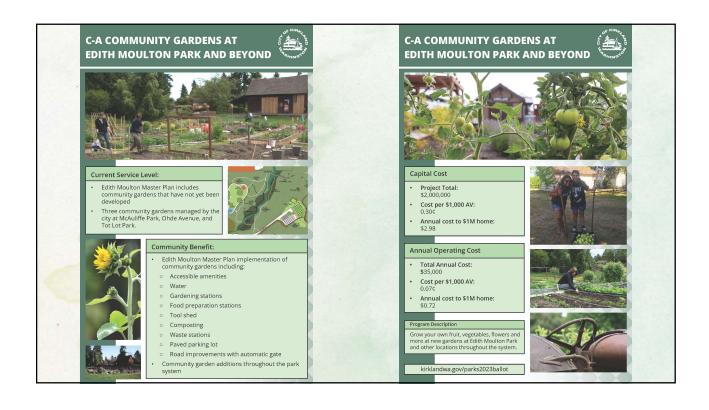


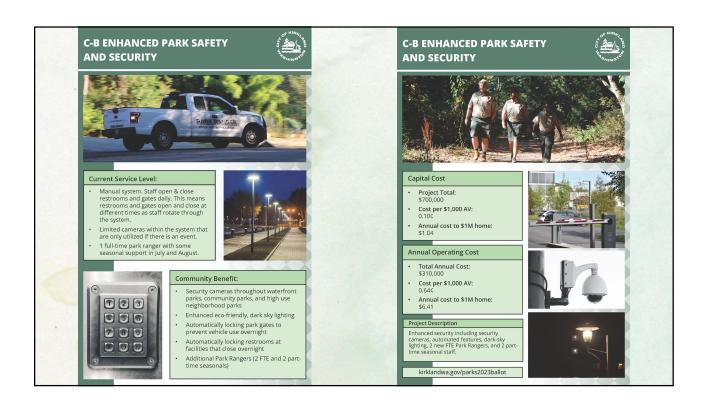


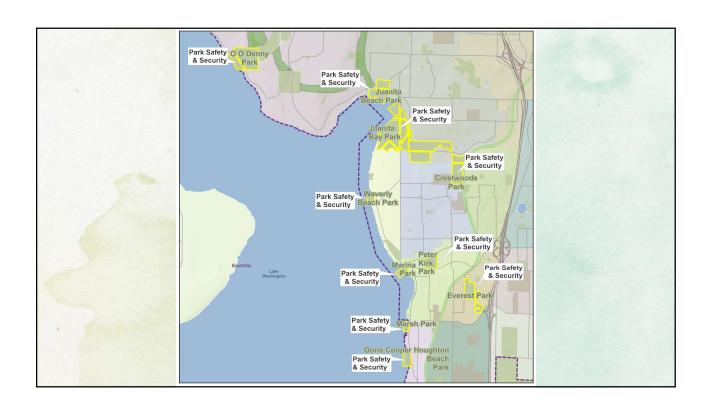


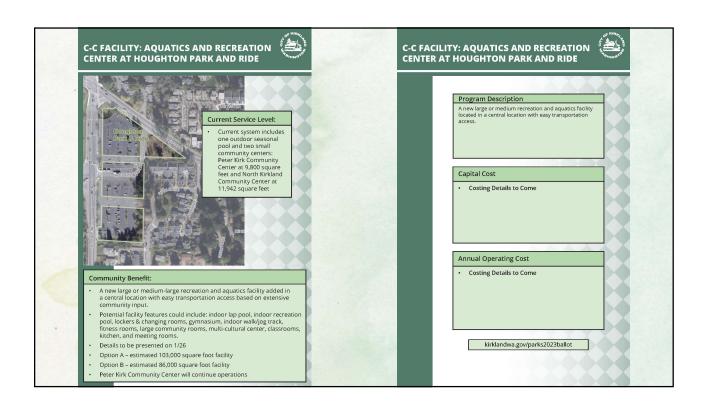


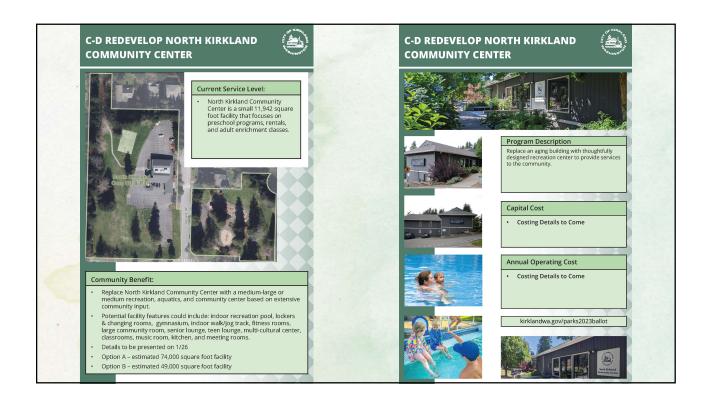


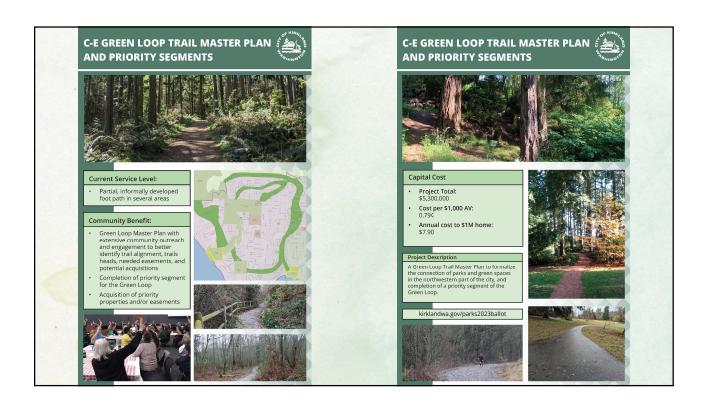








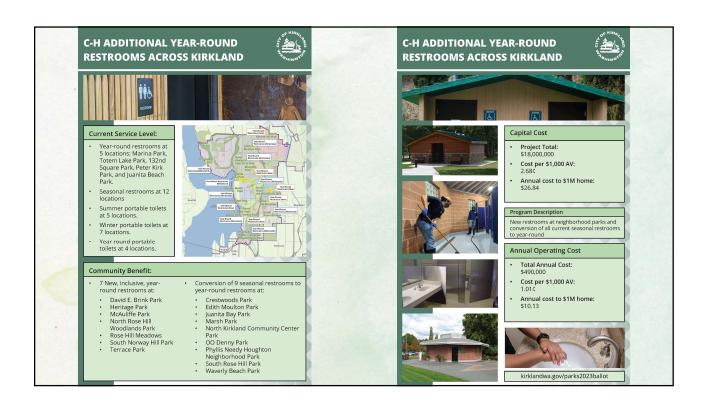


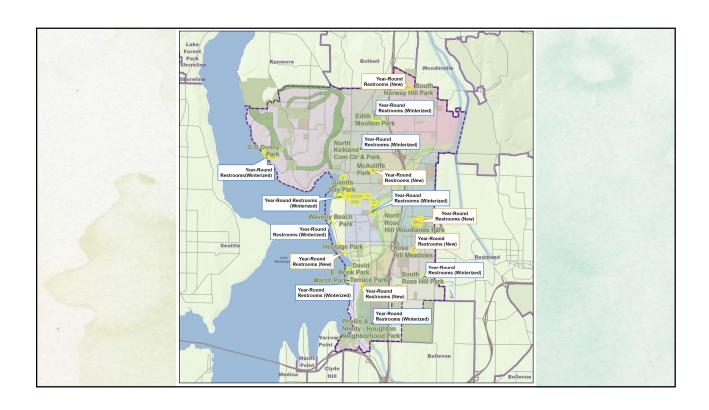




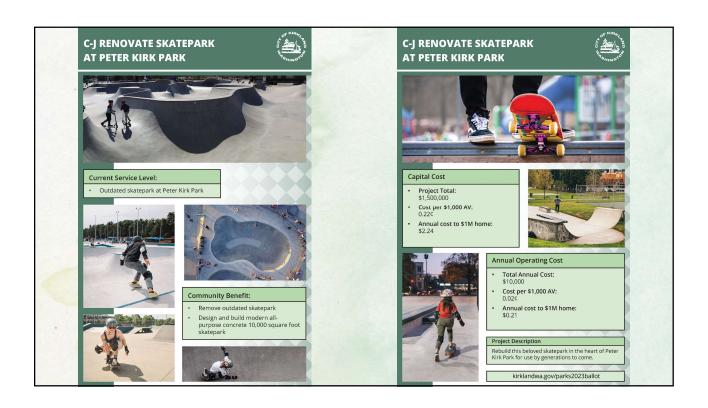






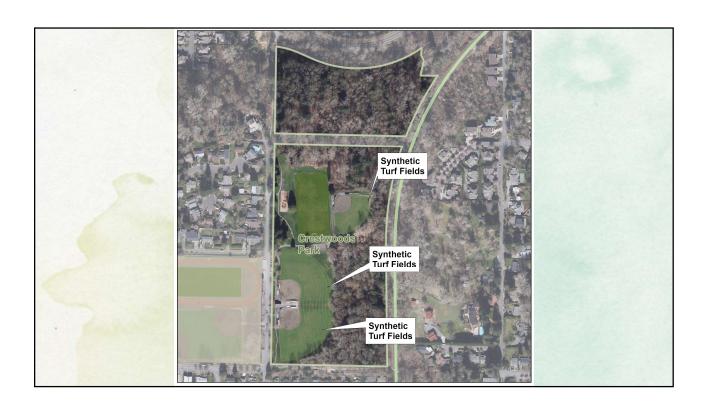


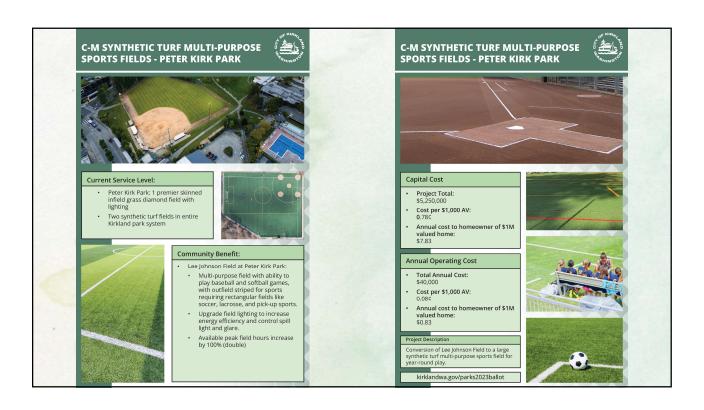






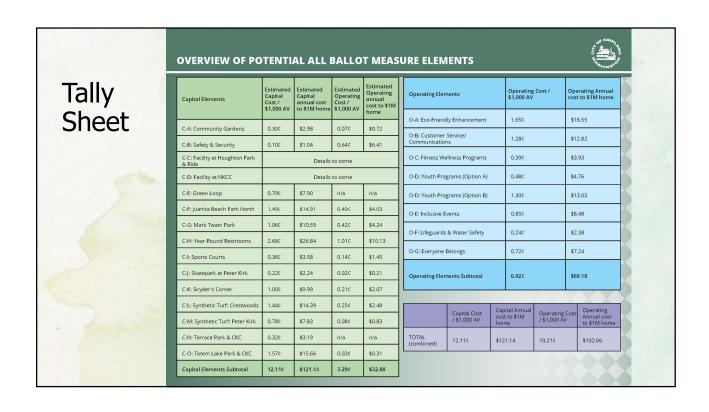


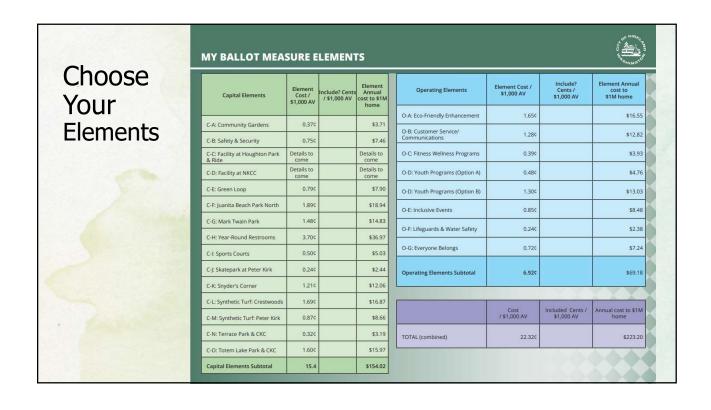














Diversity = REPRESENTATION

Inclusion = BEHAVIOR

Belanging = **FEELING**

Equity = SYSTEMS

Justice = RESULTS

Equity Lens



What is an Equity Lens?

A tool to help consider aspects of diversity, equity, inclusion, access, belonging, and justice ...

Ensuring that the perspectives, insights, and voices of underrepresented groups and communities are included and addressed ...

When implementing programs, projects, policies decisions, or budgets ...

In order to address previous and current inequities and create more future equity in organizations and communities ...

Populations of Consideration

- Multilingual Language Access
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accommodations
- · Families and individuals of color
- · LGBTQIA+
- · Youth, seniors
- Underserved geographic areas
- Cultural and religious customs
- Low income
- Others historically not engaged or without access to recreational opportunities

City of Kirkland Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Belonging (DEIB) Roadmap



The City's Comprehensive Plan and other long-range planning efforts guide City Council, leadership, and staff in various decisions related to Kirkland's future.

Ensuring that the perspectives, insights, and voices of underrepresented groups and communities are included in the creation and review of such plans helps them be reflective of Kirkland's diverse community.

As such, the City will identify and utilize an equity-centered third-party review process for the City's Comprehensive Plan and other long-range planning processes — Parks projects are included in the comprehensive plan.

