

# KIRKLAND PARK BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Date: March 31, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Meeting to be held virtually, via Zoom

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. SPECIAL PRESENTATION
  - a. Art Donation for Juanita Beach
- 4. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE
- 5. BUSINESS ITEMS
  - a. 132<sup>nd</sup> Square Park Art
  - b. Art Donation for Juanita Beach
- 6. **COMMUNICATIONS** 
  - a. Correspondence
  - b. Department Monthly Report
  - c. Staff Updates and Information
  - d. Park Board member reports
  - e. Comments from the Chair

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Park Board

**From:** Brian Baker, Senior Capital Project Coordinator, Public Works

Mary Gardocki, Park Planning and Development Manager, Parks and

**Community Services** 

**Date:** March 3, 2021

**Subject:** Recommendation to City Council for Art at 132<sup>nd</sup> Sq. Park

### **RECOMMENDATION**

For the Park Board to make a recommendation to City Council regarding the 1% for Art at 132<sup>nd</sup> Sq. Park.

## **BACKGROUND DISCUSSION**

The City of Kirkland has a 1% for Art policy in which 1% of eligible Capital Improvement Projects are dedicated to public art. The policy states that when art is in a park the City Council must receive a recommendation from both the Cultural Arts Commission and Park Board. The 1% for Art budget for the project was set at \$56,000.

A public art committee consists of both Cultural Arts Commission and Park Board members was formed to start discussions regarding the public art to be included in the 132<sup>nd</sup> Sq. Park project. The Sub-committee sifted through 108 artist proposals until they selected Cobalt Design Works as the winning artist to move forward with concept development.

#### ART CONCEPT

The concept *Individually We Transform, Together We Soar* uses nature as a metaphor to affirm Kirkland's commitment to honoring and encouraging diversity with an open, inclusive spirit. Two sculptural elements together convey the strengths and uniqueness of the individual and the power when we come together. One element is a large unfurled cocoon, denoting the everevolving nature of our individual selves. The cocoon is cradled by a bunch of grassy reeds. The other element is a 20ft-tall tree-crag-like structure from which dozens of butterflies burst out in a vibrant rainbow of color. This element symbolizes the beauty of coming together in our diversity and uniqueness. The whole is greater than the sum of our parts and helps create a culturally rich community.

There are six species of butterflies represented, each with its own size, shape, color, and origin. The butterflies were chosen carefully to represent Kirkland's largest immigrant populations as well as those native to the US and the Pacific Northwest. The artwork will also include a sculptural raven feather and bald eagle feather to honor the Duwamish tribes as the original

inhabitants of the land that is present day Kirkland. The proposed concept images are shown below for more information.







## **NEXT STEPS**

This artwork was presented to the Cultural Arts Commission in February and received a unanimous vote of approval to proceed forward. Provided the Park Board accepts the artwork concepts; the next steps will be to recommend that City Council approve the artwork concept which will allow it to be incorporated into the park.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Park Board

**From:** Lynn Zwaagstra, Director of Parks and Community Services

John Lloyd, Deputy Director of Parks and Community Services

**Date:** 3/1/2021

**Subject:** Proposed Donation of Artwork for Juanita Beach Park

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Park Board consider a donation of artwork from Ms. Karen Lightfeldt for Juanita Beach Park

#### **BACKGROUND DISCUSSION**

Ms. Lightfeldt contacted staff in the fall of 2020 seeking to donate an interactive Wind Sculpture called the Glassinator to the playground area at Juanita Beach (**Attachment A**). The interactive art piece consists of a stainless-steel pole topped by many pieces of light catching glass that move in opposite directions with the wind. The artwork is designed by Seattle artist Andrew Carson. He has works installed in all 50 states and all over the world, including right here in Kirkland at Carillon Point. See galleryofmodernmasters.com/artist/Andrew-Carson for additional information.

Ms. Lightfeldt and the artist will make a presentation to the Park Board during the Special Presentation portion of the meeting. They have been asked to include information about the proposed location, size, height, and materials, any testing on weight bearing capacity, the piece's durability, any safety features, and ongoing maintenance/cleaning needs of the artwork.

Following the presentation, during the regular business portion of the meeting, the Park Board will discuss this donation with department staff and will make a recommendation to the Cultural Arts Commission. If Park Board is in support of accepting the donation, it will be presented to the Cultural Arts Commission followed by a formal recommendation to City Council, who will make the final decision to accept or reject the donation.

**Attachment A** – Glassinator Art Image

Attachment A – Glassinator Art Image



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From: <u>Jason Filan</u>

To: Collin & Zachary Thoman; eParks

Cc: Park Board; John Lloyd

Subject: RE: Lack of Dog Leash Enforcement

Date: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 6:46:33 AM

Hi Collin,

Thank you for your email, appreciate you taking the time to reach out to us.

I talked with our Park Ranger this morning and we will do some increased patrols in that area. It's an on-going challenge for us particularly at that specific site because of all the increased multi-family units over the past several years. As we start to get a little nicer weather patrons tend to increase their park visits.

Your email is advocation Collin and we appreciate your feedback. It's a bit early to call you as I write this but if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Warm regards,

Jason Parks Manager City of Kirkland (425) 587 – 3341

From: Collin & Zachary Thoman <czthoman@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 9, 2021 11:06 PM **To:** eParks <eParks@kirklandwa.gov>

Cc: Park Board <parkboard2@kirklandwa.gov>; John Lloyd <JLloyd@kirklandwa.gov>

Subject: Re: Lack of Dog Leash Enforcement

Including Parks Board and Staff Liaison.

On Tue, Mar 9, 2021, 10:54 PM Collin & Zachary Thoman < <a href="mailto:czthoman@gmail.com">czthoman@gmail.com</a>> wrote:

Hello,

Why is the dog leash municipal code not being enforced at this time?

How can I advocate for this? Specifically, for the Juanita Beach Park and play fields across the street.

I should not have to deal with off leash dogs running up and intimidating my dog because my dog is on a leash.

Thank you, Collin Thoman 425-923-7501

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