

# CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	March 28, 2024	
Originating Department	Public Works Department	
Contact Person	Cory Roche, Environmental & Sustainability Specialist	
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	Phillip Hill, City Administrator	
Title	Resolution 24-1947/Adopting the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan	

## Legislative History

- Prior Related Action on Purchase adoption of Resolution 1757, December 12, 2019 (MOU with Forterra); adoption of Resolution 1816, November 4, 2021(interfund loan for purchase); and adoption of Resolution1820, November 4, 2021(purchase and sale agreement with Forterra)
- Prior Related Action on Lakefront Park Concept Design consultant contract award June 22, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting; presentation of updates to Council November 9, 2023, February 8, 2024, March 7, 2024
- First presentation March 7, 2024, Special Council meeting
- Second presentation March 25, 2024, Committee of the Whole meeting
- Third presentation March 28, 2024, Regular Council meeting

## Attachments:

- 1. Resolution 24-1947/Adopting the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan
- 2. March 7, 2024 PowerPoint Presentation to City Council

## **Executive Summary**

The City hired DCG-Watershed (the "Consultant"), June 22, 2023, for assistance on the Lakefront Park Improvements design, engineering, environmental review, and permitting project. Since then, the Consultant has worked with the City to provide opportunities for public input on preferred concept design alternatives through a community survey, two public open houses, and coordination with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Through this process, a preferred concept design plan has been developed and is proposed for adoption by Council Resolution. Adoption of the preferred concept is necessary for the next phase of the project, which is schematic design and future grant applications that require detailed costs. To get to this preferred concept design, the Consultant evaluated survey data, community input, regulatory and site information, grant requirements, and City feedback. The Consultant also reviewed recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, and Snoqualmie Indian Tribe.

The following preferred concept design reflects input received:

Pending Design Question	PRAB recommendation
1. Parking Options	Minimal parking to include required ADA spaces, adequate load/unload spaces, and several permit-only spaces related to use of the building.
2. Lyon Creek Preserve Options	Restore to forested buffer with low understory plants to preserve views.
3. Beach Options	All beach
4. Lakefront Shelter Options	Balanced design – useful for the purpose, but not ornate
5. Play Area Options	Nature inspired, but with a strong focus on an actual play area useful to kids year-round
6. Community Dock Options	All-activity dock, including exploring the addition of a swim float.



The Snoqualmie Indian Tribe noted they would prefer the more forested option for replanting of Lyon Creek Preserve, the Consultant will look at adjusting this to a more forested replanting while keeping in mind the community's consensus of open meadow and future maintenance.

# Background

In April 2023, City staff solicited consultant proposals for design, engineering, environmental review, and permitting for improvements at the future Lakefront Park property that the City purchased in November 2021, located at 17345 and 17347 Beach Dr. SE (Lakefront Park lots). The consultant, DCG-Watershed, was selected after a thorough Request for Qualification (RFQ) process that included a 5-member panel scoring and interviewing the candidates, along with checking qualified references.

The City Council has discussed the need to provide active recreation and public access (nonmotorized) to Lake Washington in future property acquisitions. Purchase of the Lakefront Park lots facilitates these goals and provides for a potential small indoor community gathering area as well. Now that acquisition has been completed, the design and development for the Lakefront Park lots are the next step to fill a large gap in the Lake Forest Park community's recreation needs.

## **Fiscal & Policy Implications**

Adoption of the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan will allow the consultant to proceed with the schematic design review and allow the City to seek out grant opportunities. Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) funding applications are due May 1, 2024.

## Alternatives

Options	Results
<ul> <li>Adopt the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan</li> </ul>	Will continue to be on track with the consultant's scope of work timeline and allow the City to remain eligible to apply for grant funding this spring
<ul> <li>Do not adopt the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan</li> </ul>	City will likely not be able to apply for RCO grant funding May 1, and there will be delays receiving the schematic design

## **Staff Recommendation**

Pass Resolution 24-1947 adopting the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan.