



# CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

## CITY COUNCIL

### AGENDA COVER SHEET

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<b>Meeting Date</b>	September 8, 2022
<b>Originating Department</b>	Public Works
<b>Contact Person</b>	Cory Roche, Environmental and Sustainability Specialist
<b>Title</b>	Resolution 1856/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Amendment to the Conservation Futures Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park for Open Space Acquisition Projects

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#### Legislative History

- First Presentation Resolution 1757, December 12, 2019
  - Second Presentation Resolution 1802, April, 2021
  - Action September 8, 2022 Regular Meeting
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#### Attachments:

1. Resolution 1856/Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Amendment to the Conservation Futures Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park for Open Space Acquisition Projects
  2. Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park for Conservation Futures-Funded Open Space Acquisition Projects
  3. Amendment to the Conservation Futures Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park for Open Space Acquisition Projects
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#### Executive Summary

The City of Lake Forest Park has acquired 1.91 acres of lakefront property located at 17345 & 17347 Beach Dr. NE (KC Parcel Nos. 4030100040 and 4030100035) for use as a public park and open space with recreation elements and access to the water as a future city park ("Lake Front Property"). In 2021, the City and King County entered into an interlocal agreement whereby King County approved \$925,000 in Conservation Futures funding for the Lake Front Property. (Attachment 2). Based on a 2022 appraisal, the King County Council has approved additional Conservation Futures funding for the Lake Front Property in the amount of \$625,000 through the adoption of King County Ordinance #9128.

The purpose of the proposed resolution is to authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement allocating the additional \$625,000.

The Conservation Futures Tax Program (CFT) funding restricts approximately 0.5 acres of the Lake Front Property to CFT-eligible activities as described below. The remainder of the Lake Front Property may be more intensively developed or used for more active recreation than allowed under CFT policies. The portion of the property targeted for the CFT restriction is located near the Burke-Gilman Trail and may serve as a nearby stopping point for trail visitors to use, making the project regionally significant.

**Background**

Conservation Futures Tax Program (CFT):

CFT funding has been used for more than 30 years by governments and non-profit groups across King County to acquire property and protect it from development. Future use of the property is restricted to low-impact, passive-use recreation, which means the development of facilities to support organized/structured athletic activities such as ballfields, courts, and gyms is not allowed. A maximum of 15% of the total surface area of the acquisition may be developed or maintained with non-vegetative impervious surfaces; trail surfaces are not included in this calculation.

Active Park Elements and Master Planning Process/PROS-T Plan:

The City Council has discussed the need to provide for active recreation and public access (non-motorized) to Lake Washington in future property acquisitions, and the Lake Front Property facilitates these goals.

**Fiscal & Policy Implications**

The City’s adopted budget includes the purchase of the Lake Front Property in its work plan but did not include adequate funding for the entire cost of the acquisition and plans for improvements. Grants and outside funding have been needed to fund the acquisition. Reimbursement by the Conservation Futures Open Space funds is an integral part of the funding for the Lake Front Property acquisition.

**Alternatives**

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment</li> </ul>	<p>The Mayor will sign the Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City, authorizing an additional \$625,000 in funding for the Lake Front Property acquisition.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do not authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment</li> </ul>	<p>The Mayor will not sign the Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement, which could result in loss of these funds.</p>

**Staff Recommendation**

Move to approve Resolution No. 1856 authorizing the Mayor to sign the Amendment to the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Between King County and the City of Lake Forest Park for Open Space Acquisition Projects.