



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	October 23, 2025
Originating Department	Community Development Department
Contact Person	Cory Mattson, Community Programs Planner
Title	Resolution 25-2036/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement Between Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office and the City of Lake Forest Park for Development Funding for the Future Lakefront Park Property

Legislative History

- Prior Related Action – adoption of Resolution 1757, December 12, 2019 (MOU with Forterra); adoption of Resolution 1816, November 4, 2021(interfund loan for purchase); and adoption of Resolution 1820, November 4, 2021(purchase and sale agreement with Forterra)
 - Prior Related Action – August 11, 2022, City Council Work Session CIP Discussion
 - Prior Related Action – November 17, 2022, City Council Special Meeting Budget Approval
 - Prior Related Action – June 22, 2023, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Consultant Services Agreement with DCG-Watershed for the Lakefront Improvements, Design, Engineering, Environmental Review, and Permitting Project
 - Prior Related Action – November 9, 2023, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement with DCG-Watershed for Lakefront Improvements Design, Engineering, Environmental Review, and Permitting Project
 - Prior Related Action – March 28, 2024, Adopting the Lakefront Park Preferred Concept Design Plan
 - Prior Related Action – June 27, 2024, Authorizing the Mayor to Sign an Agreement for Consultant Services with Facet for the Phase 2 Lakefront Improvements for Design, Engineering, Environmental, and Permitting Project
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Attachments:

1. Resolution 25-2036/Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Agreement Between Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office and the City of Lake Forest Park for Development Funding for the Future Lake Front Park Property

2. Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) Grant Agreement

Executive Summary

The City of Lake Forest Park acquired 1.91 acres of lakefront property on November 30, 2021 located at 17345 & 17347 Beach Dr. NE (KC Parcel Nos. 4030100040 and 4030100035), for future use as a public city park and open space with recreation elements and access to the water. Since then, the City has continued design, engineering, environmental review, and is currently working through permitting for the adopted Lakefront Park preferred concept and schematic design, that has included community input throughout the process. Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) awarded two grants to the City of Lake Forest Park through Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program - Water Access and Aquatic Lands Enhancement Act for development of the Lakefront Park Project in the amount of \$1,040,000.00, with a focus of water restoration and recreation enhancements. The purpose of this agenda item is to authorize the Mayor to sign the Agreement between RCO and the City for reimbursement funds of the Lakefront Park Property development. This will be the second funding received of several different funding partners to fill the gap in construction cost.

Background

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

The City Council has discussed the need to provide active recreation and public access (non-motorized) to Lake Washington in future property acquisitions. Purchase of the Lakefront lots facilitates these goals and provides indoor and outdoor community gathering areas. In April 2023, City staff solicited for 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.

In June 2024, the City of Lake Forest Park retained Facet NW (formerly DCG-Watershed) and its teaming partners—Johnston Architects; Transportation Solutions, Inc.; ASM Cultural Resource Consultants; APS Survey and Mapping; DCW Cost Management; Elcon Electrical Engineering; and, HWA GeoSciences—referred to collectively as “the design team,” in the multidisciplinary effort to develop a public lakefront from predesign through concept design, design development, construction documentation and permitting, and construction administration.

The project, known formally as “Lakefront Improvements Design, Engineering, Environmental, and Permitting,” encompasses three lakefront parcels in Lake Forest Park, including two former residential properties at 17345 and 17347 Beach Dr NE (parcels 4030100035, 0040) and an existing public preserve called Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve. The project is intended to improve public waterfront access by providing a place for passive recreation and gathering activities.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The City plans to continue Lakefront improvements design, engineering, environmental and permitting of the park project, foreseeing going to bid for construction early 2026. These funds would start to fill the gap to complete the park project development.

Alternatives

<i>Options</i>	<i>Results</i>
• Authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement	The Mayor will sign the agreement with Washington State RCO for reimbursement funds for the Lakefront Park Property Development
• Do not authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement	The Mayor will not sign the agreement with Washington State RCO and other funding will need to be sought after to complete the development funding gap

Staff Recommendation

Authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement with Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office and the City of Lake Forest Park for the Lakefront Park Property development funding.