

TO: City Council
FROM: Dave Kangiser, Water Resources Specialist
DATE: May 5, 2026
SUBJECT: Acceptance of Barnes Lake Management District Budget & Work Plan

1) Recommended Action:

Approve the Barnes Lake Management District (BLMD) 2026 Budget and Work Plan via City Council consent calendar.

This plan was recommended for approval by the Public Works Committee at their April 23, 2026 meeting.

2) Background:

The BLMD was formed to conduct routine aquatic vegetation maintenance on Barnes Lake. In 2024 and 2025, a new contractor, AquaTechnex, provided aquatic weed control and city staff conducted water quality analyses to evaluate implementation of the BLMD's Integrated Aquatic Vegetation Management Plan (IAVMP) and inform future weed control activities. The IAVMP for Barnes Lake was first developed in 2007 and updated about every ten years. This year's work plan includes updating the IAVMP, last completed in 2016, and hiring a consultant to assist.

Staff will provide the annual status update for the BLMD, review the 2026 work plan and budget.

3) Policy Support:

- Ordinance O2004-041, Lake Management District Formation
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4) Alternatives:

The BLMD is a Tumwater supported lake management district according to Chapter 36.61 RCW. There are no alternatives identified.

5) Fiscal Notes:

As a Special Revenue Fund, all revenues are directed for use solely by BLMD in support of lake management efforts. The 2026 budget, \$29,500, is fully funded by the LMD through fees assessed to properties within the district; 109 properties contribute approximately \$22,000 annually.

6) Attachments:

- A. 2026 Budget Update
- B. 2026 Proposed BLMD Work Plan