

SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE*

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** Note that the Summary and Fiscal Note describes the version of the bill or resolution as introduced; final legislation including amendments may not be fully described.*

1. BILL SUMMARY

Legislation Title: A RESOLUTION relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; authorizing the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation to act as the authorized representative/agent on behalf of The City of Seattle and to legally bind The City of Seattle with respect to certain projects for which the City seeks grant funding assistance managed through the State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO).

Summary and background of the Legislation: This proposed legislation authorizes Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) to submit grant applications to the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for state funding assistance for the projects and amounts listed in the table below. This resolution is required as part of the formal RCO grant application process.

Improvements potentially funded by the RCO grant and City or other match sources are listed in the table below.

Project Name / Brief Description	RCO Category / Project #	RCO Grant Request	Match Source (confirmed or pending)	Total
Be'er Sheva Phase 2: Seattle Parks and Recreation's (SPR's) Be'er Sheva project is a development project located along the shoreline of Lake Washington in the Rainier Beach community of Southeast Seattle. This park improvement project will enhance a 2.4-acre waterfront park. Improvements will include .4 acres of upland area and 2 acres of shallow underwater lake shoreline. Upland improvements include: installing a fitness zone, with a lit walking loop pathway, exercise equipment, resilient surfacing and landscaping. Additional Park improvements include installing	Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Legacy Program / 21-1304	\$472,000	King Co. Conservation Water Management Grant \$327,000 (confirmed-Seattle Parks Foundation Match) City of Seattle – REET \$100,000 (pending)	\$944,000

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<p>new picnic tables, barbecues, and bike racks. In-water, salmon restoration elements include aquatic vegetation mounds and large logs for habitat and sediment control.</p>			<p>SPR Donated Services/Labor \$45,000 (confirmed) = \$472,000</p>	
<p>Garfield Super Block: SPR's Garfield Super Block (GSB) project is a development project located in the Central District in Seattle. This community-led full renovation project will use LWCF funds to install new site furnishings, improved ADA access, play equipment and nature play, restroom facility with attached community space and covered picnic area, a circular pathway with lighting, a Parkour element, a bouldering climbing wall, multi-court reconfiguration and resurfacing and landscaping improvements throughout.</p>	<p>LWCF - Legacy Program / 21-1305</p>	<p>\$2,085,000</p>	<p>Seattle Park District Major Maintenance Funds \$1,000,000 (confirmed) City of Seattle – REET appropriated in 2021 mid-year supplemental \$500,000 (confirmed) City of Seattle, Equitable Development Initiative Grant \$50,000 (confirmed-Seattle Parks Foundation Match)</p>	<p>\$4,170,000</p>

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			City of Seattle, Office of Economic Development Grant \$25,000 (confirmed-Seattle Parks Foundation Match) King County, 4Culture Grant \$10,000 (confirmed-Seattle Parks Foundation Match) Seattle Public Schools, Public Levy \$500,000 (pending) = \$2,085,000	
	Total	\$2,557,000	\$2,557,000	\$5,114,000

SPR applies for RCO grants bi-annually and has garnered a strong success rate in securing additional funding for planned capital projects. In 2020, SPR completed 11 RCO applications for a total of \$6,120,860 in the following RCO grant categories:

RCO Grant Category	Amount
Aquatic Lands Enhancement Act (ALEA)	\$500,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	\$1,000,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Legacy	\$1,920,860

RCO Grant Category	Amount
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)	\$2,000,000
Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)	\$700,000
Total:	\$6,120,860

The RCO grants require a local match and will only fund projects that are included in an adopted plan. The recommended projects meet both criteria, as they are either included in the 2017 Parks and Open Space Plan, the 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Program and/or the Seattle Park District Major Maintenance Plan. SPR's required matching funds for the projects are appropriated in SPR's 2016-2021 Capital Improvement Program.

RCO will announce the grant award recommendations in Q1 2022, but the actual grant awards will not be contracted until Q4 2022. RCO funding will support currently unfunded project elements.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Does this legislation create, fund, or amend a CIP Project? Yes No

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? Yes No

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
No other departments are affected by this legislation.
- b. **Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**
No.
- c. **Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**
No.
- d. **Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**
Yes. Maps are attached as Summary Attachment A.
- e. **Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities? What is the Language Access plan for any communications to the public?**
Both of these projects (Be'er Sheva Phase 2 and Garfield Super Block) are in ethnically diverse and underserved communities. Both projects serve communities beyond their immediate vicinity and completion of these projects will ensure that the parks are open and accessible to all.

Both Be'er Sheva Phase 2 and Garfield Super Block projects support the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI) and Be'er Sheva in particular fulfills the Language Access Plan goals.

From 2017 through July 2021, the Be'er Sheva project engaged in a thorough public outreach process, attended by approx. 450 participants, 83% people of color with 14 languages spoken, with language interpretation in Somali, Amharic, Mandarin and Vietnamese.

f. Climate Change Implications

1. Emissions: Is this legislation likely to increase or decrease carbon emissions in a material way?

Any carbon emissions from material production will be minimal, and no additional emissions are predicted. Additions of bike racks and landscaping may actually reduce carbon emissions over time.

2. Resiliency: Will the action(s) proposed by this legislation increase or decrease Seattle's resiliency (or ability to adapt) to climate change in a material way? If so, explain. If it is likely to decrease resiliency in a material way, describe what will or could be done to mitigate the effects.

Resilient pavement, landscaping, and in- and near-shore habitat improvements will increase resiliency at these parks.

g. If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the specific long-term and measurable goal(s) of the program? How will this legislation help achieve the program's desired goal(s)?

N/A

List attachments/exhibits below:

Summary Attachment A - Project Maps