



West Seattle Stadium Roger Dahl Rifle Range Lease Agreement

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**CITY COUNCIL PARKS, SEATTLE
CENTER, LIBRARIES AND
WATERFRONT COMMITTEE**

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Roger Dahl 50' Indoor Small Bore Range

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AN ORDINANCE relating to the West Seattle Stadium; and authorizing the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation to execute a 12-year lease, plus an option to extend, with the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club to operate the Roger Dahl Rifle Training Range at the West Seattle Stadium.





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Background:

- West Seattle Sportsmen's Club, founded in 1935, provides educational programs about wildlife and conservation of the state's natural resources and operates the Dahl Rifle Range
- Dahl Rifle Range was constructed in 1961 as part of the West Seattle Stadium south stand rehabilitation funded by a 1960 Park Bond measure
- In 1964 the range was dedicated to Roger Dahl, the brother of Waldo "Red" Dahl, a member of the Board of Park Commissioners who served nine terms as Board president (1934-36 and 1941-68); Roger and Waldo Dahl were members of the West Seattle Sportsmen's Club
- The Roger Dahl Shooting Range is an eight position, 50-foot, small bore and air rifle range which is ADA accessible

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Conditions of Proposed Lease Agreement:

- **Term:** 12 years with an option for one 5-year extension at the mutual consent of the City and the Club
- **Financial Payment:** \$1,000 annually
- **Maintenance:** The Club maintains the premises and the area immediately adjacent; Seattle Parks and Recreation is responsible for major maintenance with the Club maintaining the specialized air-cleaning HVAC system they installed



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Annual Reporting

- An annual Public Benefit report describing the programs, activities and educational services.
- An annual statement of income and expenses

Public Benefits

- Provide 900 hours of public access
- Provide reduced fee access for youth programs regarding safe and proper recreational use of firearms and archery tackle.
- Promote firearms and archery safety to participating youth groups

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West Seattle Junior Totems



Girl Scouts troop at range for Archery training

Public Benefits

- **Provide 3 Hunter education classes** per year for up to 120 students for \$5.00 per student, teaching firearm safety and laws, hunting regulations, first aid, conservation, and good sportsmanship
- **Provide a minimum of \$3,000 in scholarships** for classes, equipment, training and travel
- **Community outreach** through promoting firearm safety at a minimum of 2 events

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Public Benefits

- **Community outreach** by producing and distributing a minimum of 500 marketing materials promoting gun safety and information regarding the importance of securing personal firearms
- **Distribute gun lock boxes and gun locks**, free of charge as available
- **Volunteer** a minimum of 1,000 hours annually providing access to the range, supporting community events, coaching youth, and instructing gun safety classes



Annual Fishing Derby