



Legislation Text

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CITY OF SEATTLE

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION approving the design for improvements to Victor Steinbrueck Park funded through the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy.

WHEREAS, the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy identified the sum of \$1.6 million to make improvements to public safety including but not limited to improving sight lines into the park, renovating seating, renovating the former children's play area, improving and expanding lighting, and upgrading the landscaping; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy also required City Council to determine whether the project is needed after it evaluated how well the removal of the automated public toilet, installation and operations of surveillance cameras, and increased policing addressed public safety issues in and around the park; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) provided the necessary evaluation related to the removal of the automated public toilet, installation and operations of surveillance cameras, and increased policing to address public safety issues in and around the park; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution 31558 adopted in 2014, the Council reviewed the evaluation and determined that Victor Steinbrueck Park remains in need of improvements as envisioned in the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy also required DPR to conduct a project design process with broad public outreach and submit a project design to the City Council for review and approval prior to appropriation of levy funds for any construction; and

WHEREAS, DPR has conducted a project design process with broad public outreach and has submitted a project design to Council for review as required by the Parks and Greenspaces Levy that states that “[t]he Department of Parks and Recreation will conduct a project design process with broad public outreach and submit a project design to the Council for its review and approval prior to appropriation of levy funds for construction.”; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed said design; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE, THE MAYOR
CONCURRING, THAT:**

Section 1. Victor Steinbrueck Park remains in need of improvements as envisioned in the 2008 Parks and Green Spaces Levy. The design presented to the City Council for review meets the stated goals of: improving sight lines into the park; renovating seating; renovating the former children's play area; improving and expanding lighting; and upgrading the landscaping.

While the original children’s play area is now the site of the Tree of Life art installation, installed after the levy was passed, the design has incorporated other elements to make the park welcoming and engaging to children and families as an alternative to renovating the former children’s play area.

The design accomplishes the other stated goals of the levy by: providing upgraded lighting with modern fixtures to provide consistent light across the site to maximize visibility and safety and minimize the potential for spillover and glare to surrounding residents and businesses; improving seating for comfort and accessibility for all ages and abilities; improving sight lines to and through the park; and upgrading the landscaping to preserve the original design intent with durable, hardy, and native plant species.

Section 2. The Council has reviewed and approved the design for Victor Steinbrueck Park.

Adopted by the City Council the _____ day of _____, 2018, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this _____ day of _____, 2018.

President _____ of the City Council

The Mayor concurred the _____ day of _____, 2018.

Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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