

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 Recreation and Conservation Office.

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	Project Total \$
Colman Pool Renovation - Renovate locker rooms to make ADA accessible, create non-gender-specific restrooms and changing areas, improve Caretaker residence, update the unique operation-critical filter equipment essential for drawing and filtering water from Puget Sound, and seismic improvements.	Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) #22-1251	\$500,000	SPR \$1,817,360 King County Aquatics grant \$1,800,000, RCO \$350,000 (Pending)	\$4,467,360
	Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) #22-1252	\$350,000	SPR \$1,817,360 King County Aquatics grant \$1,800,000, RCO \$500,000 (Pending)	
Rainier Beach Playfield Skatepark - Fund construction of the Rainier Beach Skatepark at Rainier Beach Playfield which includes demolition, erosion control, grading, installation of green stormwater infrastructure, a skateboard facility, picnic shelters, circular	Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) #22-1253	\$1,000,000	SPR \$917,000, WWRP - \$500,000 (pending), Neighborhood Matching - \$33,000, Neighborhood Matching - \$50,000	\$2,500,000

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pathway, seating, tables, and landscaping. This project is outlined in the 2007 Seattle Citywide Skatepark Plan was created to locate and build skateparks.	WWRP #22-1255	\$500,000	SPR \$917,000, LWCF - \$1,000,000 (pending), Neighborhood Matching - \$33,000, Neighborhood Matching - \$50,000	
Carkeek Park Rail Overpass - To replace the existing railroad crossing pedestrian bridge that provides the only safe, park access point to the beach which is the only safe access to the beach. The current pedestrian bridge is at the end of its useful life.	Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) #22-1257	\$500,000	SPR \$1,300,000, WWRP \$1,800,000 (Pending)	\$3,600,000
	WWRP #22-1256	\$1,800,000	SPR \$1,300,000, ALEA \$500,000 (Pending)	
Little Brook Park Improvements - To redesign and enhance Little Brook Park to better highlight the creek, better serve the growing neighborhood and diverse residents. The current proposed design includes play areas, site furnishings, a central gathering space, and a garden interwoven into the natural systems.	LWCF #22-1258	\$800,000	SPR \$470,000, WWRP \$500,000 (pending), King County Water Works \$30,000	\$1,800,000
	WWRP #22-1259	\$500,000	SPR - \$470,000, LWCF \$800,000 (pending), King County Water Works - \$30,000	
Soundview Playfield Improvements - Renovate an existing grass playfield to synthetic turf and state-of-the-art LED lighting system within 10-acre Soundview Park. It will enhance playability, improve safety, and add a new ADA accessible looped walking path, bleacher seating, a batting cage, and seat walls.	LWCF #22-1262	\$2,000,000	SPR \$3M, WWRP \$500,000 (Pending), YAF \$350,000 (Pending)	\$5,850,000
	YAF #22-1261	\$350,000	SPR \$3M, WWRP \$500,000 (Pending), LWCF \$2M (Pending)	
	WWRP #22-1260	\$500,000	SPR \$3M, YAF \$350,000 (Pending), LWCF \$2M (Pending)	
	Totals	\$8,800,000	\$9,417,360*	\$18,217,360

*Does not include RCO matching funds

SPR applies for RCO grants bi-annually and has garnered a strong success rate in securing additional funding for planned capital projects. In 2022, SPR completed 11 RCO applications for a total of \$8,095,000 in the following RCO grant categories:

RCO Grant Category	Amount
Aquatic Lands Enhancement Act (ALEA)	\$500,000
Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)	\$3,800,000
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP)	\$2,000,000
Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program (WWRP) Water Access	\$1,800,000
Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF)	\$700,000
Total:	\$8,800,000

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 SPR’s Asset Management Plan, the 2017 Parks and Open Space Plan, 2007 Citywide Skatepark 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 2022-2023 Capital Improvement Program.

RCO will announce the grant award recommendations in Q2 2023, but the actual grant awards will not be contracted until Q4 2023. RCO funding will support currently unfunded project elements.

2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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

If yes, please fill out the table below and attach a new (if creating a project) or marked-up (if amending) CIP Page to the Council Bill. Please include the spending plan as part of the attached CIP Page. If no, please delete the table.

Project Name:	Project I.D.:	Project Location:	Start Date:	End Date:	Total Project Cost Through 2027:

3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Does this legislation amend the Adopted Budget? ___ Yes X No

Does the legislation have other financial impacts to The City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above, including direct or indirect, short-term or long-term costs?

No

Are there financial costs or other impacts of *not* implementing the legislation?

Failure to seek grant funding will result in greater City funding for project completion.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

- a. **Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**
No other departments are affected.
- 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?**

Rainier Beach Skatepark and **Little Brook Park Improvement** projects 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 projects support the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative (RSJI) and have strong inclusive grassroots neighborhood leadership and support.

Little Brook Park Improvement planning meetings - Interpreters translated outreach materials into Spanish, Urdu, and Amharic to gather input from non-English speakers and translators were present at community events with multiple language interpreters working in English, Spanish, Urdu, and Amharic.

Carkeek Park Rail Overpass, Coleman Pool & Soundview Playfield Improvements are projects that are regional in nature, providing improved access to park facilities that attract patrons from across the city.

Carkeek Park Rail Overpass incorporates ADA access to the bridge where there wasn't before.

Coleman Pool project incorporates ADA access and is the only outdoor pool in South Seattle.

Sound View Playfield Improvements will create a new lit synthetic field increasing booking capacity and reducing pressure on the overall system.

All projects serve communities beyond their immediate vicinity and completion of these projects will ensure that these parks are open and accessible to all. Receipt of these monies are critical to the completion of each of these projects.

f. Climate Change Implications

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

Carbon emission from material production will be minimal. Green spaces and bike racks may reduce these emissions over time. Renovated fields will mean greater access to neighborhood fields reducing commute distances and carbon emissions for participants.

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.

Each of these projects is incorporating climate resilient practices where possible in the design and construction resulting in an increase in Seattle’s climate resiliency. Carkeek Park project in particular provides beach access which is critical to the salmon restoration work that happens at the park.

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

Summary Attachments:

Summary Attachment A – Project Maps