

# Westwood-Highland Park Residential Urban Village Acquisition

City Council Public Assets and Homelessness Committee

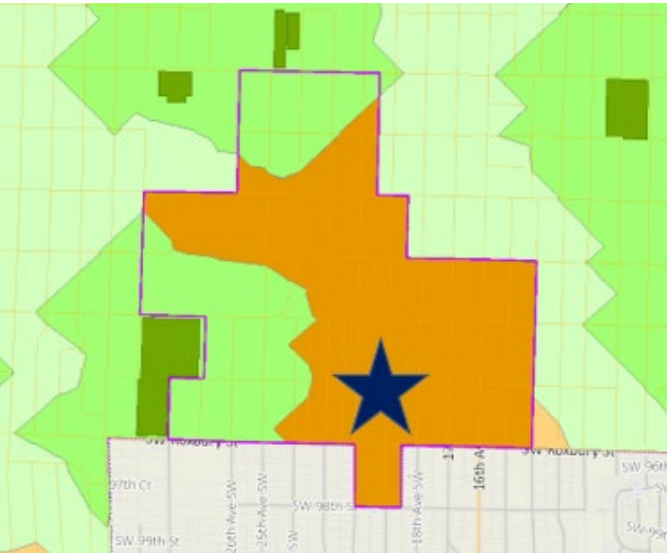
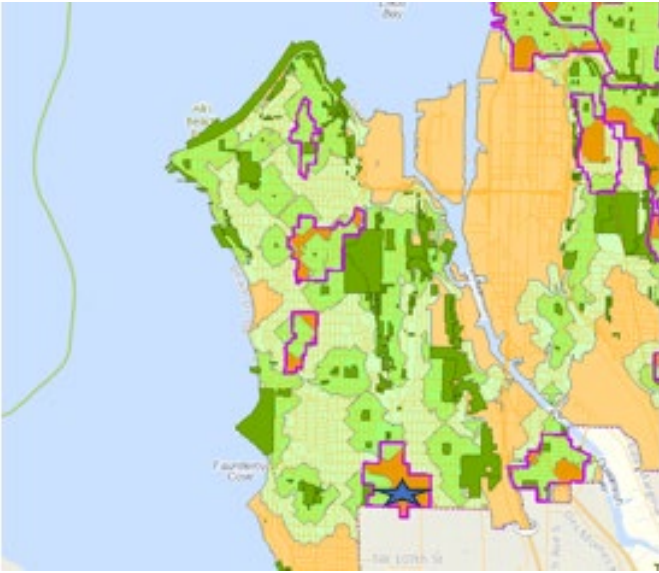
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Seattle Parks and Recreation



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# Overview



- Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) seeks to acquire property for a neighborhood park in West Seattle's Westwood-Highland Park Residential Urban Village (RUV), pending Council approval
- SPR has reached agreement with property owner to acquire approximately 13,772 square feet/0.32 acre
- Acquisition fills gap in neighborhood underserved by parks
- After acquisition, SPR will work with Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) to finalize a transfer of jurisdiction from SDOT for adjoining area (.64 acre) that will increase the size of the park to ~1 acre

# Property Description

- Location: 9200 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW, West Seattle
- Size: 13,772 square feet/0.32 acre
- Current Use: Vacant, fenced
- Condition: Due diligence complete, area of soil contamination discovered
- Requested acquisition authorization: \$3,530,000:
  - Purchase price: \$3,250,000
  - Negotiated remediation costs: \$250,000
  - Acquisition costs: \$30,000
- Ordinance attachment, version 2 reflects price adjustment for remediation costs



# Relation to Other City Investments



- Previously, the community collaborated with SDOT on park concepts for SDOT's Delridge Triangle, which included closure of a portion of 18<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW
- The triangle shape made it challenging to fit the community's preferred park uses with safety buffers from Delridge Way SW and SW Barton St.
- The additional area will better accommodate both the service gap and future park design
- Additional funding will be required for park development

# Questions?

