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**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**

**COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle Parks and Recreation; authorizing an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between The City of Seattle and the Seattle Park District.

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2014, the Seattle City Council approved Ordinance 124468, which authorized the

Mayor to sign an interlocal agreement formalizing the relationship between The City of Seattle (“The City”) and the Seattle Park District for implementation of park and recreation services and infrastructure in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, voters approved Proposition 1 on August 5, 2014, creating the Seattle Park District (“the District”) as permitted under chapter 35.61 RCW; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the ongoing provision of sufficient revenues to Seattle’s parks and recreation system, through the interlocal agreement, The City committed to allocate a baseline of General Fund revenues to be appropriated to Seattle Parks and Recreation in each annual budget that is adjusted by the rate of inflation as measured by Consumer Price Index on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, in the 2024 Proposed Budget the City is retaining and expanding its allocation of General Fund revenues to Seattle Parks and Recreation, but an unprecedentedly high rate of inflation for 2023 hampers the City’s ability to do so at the level currently required by the interlocal agreement; and

WHEREAS, both the City and the Seattle Park District have an interest in ensuring the long-term stability of revenues to the park and recreation system, and avoiding unilateral termination of the interlocal agreement during a challenging fiscal environment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 125722 of the City and Resolution 24 of the District Board, the City and the Seattle Park District agreed to enter into that certain First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement, (the “First Amendment”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 126199 of the City and Resolution 36 of the District Board, the City and the Seattle Park District agreed to enter into a Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (the “Second Amendment”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 126380 of the City and Resolution 43 of the District Board, the City and the Seattle Park District agreed to enter into a Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (the “Third Amendment”) and execute an Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Seattle Park District desire to amend the interlocal agreement authorized by Ordinance 124468 as amended and restated on July 6, 2021 to adjust and clarify the terms; NOW, THEREFORE,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Statement of intent. It is the intent of The City of Seattle that the interlocal agreement be amended to revise the rate by which the General Fund baseline for parks and recreation services is adjusted for the 2024 budget, and to clarify the specific measure of adjustment that will be used for other years.

Section 2. Amendment to interlocal agreement authorized. The Mayor is authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of The City of Seattle, an amendment to the interlocal agreement between The City of Seattle and the Seattle Park District (the “Fourth Amendment”), set out as Attachment 1 to this ordinance.

Section 3. Amended and restated interlocal agreement authorized. The Mayor is authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of The City of Seattle, the interlocal agreement as amended by Ordinance 125722, Ordinance 126199, Ordinance 126380, and this ordinance, as set out as Attachment 2 to this ordinance.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if

not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Bruce A. Harrell, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Scheereen Dedman, City Clerk

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**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1 - Fourth Amendment to Interlocal Agreement Between The City of Seattle, Washington, and the Seattle Park District
- Attachment 2 - An Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement Between The City of Seattle, Washington, and the Seattle Park District