

CITY OF SEATAC TO HOST COMMUNITY MEETING FOR RIVERTON HEIGHTS SITE

Opportunity for citizens to help identify the best uses for the 8-acre Riverton Heights Site

June 30, 2010- SeaTac, Wash. - The City of SeaTac will host the first of three community meetings Wednesday, July 7, 2010 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to discuss how the Riverton Heights site can best serve the community. The meeting will take place at the SeaTac Community Center located at 13735 24th Avenue South.

“The City Council wants to develop a plan that engages the entire community for input and active participation,” said Jeff Robinson, Interim Assistant City Manager for the city. “To that end, we hope that a broad range of community members will attend the meeting to develop and realize the best use for this land.”

The 8-acre parcel is the former location of the Riverton Heights Elementary School between South 148th Street and South 150th Street, near the 154th Street Link Light Rail Station. In 2007 the City purchased the property for \$1.95 million. The site is now cleared and soil tests indicate the land is in good condition for public use.

The city will offer free childcare beginning at 5:45 p.m. and onsite translators will be available for Spanish and Somali speaking community members. Light refreshments will be served.

The City has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$25,000 from the King Conservation District to fund initial planning for the site. Pomegranate Center, a non-profit community design and development organization, is working with the City to identify possible uses for the property. A portion of the land is reserved for a potential fire station.

About the City of SeaTac

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 25,230. The City of SeaTac is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, (approximately 3 square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the Port of Seattle. For more information contact Jeff Robinson, Interim Assistant City Manager, at (206) 973-4812.

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