

# Parks & Recreation Committee Agenda

February 7, 2019 4:00 PM SeaTac City Hall Riverton Room 1st Floor

Councilmembers: Clyde Hill, Chair Pam Fernald Rick Forschler

A quorum of the Council may be present.

Staff Coordinator: Lawrence Ellis, Parks, Community Programs and Services Director

ITEM	TOPIC	PROCESS	WHO	TIME
1	Call to Order		Chair	
2	Minutes of January 3, 2019	Approval of minutes.	Committee	5 min.
3	Public Comment	Please raise your hand if you'd like to speak so the Chair can call on you. Public comments are limited to 10 minutes total and three minutes per individual speaker. Time may be reduced for each speaker to stay within the10-minute time limit.	Chair	10 min. 4:05-4:15
4	Update on North SeaTac Park	Discussion	Joe Scorcio Anita Woodmass Lawrence Ellis	45 min. 4:15-5:00
5	Potential for corporate and private funding for 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks	Discussion	Lawrence Ellis	10 min. 5:00-5:10
6	Inter-local Agreement with U.S Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service for control of Canadian Geese	Discussion and recommendation	Mike Fitzpatrick, Parks Projects and Operations Manager	10 min. 5:10-5:20
7	Review of Veteran's Memorial	Discussion and recommendation	Lawrence Ellis	5 min. 5:20-5:25
8	Adjourn			



# Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes

Thursday, January 3, 2019

4:00 PM

### SeaTac City Hall - Riverton Room

Members:	Present:	Absent:	Commence:	4:00 PM	
			Adjourn:	5:13 PM	
Clyde Hill, Chair	x				
Pam Fernald	X				
Rick Forschler	X				

Other City Council Members Present: Mayor Erin Sitterley, Peter Kwon, Joel Wachtel

Staff Present: Joseph Scorcio, City Manager; Lawrence Ellis, Parks, Community Programs and Services Director; Gwen Rathe, Administrative Assistant III; Mike Fitzpatrick, Parks Projects & Operations Manager

1.	Call to Order	Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Chair Clyde Hill.
2.	Approval of Minutes	Minutes dated December 6, 2018 were approved as written.
3.	Public Comment	Judy Williams commented that a large tree top is loose in Angle Lake and presents a liability. It is currently tied to someone's property. Deputy Mayor Hill said this is not a City issue as the lake is owned by the State.  Vicki Lockwood commented that she would like the proposed Veteran's Memorial to be kept simple and not tied to a park with active amenities.
4.	Proposed locations and design of a Veteran's Memorial	Lawrence Ellis proposed two location options for a Veteran's Memorial near the SeaTac Community Center. He stated that this project is in the Capital Improvement Plan. He also shared a photo of an example of a monument style memorial. Joe Scorcio mentioned that fundraising, such as selling fundraising bricks, is important with this type of project. The message will be to honor those serving in all wars

		and recognize the five branches of military service. The Committee unanimously chose location Option 2 which is located at the west side of the SeaTac Community Center.
5.	188 <sup>th</sup> Street fence, City Hall overlay project and YMCA Recreation Services amendment updates	The S. 188 <sup>th</sup> Street fence is almost complete. Lawrence shared a handout showing before and after photos. Councilmember Fernald thanked Lawrence for getting this project done.
		The City Hall parking lot overlay project should be out to bid next week.
		Joe Scorcio clarified some items regarding the amendment updates to the YMCA Recreation Services agreement. The amendment will get the YMCA caught up on the funds they owe. Joe would like to take this issue to the Administration & Finance Committee (A&F) and then the full City Council in order to get the agreement signed in January. The Parks and Recreation Committee approved of this item being brought to the Administration & Finance Committee.
6.	Parks Maintenance Update	Mike Fitzpatrick, Parks Projects and Operations Manager gave an update on work being done in the parks. The crew is working on line of site issues to create better visibility into the parks. Work is being done at Angle Lake Park and in North SeaTac Park along Des Memorial Drive.
		Beginning on January 1, 2019, SeaTac Police Department is now closing the parks. In the past we had a contract with a security company do this work but felt the parks weren't being closed in a timely manner.
		In 2019, we plan to add gates at Valley Ridge Park so the parking lot can be closed at night.
		A new play toy is being installed at Angle Lake Park. The equipment is here and installation will begin on January 7. Installation should take about one and a half weeks.
		The contractor doing the work at Valley Ridge Park is working on punchlist items. A large tournament will run on the next three weekends. Joe Scorcio asked for a Weekly Update article on the tournament.
		Aaron Wiseman from Public Works Maintenance was hired to fill the Parks Operations Supervisor position.
		Mike ended by saying that he is excited about his new role as Parks Projects and Operations Manager.
7.	Adjourn	The Parks and Recreation Committee meeting was adjourned at 5:13 PM.

#### Mike Fitzpatrick

From:

Zscheile, Brook J - APHIS <Brook.Zscheile@aphis.usda.gov>

Sent:

Wednesday, January 30, 2019 3:51 PM

To:

Mike Fitzpatrick

Subject:

RE: 2019-2023 Interlocal Agreement

Hello Mike,

I am glad to pass along the information. This includes all the activities specifically conducted in as part of the Seattle area Waterfowl Committee.

During the nesting season

540 nests had the eggs oiled or were removed completely. This occurs at public parks and swimming beaches to decrease the numbers of geese that utilize these areas post hatch.

15,427 Canada Geese were hazed and harassed out of parks, swimming beaches and other public areas.

21 were lethally removed with firearms

During the Molting time (June – July)

412 Geese were trapped during round-ups and euthanized. These activities are done at public parks and recreational areas to reduce water quality and human health and safety issues.

As part of this program we are also conducting 5 monthly boat surveys (March, May, June, July, August) around the entirety of Lake Washington. These surveys document the number of geese pre-nesting and post hatching. Adults and juveniles are counted and documented. Areas of high densities are also noted and tracked over time.

A monthly vehicle survey is also conducted throughout King County, which includes parks and recreational areas of all the participating municipalities. These numbers are included into the annual Committee summary.

Please remind the Council and Parks and Rec Committee that since this Cooperative Interlocal Agreement has been in place, and the management objectives determined and executed, the urban Canada goose damage and nuisance issues have decreased dramatically. The oiling aspect of the management program has kept the local resident population at a level, where damages are easily alleviated, utilizing a combination of non-lethal harassment and small isolated round ups. The local communities are still able to enjoy and appreciate the birds while the day to day operations of municipalities, parks and businesses can be accomplished with only minor disturbances. In addition, it has benefited many waterfront property owners, as this management plan has allowed them to sustain the level of bird use on their properties while still providing the resident birds with habitat they need.

Without the cooperation of the participating municipalities the populations would rapidly increase as would the damage they cause. Recreation areas are often closed due to water quality issues (Coliform Bacteria) and complaints of goose feces and human health and safety issues and public parks and green spaces grow in number. It becomes increasingly more difficult to conduct management activities when the goose populations are at extremely high numbers.

Let me know if you need any more information

Thanks for your time

Brook

**Brook Zscheile** 

District Supervisor/Wildlife Biologist USDA Wildlife Services Bremerton District Poulsbo, WA 360-337-2778

From: Mike Fitzpatrick [mailto:mfitzpatrick@seatacwa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2019 2:35 PM

To: Zscheile, Brook J - APHIS <Brook.Zscheile@aphis.usda.gov>

Subject: 2019-2023 Interlocal Agreement

#### Good afternoon Brook,

I've yet to deliver back a signed agreement to you as I have been informed the ILA by statue needs City Council approval before I can proceed. That said, I will be taking the agreement to our Parks & Rec Committee for their review and recommendation before proceeding to Council. Do you have any historical data from 2018 available regarding number of Geese controlled and methods employed? I know we did not have a meeting in 2018 and don't remember seeing any summary data. I'm anticipating some questions from the Parks and Rec Committee and want to be prepared with some data. If you could pass along a 2018 summary before Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, I'd appreciate it.

#### Thank you.

#### Michael Fitzpatrick

Parks Projects & Operations Manager

City of SeaTac

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## For Your Action

# 2019-2023 Interlocal Agreement for Waterfowl (Canada Goose) Management Program

#### Please Note:

Final Form Ready for Your Submittal for Signature and Funding Authorization

# 2019-2023 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR WATERFOWL (CANADA GOOSE) MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Chapter 39.34.040 RCW (Interlocal Cooperation Act) permits local government units to make the most efficient use of their powers by enabling them to communicate and cooperate with other localities on a basis of mutual advantage and thereby to provide services in a manner pursuant to forms of government organization that will accord best with recreational, park and natural resources and other factors influencing the needs and development of local communities and

WHEREAS, the various agencies, cities, counties, Washington State and agencies of the Federal Government listed in Exhibit A - Page 6 of this Agreement, desire to manage waterfowl, especially Canada Geese; and

WHEREAS, all parties require assistance from the Wildlife Services Program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to reduce negative impacts on water quality, minimize resource damage, ensure safety from disease for park visitors, and enhance other property managed; and

WHEREAS, this program will be an ongoing resource management activity attempting to maintain a manageable number of birds on a year-to-year basis; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the covenants herein, it is mutually agreed as follows:

#### **SECTION I - PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide joint funding for an egg addling program, lethal control, population monitoring and census; mainly of Canada Geese, within King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties. This program will assist each party in communicating, maintaining, and managing public and selected and approved private site impacts of surplus waterfowl.

#### SECTION II - SCOPE OF PROGRAM

Wildlife Services (WS) will receive funds from each participating member for the continuation of an egg addling program, lethal control and evaluation during spring and summer 2019-2023.

Using best management practices WS will carry out an egg addling program, seeking as many accessible nesting areas as possible and will make every effort to minimize damage to the surrounding environment.

To request lethal control, WMC members must contact the WS District Supervisor or Assistant District Supervisor at 360-337-2778. WS will work with the member agency to determine if removal is warranted and if the location is suitable for removal operations.

With the assistance of Wildlife Services, the WMC members will continue a yearly program to increase monitoring activities that will enhance our locating and accessing nests on public and private land, and to facilitate an expanded egg addling program,

WS will also implement a program of removal, as requested by the Waterfowl Management Committee, subject to the terms and conditions of a permit to be issued by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. This will be done on a case by case basis in situations where an over population of Canada geese may result in an impact on human health and safety, such as potable water contamination, bird aircraft strikes, disease transmission or other situations as determined by WMC members.

WS will provide an annual report to the members of the WMC which will include information regarding egg addling, the general location of nests and number of eggs addled, number of geese removed, difficulties encountered, and other pertinent information valuable to the WMC.

WS will conduct a standardized monthly goose population survey of selected area parks and will annually conduct up to six goose surveys of Lake Washington by boat. As in previous years, census counts will be expanded using staff from local agencies and participants at times and places to be specified. Survey results will be presented annually to the WMC.

Where possible, community outreach and educational programs such as 'don't feed wildlife' and interpretive signage will be initiated to inform the public about urban Canada Geese, the associated problems, and the efforts of this committee at addressing those problems.

#### **SECTION III - RESPONSIBILITIES**

Each party, represented in Exhibit A – Waterfowl Management Committee Participants, and incorporated by reference herein, will share in the ongoing review of the programs carried out by WS.

Each party agrees that if necessary, an Oversight Committee will be appointed to monitor and report back to the general committee on a regular basis. Three members of the Committee will make up the Oversight Committee chaired by the Seattle Parks and Recreation representative.

#### **SECTION IV - COMPENSATION**

Each party shall contribute to the financial costs of the program. The costs are shared between the agencies. Individual costs per agency may vary year-to-year and are based upon the total number of agencies actively participating in the program and receiving services. Table 1

shows the 2019 minimum and maximum costs for each agency.

#### **SECTION V - TERM AND EXTENSION**

The Term of this Agreement is from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2023. This Agreement may be extended in time, scope or funding by mutual written consent from all parties referenced herein.

#### **SECTION VI - TERMINATION**

This agreement may be unilaterally terminated by any of the parties referenced herein or Wildlife Services upon presentation of written notice to the Oversight Committee at least 30 days in advance of the severance date shown in Section V.

Should termination of this agreement occur without completion of the egg addling, each party shall pay only its' pro rata share of any expenses incurred under the agreement at the date of the termination, and each party shall receive copies of all products resulting from the addling activities up to the time of the termination.

#### **SECTION VII - DELIVERABLE**

Using best management practices, Wildlife Services will carry out an egg addling program, seeking as many accessible nesting areas as possible, and will make every effort to minimize damage to the surrounding environment. Field conditions or changing conditions may increase or decrease the number of eggs addled from previous years' totals. Eggs will be coated with vegetable oil on dates to be determined by Wildlife Services.

Lethal control will be implemented as requested and the total numbers are established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Permit. Participants will receive a report on the number of eggs addled and geese euthanized in 2019.

#### SECTION VIII - FILING

As provided by RCW 39.34.040, this agreement shall be filed prior to its entry and force with the City or County Clerks of the participating parties, the County Auditor and the Secretary of State, and, if found to be necessary, with the State Office of Community Affairs as provided by RCW 39.34.120.

#### **SECTION IX - LIABILITY**

Each party to this agreement shall be responsible for damage to person or property resulting from the negligence on the part of itself, its employees, its agents or its officers. No party assumes any responsibility to another party for the consequences of any act or omission of any person, firm, or corporation not at party to this agreement.

### EXHIBIT A

## WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PARTICIPANTS

City of Bellevue	Dan Acker
City of Kirkland	Jason Filan
City of Mountlake Terrace	Ken Courtmanch
Port of Seattle - Seattle-Tacoma International Airport	Steve Osmek
City of Renton	Cailin Hunsaker
City of SeaTac	Mike Fitzpatrick
City of Woodinville	Amy Ensminger
Seattle of Parks and Recreation	Barb DeCaro
University of Washington	Abebe Aberra
USDA Wildlife Services	Mike Linnell

#### TABLE I

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES	CONTRIBUTIONS		
	MINIMUM (Total 12 agencies)	MAXIMUM (Total 10 agencies)	
Seattle Parks and Recreation	2,200	3,550	
All other agencies	2,200	2,664	

All checks will be made payable to the USDA-APHIS-WS, earmarked for the Wildlife Services and sent to the following addresses:

Mr. Mike Linnell
State Director -Wildlife Services Program
U.S. Department of Agriculture
720 O'Leary Street Northwest
Olympia, Washington 98502
(360) 742-5500

In case of procedural questions regarding this project, please contact:

Deborah Stalman, Budget Analyst Wildlife Services Program (360) 742-5500 FAX: (360) 753-9466

For questions regarding implementation of control measures and census, please contact:

Brook Zscheile District Supervisor U.S. Department of Agriculture 10265 Central Valley Rd NW Poulsbo, WA 98370 (360) 337-2778

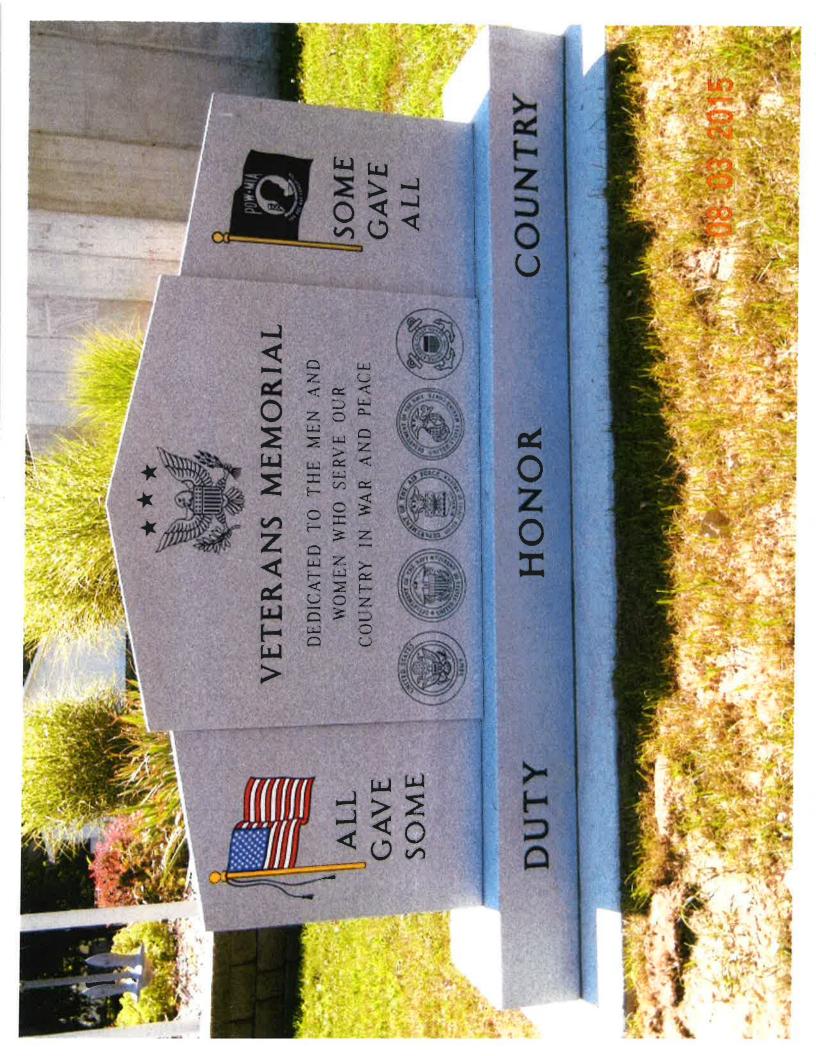
#### **SECTION X. - SEVERABILITY**

If any section of this agreement is adjudicated to be invalid, such action shall not affect the validity of any section so adjudged.

This agreement shall be executed on behalf of each party by its authorized representative. It shall be deemed adopted upon the date of execution by the last so authorized representative.

This agreement is approved and entered into by the undersigned county and local government units, university and other private parties.

City of Bellevue By:	Port of Seattle – Seattle-Tacoma International Airport  By:
Patrick Foran, Director of Parks and Community Services Date:	Lance Lyttle, Airport Director Date:
City of Kirkland By: Jason Filan, Parks Manager Date:	Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation By: Christopher Williams, Acting Superintendent Date:
City of Mountlake Terrace  By:  Scott Hugill, City Manager  Date:	City of SeaTac  By: Carl Cole, City Manager Date:
City of Renton  By:  Denis Law, Mayor  Date:	University of Washington By: Jon Parkin Interim Director of Facilities Maintenance & Construction Date:
City of Woodinville By:	
Brandon Buchanan, City Manager Date:	





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