

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: I support the acquisition of North SeaTac Park from the Port of Seattle
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 10:52:48 PM

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Dear SeaTac City Councilmembers:

I am thrilled that the City of SeaTac is seriously exploring the idea of acquiring North SeaTac Park so that the people of SeaTac will have that beautiful forested land as a permanent asset in their community.


The recent and very dire U.N. report on climate change that came out just last month noted that climate change is a global emergency that requires coordinated solutions at all levels. I note that a commitment to preserve this forested park could be part of that coordinated solution! I would be so very proud if our local electeds in the City of SeaTac and on the Port of Seattle Commission were to do the right thing here. (And I have sent a similar message about this issue to the Port Commissioners.)

Thank you for your diligent efforts to reach a solution that will benefit not just the citizens of SeaTac, but our environment overall.

Gratefully,

Barbara McMichael

[REDACTED]
SeaTac, WA 98198

From: 
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: N SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:10:59 AM

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I am an avid mountain biker. This space means the world to me. It's where I can get back to nature and exercise. I'm there weekly. To experience this mini forest so close to my house is wonderful. The space is priceless for the Seattle mountain bike community.

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Please take my words under consideration. We have so few open spaces in Seattle. Let's protect this one.

Josh Warborg

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment; Defenders of North SeaTac Park](#)
Subject: Never develop SeaTac greenspace and parks.
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:44:37 AM

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To the Seatac council members,

The green space and now park areas that were entrusted to SeaTac should never be used for any purpose other than green space or park area.

The taxes that were deferred on those areas would need to be paid back with interest to king county.

That bill and the lawsuit would offset any profit. The infrastructure for roads is not designed to carry commercial traffic.

Also there are areas like the Lora lake apartments boondoggle that could be developed that have the infrastructure in place.

The best use for the community is the sound abatement and environmental benefit the greenspace provides.

Thank you,
Christopher C Konker

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North SeaTac Park - please leave alone
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 10:07:30 PM

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Please leave the park alone. It is vital to the surrounding community and cities as a place of recreation. Families such as mine use it every week.

Allow the airport to find alternatives to alleviate their issues besides taking more nature for cars. In fact we need a second airport for the region, not a larger one.

Thank you.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North Seatac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:09:34 AM

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Dear Council

As a property owner in the City of Seatac, a resident of Tukwila, and a housing provider in Burien, I wish to add my voice to those citizens supporting acquiring and protecting Seatac Park from further heavy development. I have lived in this area for 40+ years and it is becoming more and more clear that we need better local control of parks. The Port originally promised "no third runway" when they built the second runway. They simply won't stop overdevelopment at the expense of the surrounding communities. Please acquire control of the North Seatac Park!

Nadine Morgan
Tukwila

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:08:33 AM

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I support The protection of North SeaTac Park from development pressures, and the preservation of this importance regional resource.

Sincerely,
Dan Carow

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:20:12 AM

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Sincerely,

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North Seatac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 9:15:34 PM

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Maintaining (and investing in) this green space is especially important from the angle of environmental and economic equity for a community living in the flight path. Many people in this area use the park daily and there are few other accessible green spaces for many local residents to exercise in. This is especially true for people reliant on public transportation.

It seems it would take very little investment of city funds to maintain. With a little more, it could become a destination by creating a designated off leash dog park and improving the safety for riders and pedestrians sharing the trails.

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Sincerely,
Chanae Nielson

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North SeaTac Park Acquisition
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 9:20:10 PM

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Mayor Simpson, Councilmember Kwon, and members of the City Council Parks and Recreation Committee:

Thanks for your efforts in considering the acquisition and protection of North SeaTac Park. I hope that the resolution proposing exploration of this will pass and that the entire park be included.

My daughter and family live in Burien. We often come to North SeaTac to visit the gardens, and check out the playing fields. Then we hit the terrific mountain bike trails. What a fantastic and diverse resource.

Since SeaTac faces the impact of the endless air traffic, let this park remain in SeaTac city hands for development, protection and preservation for now and the future.

Thanks for your work and best wishes for the success of this project.

Sincerely,
Robin Pederson

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:12:46 AM

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Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park.
This park is critical the health of our community.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: NSTP acquisition
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 6:01:29 AM

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I live and visit this park almost weekly with my two small kids, Thaddeus (6) and Vivienne (4) and love playing in our "backyard" park. We live on 23rd so it's just a couple of blocks to get there. Any paving within this treasure would be devastating for our family. My oldest learned how to ride his bike there on the dirt trails. Invaluable resource. Please prevent any development in our community treasure.

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Sincerely,

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Derek M. Beauchemin, Owner/Operator

Habitat Restoration Specialists, LLC.
206.459.0586
Bus Lic HABITRS831QO
WSDA Pesticide Applicator Lic# 72917

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Park and trees
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 6:23:03 PM

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Please send your support to this effort and encourage your friends and colleagues to do the same. Trees reduce carbon, they buffer noise, filter ultrafine particulate, they absorb and retain water. They are our best defense and barrier to pollution from Sea-Tac. This is a well used recreation and environmental protection area promised to the community during the second runway fight. I was not here for that battle but I've seen the archived info.

Thank you,
Debi Wagner
Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please approve protection North SeaTac Park resolution
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 5:20:10 PM

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Hello,

I want to express my support for the Council to pass the resolution and begin pursuing acquisition of the entire North SeaTac Park (not just a portion of the park, the whole thing), and on my support for a plan to permanently protect the park's natural space from private or commercial development.

It is so important that we protect the natural green space that we still have. Development can take place in already developed areas, of which there are many, there is no reason to take away any part of a park from the community.

In addition, the creation of this particular park was meant to offset the negative costs on the community imposed by the close location of SeaTac International Airport. Reneging on that promise is a stab in the back.

We in Seattle are lucky to have a beautiful park like this one. The City needs to step in and protect the park.

Thank you,
Tracy McAlpin

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please approve resolution protecting North Seatac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 7:25:32 PM

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Climate change is accelerating and we need to protect our precious green spaces now more than ever. This park is a regional treasure. To quote Lawrence Ellis, Director of SeaTac's Parks, Community Programs & Services in his background memo for this resolution, the park is "recognized as one of the largest open spaces in South King County that preserves a portion of the community's natural environment and promotes the quality of life for the SeaTac residents and surrounding communities that benefit from the use of the park."

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Sincerely,
Evelyn Dial

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote for the resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:33:13 AM

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Disc golf has grown tremendously in the past 5 years and SeaTac Disc golf course provides exercise and community building opportunities for a large Seattle population.

I urge the Council to pass this resolution, pursue acquisition of the the entire park, not just part of it, and create a plan to invest in permanent protection of its recreational and natural spaces.

Thank you

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting and purchasing North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:49:59 AM

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I am a homeowner and citizen of the City of Seatac. I fully support the effort to purchase the entire area of North Seatac Park (NSP) in order to protect it from commercial or Port of Seattle development. NSP offers beautifully developed and undeveloped spaces that are vital to the recreational needs of the community! It is used by many diverse persons, and user groups of our population. Natural Open Spaces are diminishing at an alarming rate, including around the Puget Sound region. NSP is a regional gem in this area...please vote to purchase and preserve all of it!

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Sincerely,
Myron Clinton


Seatac, WA 98188

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:41:47 AM

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Sincerely, Dan Merlino

[REDACTED]
Seattle, WA 98136

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To: [RCM Public comment](#)
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I love walking through the park with my friends, family, and dog. It is a great place for families to visit. There are numerous owls that my family loves to look for. It is a great habitat for native birds, plants, and animals. I urge you to protect the park!

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Sincerely,
Emily Neely

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:05:42 AM

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I am a resident of Unincorporated King County and live close to the park. It is the best park in the area and there are always many people there enjoying it, but it still remains peaceful.

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Sincerely,
Stefanie Fatooh

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To: [RCM Public comment](#)
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Sincerely,
Luciana Bosio

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I have two young children (ages 10 months and 3 years) that I take on walks through the park most weekends. I also have 3 dogs that I regularly bring to the park for much needed socialization with other people and dogs. It is the closest park to my home that allows both. My oldest loves to watch the groups of friends playing disc golf and learning about the variety of plants throughout the park, and we have recently begun teaching her how to ride a bike on the trails because our street does not have sidewalks on which to teach her.

This area needs green space to counter the vast pollution coming from the airport, and destroying it for the sake of more parking when there is a robust public transit system, Uber/Lyft drivers, and other taxi companies to accommodate the people needing to travel by plane. Destroying the livelihood of those of us who live in the area are more important than unnecessary parking spaces.

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Thank you for your time and my family and I wholeheartedly request you do whatever you can to protect this much needed green space.

Best,
Heather

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
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My family and I use the park for riding bikes on the trails on a weekly basis. The trails provide a safe car free environment so we don't have to worry about traffic, plus we get to enjoy the lush landscape in the park. Additionally, my son uses the RC car tracks at the park which provides pure enjoyment for him and his friends.

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Sincerely, Thomas H. Riess, PhD, MPH

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
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As a resident of Tukwila, I live within close proximity of this park. I have created many lasting memories there and continue to do so with every visit to the park. It's a wonderful park all throughout. Any repurposing of any parts of this area would be a great loss for myself and the hundreds, if not more, of other folks who visit and explore the park frequently.

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Sincerely,

Jason Gorman

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
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Please don't tear it down. My family takes our dog for a lovely walk here and it would be sad to see it go.

Thank you

Kraig A.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
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I personally feel that any green space that is lost from the area would be a terrible error on the Port of Seattles part. My family thrives by having this park kept whole. I used the trails while pregnant then while pushing a stroller and now we use the fields and play grounds. Atleast part of that would be lost if this area was developed and that is not acceptable with so little greenspace left.

Thank you,
Jennifer Potter
Local resident and neighbor to North SeaTac Park

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
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Dear SeaTac City Council Members,

I know I am literally one of over a thousand locals who thank you for ongoing efforts to explore the feasibility of acquiring and protecting North Seatac Park and for tomorrow's resolution proposing that this exploration begin. That said, I implore the Council and Committee to pass this resolution, pursue acquisition of the entire park and create a plan to invest in permanent protection as this is a 'green' mine that demonstrates a deep commitment to climate change, an environment that not only promotes the health of trees but the growth of our community's well being for decades to come.

I am a resident of unincorporated Renton (King County) but I am a proactive volunteer and basically steward of the park through the mountain biking organization that holds its bike races as of we speak currently, every Wednesday until mid-August. That said, I have seen how much the positive outcomes of the combination of cycling and a greenspace provides to many residents of King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties that come to this bike event on Wednesdays. Families from many socioeconomic backgrounds come to enter this event. In addition, the organizers of this event have patronized local businesses from eateries such as Verona Pizza, Pizza Gallery, and a couple of ethnically owned food trucks. On top of that, these athletes pour into the surrounding places to eat at such places like IHOP, 13 Coins, Ivar's and Sharps RoastHouse. The local bike shops and their distributors benefit as well. These local dollars that support jobs, sales taxes and bring a tool to promoting mental and physical health and reducing crime while also saving a greenspace from development are just the few benefits and reasons the park should be purchased as a whole.

At this time, I would love to acknowledge Mr. Peter Kwon for coming out to the bike races and being part of the atmosphere and seeing why this place means so much to our local residents. In addition, past council members

such as Pam Fernalde and Clyde Hill recognize the importance of such a park.

You know, when we look at Issaquah which has Duthie Bike Park, Redmond that has Soaring Eagle, Bellevue with Coal Creek, we have to seriously ask ourselves why not SeaTac? Why do all the known affluent and hate to say, less ethnically diverse per capita cities get to have some of the nicest parks in all of Washington? Why can't we prove SeaTac is beyond just an airport or bad press? It offers the amenities that any affluent city does but North SeaTac Park is different - it's locally driven with the heart and soul of SeaTac and every neighboring town. This is an opportunity to give what the locals need and deserve but importantly, you all can be the heroes and the healers for the past history we know that hurt so many residents during the 3rd Runway Extension. When you fly out of Seatac, remember as you fly back and look down as the plane gets ready to land, you can either say, "That's MY park" or wonder if you did the right thing when you see warehouses.

Thank you for your time.

Yuri Rabena
Renton, WA

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 7:42:13 PM

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Sincerely,
Mark Baker

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 7:17:00 PM

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Though it may seem like an oddity in the world of city planning, having a forested oasis like this for the residents of SeaTac and its neighboring cities is a tremendous asset to their wellbeing. I've lived in a number of cities and metropolitan areas, and I can say that this park in SeaTac is a true gem and it truly brings so many people joy. Whether it be kids playing at the BMX park, families looking to escape to the forested trails for tranquility, or cyclists taking to the trails every Wednesday night to be amongst fellow riders, the North SeaTac park is vital to the community.

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Sincerely,

Alec Cervenka

Alec Cervenka

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 7:12:34 PM

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Sincerely
Mark Megarity

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to APPROVE resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 6:18:34 PM

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My family and I value this park. Both of my daughters have grown up riding bikes, playing and exploring this park from an early age. It is an important piece of the fabric of how our family recreates and nutures lasting memories with each other and many of our friends. For years, I've met up with friends to ride and race in a community that is accepting and diverse. Folks come from North Seattle, Tacoma, Enumclaw, Auburn, Issaquah and from all over Seattle to hang out, see friends and test them selves on the unique trails through the park. Now, my kids are doing the same. It is gratifying seeing their growth and stimulation through bikes, friends and open park space.

Not having North SeaTac Park would be a huge blow to the community, and not just cyclists. No part of this park should be commercially developed. According to the FAA, it was created to compensate area residents for cumulative impacts of SeaTac Airport. These impacts are only increasing. With city ownership of the park and strong legal protections for its continued use as a park and the health of its forest and waterways, the city would have the ability to appropriately plan and invest in its protection.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Clark & Family

Matthew J. Clark // [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 6:16:13 PM

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Please preserve the green space and do NOT allow more development.

I urge the Council to pass this resolution, pursue acquisition of the the entire park, not just part of it, and create a plan to invest in permanent protection of its recreational and natural spaces.

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Sincerely,

Allison Ostrer

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 5:13:07 PM

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My family uses this park daily for walks with our dogs. It is our nearest source of nature and a wonderful place for families in the neighborhood to have access to healthy outdoor activities.

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Sincerely,
Meagan Lass
Seatac resident and homeowner

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 5:03:05 PM

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I have volunteered with the Forest Stewards and the Green Cities Partnership at North SeaTac Park and have seen the power that the park has for the people, like me, who live in the area. It's an essential greenspace, one we should be protecting and cherishing.

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Sincerely,

Wesley Matlock

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:49:47 AM

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I use this park almost weekly for cycling, walking, taking my kids to the BMX track, cyclocross and mountain bike racing and training!

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Sincerely,

Barney Gill
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Please vote to approve resolution to protect North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:01:52 AM

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Please vote to protect the North SeaTac Park! We do not need more parking lots, we need green space! Thank you

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment; commission-public-records@portseattle.org](#)
Subject: Preserve North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 11:30:09 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to voice my whole-hearted support for the acquisition of North SeaTac Park by the City of SeaTac to ensure its preservation. The park serves as an oasis of green in an area that is rapidly giving way to a sea of concrete, brick, and steel. I am hopeful that it will serve as an example of how smart, thoughtful development can coexist with efforts to preserve of our dwindling natural resources - locally, regionally, and globally.

Thank you for your efforts.

Sincerely,
Daniel Wend

[REDACTED]
Des Moines, WA 98198

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Preserve North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:56:44 AM

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Dear SeaTac City Council,

I am a resident of SeaTac. I have chosen to live here. Increasingly I see a city of parking lots. Please do not take away our promised green space of North SeaTac Park. We are an airport city, initially, that was a point of pride. Now we are a parking city. Our only gathering places are our two beautiful parks. Please do not take that away to profit businesses and people who do not even live here.

We deserve an affordable city for our families, and we deserve spaces to play and breathe.

The light rail stop was intended to reduce traffic and parking. We are already paying for that with our taxes. Lyft and Uber provide services that contribute to the demise of these parking lots. We don't need them. People are able to adapt to what is available.

Please consider us in this upcoming decision. We deserve a place to live and a place to gather too.

Thank you,

Deb Anderson

[REDACTED]

Deb Anderson
G-Ma/Philosopher/World Changer

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Protect North SeaTac Park!!
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 8:11:35 AM

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Since my spouse and I moved to this area in 2021, we have come to North SeaTac park on a regular basis to enjoy the forests, the gardens, playing fields, and other recreational facilities with our children and grandchildren. We have also made this park on of our WaBi community walk destinations for all of the community members to enjoy.

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Sincerely,

David Lipps

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Protect North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 9:37:52 PM

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Dear Mayor, Council members, and members of the City Council Parks and Recreation Committee,

I lived in this area years ago, and I am grateful for your ongoing efforts to explore the feasibility of the City acquiring and protecting North SeaTac Park. I support the resolution proposing that this exploration begin.

I urge the Council to acquire the whole park, not just part of it, and create a plan to invest in permanent protection of its recreational and natural spaces.

This area desperately needs and deserves this park. It is one of the largest open spaces in South King County that preserves a portion of the community's natural environment and promotes the quality of life for the SeaTac residents and surrounding communities.

None of this land should be commercially developed. It was created to compensate area residents for cumulative impacts of SeaTac Airport. It would be a sad irony indeed if they lost it to the airport. Public ownership of the park and strong legal protections for the health of its forest and waterways are needed. Please protect this small patch of earth and the life that dwells there.

Sincerely,

C. Virginia Herrick

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 3:09:00 AM

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SeaTac City Council; I hope you will approve AB-5956 and continue to explore ways to protect the entire North SeaTac Park from commercial development. Such beautiful wooded and open areas are essential in preserving the quality of life in otherwise urban neighborhoods.

Thank you for all you do,

Tom

Tom Lang

[REDACTED]

Seattle, WA 98117

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Save North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 9:31:21 AM

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Sincerely,

Allegra Sweeney

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Saving North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:37:50 AM

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Blessings,

Thank you for reading my email. Green spaces in urban areas are more precious than gold. This is particularly true of "NorthSeaTac Park. " With its large stand of evergreen trees, numerous walking paths with ball fields, championship frisbee courses, play areas for the little ones and relief from concrete and city noise. The park is a spiritual living treasure. Benefiting not only the immediate neighborhood. But citizens of King County and beyond. Reunions, ball games, romantic walks, bike rides, picnics have all been realized in NorthSeaTac park. Its a community crown jewel.

In this day and age of pandemic, war, economic hardships, racial strife, North SeaTac Park is a beacon of light and hope. Have you taken a walk in the park lately? Have you experienced the return of the many bird species that call the park home. Or seen the chipmunks scurrying to and fro. Happy to feel the warmth of the sun as they gather lunch or dinner.

North SeaTac park is important not only for humans but also for our wild life neighbors which inhabit the many nooks and crannies of the forest and tops of tall trees. If you vote to take away the North SeaTac Park, this action is "irrevocable" and will cause the loss of a major natural eco system that is a vital aspect of the neighboring DuWamish water system.

What more can be said to save the North SeaTac Park from commercial destruction? Our First Nations Brothers and Sisters know the value of North SeaTac Park. The value the park plays in the lives of the neighborhood goes beyond dollar and cents. Intrinsically North SeaTac Park is "Priceless". It represents the heart and soul of a neighborhood that is one of the most diverse in all of Seattle and King County.

Please, i beg of you to see the Light and bestow the status of "natural urban park upon NorthSeaTac Park in perpetuity. For the citizens of Seattle, King County and Washington state deserve this small wondrous nugget of calm, peace and true fellowship, now and forever.

Peace,
J. Lee Cook

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Support for resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:21:30 AM

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Mayor Simpson and Members of the Council,

As a resident of SeaTac and frequent user of North SeaTac Park I write today in support of the ongoing efforts to explore the feasibility of the City acquiring and protecting North SeaTac Park and for today's resolution proposing that this exploration begin. I urge the Council to pass this resolution, pursue acquisition of the the entire park, not just part of it, and create a plan to invest in permanent protection of its recreational and natural spaces.

North SeaTac Park was created to compensate area residents for cumulative impacts of SeaTac Airport. Those of us who live near the airport carry a disproportionate burden, in the forms of air, ground and noise pollution, for this regional airport. This park and forest canopy provide essential mitigation to these harms and protecting them is a matter of health and equity. No part of this park should be commercially developed.

With city or regional government ownership of the park and strong legal protections for its continued use as a park and the health of its forest and waterways, the city would have the ability to appropriately plan and invest in its protection.

Thank you for your interest in preserving this important resource.

Sincerely,
Damiana Merryweather

[REDACTED]

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Damiana Merryweather

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Support for SeaTac acquiring N SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 6:31:06 PM

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As SeaTac residents and neighbors of the park, we have spent countless hours wandering the trails with our daughter who is now 4 searching for fairies and letting her imagination run wild. We hope to do the same with our second child due in a few months. It would significantly impact our enjoyment of the neighborhood and the community we've found here to lose the park.

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Sincerely,

Karina Collins

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: support of resolution to study expanding N Seatac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:30:25 AM

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Additionally I think any areas of the north clear zone of the airport that are not part of the park need to have the strongest code protections in the city's comprehensive plan that are designed to minimize conflicts with the residential areas. Examples:

1. Natural buffers and maximum setbacks
2. Traffic and parking restrictions
3. Noise restrictions
4. Low building heights
5. Dedicated mitigation areas.
6. No more development that detracts from community quality – no prisons, recycling facilities, etc.
7. Employer Code of Conduct

Kristina Gregg

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, May 9, 2022 9:07 PM
To: RCM Public comment

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This park is part of our homes, our lives, our memories.

Keep the park in SeaTac control, the port only cares about it's monetary value and cares not for the residents who must deal with the greed of bureaucracy.

My family is often found cleaning around the park to help others enjoy with the recent adopt a street program. We are invested and rooted in our park and neighborhood.

Honor the community and commitment of keeping our park.

Megan Snyder

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Vote to approve resolution protecting North SeaTac Park
Date: Monday, May 9, 2022 5:56:43 PM

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Dear SeaTac Council Members:

Please vote to protect the entire North SeaTac Park. It's a large open space that provides physical and mental health benefits measurable and immeasurable to the surrounding communities and all those who spend time there. We need more green spaces.

**Thank you,
Iris Antman**

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [RCM Public comment](#)
Subject: Wonderful Opportunity to PROTECT North SeaTac Park
Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 10:14:52 AM

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Thank you to Mayor Simpson, Councilmember Kwon, and members of the City Council Parks and Recreation Committee for ongoing efforts to explore the feasibility of the City acquiring and protecting North SeaTac Park and for today's resolution proposing that this exploration begin. I urge the Council to pass this resolution, pursue acquisition of the entire park, not just part of it, and create a plan to invest in permanent protection of its recreational and natural spaces.

North SeaTac Park, including the property bordering the Highline Botanical Gardens (and the area from S 144th to S 136th) offer a respite from the surrounding pavement of neighboring cities. Within walking and biking distance, the green space fosters community and recreation - with access to mountain biking trails, walking among tall conifers, and perhaps a future community garden space to grow food! The Seattle Times article, "REI's Marc Berejka on COVID, mental health and equity in the outdoors" states: "...the park prescription facet has been invented and cultivated by a community of medical doctors who feel so strongly that time outdoors is good for your physical and mental health that they want to prescribe it to you for your benefit." In addition, the article states: "The Trust for Public Land for a long time has had this mission,...and that is that every American should live within a 10-minute walk of a healthy green space." South King County and this area of Burien, White Center, SeaTac, Tukwila, is lacking in access to green space. The Council's action to acquire and protect North SeaTac Park in its entirety, and preserve it as a Park in perpetuity, is a critical step in serving the community by supporting the health of our citizens, mitigating the noise and pollution impacts by the airport, and promoting restoration and health of the watershed.

This park is a regional treasure. To quote Lawrence Ellis, Director of SeaTac's Parks, Community Programs & Services in his background memo for this resolution, the park is "recognized as one of the largest open spaces in South King County that preserves a portion of the community's natural environment and promotes the quality of life for the SeaTac residents and surrounding communities that benefit from the use of the park."

No part of this park should be commercially developed. According to the FAA, it was created to compensate area residents for cumulative impacts of SeaTac Airport. The impacts by the airport are increasing, the airport must be held accountable for these impacts, and the airport should examine how to operate efficiently within its current developed areas before consuming more green space. With city ownership of the park and strong legal protections for its continued use as a park and the health of its forest and waterways, the city would have the ability to appropriately plan and invest in its protection.

Thank you for making the preservation of North SeaTac Park a priority.

Sincerely,
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