Fourth of July Presentation March 14, 2024

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OVERVIEW

Background & Context

Operations prior to 2024

Fourth of July Data Points

Key Considerations for Change

Drone Show Details

Proposed Transition with Community

Next Steps



FOURTH OF JULY PRIOR TO 2024

Annual Firework Display at Angle Lake Park includes involvement from multiple parties:

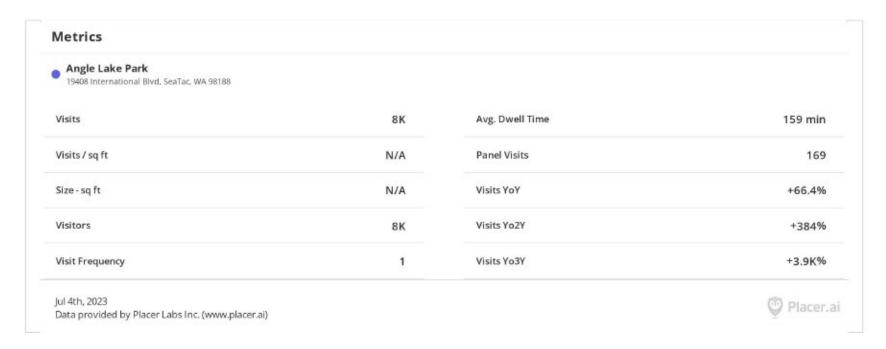
- Parks; logistics of the park needs, to adjust to the larger crowd size.
- Recreation; entertainment, lifeguards, fireworks.
- Fire; safety and medical assistance for the crowd and fireworks.
- Police; safety and support.
- Angle Lake Shore Club Integral to the fireworks display.
- Secure fencing around fireworks loading zone; clearing the area of people for most of the day.
- Patrol boats out on the water to ensure 100-300 yard safety perimeter.



STATISTICAL DATA

Metrics

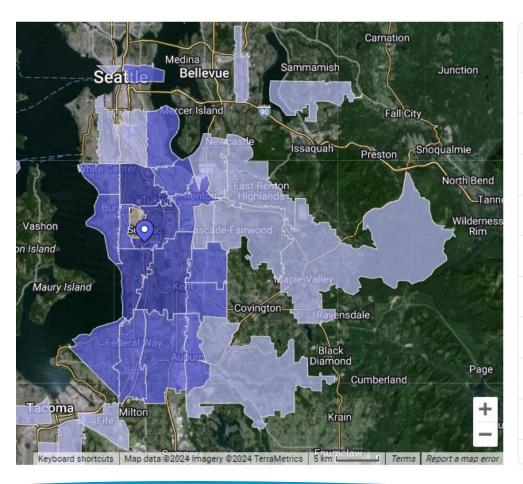
Jul 4 - Jul 4, 2023





STATISTICAL DATA – Zip Codes

July 4, 2023



Zipcode / City	○ Visits (% of Total) •
98198 Seattle, WA	1K (12.9%)
98188 Seattle, WA	1K (12.7%)
98032 Kent, WA	654 (8.2%)
98168 Seattle, WA	568 (7.1%)
98003 Federal Way, WA	344 (4.3%)
98166 Seahurst, WA	339 (4.2%)
98057 Renton, WA	284 (3.6%)
98023 Federal Way, WA	279 (3.5%)
98118 Seattle, WA	240 (3%)
98148	212 (2.7%) CITY

DRONE SHOW DETAILS

Pixel Sky Animations, Vancouver BC

- Custom Choreographed Drone Show
- Bright LED's
- Up to 200 drones for 15 minutes, depending on launch and landing site
- Music Synchronization
- 2 hour set up time and 1 hour of tear down

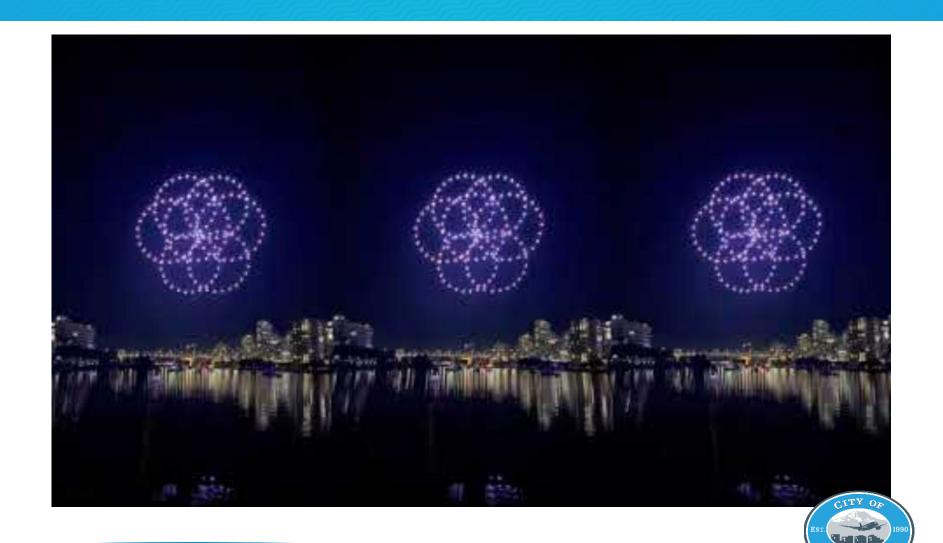


KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR CHANGE

- 1. Environmental & Safety Considerations
 - Reduced air and noise pollution.
 - Toxic chemicals and plastics.
 - Potential danger for staff and community.
 - Climate Change/ dry summers.
- 2. Classification of Angle Lake's "non-navigability"
 - City's obligation, based on two WA Supreme Court cases.
- 3. Logistical Constraints
 - Locating a licensed watercraft/ barge.
 - Site for loading/unloading.
 - Staff time and safety perimeter.



DRONE SHOW



BUDGET COMPARISONS

Drone Comparison								
							# of	
City	Event	Company	# of Drones		Cost	Minutes	shows	
Des Moines	4th of July	Sky Elements	100	\$	90,000.00	20	2	
SeaTac	4th of July	Pixel Animation	200	\$	40,000.00	15	1	
Sequim	Sunshine Fesitival	FireFly	200	\$	50,000.00	15	1	

4th of July Attendance							
City	2019	2022	2023				
Des Moines	5400	2600	5900				
SeaTac	3900	4800	8000				



COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Angle Lake Shore Club (ALSC)

- 1. Fund raised specifically for fireworks displays.
- Financial support at \$5,000/ year.
- 2. Provided in-kind donations.
- Estimated at \$6,500/ year.
- 3. Recommendation from ALSC and support from Recreation staff for 2024 transition plan proposal:
- City of SeaTac provides a drone display at the west end of the lake (park).
- Responsible for permitting and logistics.
- Show at west end of the lake at approximately 9:45pm.
- ALSC provides a display on the east end of the lake.
- Responsible for permitting and logistics.
- Show at east end of the lake at approximately 10:10pm.



FOURTH OF JULY – SEATAC STAFF OPERATIONAL COMPARISON Fireworks vs. Drone

- 2023 \$25,000 + \$6,500 in kind
 FIREWORKS
- Park Operations- utilities for off-site operator use.
- ALSC members to provide 3 barges for loading.
- ALSC members towing and locating barges to and from eco-blocks.
- 3 Parks and Recreation staff for preshow and permit process.
- 1 staff assigned for loading day of operations.
- Staff (Aquatics and PD) support to close the beach at the end of the day.
- 1 Fire Inspector

• 2024 - \$40,000

DRONES

- Drone Staff (provided by Pixel)

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 members.
- 2 Parks and Recreation staff for preshow planning.
- Pixel staff for permitting.
- Staff (Aquatics and PD) support to close beach access at the end of the day.

NEXT STEPS

- Decision Card Submission for additional budget ask of \$20,000 to support the Drone Show + contract with operator.
- 2. Position current logistical and safety plans for Drone Show; meetings with internal staff at various Departments who are involved.
- 3. Ensure good communication with ALSC and residents around Angle Lake; communications plan for broader community.
- 4. Perform a post event wrap analysis and identify recommendations for 2025.



Questions?



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