



## City Council

### Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program Grant Application to the Recreation and Conservation Office for Yelm Highway Community Park Phase I

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#### **Title**

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#### **Recommended Action**

##### **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

##### **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to approve the Resolution authorizing City Staff to apply for a recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) grant for Yelm Highway Community Park Phase I and authorizing the City Manager to receive the grant funds should the grant be successful.

#### **Report**

##### **Issue:**

Whether to approve the Resolution authorizing City Staff to apply for an RCO grant for Yelm Highway Community Park Phase I and authorizing the City Manager to receive the grant funds should the grant be successful.

##### **Staff Contact:**

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##### **Presenter(s):**

None - Consent Calendar Item

##### **Background and Analysis:**

The Parks, Arts and Recreation Department is preparing an RCO grant application for the current funding cycle. The application is due May 3, 2022 and is required to include formal City Council authorization.

The Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program provides funding for a broad range of land protection and outdoor recreation, including local and state parks, trails, water access, and the conservation and restoration of state land. The Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program was envisioned as a way for the state to accomplish two goals: acquire valuable recreation and habitat lands before they were lost to other uses and develop recreation areas for a growing population.

If successful, the grant would reimburse the City approximately \$500,000 towards Phase 1 development of the Yelm Highway Community Park.

In 2021, the City was awarded a \$1,000,000 reimbursement grant for the acquisition of the Yelm Highway Community Park parcel.

**Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):**

The development of Yelm Highway Community Park was included in the 2022 Parks, Arts and Recreation Plan, which was developed with significant public involvement and strong community interest.

**Options:**

1. Approve the Resolution authorizing a grant application to the Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for Yelm Highway Community Park.
2. Do not approve the Resolution. Staff would be unable to pursue the grant opportunity.

**Financial Impact:**

The grant totals approximately \$500,000.

**Attachments:**

Resolution  
RCO Resolution  
Sample Grant Agreement