



Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
**Briefing on funding to address homelessness
in Olympia**

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Title

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Recommended Action:

None required - Information only

Report

Issue:

Report on funding to address homelessness in Olympia

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Background and Analysis:

On July 31, 2018, the City's Finance Committee discussed options for funding increased services to address homelessness in Olympia. One idea discussed was the use of one-half of the Non-Voted Utility Tax (approximately \$500,000 per year) for three years. These funds are currently used for park land acquisition. This proposal will be discussed further at an upcoming City Council meeting.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

There is strong community interest in addressing homelessness in Olympia and also strong community interest in acquiring park land.

Options:

Receive report

Financial Impact:

The use of one-half of the Non-Voted Utility Tax for addressing homelessness would result in

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approximately \$500,000 less per year for park land acquisition.

Attachments:

None