



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

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**Title**

Briefing on funding to address homelessness in Olympia

**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