

City of Seattle Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Finance and Administrative Services Fred Podesta, Director

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## Greenwood Senior Center Transfer of City-Owned Property Notice 525 N. 85<sup>th</sup> St.

Dear Neighbor,

The City of Seattle's Department of Finance and Administrative Services (FAS) is moving forward with a recommendation to transfer ownership of the Greenwood Senior Center (GSC) to the Phinney Neighborhood Association (PNA). The GSC has been in the building since 1979, when the City purchased it, and GSC has been a program of the PNA for the last ten years. As planned, essentially all functions, classes, programs and other services that are provided at the senior center will remain in place under the PNA's ownership. The transfer of the property to the PNA will allow the PNA to develop a more complete, long-range plan for the senior center.

FAS is contacting community groups, property owners and residents within approximately 1,000 feet of the senior center, as well as users of the center, to inform them of this possible transfer of ownership from the City to the PNA. The Seattle City Council must approve the transfer of the property. As the senior center provides a welcome public benefit, FAS will propose to the Seattle City Council that the City transfer this property at no cost to the PNA, so as long as it, or a successor non-profit organization, continues to use the property primarily for social or health services.

The City has an extensive disposition procedure that invites public comment regarding the reuse and/or disposition of its properties. For more information about this process, please visit our website at <u>www.seattle.gov/real-estate-services/property-reuse-and-disposition-overview</u>. The City also stresses transparency and the availability of information for interested parties to have access, and will post information on our website at <u>www.seattle.gov/real-estate-services</u>.

The City welcomes feedback on this proposed transfer of property. You may provide feedback by contacting me at 206-684-7154 (telephone), Robert.farrell@seattle.gov (email), or via the mail, care of:

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Please be aware that any written comments become part of the public record.

Sincerely Robert Farrel Real Estate Services

Department of Finance and Administrative Services 700 Fifth Avenue, 52<sup>nd</sup> Floor P.O. Box 94689 Seattle, Washington 98124-4689 Tel (206) 386-0041 Fax (206)684-7898 Hearing Impaired use the Washington Relay Service (7-1-1) http://www.seattle.gov/FAS