

**DRAFT** Minutes  
Pro Parks Levy Oversight Committee  
July 23, 2007

**Committee Members Present:** Doug Dunham, Chair, Neal Adams, Lisa Chun, Gwen Colwell, Don Harper, Terry Holme, Cheryl Klinker, Joyce Moty

**Staff:** Colleen Browne, Susan Golub

**Committee Business:** The meeting agenda was approved, as were the minutes from the June 25 meeting, as amended.

**Public Comment:** There was none.

**Development Project Update:** Colleen Browne, the Pro Parks Levy Development Projects Manager, provided the Committee with an update on the Levy Development projects. Projects that were highlighted include those experiencing some delay from the initial schedule or that face financial issues:

- **Queen Anne Boulevard:** Private encroachments into Park property must be removed before the construction can begin. The expected start time is this fall; some plantings may not go in until March 2008.

Don Harper asked whether there might be some funding left over after this project is completed that could be used for other smaller projects in the neighborhood. Ms. Browne responded that Parks does not know yet because the project bids have not been received.

- **Dexter Pit Project:** This project is delayed some because of the environmentally critical designation for some of the park. The designation means that no work can occur between October 1 and April 1; therefore, Parks is waiting until April 1, 2008 to begin. The bidding will occur in 2007.
- **Lake Washington Trail:** This project will be finished this fall, a little later than planned because of additional drainage work required.
- **Mount Baker Ridge:** Two bids were received for this project, with both coming in twice as high as predicted – \$200,000 over the estimate. Parks is re-evaluating the engineering and may change the design and use less fancy materials.
- **Cesar Chavez:** Bids for this project were way over the estimate. The City is seeking additional, non-Levy funds for the project.
- **Magnuson Athletic Fields:** The Army Corps of Engineers is **still** evaluating the permit application for the project. We expect to go out to bid in November or December.
- **John C. Little Park:** The project has been completed. However, a drainage problem arose after the Pro Parks redevelopment project was finished. In order to fix the problem Parks had to develop a way to collect water that was pooling in

the Park and direct it to the storm drain. Approximately \$40,000 from the Pro Parks contingency fund was needed for this repair.

Regarding the use of contingency reserve for John C. Little, the Committee requested being informed of the need for these funds at an earlier point – before the money is spent.

**Annual Report Review:** The Committee reviewed a draft of the 2006 Pro Parks Levy Annual Report. Numerous suggestions were made, among them:

- Simplify the charts;
- Make headings internally consistent within each chart;
- Highlight leveraging throughout the Report; and
- Better define leveraging.

The Committee requested more time to review a redraft of the Report, and agreed to meet in August to finalize the Report.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00.