

**ORDINANCE No.**

**173237**

\*Request and accept three tax-foreclosed properties from Multnomah County for park and recreation purposes. (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Multnomah County offers tax-foreclosed property to jurisdictions within its boundaries if the property can be put to public use. Prior to a public hearing at which the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will make final resolution of the tax-foreclosed properties, the City must formally request the parcels it wishes to acquire and agree to accept them.

2. Portland Parks and Recreation staff has reviewed the current list of available tax-foreclosed properties and determined that three parcels are suitable for city park and recreation use. Legal descriptions of one parcel is: Lot 9, Block 3, Southwest Outlook (a 9,800 SF lot at the corner of SW 62nd Drive & Dickinson Street in the Ashcreek neighborhood). Legal descriptions of the other two parcels are: North 30' of Lot 5, Block 17, Lincoln Park Annex (3,000 SF) and South 20' of Lot 5, Block 17, Lincoln Park Annex (2,500 SF). These two lots are located in the King neighborhood on NE 6th Avenue directly west of and adjacent to Two Plum Garden, an existing park site. Ashcreek and King neighborhood groups have both requested that the lots in their neighborhoods be acquired for park and recreation purposes.

3. One-time fix-up cost at the SW Portland site is estimated to be \$6,000 for pruning, cleaning, cabling and related start-up expenses. The one-time fix-up cost for the NE Portland sites is \$12,000, because, in addition to the normal clean-up expenses, there is an unsafe structure on the land that must be demolished. Parks will try to absorb the one-time fix-up costs within existing appropriations. The cost for basic level maintenance of the parcels is approximately \$2,500 per neighborhood site per year.

3. There is no monetary consideration for acquisition of the parcels. Should the properties be used for something other than park and recreation purposes, title will revert to the County.

4. The Director of Portland Parks and Recreation recommends that the City formally request the three properties made available by the greenspace screen of the county's tax title program and that the City accept them into the City's park inventory once they have been transferred from Multnomah County.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

a. the Commissioner of Public Utilities is hereby directed to notify the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners that the City of Portland formally requests and will accept ownership of the following three parcels: Lot 9, Block 3, Southwest Outlook; North 30' of Lot 5, Block 17, Lincoln Park Annex and South 20' of Lot 5, Block 17, Lincoln Park Annex.

b. that in accepting responsibility for the properties, the Council acknowledges the need to fund the annual on-going maintenance expenses for the parcels, estimated at \$2,500 per year for each neighborhood site. The Office of Finance and Administration is directed to add \$5,000 to the Parks budget target at the next update of the General Fund forecast to pay the on-going maintenance expenses.

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Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists because this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate transfer of three tax-foreclosed properties to the City's park inventory, and in order that the transfer of the properties can be made a matter of public record without delay, this ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council, **APR 07 1999**

Commissioner Jim Francesconi  
Susan Hathaway-Marxer  
March 30, 1999

GARY A. BLACKMER  
Auditor of the City of Portland  
By *Britta Olson*  
Deputy

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INTRODUCED BY	Filed: APR 02 1999
Commissioner Francesconi	Gary A. Blackmer Auditor of the City of Portland
NOTED BY COMMISSIONER	
Affairs	By: <u>Betta Olson</u> Deputy
Finance and Administration	
Safety	For Meeting of:
Utilities <i>JK/WGA</i>	Action Taken:
Works	<input type="checkbox"/> Amended
BUREAU APPROVAL	<input type="checkbox"/> Passed to Second Reading _____
Bureau: Parks & Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> Continued to:
Prepared by Date Susan Hathaway-Marxer March 30, 1999	
Budget Impact Review:	
X Completed Not Required	
Bureau Head: Charles Jordan <i>Jordan</i>	

AGENDA		FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
Consent	Regular x		YEAS	NAYS	
NOTED BY		Francesconi	Francesconi	✓	
City Attorney		Hales	Hales	✓	
City Auditor		Saltzman	Saltzman	_____	
City Engineer		Sten	Sten	✓	
		Katz	Katz	✓	