

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Accept and appropriate a grant in the amount \$500,000 from the National Park Service for the Thomas Cully Park Project. (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This ordinance authorizes PP&R to accept grant funding for development of several phase 1 elements at Thomas Cully Park site – the intertribal gathering garden, North Slope habitat restoration, the off-leash dog area, the playground, the overlooks, the walking trails, and the soccer field. PP&R and Verde are developing these recreational elements on a former brownfield.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

The grant itself will not reduce or generate new revenue, though the City committed to matching the grant with existing PP&R System Development Charges, as one time matching funds. (Project partners provided \$772,984 in matching funds from their own fundraising efforts.)

There are two sets of costs for this project. The one-time matching funds, and the ongoing maintenance costs. The grant provides 22% of the project budget. As shown in the chart below, the City's one-time matching funds of \$500,000 will be funded from the PP&R System Development Charges account.

PP&R has secured O&M dollars, in the amount of \$250,000 annually for site maintenance.

Community impacts and community involvement:

A deep community-based effort has driven this project since 2010, when Verde, a local non-profit, began to explore how a public-private partnership, could realize the development of a park as envisioned in the 2010 Master Plan.

Verde has actively worked with the community, first engaging a coalition of stakeholders, including the 18 community based groups that actively participate in the development process. Community engagement was achieved through regular communications, neighborhood events, and charrettes. Verde also supported the development of this grant, securing letters of support and soliciting community support.

The park is sited in Northeast Portland, an area populated by a high percentage of low-income households and people of color. The park's development will expand recreational access and provide much needed green space in an area that is park deficient.


Going forward, PP&R and its partner plan to utilize a targeted outreach strategy, dependent on traditional and social media, to raise public awareness of issues around park design, development, and interest in public involvement. Announcements for public meetings, for instance, are made via press releases that are routed to regional and local media outlets; and posted to social media channels and websites. Additionally, attention is given to meeting design to promote inclusion, such as the physical layout of the space, the provision of simultaneous interpretation, and translation of major documents.

Primary contact for more information on this public involvement process is Alan Hipólito, Executive Director at Verde, 503-980-5260 or Alan@Verdenw.org.

Pending testimony from our partners at Verde and potentially, a representative from Senator Wyden's Office.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet**Does this action change appropriations?**x **YES:** Please complete the information below.☐ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount
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PORTLAND PARKS & RECREATION

Healthy Parks, Healthy Portland

Date: 2 February 2016

To: City Council

From: Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Portland Parks & Recreation

RE: Amendment request for Council Agenda Item 105

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Due to an oversight, the following changes are needed in the Council Directives, Agenda Item 105. The amendment will be presented at the Council meeting on 3 February 2016.

In November 2014, City Council adopted Ordinance 186899 which established the Cal Target as \$200,000 for Thomas Cully Park, a project on which construction is ongoing. Once open, if necessary, Portland Parks will revisit the maintenance costs for consideration of their appropriateness.

The proposed ordinance should be amended to delete two paragraphs: Findings #5 and Directive "e".

Findings:

- ~~5. PP&R estimates that the organization will incur approximately \$250,000 in ongoing maintenance costs annually.~~

Directive:

- ~~e. The Portland City Council acknowledges the need to fund the ongoing O&M costs of these new improvements. That cost is estimated at \$250,000 and Council directs the City Budget Office to increase PP&R's ongoing current appropriation level ("CAL") by that amount beginning in FY 2015-16.~~

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