

SEATTLE PARK DISTRICT
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION 37

A RESOLUTION delaying the six-year planning cycle of the Seattle Park District.

WHEREAS, Section 4.3 of the interlocal agreement establishing the Seattle Park District

authorized by City of Seattle Ordinance 124468 establishes that the Seattle Park District will engage in planning activities on a six-year cycle; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 36 of the Board of Commissioners of the Seattle Park District (“District

Board”) amends Section 4.3 of the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Seattle and the Seattle Park District (“Interlocal Agreement”) to provide that a 3/4 vote from the

District Board may delay a six-year planning cycle of the Seattle Park District by one year in the event of a natural disaster, exigent economic circumstances, or other emergency; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared that COVID-19 disease is a

global pandemic, and the WHO has raised the health emergency to the highest level requiring dramatic interventions to disrupt the spread of this disease; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee declared a statewide state of emergency

in response to outbreaks of the COVID-19 disease in Washington; and

WHEREAS, in response to outbreaks of the COVID-19 disease in Seattle, Mayor Jenny Durkan

proclaimed a civil emergency exists in the City of Seattle in the Mayoral Proclamation of Civil Emergency dated March 3, 2020, modified by Resolution 31937; and

1 WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor issued a “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order,
2 which, combined with other measures taken to prevent the transmission of COVID-19,
3 effectively closed many businesses in the state of Washington; and

4 WHEREAS, on May 1, 2020, the Governor extended the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order
5 through May 31, 2020; and

6 WHEREAS, on June 1, 2020 the Governor launched “Safe Start Washington,” a statewide
7 reopening plan;

8 WHEREAS, as of July 2020, Seattle and King County are in an early recovery phase as outlined
9 in the “Safe Start Washington” plan and residents and businesses remain subject to
10 multiple limitations and restrictions, including limitations on numbers of residents that
11 can gather in person; and

12 WHEREAS, the impacts of these restrictions are being felt across all industry sectors, including
13 retail, restaurant, hospitality, transportation, logistics, arts, and culture; and

14 WHEREAS, the economic impact may have long-term, dynamic, and unpredictable local and
15 regional consequences; and

16 WHEREAS, The City of Seattle is facing an unprecedented shortfall in tax revenues in 2020
17 associated with these restrictions; and

18 WHEREAS, in response to the COVID-19 outbreak the City of Seattle has implemented a
19 Continuing of Operations Plan that has interrupted normal operations; and

20 WHEREAS, there is significant uncertainty related to the duration and extent of the impacts of
21 the COVID-19;

22 NOW, THEREFORE,

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE SEATTLE PARK**
2 **DISTRICT, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:**

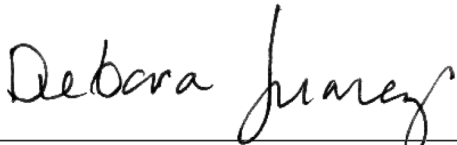
3 Section 1. The current global pandemic and associated exigent economic circumstances
4 prevent the Park District Board from conducting a normal six-year planning cycle for the Seattle
5 Park District for 2021-2026.

6 Section 2. The Park District Board is hereby delaying the start of the six-year planning
7 cycle originally scheduled to begin on January 1, 2021 by one year pursuant to Section 4.3 of the
8 Interlocal Agreement as amended by Seattle Park District Resolution 36. The six-year planning
9 cycle is hereby rescheduled to commence on January 1, 2022.

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Section 3. This resolution takes effect on passage.

Adopted by a 3/4 vote of all the members of the Seattle Park District the 19th day of
October, 2020, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its adoption this
19th day of October, 2020.



Debora Juarez, President, Seattle Park District

ATTEST:



Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk