

KING COUNTY

Signature Report

Ordinance 19975

Proposed No. 2025-0229.1 **Sponsors** Quinn 1 AN ORDINANCE approving the grant funding allocation 2 for projects funded through the 2020-2025 parks, 3 recreation, trails, and open space levy grant program in 4 accordance with Ordinance 18890, Motion 15378, 5 Ordinance 19166, and the 2025 Annual Budget Ordinance, 6 Ordinance 19861, Section 95. 7 STATEMENT OF FACTS: 8 1. Ordinance 18890, which took effect May 13, 2019, called for a special 9 election to authorize the King County parks, recreation trails, and open 10 space levy. On August 6, 2019, King County voters approved the levy, 11 which included funding for various grant programs, including parks 12 capital and open space and aquatics facilities. 13 2. Ordinance 19166 established grant award criteria and the process for 14 the King County parks, recreation, trails, and open space levy grant 15 programs, as well as the proposed composition of advisory committees in 16 accordance with Ordinance 18890, Section 6, Motion 15378, Section F.1., 17 and Attachments A, B, D, and E to Motion 15378. 18 3. The parks capital and open space grant program under Attachment A to 19 Ordinance 19166 will provide funding for a range of land improvements, 20 including land acquisition, park and open space development, habitat

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conservation, community gardens, and construction of passive and active recreation facilities. The goal of the program is to acquire lands that might be lost to future development pressures and to construct new and improved facilities to address rapid growth in urban areas. 4. The targeted equity grant program under Attachment B to Ordinance 19166 will provide levy proceeds for a range of projects, including capacity building, such as community outreach and planning; land acquisition in opportunity areas or areas that serve a community of need; capital projects or programs in underserved areas; and projects providing access to parks, open spaces, or recreation opportunities for people with disabilities. The goal of the program is to increase access and use of parks, open spaces, recreational facilities, and related programming in underserved areas. 5. The aquatic facilities grant program under Attachment C to Ordinance 19166 will provide levy proceeds for a wide range of improvements to public aquatics facilities located in King County. The projects may include feasibility studies, design, permitting, and new construction or improvements to existing capital facilities. The grant program will assist communities as the region grows and existing facilities become obsolete or reach capacity. 6. The open space river corridors grant program under Attachment D to Ordinance 19166 will provide levy proceeds for flood risk reduction, habitat restoration, open space, and recreation in river corridors. The goal

44	of the program is to incentivize projects that integrate multiple attributes
45	of projects inside river corridors such as flood control, habitat, passive
46	recreation, and trails.
47	7. The parks capital and open space/aquatic facilities advisory committee,
48	targeted equity grant advisory committee, and open space-river corridors
49	advisory committee all convened in the Spring of 2025 to review and
50	score grant applications and have recommended funding for the projects
51	listed in sections 1 through 4 of this ordinance, based upon the eligibility
52	and additional criteria set forth in Attachments A, B, C, and D to
53	Ordinance 19166.
54	8. The award recommendations are the third and final biennial processes
55	for parks capital and open space grant, aquatic facilities grant, and open
56	space river corridor grant.
57	9. The targeted equity grant award recommendations are the fourth and
58	final annual grant processes in this levy.
59	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
60	SECTION 1. The King County Council authorizes the funding of parks capital
61	and open space grant projects for 2025, totaling \$6,703,796, as follows:
62	A. City of Algona: \$250,000 for "Wetland Preserve Restoration & Interpretive
63	Trail";
64	B. City of Covington: \$1,000,000 for "Jenkins Creek Trail";
65	C. City of Federal Way: \$705,796 for "Sacajawea Track and Turf Replacement":
66	D. City of Kent: \$1,000,000 for "Uplands Playfield and Spray Park";

- E. City of Maple Valley: \$500,000 for "Henry's Switch Park Design";
- F. City of Seattle Department of Parks & Recreation: \$500,000 for "Be'er Sheva
- 69 Playground & Shelter Improvements";
- G. City of Seattle Department of Parks & Recreation: \$1,000,000 for "Dr. Jose"
- 71 Rizal Park Play Area";
- H. City of Seattle Department of Parks & Recreation: \$1,000,000 for "Judkins"
- 73 Park Inclusive Playground and Spray Park"; and
- I. Fall City Metropolitan Park District: \$748,000 for "West Side Trail (Phase
- 75 2b)."
- 76 <u>SECTION 2.</u> The King County Council authorizes the funding of targeted equity
- grant projects for 2025, totaling \$1,201,000, as follows:
- A. After-School All-Stars Puget Sound: \$225,000 for "ASAS Recreation &
- Wellness for Underserved Youth";
- B. City of Federal Way: \$28,000 for "Summer Experiences & Enrichment for
- 81 Youth";
- 82 C. EarthCorps: \$199,000 for "Green Stewards Program";
- D. King County Play Equity Coalition: \$225,000 for "Play Equity through
- 84 Youth-Led Action";
- E. Needs of the Community Society (NOCS): \$91,000 for "Camp Without
- 86 Borders Program";
- F. Para Los Ninos de Highline: \$113,000 for "Parks Summer Programs for
- 88 Latino Children & Youth";

89 G. Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Greater Seattle: \$178,000 for 90 "BOLD & GOLD Outdoor Adventures"; and 91 H. Youth Experiential Training Institute (YETI): \$142,000 for "All Youth in 92 Nature Project." 93 SECTION 3. The King County Council authorizes the funding of aquatic facility 94 grant projects for 2025, totaling \$15,976,814, as follows: 95 A. City of Bellevue: \$349,814 for "Bellevue Aquatic Center Renovation"; 96 B. City of Covington: \$724,000 for "Covington Aquatic Center Improvements"; 97 C. City of Enumclaw: \$400,000 for "Enumclaw Pool Mechanical/Electrical Upgrades"; 98 99 D. City of Federal Way: \$1,525,000 for "Federal Way Community Center Pool 100 Renovation"; 101 E. City of Seattle Department of Parks & Recreation: \$5,000,000 for "Evans 102 Pool Redevelopment Project"; 103 F. Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District: \$113,000 for "Mount Rainier 104 Pool Electrical System Upgrade"; 105 G. Highline Public Schools: \$765,000 for "Evergreen Pool HVAC 106 Replacement"; 107 H. Lake Washington School District: \$2,000,000 for "Juanita Aquatics 108 Renovation Phase 3"; 109 I. Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District: \$5,000,000 for "Tukwila Pool 110 Renovation & Expansion"; and

111 J. Vashon-Maury Island Park and Recreation District: \$100,000 for "Vashon 112 Pool Planning and Design." 113 SECTION 4. The King County council authorizes the funding of open space river 114 corridor grant projects for 2025, totaling \$7,542,936, as follows: 115 A. City of Kenmore: \$1,000,000 for "λaxwadis Park Property Acquisition"; 116 B. City of Tukwila: \$1,000,000 for "Chinook Wind Extension"; 117 C. City of Tukwila: \$1,000,000 for "TCC Riverside Campus Renewal & Canoe 118 Launch"; 119 D. EarthCorps: \$752,000 for "Green and Duwamish River Restoration"; 120 E. Forterra NW: \$211,000 for "Duwamish Hill Preserve Community 121 Restoration"; 122 F. King County parks and recreation division: \$390,000 for "Middle Fork 123 Snoqualmie NA In-Holding Acquisition"; 124 G. King County, water and land resources division (WLRD): \$132,000 for "Old 125 Growth Corridors Feasibility Study"; 126 H. King County, WLRD: \$1,000,000 for "Auburn Narrows Restoration and Trail 127 Improvements"; 128 I. King County, WLRD: \$300,000 for "Cecil Moses Habitat Restoration Design"; 129 130 J. King County, WLRD: \$250,000 for "South Fork Skykomish Miller R 131 Restoration Design"; 132 K. King County WLRD: \$270,000.00 for "Tolt-MacDonald Park Fish Passage" 133 Project";

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134	L. Mid Puget Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group: \$140,000.00 for "West
135	Valley Depave Design";
136	M. Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust: \$546,936 for "Middle Fork River
137	Valley Stewardship";
138	N. Snoqualmie Indian Tribe: \$251,000 for "Upper Snoqualmie River Prairie
139	Restoration"; and

Attachments: None

140	O. Whale Scout: \$300,000 for "Community-Led Sammamish River				
141	Restoration."				
	Ordinance 19975 was introduced on 8/19/2025 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 9/23/2025, by the following vote:				
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