

RESOLUTION R-5375

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND SUPPORTING KING COUNTY PROPOSITION 1 CONCERNING REPLACEMENT OF AN EXPIRING PARKS LEVY.

1 WHEREAS, on April 17, 2019, the Metropolitan King County
2 Council approved Ordinance 18890 providing for the submission to the
3 qualified electors of King County on the August 6, 2019 ballot a
4 proposition to renew the property tax levy supporting parks, trails, and
5 open space in King County; and
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7 WHEREAS, if approved by the voters, the proposition would
8 replace the current levy that expires at the end of 2019, and the revenue
9 generated by this levy would mean new county-wide investments in
10 parks, trails, recreation, and open space protection for the benefit of all
11 King County residents; and
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13 WHEREAS, upon passage of the measure King County parks and
14 trails will be kept clean, safe, and open; regional trails and mobility will
15 be improved; open space will grow and be conserved; and recreation
16 opportunities will be more accessible; and
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18 WHEREAS, upon passage of the measure \$110 million will be
19 allocated to benefit King County residents through grants that support
20 public pools, conservation of lands, and increase access to recreation in
21 the county; and
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23 WHEREAS, upon passage of the measure an additional \$104
24 million will directly support parks and recreation investments in King
25 County cities and towns, the Woodland Park Zoo's conservation and
26 environmental education programs, and the Seattle Aquarium's Ocean
27 Pavilion construction; and
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29 WHEREAS, Kirkland residents would benefit from this levy
30 renewal both directly and indirectly, including from:
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- 32 • Kirkland Green Loop Trail – \$2.5 million;
- 33 • Big Fill Hill Play Area Rehabilitation - \$100,000;
- 34 • Big Finn Hill Grass Ballfield Rehabilitation- \$1.5 million;
- 35 • Kirkland Direct pass-thru from Parks Levy - \$2.5 million
- 36 • Design of Cross Kirkland Corridor Connection to ERC/Eastrail;
- 37 • Woodinville interim Trail - \$2.9 million; and
- 38 • Approximately \$110 million in new grants that may be awarded
39 cities and other entities through competitive processes.

40 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City
41 of Kirkland as follows:

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43 Section 1. The City Council supports King County Proposition 1
44 concerning replacement of an expiring parks levy.


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46 Section 2. The City Council urges Kirkland voters to vote yes on
47 King County Proposition 1.

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49 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
50 meeting this 18th day of June, 2019.

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52 Signed in authentication thereof this 18th day of June, 2019.


Penny Sweet, Mayor

Attest:


Kathi Anderson, City Clerk