RESOLUTION R-5753

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR THE LEASE OF THE FORMER CHURCH PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13220 NE 132ND STREET IN KIRKLAND FOR A COMMUNITY PURPOSE.

WHEREAS, the City's 2022 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan identified the northeast Kingsgate area as underserved by parks and recreational opportunities and designated the area as a high priority for capital and service level improvements; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2026, the Kirkland City Council adopted Resolution R-5735, authorizing the City Manager to acquire the former Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints property located at 13220 NE 132nd Street in the northeast Kingsgate area for community and recreation purposes; and

WHEREAS, existing funding and staffing constraints limit the City's ability to operate the newly-acquired property as a community center before 2029; and

WHEREAS, a temporary lease of all or a portion of the newly-acquired property will allow the City to recover operating expenditures, allow utilization of the building for a public benefit, and ensure that the building is reserved for community recreation use in the future; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to formalize its earlier action, by motion at its October 6, 2026 Council meeting, authorizing the City Manager to proceed with leasing the former church property for community purposes after closing.

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

Section 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to solicit proposals for the lease of the building located at 13220 NE 132nd Street in Kirkland for a two-year term, with the form of lease approved by the City Attorney, provided the tenant must be a 501(c)(3) entity or a government agency and the use must provide community benefit.

Section 2. The City Manager is directed to present for City Council consideration a long-term plan for the utilization of the property located at 13220 NE 132nd Street by October 1, 2028.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 17th day of November, 2026.

Signed in authentication thereof this 17th day of November, 2026.

Kelli Curtis, Mayor

Attest:

Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk