

RESOLUTION R-4689

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND ADOPTING THE 20-YEAR FOREST RESTORATION PLAN.

WHEREAS, the City Council passed Resolution 4396 on August 5, 2003, adopting the 2003 Natural Resource Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, one of the Natural Resources guiding principles is Enhancement and Restoration of the City's Natural Areas; and

WHEREAS, a healthy sustainable forest provides a natural way to filter storm water runoff, remove carbon from the air and provide important recreation opportunities for city residents to connect with nature; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kirkland has 503 acres of publicly owned parklands that include 372 acres of forested natural areas in decline from invasion by non-native plant species; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Community Services, together with Cascade Land Conservancy developed a 20-Year Forest Restoration Plan to guide restoration of the City's forested natural areas; and

WHEREAS, the Park Board reviewed the 20-Year Forest Restoration Plan on January 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has received from the Park Board a written report and recommendation on the proposed 20-Year Forest Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, in regular public meeting, the City Council considered the written report and recommendation of the Park Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council of the City of Kirkland hereby approves the 20-Year Forest Restoration Plan.


Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 19th day of February, 2008.

Signed in authentication thereof this 19th day of February, 2008.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk