



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING - SPECIAL TIME

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 5:00 PM

**Meeting Location: In Person and Virtual / Zoom
17425 Ballinger Way NE Lake Forest Park, WA 98155**

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The meeting is being recorded.

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AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM**
- 2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**
- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- 4. REVIEW / APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**
 - A.** June 24, 2025 Minutes
 - B.** August 26, 2025 Minutes
- 5. LAKEFRONT PARK PROJECT UPDATE AND DISCUSSION WITH CONSULTANT**

A. Lakefront Park Project PowerPoint

6. BUSINESS

- Blue Heron Park Updates
- Horizon View Art Installation
- Other

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Board is not accepting online public comments. This portion of the agenda is set aside for the public to address the Board on agenda items. However, the Board may not respond to comments from the public. If the comments are of a nature that the Board does not have influence over, then the Chair or presiding officer may request the speaker suspend their comments. Comments are limited to a three (3) minute time limit.

8. ADJOURN

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City of Lake Forest Park
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Summary
June 24, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 P.M.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tyler Dittman, Josh Rosenau, Richie Allen

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT:

Cory Roche – Environmental & Sustainability Specialist

Amber Mikluscak – Lakefront Project Consultant Lead with Facet NW

Linda Holman – LFP Resident

Maurice Jones Jr – LFP Resident

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT:

Matt Muilenburg

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Group did a roundtable of introductions, including Linda and Maurice giving background information on themselves, two future potential Park Board members awaiting appointment.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Richie motioned to approve the agenda, Josh seconded the motion to approve, the agenda was approved unanimously.

REVIEW/APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

Josh motioned to approve the March Meeting Minutes, Richie seconded the motion to approve, meeting minutes approved unanimously.

BUSINESS

- **Lakefront Park Project Update and Discussion with Consultant**
Amber, the Lakefront Project Consultant Lead, gave a brief background on schedule overview of Phase 2. Now going into cost estimation with the 70% design. Geotechnical groundwater readings have been completed, including structural and draft construction details. Permitting submitted to land use, some are in review.

Received comments and feedback from public on construction, these included parking/traffic considerations, design intensity of use, and preserve modifications from the June 11th Workshop, held in hybrid format, in person exhibits and online survey.

Amber then went into Placemaking, group talked about the parks identity and significance to the community, how the Park Board will start the process of naming the park (and other buildings/objects in the design), interpretation, and the art integration ideas: Historic High Water Line Mark, Wildlife Scavenger Hunt, and Historical Viewpoints.

- **Horizon View Art Installation Update**

A new location has been selected for broader accessibility, project is moving along in design.

- **Summer Events/Schedule**

Listed off events and will send out details as the come up.

- **Story Book Walks**

Thanks to Richie working with the school, there are 3 stories, printed in English and Spanish that will be deployed to six different parks and mixed around, coordinated with the LFP Library Story Walks. Josh and Cory will help Richie deploy signs and still stay up through the summer.

- **Other**

Cory noted there is the Aquatics conversation coming back to life (LFP participated in the North King County Aquatics Study a few years back, completed in 2023, with the cities of Shoreline, Kenmore and Kirkland. Cities now in the surrounding area (including Mountlake Terrace and Edmonds), are starting conversations of their needs and challenges.

Linda has started working on bringing back a restoration group Blue Heron Park, to clean up the invasives and spruce up the park, will be in touch with details.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt Muilenburg noted he would love to support any aquatics conversations in anyway helpful.

ADJOURN: 9:00 PM

City of Lake Forest Park
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Regular Meeting Summary
August 26, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 P.M.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tyler Dittman, Josh Rosenau, Richie Allen, Amy Hanegan, Linda Holman, Maurice Jones Jr

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT:

Cory Roche – Environmental & Sustainability Specialist

Councilmember Ashton McCartney

Kim Josund – LFP Stewardship Foundation President

John Brew – LFP Stewardship Foundation Secretary/Treasurer

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT:

Matt Muilenburg

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Round of Introductions

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Josh motioned to approve the agenda, Linda seconded the motion to approve, the agenda was approved unanimously.

REVIEW/APPROVE MEETING MINUTES

No minutes to review/approve at this meeting.

BUSINESS

- **Presentation & Discussion with the LFP Stewardship Foundation**
John and Kim from the LFP Stewardship Foundation joined to give a bit of background and history of the LFP Stewardship Foundation and thanking all volunteers of Lake Forest Park. Kim went through a PowerPoint presentation, noting the LFP Stewardship Foundation (LFPSF) was originally founded from the efforts of saving Grace Cole Nature Park, and ever since the LFPSF has helped gain 24 acres of Parks and Open Space, published the Salmons guide to Lake Forest Park, and helps with grant writing and work parties. Second large campaign was to save Five Acre Woods, along with the new addition of the rose property adding 2 acres to Five Acre Woods. There has been many other projects the collaborate with the City on like adding benches to parks

and educational signs but noted along with park projects, they help with monitoring development, fighting tree canopy loss, advocate strong conservation policies, support local research projects like the streamkeepers monitoring, instream habitat projects, school salmon projects, community outreach, and more.

Tyler thanked the stewardship foundation and noted how they are a key connection through all different projects.

John noted the Stewardship Foundation has raised around 850k through the years and typically all goes back into the parks.

Councilmember McCartney wondered about fundraising events and if they host events or anything? John mentioned that typically their funding is coming through families from the area with large donations. Noted there has been fundraising events in the past but have not had one or needed one since the pandemic, they have been managing well through grants and other avenues projects are capable of.

- **Blue Heron Park**

Linda noted she has been at it for around 35 years trying to keep up with Blue Heron Park, located on a salmon spawning creek and near the town center entrance off of SR 522. Welcoming area and good spot for environmental education. Will coordinate a work party by starting to clean up the invasives and see what plants are under there then see what needs to be replanted.

Linda is also working on the climate hub at the town center and noted it will be a good place to utilize park projects on.

- **Summer Events Updates**

Cory noted Picnic in the Park is coming up, family friendly event with music, food trucks and more along with Paws in the Park and the Annual LFP Yard Sale. Battle of the Bands was brought back and a success, just some sound issues, but looking forward to having a bigger and better Battle of the Bands next year.

- **Lakefront Property Updates**

Cory let the group know with the KC Parks Levy passing, Rod Dembowski allocated 4 million for the Lakefront Project construction to add to the funding gap, Council gave the go ahead to continuing design at previous Council Meeting.

- **Other**

Horizon View Art installation project is moving along, the concrete pad will be installed early September, and in October the Artist will come back to install the final art piece. There was a community mosaic workshop day held at the commons where 70 people participated in. Community revel and celebration will take place after the installation.

Josh noted there is a Rotarian who does an Instagram live Pilates class, Instagram has changed rules so they cannot do live classes, following needs to have at least 1000 followers, and wondering if the board could help or promote at parks and city Instagram as it could be an extension of the yoga in the parks. Cory would have to look into this, could potentially be a partnership, not sure if it could be through Instagram live, but sure there is a partnership to figure out.

Ashton wondered if there is a Park list to connect to do a similar program like the library reads. Cory noted the group has talked about ideas like this or scavenger hunt. Group just has not made movement, but there have been many ideas thrown out there.

Amy noted the pickler ballers at Horizon view is requesting wind screens and benches up at the Horizon View court. Cory will follow up with Amy and see what sort of funding there may be.

Richie noted the storyboard's have been switched around at the parks, one or two sets have been vandalized, but other parks are looking good, and people are enjoying the books, some feedback is interesting, but overall going well and coordinating with the Library Story Walk at Horizon View. Ashton thanked the Parks Board for doing the story book walk, including Spanish language.

Cory will coordinate September meeting through emails, but board will need to move the September meeting from the 23rd.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN: 8:23 PM

Lake Forest Park Lakefront Improvements

Design, Engineering, Environmental, and Permitting

Schedule Overview

Phase 2 Kick-off – July 2024

Early Works Demolition (March to December):

- Predesign
- Plans Preparation
- Procurement
- Construction – *completion anticipated beginning of December*

Design Development (July to November):

- Supplemental site investigations
- 50% plans preparation
- State and federal permitting

Construction Documentation & Permitting (December 2024 to December 2025):

- 70% plans preparation
 - Design
 - Cost estimation
 - Cost estimate review
 - Cost management & value engineering
- **Local permitting**
- **100% plans preparation**
- IFC/Bid Set – *targeting bid announcement in spring 2026*
 - *End of current phase 2 contract is Q1 2026*

Construction (Phase 3) – *construction target 2026-2027; target park opening 2027*

Interpretation

- Scope and timeline
- Recap themes
- Concepts (70%)
- Next steps
- Discussion

Scope and timeline

- Scope includes design of three exhibits that:
 - Respond to one or more interpretive themes
 - Consist of a design idea
 - May contain one or more elements
- Cost
 - Fabrication costs explored at 70% design, refined at 100% design
 - Many factors affect cost—such as size, quantity, complexity, and material
 - Currently assumption is \$30K for all exhibits (construction budget line item)
- Timeline
 - 70% design refinement (at 100% site design)
 - 100% final design (at IFC/Bid set issuance)

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main

INTERPRETIVE THEME:

By better understanding the natural systems connected to this shoreline, people can restore those systems to more self-sufficient conditions.

INTERPRETIVE THEME:

Throughout history, people have connected with each other and the environment through their presence and activities near the lakeshore.

secondary

SUBTHEMES:

- ▶ Social gathering and leisure activities support personal connections and build community culture.
- ▶ Outdoor experiences and nature immersion foster mental and physical wellbeing.

SUBTHEMES:

- ▶ Indigenous knowledge of this place is critical to the resilience of the watershed.

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Section 5, ItemA.

from public comments

wildlife and salmon

Indigenous culture, significance, and influence

site and city history

public access, equity, and inclusion

30% Concepts

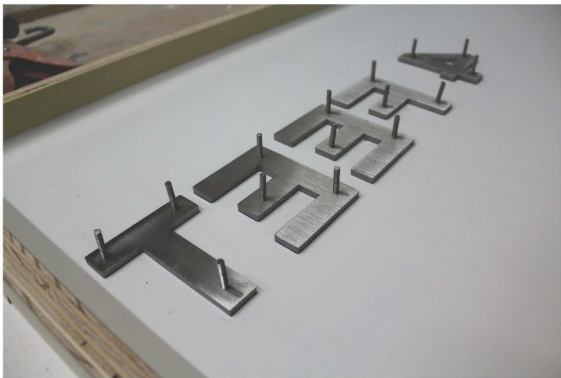
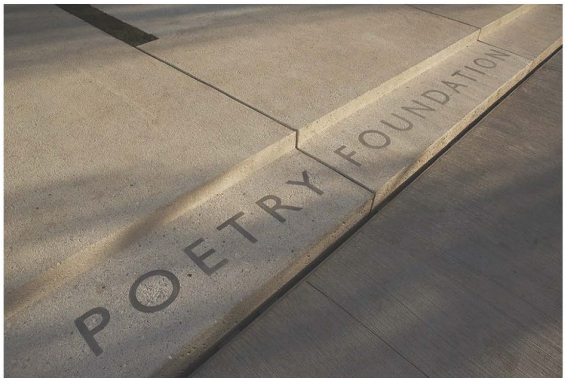
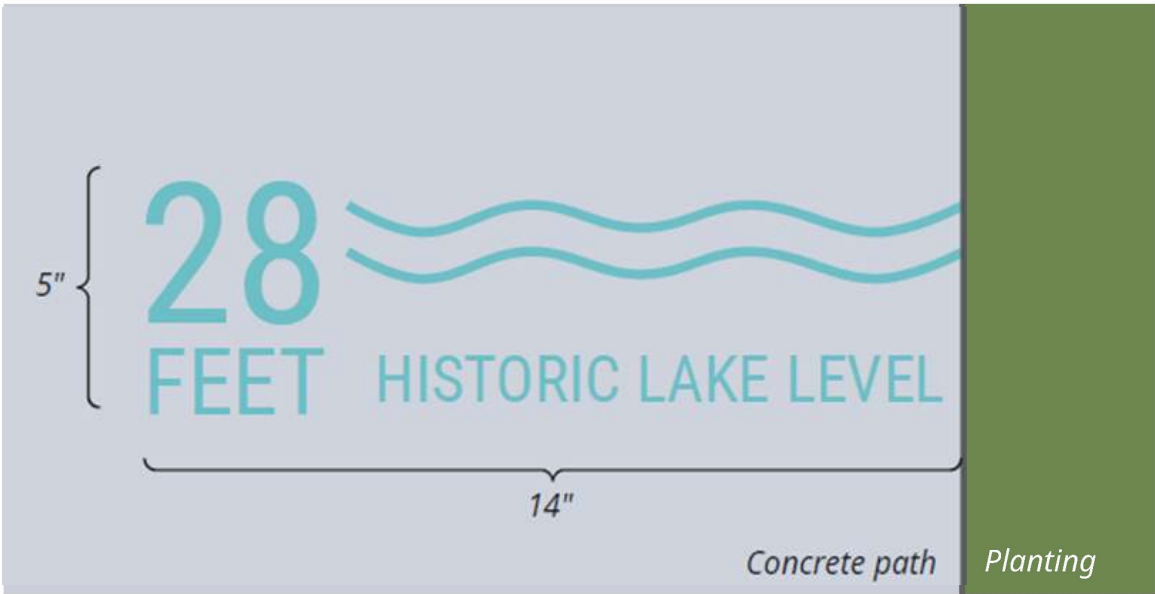
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Park Identity & Interpretation

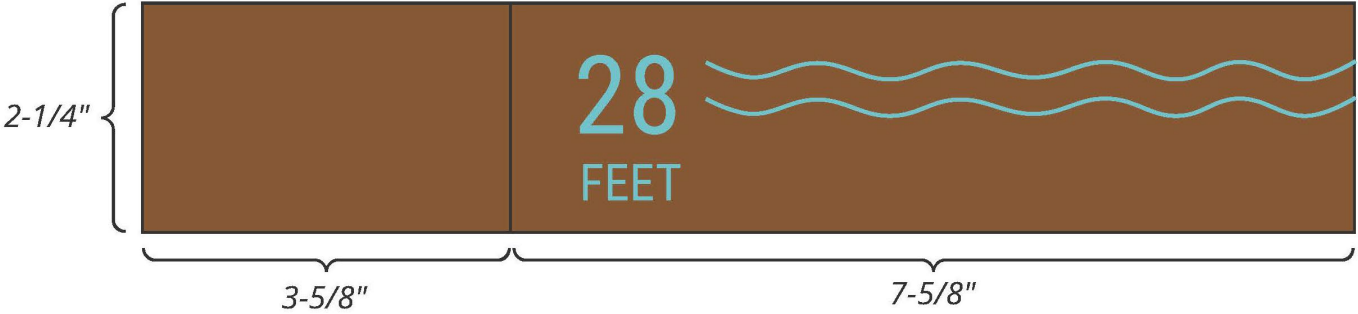
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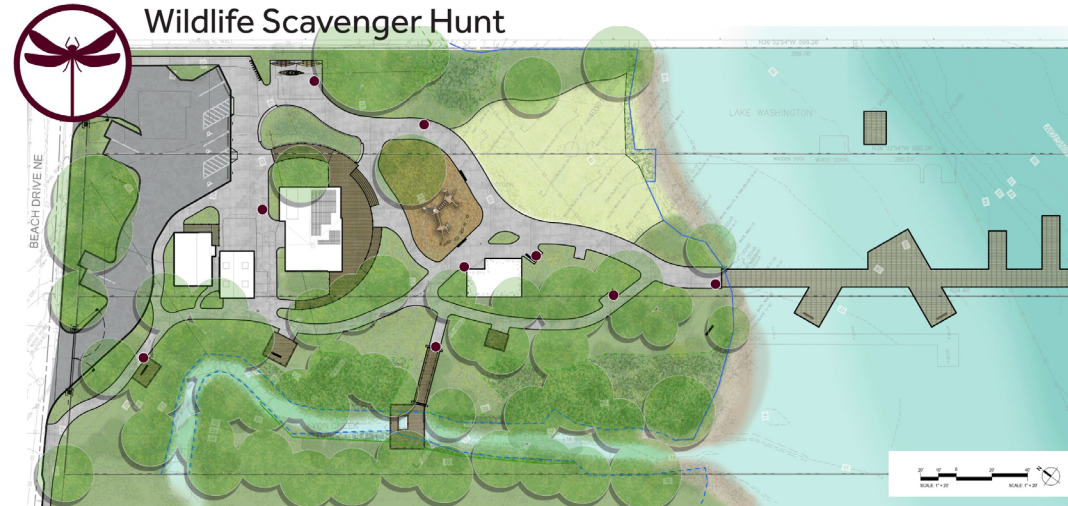


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Park Identity & Interpretation

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Lakefront Park Interpretive | Call to Artists | Draft Text

Call for public artwork designs

The City of Lake Forest Park is seeking an artist or artist team to create nine works of art to be stamped within concrete pathways at Lake Forest Park's public lakefront.

The lakefront park project proposes improvements to the existing Lyon Creek Waterfront Preserve. The Preserve is a sensitive ecosystem that provides important habitat and biodiversity. In 2002, several conditions were put in place to direct use and development of the Preserve property.

The proposed project maintains and respects the Preserve's conditions and goes further by restoring and protecting more of the creek buffer. Wildlife and view-friendly fencing is proposed to protect sensitive areas from foot traffic and dogs, keeping more of the Preserve for nature. Pedestrian trails are thoughtfully integrated into the design of the park, allowing visitors to engage with the Preserve while protecting the natural areas on site.

Thematic emphasis

This public artwork will help park visitors appreciate the wildlife that live within different zones of the park. A possible goal of the artwork is to highlight the importance of difference species to indigenous communities in the region. By better understanding the natural systems connected to this shoreline, people can restore those systems to more self-sufficient conditions. Current restoration strategies are bringing back the wildlife community. The artwork should celebrate the park's benefits to the surrounding community, wildlife, on-site habitats, and local waterways. Park managers and other experts in relevant topics will be available to meet with the selected artist to talk more about these themes and options for how to communicate them.

Artwork considerations and requirements

Artists shall respond to the following considerations and requirements in their creation of the artwork:

- 1) Quantity: The artist should create nine unique artworks, each one representing a different species of animal found in nearshore zones.
- 2) Reference to wildlife: Park managers are interested in the artwork's ability to convey the diversity of species found across the site. For example, a salmon stamp may be located near Lake Washington while a beaver illustration may be stamped on slightly higher ground near the creek. Selected species could include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Salmon, such as Coho and Chinook
 - b. Pacific tree frogs
 - c. River otters
 - d. Beavers
 - e. Great blue herons
- 3) Design: The artwork will be turned into concrete stamps for use by contractors during the construction process. Black and white designs and/or block print style symbolism could be considered.

LAKEFRONT PARK

WILDLIFE SCAVENGER HUNT

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Interpretation

- Scope and timeline
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 Park Identity & Interpretation

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Interpretation Cost Estimate

- Scope and timeline
- Recap themes
- Concepts (70%)
- Next steps
- Discussion

\$30K line-item est.

Item No. / Description		Est. Qty.	Unit	Unit Price (numeric)	Extended Amount (Qty x Unit Price) (numeric)	Section 5, Item A.
Lakefront Park Identity & Interpretation						
Historic Lake Level Markers						
1	Statecraft building corner metal signs	4	EA	\$320	\$1,280	
2	Statecraft blue metal cast in place lettering	2	EA	\$630	\$1,260	
Total					\$2,540	
Wildlife Scavenger Hunt						
3	Concrete stamp	9	EA	\$1,000	\$9,000	
4	Artist payment	1	EA	\$8,000	\$8,000	
Total					\$17,000	
Historical Viewpoints						
5	Vacker 'Blade pedestal with 9"x6" mount plate'	7	EA	\$340	\$2,380	
6	Vacker shipping	1	EA	\$450	\$450	
7	Gopher custom mount plate	7	EA	\$70	\$490	
Total					\$3,320	
FINAL TOTAL					\$22,860	

Interpretation

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- Concepts (70%)
- **Next steps**
- Discussion

Next Steps:

- **Fall/Winter 2025:**
 - Engage with Historical Society for candidate photos; review and select photos for use in the exhibits. (Exhibit 1)
 - Coordinate with local art group(s) on Call for Artists. Publish art call, then interview and select an artist. (Exhibit 2)
- **100% Design:**
 - Coordinate signage styles, materials, and fasteners with architecture. (Exhibit 3)
 - Determine construction sequence and payment (i.e., by contractor or furnished by owner).
 - Finalize plans, details, and specifications. (All exhibits)
 - Coordinate with fabricators. (All exhibits)

Lake Forest Park Lakefront Improvements

Design, Engineering, Environmental, and Permitting