Council Meeting Date: June 2, 2008 Agenda Item: 6(a)

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council Presentation

DEPARTMENT: Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services

PRESENTED BY: Lynn M. Cheeney, Recreation Superintendent

ISSUE STATEMENT

Since 1996 the City of Shoreline has contracted with the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council to provide educational and cultural opportunities the citizens of our community. Nancy Frey, Executive Director of the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council, and members of their board will be presenting Council with a report of programs and activities. This will be Ms. Frey's first report to the Council since her appointment as Executive Director last year.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is \$63,858 allocated in the 2008 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services budget to support the work of the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council. City funding has been established on a per capita basis for the Arts Council. In 2008 the increase was 3.15% (90% of the Seattle Consumer Price Index) for a per capita amount of \$1.20 per resident.

INTRODUCTION

The first contract between the City of Shoreline and the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council was created in 1996 to provide cultural services to the residents of Shoreline. Since 1996, the City and the Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council have enjoyed a positive relationship serving the Shoreline community with a variety of programs and events that would not be possible without this partnership. Approximately over 18,650 Shoreline residents participated in events and programs made possible by the 2007 contract.

In 2004, the City of Shoreline contributed \$25,000 to the Arts Council for the Showmobile (a portable stage). This contribution gave the City authorization to use the Showmobile for City concerts and special events. The City provides the Arts Council transportation of the Showmobile for programs and events in the City of Shoreline.

BACKGROUND

The 2008 Contract contains the following services and programs to the City of Shoreline:

Shoreline Arts Festival

Two-day summer event presenting a wide variety of arts for all ages, including visual, performing, cultural and literary events, activities, exhibits and programs.

Concerts/Performances in the Parks

Six evening summer concerts/performances in Shoreline parks.

Arts in Cultural Series

Adult/family series featuring a minimum of four different performance events during the fall, winter and spring.

Children's Series

Children's/family series featuring a minimum of three different performance events during the winter and spring.

Community Outreach

Includes responding to and working with a variety of community organizations on arts related projects.

Showmobile

The City may use the Showmobile for events in the City of Shoreline at no cost to the City. The City agrees to transport the Showmobile for the Arts Council events held in the City of Shoreline at no cost to the Arts Council.

RECOMMENDATION

This item is informational and no action is necessary.

Approved By: City Manager ____ City Attorney ____