Council Meeting Date: December 7, 2009 Agenda Item: 8(a)

## CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE: Cedarbrook Resolution No. 292

**DEPARTMENT:** Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services

PRESENTED BY: Dick Deal, PRCS Director

## PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:

In August 2008 the Shoreline School district granted the Coalition for the Preservation of Cebarbrook (CPC) two years to secure funding for the acquisition of the former site of Cedarbrook elementary that had been declared surplus by the School District. The CPC would like the school property to become a park to serve residents of Shoreline and Lake Forest Park.

Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services staff members have been working with the CPC explaining the process necessary for the site to be eligible for traditional grant funding opportunities for park property acquisition. The most important matter is having the site listed in the City of Shoreline Park, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) plan. Without being identified in the plan there is no opportunity for funding through the State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office.

We are beginning the update of our PROS plan in 2010 and anticipate having it adopted in early 2011. Once listed in the PROS plan, grant applications can be made for acquisition funding. With adoption in early 2011 an application could be made for potential funding in 2012. With additional time from the School District, the Cedarbrook site could be included in the City of Shoreline PROS plan. The time extension would also provide opportunities for additional fundraising and application for King County Conservation Futures Trust funding.

At the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the City of Shoreline Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Board there was unanimous approval by the Board for the attached resolution and a request to ask staff to present the resolution to the City Council for their approval. The resolution is asking the Shoreline School District to give the CPC an additional three years by extending the time for securing funding from July 31, 2010 to July 31, 2013. The City of Lake Forest Park City Council approved a similar resolution at a recent meeting.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The City Council approval of Resolution No. 292 will not obligate the City of Shoreline financially to any funding for the acquisition of the Cedarbrook site.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The City of Shoreline Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Board recommends that Council approve Resolution No. 292 requesting the Shoreline School District to grant more time to the Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook to pursue acquisition funding.

Approved By:

City Manager

City Attorney

Attachment: Resolution 292

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 292**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, RECOMMENDING THAT THE SHORELINE SCHOOL DISTRICT GRANT ADDITIONAL TIME TO THE COALITION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF CEDARBROOK TO SECURE THE FORMER CEDARBROOK SCHOOL SITE AS A PARK

WHEREAS, the Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook (CPC) has been a grass roots organization that is working to preserve the former Cedarbrook School site for a future park site, and

WHEREAS, the CPC is a 501C (3) organization with over 800 members and is working with the Shoreline School District, City of Shoreline, and City of Lake Forest Park, and

WHEREAS, the CPC has been given two years by the Board of Directors of the Shoreline School District effective August 2008 to secure funding for the purchase of the site, and

WHEREAS, the main funding sources for park acquisition require that projects be listed in the City's Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (PROS) and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to qualify for grant funding, and

WHEREAS, the Cedarbrook site is not in the Shoreline plan at this time, and the City will be updating the PROS plan and CIP in the next two years, and

WHEREAS, the CPC will be asking the City to include the Cedarbrook property in the updated PROS plan, and

WHEREAS, CPC have formally made their intent known to the Shoreline School District that more time is needed, and

WHEREAS, the CPC have discussed the acquisition of the Cedarbrook site with the City of Lake Forest Park City Council and received their support for the acquisition, and development of this site, and

WHEREAS, the City of Shoreline Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Board has voted unanimously to encourage the Shoreline School District to grant the CPC more time to have the site included in the PROS plan and seek grant funding,

# NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Shoreline City Council recommends that the Shoreline School district grant an additional three years, until July 31, 2013 to the Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook to allow adequate time to get the project included in the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan and make application for State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office grants.

Section 2. The Shoreline City Council directs staff to work with the Shoreline School District, City of Lake Forest Park, and Coalition for the Preservation of Cedarbrook in support of grant requests and exploring other funding opportunities for the acquisition of the former Cedarbrook School site.

## ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 7, 2009

	Mayor Cindy Ryu	
ATTEST:		
Scott Passey, CMC City Clerk		