

**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**  
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<b>AGENDA TITLE:</b> Proclamation for Parks, Recreation and Cultural Service Month
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b> Dick Deal, Director
<b>ACTION:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Proclamation

**PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT:**

July is National Parks and Recreation Month. This is an opportunity to acknowledge the many agencies in our community that provide facilities, programs, and opportunities to enrich the lives of local residents. Tonight, Lynn Cheeney, the City's Recreation Superintendent will accept the proclamation.

After 37 years as a Parks and Recreation professional Lynn Cheeney has announced her retirement. Lynn has served the City of Shoreline as the Recreation Superintendent since November 1, 2004. Working with a dedicated staff Lynn has overseen numerous quality City programs and activities that serve citizens of all ages and abilities.

Lynn began her tenure with the city of Shoreline in 1997 as the City's first Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director. One of her early contributions was the oversight of the City's first Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. She left her position with the City of Shoreline to accept the title of Executive Director of the Washington Recreation and Park Association in January of 1999. During her tenure in public service Lynn has worked for the cities of Edmonds, Tukwila and Mill Creek prior to returning to finish her career in Shoreline.

Lynn will remain active in the community as the President of the Rotary Club of Shoreline and other adventures yet to be determined. She and her husband Dave will be performing around the area in addition to spending time sailing in the San Juan Islands this summer.

**RESOURCE/FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Mayor will read the proclamation and the Council will present the proclamation declaring July 2012 as Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services Month in the City of Shoreline to Lynn Cheeney.

Approved By:        City Manager ***JU***    City Attorney ***IS***



## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of communities throughout this country, including Shoreline; and

WHEREAS, our parks and recreation are vitally important to establishing and maintaining the quality of life in communities, ensuring the health of all citizens, and contributing to the economic and environmental well-being of a community and region; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs build healthy, active communities that aid in the prevention of chronic disease, provide therapeutic recreation services for those who are mentally or physically disabled, and also improve the mental and emotional health of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs increase a community's economic prosperity through increased property values, expansion of the local tax base, increased tourism, the attraction and retention of businesses, and crime reduction; and

WHEREAS, parks and recreation areas are fundamental to the environmental well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, parks and natural recreation areas improve water quality, protect groundwater, prevent flooding, improve the quality of the air we breathe, provide vegetative buffers to development, and produce habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. House of Representatives has designated July as Parks and Recreation Month; likewise, the City of Shoreline recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation resources;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Keith A. McGlashan, Mayor of the City of Shoreline, on behalf of the Shoreline City Council, declare July as Park and Recreation Month in the City of Shoreline.

Keith A. McGlashan, Mayor