

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

AGENDA TITLE:	Approval of Shoreline Veteran’s Recognition Memorial at City Hall
DEPARTMENT:	Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services
PRESENTED BY:	Dick Deal, PRCS Director Dwight Stevens, Shoreline Veteran’s Association
ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion

ISSUE STATEMENT:

Five years ago a group of Shoreline Veterans came together to create the Shoreline Veteran’s Association (SVA) with the intent of creating an event on Veteran’s Day in Shoreline. For the past four years the SVA has worked with City staff to host an event in the Council Chambers at City Hall on Veteran’s Day to honor the men and women from our community who are or have been active in the military.

The SVA is now interested in creating a recognition site for veterans in Shoreline in cooperation with Post 227 of the American Legion. The proposed memorial uses a portion of the turf area just north of the Council Chamber on the City Hall campus to build a 32 foot circular brick patio with tall stones or pillars for each of the military branches and a centrally located flag base array. Attachment A to this staff report shows the location of this proposed site.

At the center of the proposed recognition site will be a flagpole that the SVA proposes would serve as the official American flag for City Hall. The existing flagpole in front of City Hall could be relocated to the recognition site or could fly a Washington flag or a flag with the City logo. The SVA requests the Council’s approval of this proposed change to the location for the American flag for City Hall and use of this portion of the City Hall campus for installation of the memorial as depicted in the attachments to this staff report.

The recognition site will be funded by donations secured by the Shoreline Veteran’s Association. Once Council approval is received, the SVA will begin an active fundraising campaign. The goal is to have funding in place by the end of 2014.

The tentative schedule for the completion of the Veteran’s Recognition Site is:

- July 2014: Proposal Presented to Council for Discussion and Approval
- August – December 2014: Fundraising Conducted
- January – February 2015: Construction Documents Finalized
- March – April 2015: Contractor Under Contract
- June – August 2015: Construction

ALTERNATIVES ANALYZED:

The SVA has evaluated other locations for a Veteran’s Recognition Site including Westminster Triangle at Fremont Avenue and Westminster Way, and Ronald Bog Park on N 175th Street. The City Hall site is the location of choice of the SVA because of ample parking, ADA accessibility, security, and access to restrooms during business hours.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The American Legion Post 227 will be responsible for all expenses for the design, permitting, and construction of the Veteran’s Recognition site. The City will construct the memorial under its Public Works procurement policies, and contribute project management for the contract. A \$10,000 grant has been pledged to Post 227 from King County Community Services. The Post will be responsible for raising the balance of funds for construction.

When this project is approved by the City Council, the SVA will begin an aggressive fund raising campaign to secure funds for the construction of the project and assign the King County grant. It is estimated that the cost of design, permitting, and construction will be \$75,000 - \$85,000. To date, the SVA has secured approximately \$13,000 in funds. Council is asked to approve, as part of the memorial, recognition plaques for contributed benches, the flag pole, and bricks where the names of active and retired military will be displayed.

If approved by Council, this project will be included in the 2015 – 2020 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). However, no capital funds will be spent on this project until all project funds are received by the City.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council approve construction of a Veteran’s Recognition Site on the grounds of City Hall as described in this staff report provided sufficient funding is available from contributions or grants.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A – Veteran’s Recognition Site Location Map
- Attachment B – Veteran’s Recognition Site Aerial Sketch
- Attachment C – Veteran’s Recognition Site Ground Level Sketch
- Attachment D – Artist’s Rendering of Veteran’s Recognition Site Showing Scale

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

SHORELINE CITY RECOGNITION SITE



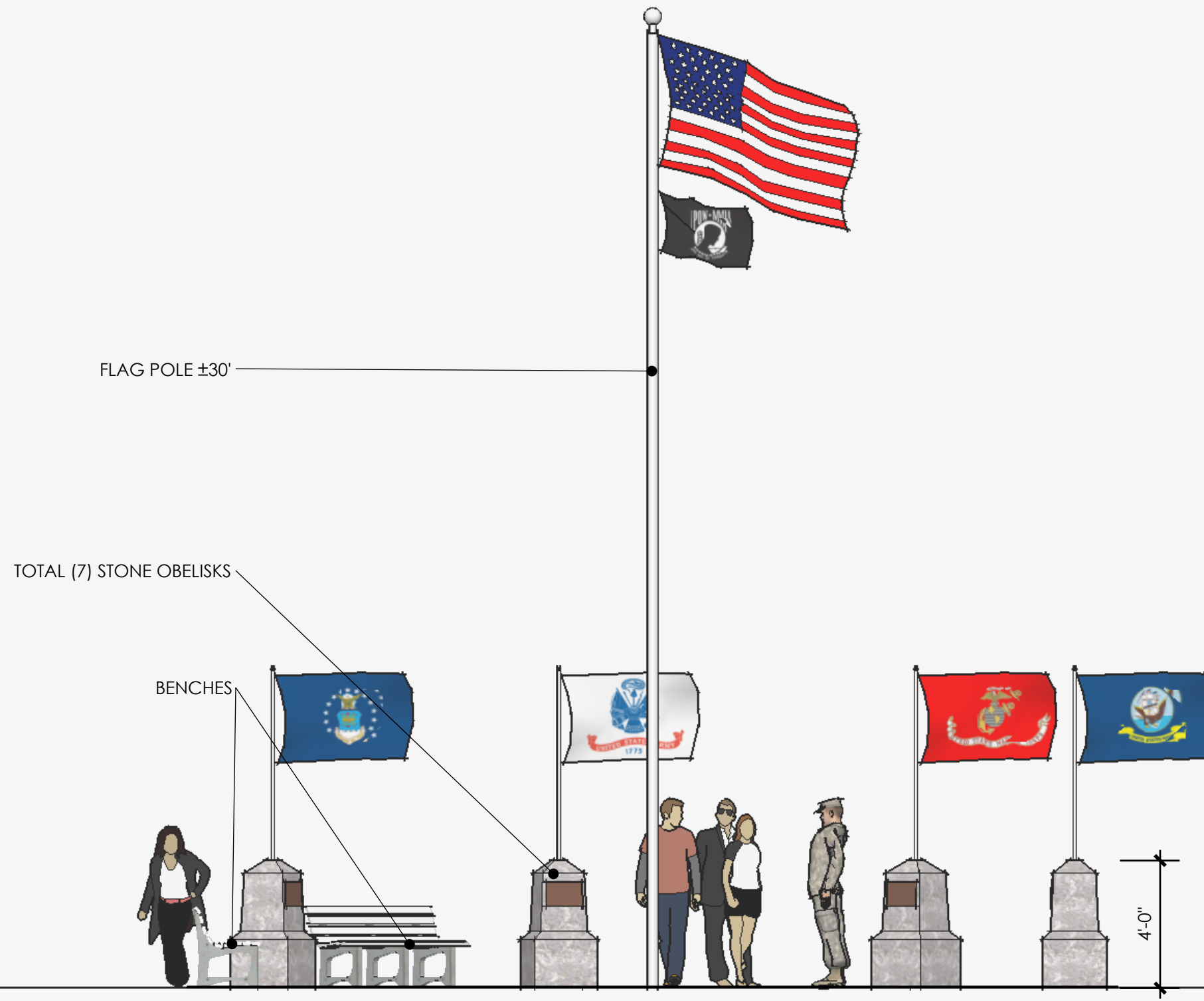
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AERIAL VIEW FROM SOUTH



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VIEW FROM MIDVALE AVE N



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