Fall City Metropolitan Park District

2010-2015 Comprehensive Plan



Parade practice for 2009 Fall City Days at Fall City Park

Adopted June 8, 2010

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A RESOLUTION OF FALL CITY METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT, ADOPTING THE 2010-2015 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to adopt a Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners held several community meetings, conducted a public survey; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commisioners have met, made adjustments and changes deemed necessary and proper to the Comprehensive Plan, now, therefore be it,

Resolved by the Board of Park Commissioners that the District adopts by reference the 2010-2015 Comprehensive Plan. A copy of this resolution, and the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan will be submitted to the Recreation and Conservation Office.

The Foregoing resolution was a adopted at a special meeting of the Board of Commisioners of the Fall City Metropolitan Park District held June 8, 2010.

Adopted this 8th day of June, 2010.

Attest:

Kirk Harris, President

Debbie Pettersson

Perry Wilkins

Fall City Metropolitan Park District Board of Commissioners Fall City, Washington

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Lee Moderow, Clerk

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Executive Summary

The rural town of Fall City and its surrounding community voted in favor of forming the Fall City Metropolitan Park District (FCMPD) to represent local interests for park and recreation services in a special election held on February 3, 2009. For this election, there were 3,775 registered voters living within the boundaries of the FCMPD. The Fall City community within unincorporated east King County has seen slow but steady growth for generations as a result of development constraints such as limited water supply, lack of public sewers, and environmentally sensitive areas. Similarly, opportunities to enhance, acquire, and develop sites for park and recreation services are equally limited.

As our community observes the development of land that does occur within the FCMPD, we can see gradual changes which alter its charming beauty and character. The tranquility and natural beauty of Fall City has long played a role in this "great place to live." The Fall City Metropolitan Park District recognizes the need to preserve and protect the natural beauty for our community's future, while developing ways to utilize lands before they become unavailable for public recreational use. Working together with stakeholders to achieve this goal will greatly benefit the community by providing local residents with the opportunity to live, work, play, and grow in a healthy and scenic environment.

With the increasing demand for recreational space and activities, planning is fundamental. The Fall City Metropolitan Park District's Comprehensive Plan is intended as a tool to guide elected officials in setting policies and priorities, and to guide staff and citizens in the direction of our community's needs. The plan will fulfill the FCMPD's requirement to have a current park, recreation, and open space plan in order to be eligible for state and federal funds though State of Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO). This plan contains the following RCO requirements:

- Goals and objectives
- Inventory of parks, open space and facilities
- Public involvement in the planning process
- Demand and needs analysis
- Capital improvement program
- Plan adoption

The FCMPD asked for input from residents, stakeholders, and elected officials for the purpose of developing this plan with the public's involvement. A variety of methods were used to obtain this information, such as surveys, comment cards, workshop public meetings, single topic public meetings, public service announcements, personal observations, and informal talks. The responses showed the following areas to be in greatest demand: adding to the number of sports fields and courts, improving the equestrian facilities, acquiring land for park facilities, expansion and development of trails, children's playgrounds, a skate board park, picnic areas, and improved water access. These responses conclude that the community and Fall City Metropolitan Park District are focused on the same goals and objectives.

