CONSERVATION FUTURES TAX LEVY (CFT) APPLICATION FOR 2020 FUNDS

Project Name: Duwamish River Shoreline Acquisition

Applicant Jurisdiction: City of Seattle

If applicable, Open Space System Name: South Park Riverwalk
(Only if applicable, the name of a larger connected system, such as Cedar River Greenway, Mountains to Sound, a Regional Trail, etc.)

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Type of Acquisition(s): ☒Fee Title ☐Conservation Easement ☐Other:

King County Council District in which project is located¹: 8

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SECTION 1. PROJECT SUMMARY

Goal
The goal of this project is to acquire property along the Duwamish River in South Park. The City and community have identified two potential acquisitions that are key components of the South Park Riverwalk—a concept born out of the community’s 2014 South Park Green Space Vision Plan and 2009 Duwamish Valley Vision Map & Report. The Riverwalk would create an integrated and connected network of shoreline access points and waterfront parks in South Park. The proposed acquisitions would help the community to realize this vision, as well as address significant environmental justice challenges and resulting negative health outcomes, improve water quality and salmonid habitat, and proactively find solutions for expected sea-level rise and other climate justice concerns. The City is requesting $3,500,000 in no matching equity/opportunity area CFT funding to purchase one or a portion of both properties.

Background
South Park is a close-knit community of 4,745 residents, as well as businesses and industries located along Seattle’s only river, the Duwamish. In addition to its importance to the Seattle and regional economies, four Native American tribes use the Duwamish River for fishing and/or cultural ceremonies, and low-income, immigrant, refugee, and unsheltered families throughout King County harvest seafood from the river for sustenance and to maintain cultural and community traditions.

¹ King County Council District information here: https://www.kingcounty.gov/council/councilmembers/find_district.aspx
While it’s well-known that access to parks, trails and recreational opportunities correlate to improved health and a thriving community, only 4.1 acres of open space is available per 1,000 residents of South Park, versus the average of 9.7 citywide. Improved access to open space and to the Duwamish River is one of the highest community priorities documented in numerous plans including the South Park Green Space Vision Plan, Equity & Environment Agenda, South Park Outside and the Duwamish Valley Action Plan. Despite this importance and cultural significance to the community, of the approximately 5,000 feet of shoreline within a 5-minute walk from the South Park residential area, less than 400 are public and only 100 provide access to the water. The City is currently engaging the Duwamish Valley Youth Corps to generate ideas for the implementation of the Riverwalk. We recently asked them to map landmarks, nodes, paths, and edges in their community, and a majority of students marked the Duwamish shoreline as a barrier, noting that they could not get to the river or enjoy it. The proposed acquisitions would address the lack of public space along the shoreline, which prevents the community from benefiting from opportunities to relax, play, gather, and recreate along the river’s edge.

**Potential Acquisitions:** The City of Seattle and South Park community members and organizations have identified two acquisitions that have exceptional opportunity to redress historic disparities in access to open space for residents and workers, improve water quality and salmonid habitat, begin addressing expected sea-level rise inundation, and to support environmental justice and equitable development. We have chosen to include both of these properties in this application because the acquisitions amplify and maximize each other in terms of their opportunities to improve existing community assets, open space access, connectivity, habitat, environmental remediation, and river access.

**Silver Bay:** The Silver Bay property is a three-acre riverfront parcel in the southeast industrial area that SPU is considering purchasing for construction of a stormwater quality treatment facility. The size of SPU’s facility will depend on the technology used, but will is currently estimated to occupy 2/3 of the site. The large size of the parcel will enable SPU to leverage its stormwater drainage improvements to begin to anchor a climate resilient residential and business community, centered on equitable development and public open space.

**Unity Electric:** The United Rental site is a 1-acre site immediately adjacent to Duwamish Waterway Park. The acquisition of this property would allow for the expansion of Duwamish Waterway Park including restoration of the shoreline for increased salmonid habitat, use of the property for community events, Native American Tribes, Cultural Ceremonies, and the potential for hand launch boat access to the river. The expansion of the existing park space would also help to mitigate some of the air and noise pollution impacts from adjacent industrial land use.

**SECTION 2. OPEN SPACE RESOURCES**

*Before answering Sections 2 & 3, please review “King County Conservation Futures (CFT) Application Evaluation Criteria.” Please mark the checkbox for each criterion that applies to the parcels that are current funding targets. Then briefly describe in the space below how the proposed acquisition satisfies each marked criterion. Consider, if applicable, both the landscape and individual parcel level.*
B. Salmon habitat and aquatic resources

As damaged and polluted as the Lower Duwamish Waterway is today, the habitat is crucial to ensuring the survival and recovery of threatened fish species, including the Puget Sound Chinook and Puget Sound Steelhead. These young fish must spend time in this part of the Duwamish River, which is a Superfund Site, as they transition from the river’s freshwater to the saltwater of the Puget Sound and Pacific Ocean. Creation and restoration of a natural shoreline is part of the solution by providing shelter and forage fish. Both the Silver Bay site and the United Rental property will provide opportunities for creating or restoring more natural shoreline. In addition, the Silver Bay site will include a state-of-the-art water quality facility that will treat stormwater originating in the industrial area of South Park. As part of the acquisition (the site is currently contaminated), SPU will undertake remediation of the site prior to construction of the facility and open space.

The City will seek partnerships, such as with the WRIA 9 Watershed Ecosystem Forum and others, to complement the cleanup with shoreline salmon habitat enhancements. With limited opportunities for habitat improvements in the heavily urbanized critical Chinook salmon transition zone, acquisition of both sites creates a great opportunity to add critical habitat for juvenile Chinook salmon, a goal in the 2005 Green/Duwamish and Central Puget Sound WRIA 9 Salmon Recovery Plan, as well as in the 2014 Duwamish Blueprint. In addition to creating open shoreline, potential restoration actions could include those similar to what the Port of Seattle and others have undertaken in the Duwamish River – installation of shallow water benches, emergent marsh vegetation and riparian vegetation.

Both the United Rental property and the portion of the Silver Bay site for which the City requests CFT funding, will be used for shoreline passive recreation uses including water access. Both sites offer opportunity to incorporate education about salmon habitat and aquatic resources. In particular, SPU envisions incorporating substantial public education in the water quality facility and open space, focusing on the role that cleaning stormwater and habitat restoration play in improving Chinook salmon habitat in the WRIA Lower Duwamish transition zone.

C. Scenic resources

Both sites will provide amazing scenic resources, establishing new public views to the Duwamish River, the Seattle skyline and Mount Rainier. Additionally, improvements of the sites will dramatically improve the scenic environment experienced from the river. This will complement the region’s investment in Seattle’s Central Waterfront by adding elements that link people to working waterfronts and rivers.

E. Historic/cultural resources

Resilient communities have called the Duwamish Valley home since time immemorial— from the fishing and winter campgrounds of the Duwamish Tribe to the present day Duwamish Longhouse and Cultural Center. The Suquamish, Muckleshoot and Yakima Tribes have treaty rights to fish on the river. These Indigenous Peoples use the Duwamish River for fishing and/or cultural ceremonies, and low-income, immigrant, refugee, and unsheltered families throughout King County harvest seafood from the river for sustenance and to maintain cultural and community traditions. Duwamish Waterway Park is one of a few locations along the Duwamish River that are used by indigenous communities for cultural purposes. Each year, the Duwamish Tribe launches canoes from the park and welcomes community members to the Duwamish River Festival. South Park and
Georgetown neighborhoods are both older than Seattle itself. The City will also explore opportunities to retain elements of the more recent, historical industrial use, by potentially incorporating more ecologically sound industrial access to the water as well as provide open space along the river.

The Unity Electric site would expand the existing Duwamish Waterway Park. This park is used for several important local and regional festivals that bring together indigenous people, and South Park’s Latinx, Somali, Vietnamese, and Cambodian community members. The current use of Unity Electric site substantially limits the effective use of roughly 1/3 of the shoreline of Duwamish Waterway Park. Acquisition of the United site would greatly improve the ability to program the site for large community events.

G. Park/open space or natural corridor addition
The CFT funds could be used to purchase a portion of the Silver Bay property and some, or all of the Unity Electric property to provide open space, waterfront access, and advance the community’s vision for the “River Walk” identified as a community priority in the South Park Green Space Vision Plan and Duwamish Valley Vision Map & Report. The City of Seattle, Port of Seattle, King County and community partners have worked for years to establish a sequence of connected open spaces offering shoreline access to the South Park community. The proposed acquisitions would be a critical step forward in advancing the community’s vision for a South Park Riverwalk. In addition to the proposed acquisitions, the City, Port, County and community partners are also actively working on plans to improve the right of way, create a wayfinding and interpretation system, and establish a pedestrian and bike corridor that connects these shoreline open spaces, and enhances a sense of community identity for the South Park neighborhood, tethered to the Duwamish River. Together, the proposed acquisitions, existing shoreline access points, and the corridor connecting them will provide a network of much needed opportunities to play, relax, gather, celebrate, walk, and bike along the riverfront.

Additionally, the acquisition on the Unity Electric site would expand the existing Duwamish Waterway Park. This park is used for several important local and regional festivals that bring together indigenous people, and South Park’s Latinx, Somali, Vietnamese, and Cambodian community members. The current use of Unity Electric site substantially limits the effective use of roughly 1/3 of the shoreline of Duwamish Waterway Park. Acquisition of the United site would greatly improve the ability to program the site for large community events.

H. Passive recreation opportunity/unmet needs
While it’s well-known that access to parks, trails and recreational opportunities correlate to improved health and a thriving community, only 4.1 acres of open space is available per 1,000 residents of South Park, versus the average of 9.7 citywide. Improved access to open space and to the Duwamish River is one of the highest community priorities documented in numerous plans including the South Park Green Space Vision Plan, Equity & Environment Agenda, South Park Outside and the Duwamish Valley Action Plan. Despite this importance and cultural significance to the community, of the approximately 5,000 feet of shoreline within a 5-minute walk from the South Park residential area, less than 400 are public and only 100 provide access to the water. The presence of SR99 and SR509, that bisect the neighborhood, make it hard to access open spaces. Only 56% of households are within a five-minute walk of a public open space. Additionally, opportunities to walk to or between existing open spaces are highly impaired by unsafe pedestrian conditions created by the highways and prevalence of freight traffic. The Silver Bay site is an opportunity to serve the growing employment in the industrial area of South Park that historically had little access to open space. The Unity Electric site would add critical usability to Duwamish Waterway Park that would support the community’s need for a larger gathering spaces suitable for local and regional events that focus on the Duwamish River and support diverse, local communities.

I. Equity/opportunity area projects that seek to redress historic disparities in access to open space
South Park has experienced documented inequities since the beginning of colonization. The Duwamish River is a 5.5-mile Superfund site. Although substantial early cleanup actions have reduced contaminant levels by about 50%, health advisories are still in place because resident seafood in the Duwamish River is not yet safe to consume. Public health studies document that exposure to air pollution, noise pollution, and highways is higher
in the Duwamish Valley than the city average and that the distribution of environmental benefits such as access to open space and access to healthy and culturally appropriate food is lower. The result of this over-exposure to environmental harms and a lack of access to environmental goods is that the South Park community experiences significantly worse health outcomes than the rest of the city. The 2013 Duwamish Valley Cumulative Health Impacts Analysis documented that the life expectancy of South Park residents is 13 years shorter than the average in Magnolia and Laurelhurst. The Duwamish Valley is also the area of Seattle that is most vulnerable to climate change impacts including sea level rise, and already experiences significant flooding problems. The neighborhood currently lacks the green infrastructure needed to create resiliency against these challenges, which the proposed acquisitions would help to redress.

The Silver Bay site is an opportunity to serve the growing number of workers in the industrial area of South Park that historically had little to no access to open space. The Unity Electric site would add critical usability to Duwamish Waterway Park that would support the community’s need for a larger gathering spaces suitable for local and regional events that focus on the Duwamish River and support diverse, local communities.

Seattle’s Equitable Development Analysis conducted as part of Seattle 2035, the City’s comprehensive plan, identifies that South Park’s diverse community experiences low access to opportunity and high risk of displacement. This analysis is a composite measurement of indicators related to the determinants of equity identified in King County Ordinance 16948. See Attachment 1.

Sixty-three percent (63%) of South Park residents identify as non-white and the median household income is less than half of the Seattle median. People of color, immigrants, refugees, indigenous peoples, youth, limited English proficiency individuals, and people with low incomes bear a disproportionate burden of the impacts of racial inequities and health disparities, benefit less directly from our environmental and economic progress, and often have their concerns go unaddressed due to systemic racism and a lack of data that includes a racial or economic analysis. Given the documented health disparities, the City completed a Healthy Living Assessment (HLA) to understand how people use their neighborhood. The HLA gathered information about community health factors to identify interconnections between various aspects of the built and social environments and to orient strategies toward ones that can improve the health of community members. Findings from the HLA include:

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<td>The probability of being a victim of crime in South Park is 169% higher in South Park than the national average. (the probability on Wallingford is 11% less than the national average).</td>
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<td>Early Childhood Development</td>
<td>There are no childcare facilities in South Park</td>
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<td>Education</td>
<td>78% of South Park residents have graduated from high school.</td>
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<td>23% have a bachelor’s degree or higher, compared to 60% citywide.</td>
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<td>Food Security</td>
<td>There are no supermarkets or farmer’s markets in South Park</td>
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<td>83% of South Park students are eligible for free and reduced lunches.</td>
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<td>Health</td>
<td>Life expectancy in South Park is 13 years lower than in Laurelhurst, a predominately white, upper-income neighborhood in North Seattle.</td>
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<td>24% of residents in the Health Reporting area are uninsured; nearly twice the citywide average of 13%.</td>
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<td>18% of adults do not participate in physical activity compared to 13% for Seattle.</td>
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<td>Housing</td>
<td>55% of South Park households pay 35% or more of their income on rent.</td>
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<td>• The unemployment rate in South Park is 8.5% compared to 5.1% citywide</td>
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<td>Social Cohesion</td>
<td>• South Park residents are dedicated and organized to address environmental justice and equitable development however there are limited spaces conducive to gathering and celebrating.</td>
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<td>• 54% of South Park residents live within a 5-minute walk of an open space.</td>
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| Transportation      | • 73% of South Park residents drive to work, showing a lack of mobility options for the neighborhood.  
• Almost 23% of households do not own a vehicle |

These acquisitions would support King County Motion 14368, which states, “2.a. The King County council requests that the department of natural resources and parks ("DNRP") and Public Health - Seattle & King County ("public health"), with the support of the King County office of equity and social justice, continue to work with their interdepartmental team to identify ongoing projects and services that serve resident, tribal and fishing communities in the Duwamish River valley, and to coordinate those efforts with the City of Seattle's interdepartmental team, to complement implementation of the final Record of Decision.”
EQUITY INDEX

- High disadvantage
- Low disadvantage

33.7% of Seattlites are people of color.

17.3% of Seattlites are foreign born.

56% of Seattlites have a bachelor's degree or higher.

15% of Seattlites live in poverty, and the household median income is $67,100.
SECTION 3. ADDITIONAL FACTORS

Please mark the checkbox for each criterion that applies to the parcels that are the current funding targets. Then briefly describe in the space below how the proposed acquisition satisfies each marked criterion.

☒ A. Educational/interpretive opportunity
☒ B. Threat of loss of open space resources
☒ C. Feasibility: Ownership complexity/willing seller(s)/community support
☒ D. Describe any public or private partnerships that will enhance this project
☐ E. Is the property identified in an adopted park, open space, comprehensive, or community plan?
☐ F. Transferable Development Rights (TDR) participation

A. Educational/interpretive opportunity
In developing the Silver Bay and Unity Electric sites, Seattle will work with community and agency partners to continue including educational and interpretive opportunities into the site program and construction. Areas of education and interpretation include: the riparian ecosystem and its importance for young salmon; cultural importance of the river and surroundings to historic and continued presence of indigenous peoples; the pre-settlement landscape and ecosystems and the impacts of rechanneling the Duwamish; the cultures and history of the South Park neighborhood; the superfund cleanup; fish consumption; and stormwater quality improvements. The City’s history of working with the Duwamish Valley Youth Corps reflects the shared, high priority placed on integrating educational and work opportunities for area youth. Existing, well-established events such as the Duwamish River Festival and the Water Festival already demonstrate the ability to reach multiple cultures (including Latinx, Vietnamese, Cambodian, and Somali) from the surrounding neighborhood and region; expanding the impact of educational and interpretive opportunities. Lastly, community-based groups already host educational kayak and boat tours, in addition to the Duwamish Rowing Club, an organization that promotes physical activity and health among South Park and Georgetown residents.

B. Threat of loss of open space resources
The subject parcels are currently for sale. Without acquisition for open space use, the Unity Electric site, in particular, would likely remain in industrial use, which could make the sites unavailable to the community for generations to come. SPU can only purchase and retain land for utility purposes. The CFT funding would kick-off a strong community partnership and provide the opportunity for multiple benefits from the co-location of a stormwater quality treatment facility and open space on the Silver Bay site.

C. Feasibility: Ownership complexity/willing seller(s)/community support
The owners of both sites are willing sellers. There is a proven history of community members partnering with the City and agencies to develop and steward open space. Community support for access to the Duwamish River is well established in number plans that included extensive, inclusive engagement that meaningfully involved people of color, immigrants, refugees, youth, limited English proficiency individuals, and people with low incomes.

D. Describe any public or private partnerships that will enhance this project
This application results from numerous City/Community partnerships. The Duwamish Valley Program is participating in the Center for Community Investment’s Connect Capital program that aims to help multi-sector efforts improve access to opportunities that are essential for good health and well-being by strengthening the ability of the community investment system to attract and deploy capital at scale and in alignment with community priorities. The City of Seattle Team, led by SPU, received a grant to strengthen the community investment system in South Park so that it is able to spur investments that improve the social, economic, ecological and built environment so that people have access to essential ingredients for a healthy life and communities are more cohesive, resilient, and environmentally sustainable. Seattle’s proposal is to
leverage SPU’s drainage improvements to stimulate investment to create a climate resilient residential and business community where communities of color, immigrants, refugees, employees, youth, elders, workers and low-income community members benefit from open space access, and protection from flooding and sea level rise.

Seattle has identified opportunities to expand and augment multiple, existing community and agency collaborations that provide partnerships, volunteer efforts towards property acquisition, restoration, and stewardship.

- South Park Green Spaces Steering Committee, Friends of Duwamish Waterway Park, Duwamish Rowing Club, and Friends of South Park Plaza. Existing community groups hold regular meetings that can engage community members in all facets of this project.
- Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition. Simultaneously serving as the Technical Advisory Group and Community Advisory Group for the Duwamish River Superfund Cleanup, DRCC will help connect the acquisition and development to the environmental justice efforts underway as part of the river cleanup, as identified by community members in the 2013 Health Impact Assessment: Proposed Cleanup Plan for the Lower Duwamish Waterway Superfund Site.
- Seattle Parks Foundation. The Foundation worked with the community to create the South Park Green Space Vision Plan and works with Friends of the Duwamish Waterway Park and community members to raise an estimated $1,275,000, for construction of improvements to Duwamish Waterway Park.
- City of Seattle’s Duwamish Valley Action Team (DAT). The DAT brings together 18 City departments, including Seattle Parks & Recreation, that coordinate and align their work to community priorities and racial equity outcomes.
- South Park Outside. The City-led program is piloting efforts to improve interagency collaboration to create a more complete and cohesive public space network, beginning in the South Park neighborhood. This effort is convening interagency partners to work toward establishing and advancing the South Park Riverwalk and Green Loop (connecting inland public spaces) that would improve safety and walkability within the neighborhood. The routes would place all residents within a one block distance of a network of improved walking and bicycle routes to facilitate connectivity to the current and future neighborhood green spaces. These routes will also provide better connectivity to regional walking, biking, and mass transit systems.
- The Port of Seattle has partnered with the City and community organizations on several shoreline enhancement projects including Duwamish Waterway Park, which would be augmented by the Unity Electric acquisition. The City will pursue similar partnerships with both sites.
- Local industries and businesses. Through Connect Capital, the City is actively engaging industrial and business stakeholders in climate change adaptation and drainage and conveyance work. As it pertains to the Silver Bay site, the City intentionally wants to accommodate existing industrial uses on the site.

E. Is the property identified in an adopted park, open space, comprehensive, or community plan?

- South Park Green Spaces Vision Plan identifies improvement of Duwamish Waterway Park as one of its highest priorities and proposed the vision for the South Park Riverwalk.
- The Duwamish Valley Action Plan identifies a collaboration with the Center for Community Investment’s Connect Capital program as an opportunity to bring multiple community benefits (open space) from drainage and stormwater quality investments.
- The stormwater quality facility is in SPU’s Plan to Protect Seattle’s Waterways, a commitment to the Department of Ecology and the Environmental Protection Agency.

SECTION 4. PARCEL DETAILS

A. Please provide information about the parcels that are current and future funding targets.

i. Parcels that are Current Funding Targets - i.e., those parcels which would be acquired with requested funding, shown in red on your maps. Find this information on Assessor’s Report/Property Details accessed through King County iMAP (https://gismaps.kingcounty.gov/iMap/). Add more rows if needed.
Parcel Number (do not use hyphen, e.g., 1234567890) | Acreage | Zoning | Assessor’s “Appraised Land Value” | Assessor’s “Appraised Improvements Value” | Estimated Cost to Purchase Desired Property Interest | Property Interest Sought (fee, easement, or TBD)
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Silver Bay | 7327903645 | 0.82 | Industrial | | | fee
Silver Bay | 7327902520 | 1.91 | Industrial | | $1,000,000 | fee
Silver Bay | 7327902490 | 0.11 | Industrial | | fee
Silver Bay | 7327902480 | 0.11 | Industrial | | fee
Unity Electric | 7327901215 | 0.98 | IB U/45 | $765,100 | $581,700 | $2,500,000 | fee

ii. Future Funding Targets - i.e., those parcels shown in yellow on your maps. Please list the parcel numbers here (no additional information needed):

B. How did you estimate the cost to purchase parcels? (e.g., appraisal, estimate from assessor’s values, etc.).

The parcels are currently for sale. The City used the asking price as the estimated cost for the Unity Electric Site. The estimated cost to purchase the Silver Bay site listed in the table above is 1/3 of the anticipated negotiated price.

C. Are any parcels are enrolled in the Current Use Taxation program (a voluntary conservation program)?

No

SECTION 5. PROPERTY USE, STEWARDSHIP, AND MAINTENANCE

A. What is the intended future use of the property (e.g., passive recreation, habitat restoration, timber management, agricultural production)? Will this land be available for public use?

All land acquired with the grant funds are proposed for public use.

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| | • Shoreline habitat restoration  
| | • Sea-level rise protection  
| | • Interpretive education |
| Unity Electric | • Public open space  
| | • Trails  
| | • Habitat  
| | • Recreation – rowing club  
| | • Education  
| | • Climate resilience |

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2 Please explain what the zoning designation means if you don’t think it would be evident to the committee.

3 Parcels enrolled in Current Use Taxation for “Forestry” may not have a valid “appraised land value” or acreage.

4 Visit [www.kingcounty.gov/incentives](http://www.kingcounty.gov/incentives), and use the “Interactive Map” to check enrollment for your target parcel(s).
B. How will the property be stewarded and maintained, and using what funding? Does the property lend itself to volunteer stewardship opportunities or community participation?

The City anticipate that the sites will be maintained through a combination of SPR, and SPU funding and community partnerships. Due to the strength of existing partnerships and the anticipated uses described above, there are significant opportunities for community participation in design and construction, and for volunteer and paid stewardship. As an area with low access to opportunity that has experienced a legacy of environmental injustice, the City prioritizes opportunities to incorporate (in all phases of community engagement, design, construction, and stewardship) educational and employment training, and living wages for people of color, immigrants, refugees, Native peoples, youth, limited English proficiency individuals, and people with low incomes. Partnerships could include the following:

- Duwamish Valley Youth Corps
- Duwamish Infrastructure Restoration Training (DIRT) Corps
- Friends of Duwamish Waterway Park
- South Park Green Spaces committee
- Seattle Conservation Corps
- Earth Corps

C. What are the biggest challenges you anticipate in managing this site?

Both sites have attributes that lend to efficient operation and management. The Silver Bay site will be co-located with a SPU stormwater quality treatment facility that will help assure consistent stewardship. The Unity Electric site is adjacent to an existing park that is heavily used by the community. As stated previously the number of partnership opportunities helps ensure stewardship based on strong programming and management.

D. Will you be purchasing and demolishing any structures on the target parcel(s)? Explain why this is necessary.

Both sites contain industrial buildings that the City plans to demolish. This is typical of urban shoreline environments. Community engagement during design may identify the need for structures, but no decision has been made. No CFT funds will be used to purchase property where we decide there is a community need for a structure.

E. Do you intend to reserve any part of the site for non-CFT-eligible activities, such as more intensive recreation or retaining a structure on a fee purchase? (Funds used for that purchase can’t count as CFT match.)

Approximately 2/3 of the Silver Bay site will be purchased by SPU for use as a stormwater quality treatment facility. No CFT funds will be used for this purpose. The City will work with the community to design improvements to both sites. This could include working with the community about the desire for using one of the structures one the Unity Electric site (or building a new structure) for use by the rowing club. No CFT funds will be used to purchase property where we decide there is a community need for a structure.

SECTION 6. PROJECT BUDGET

Please provide budget information for the parcels that are the current funding targets.

FUNDING REQUEST

| REQUESTED AMOUNT |
### TOTAL CFT PROJECT COSTS

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### FUNDING/MATCH TABLE

Please document the sources of match that you have secured, or intend to seek, towards the parcels that are the current funding targets. If you don’t yet have match secured, please note how you plan to obtain it. If you seek a match waiver (based on equity/opportunity area determination), please write “Match Waiver Requested” in table below and complete Supplemental Form #1: Equity/Opportunity Area Determination.

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### SECTION 7. BOND FUNDING POTENTIAL (SPECIAL SECTION FOR 2019)

Projects applying in 2019 may be able to qualify for bond-backed Conservation Futures funds, in addition to annual awards. Criteria A through D below are factors that may make projects most competitive for bond funding. Mark the checkbox for each criterion that applies to the parcels that are the current funding targets, and briefly describe in the space below how the proposed acquisition satisfies each marked criterion. Please note, if necessary, whether certain parcels in your scope meet the criteria, but other parcels in your scope do not.

- [ ] A. Acquisition can occur in late 2019 or soon thereafter
- [ ] B. Transaction is highly likely to be successful
- [ ] C. Match is secured

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5 If you are providing cash match, ignore this instruction. If your match consists of a land trade or the cash value of recent open space purchases, please reflect the match property’s estimated value in the “Value of land used as match” row. Your “Total Estimated Project Costs” will include this match property’s estimated value.
D. Property acquired in fee will not be leased or sold for private benefit (i.e., leased to a private party or surplused. Note that acquisition of conservation easements, TDR easements, farm covenants where underlying fee remains in private ownership is generally acceptable.)
Question 1.

If a project meets all three of the criteria below, then it qualifies as being in an equity/opportunity area and is eligible for a match waiver if project is recommended for CFT funding. Please indicate “yes” or “no” to each criterion below, and briefly describe how it meets that criterion (e.g., “this site’s census tract is in the 28th percentile of census tracts for income”).

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<td>1B. Located in a census tract in which hospitalization rates for asthma, diabetes, and heart disease are in the highest one-third for census tracts in King County?</td>
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<td><strong>Describe (noting specifically what is the nearest open space &amp; how far away it is):</strong></td>
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<td>Existing nearby parks and open spaces within ¼ mile of the proposed acquisitions are listed below, and shown on Attachment X</td>
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If you answered “Yes” to all three criteria in Question 1, please skip Question 2 – go on to Questions 3 & 4.
If you answered “No” to one or more of the criteria in Question 1, please answer Questions 2-4.

Question 2.
If a project does not meet all three of the criteria in Question 1, the CFT Committee may determine that projects qualify as being located in an equity/opportunity area if the project proponent can demonstrate limited open space access as well as other demonstrated hardships. Please share relevant information below.

2A. OPEN SPACE ACCESS. Do residents living in the area experience disproportionately limited access to public open spaces? (e.g. a freeway, major arterial, or river prevents access to nearby open spaces; the nearest open space is ½ mile away; etc.)

- Only 56% of South Park residents are within a five-minute walk of a public space, Seattle Parks and Recreation’s standard for Urban Villages.
- Highways and freight routes sever the neighborhood. SR99 bisects the neighborhood and creates long distances and unsafe conditions for residents to access public space. Heavy freight traffic throughout the neighborhood further impairs possibilities to safely walk to a public space.
- Much of South Park is impacted by noise and environmental/safety concerns. Sixty years ago, Highway 99 was built right alongside the South Park Playground. In addition to negatively impacting opportunities to access open spaces, SR99, SR509, and freight corridors also produce very high levels of noise and air pollution and reduce the benefits of adjacent open spaces. The majority of public spaces within South Park are within 300 feet of a highway, a zone of severe air toxicity that can cause a wide range of negative health impacts, especially for children. Duwamish Waterway Park is the farthest from a freight corridor of any location in or near the neighborhood, but currently is just a little over one acre. Expanding that space is the best opportunity to create a place of respite, buffered from the noise and air pollution impacting the rest of the neighborhood.
- Nearby open spaces do not fully meet community needs. Duwamish Waterway Park – a beloved community open space – hosts many community gatherings and festivals but is constrained by its size. The proposed acquisition of Unity Electric would enable full use of the shoreline.
- Access to the Duwamish River shoreline is precious. Much of the lower Duwamish River shoreline is in industrial use and access to the waterfront is extremely. One of the primary opportunities is to create an unprecedented set of linked shoreline access opportunities that will complement the enormous Duwamish River Superfund cleanup effort.
- South Park is a high City priority for public space acquisitions and improvements based on lack of existing public space access and environmental justice concerns. The City of Seattle’s Outside Citywide interdepartmental team analyzed the distributional equity of all public spaces that service the city and then factored in race and social equity, growth and density, and health outcomes to create a composite priority analysis for new public space investments. The majority of the area within a half mile walk of the proposed acquisitions received a priority rating in the top 25% and the entire area was in the top half.
- Only 4.1 acres of open space is available per 1,000 residents of South Park, versus the average of 9.7 citywide.

2B. INCOME/ECONOMIC INFORMATION. You already reported on income data in Question 1A. Is there additional income information for the immediate area that the committee should consider? (e.g. federal poverty level, rate of utilization of free and reduced-price school meals)

- The median household income in South Park is $34,605, compared to $74,458 for Seattle as a whole.
• Seattle Public Schools reports that **85% of students at Concord Elementary are eligible for free or reduced school meals.**

2C. HEALTH. You already reported on health data in Question 1B. Is there additional health information for the immediate area that the committee should consider?

• **South Park residents suffer disproportionately from pollution and poor health.** South Park has more known or suspected contaminated waste and toxic release sites than any other neighborhood in Seattle. **92% of South Park residents live near a contaminate site, superfund site, or freight corridor that have resulted in in numerous, well-documented cumulative environmental impacts**. Childhood asthma rates are the highest in the city, and rates of hospitalization related to air pollution are the highest in the Puget Sound region. A higher proportion of adults in South Park, Georgetown, and Beacon Hill report “fair” or “poor” health compared to Seattle overall. In fact, the life expectancy of South Park residents is eight years lower than the King County average and 13 years lower than in more affluent Seattle neighborhoods.

• **Seattle will clean up the environmental contaminant at the Silver Bay site, creating long-term environmental justice benefits to the community.**

2D. SOCIAL/DEMOGRAPHIC. Is there social or demographic information the Committee should consider? (e.g. % of population under 5; racial diversity; average life expectancy; diversity of languages spoken)

• The **percentage of population under 5 in South Park is 15.5% Compared to 4.9% citywide**.

• Life expectancy is **73.5 years in South Park versus 86.5 year in Seattle’s wealthier neighborhood of Laurelhurst**.

• **63% of South Park residents are non-white**.

• **40% speak a language other than English at home**.

2E. Please briefly note any other information the Committee should consider, beyond what you presented above.

• The **Duwamish Valley Action Plan** uses a racial equity lens to identify a range of tools to further our equitable development, environmental justice, and anti-displacement strategies. Its seven priority areas are: Healthy Environment, Parks & Open Spaces, Community Capacity, Mobility and Transportation, Economic Opportunity, Affordable Housing, and Public Safety. The Plan is made up of more than 90 strategies for the short, medium, and long term. The Plan builds on the concerns and suggestions of those most affected by inequities and disparities in health, education, opportunity, and access to beautiful green spaces as well as clean air, land, and water. **Strategies to improve access to open space strategies are central to the City’s efforts to address racial and neighborhood-level disparities, reduce health inequities, advance environmental justice, build community capacity, create stronger economic pathways and opportunity, and build trust in government.**

• The **Silver Bay site is a critical anchor point for sea level rise protection for South Park.** The entire site would establish an elevation that would initiate protection of areas that are expected to be inundated by sea-level rise over the next fifty years. The City is building partnerships with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, City of Seattle, and King County to assess and protect the site.
Engineers and the King County Flood Control District to develop plans to cooperatively fund and leverage additional investment for a larger, linear resilience endeavor along the River.

**Question 3.**
Please describe your community engagement and collaboration with community-based organizations and/or members of the community. Please provide at least two letters of support. If you have not engaged in such outreach, please describe your planned community outreach.

The City and community have worked together through extensive inclusive engagement to establish priorities and actions. Improved access to open space – especially along the Duwamish River - is one of the highest priorities raised by community members in numerous plans including the South Park Green Space Vision Plan, Equity & Environment Agenda, South Park Outside and the Duwamish Valley Action Plan. SPU and SPR will continue this inclusive engagement to design the site improvements.

**Letters of Support:** South Park Area Redevelopment Committee, Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition, Duwamish Rowing Club, Concord Elementary PTA, Seattle Public Utilities, and Seattle Parks Foundation.

**Question 4.**
*If the Committee determines that this project does not qualify as being in an equity/opportunity area, the Committee will need to know whether you still want to be awarded CFT funding for up to 50% of project costs, which would require a dollar-for-dollar match.*

4A. If you do not qualify for a match waiver, do you want to be considered for a CFT award that would require a dollar-for-dollar match? Mark Yes or No. If you mark no, your project will only be recommended for CFT funding if you qualify for a match waiver.

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**Instructions**
If you answered “Yes” to question 4A, please complete questions 4B and 4C.
If you answered “No” to question 4A, skip questions 4B and 4C. You are done with this supplemental form.

4B. If you answered “Yes” above, identify the reduced CFT funding amount you would seek only in the event that you don’t qualify for a match waiver. Typically that would represent 50% of your total project cost.

$ [suggested dollar amount]

4C. Describe what your strategy would be to raise the necessary matching funds.
GUIDANCE TO APPLICANT

Complete this supplemental form only if you are a non-profit, community group, individual, or other type of non-governmental group applying for funds, to help provide information about your organization and determine eligibility for funding. Do not complete this form if you are applying from a governmental agency.

KEY INFORMATION ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL APPLICANTS

While community groups or individuals may submit applications, only two types of non-governmental entities may actually receive CFT funding to acquire property as based on state law:

- **Nonprofit historic preservation corporation:** an organization which qualifies as being tax exempt under 26 U.S.C. section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and which has as one of its principal purposes the conducting or facilitating of historic preservation activities within the state, including conservation or preservation of historic sites, districts, buildings, and artifacts. (RCW 64.04.130)

- **Nonprofit nature conservancy corporation or association:** an organization which qualifies as being tax exempt under 26 U.S.C. section 501(c) as it exists on June 25, 1976 and one which has as one of its principal purposes the conducting or facilitating of scientific research; the conserving of natural resources, including but not limited to biological resources, for the general public; or the conserving of open spaces, including but not limited to wildlife habitat to be utilized as public access areas, for the use and enjoyment of the general public. (RCW 84.34.250)

1. **Nonprofit eligibility to receive CFT funding for acquisitions.**

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<td>1C. If you answered “No” to both 1A and 1B, are you applying in partnership with one of these two types of eligible nonprofits?</td>
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If you answered “Yes” to 1C, please describe how you are partnering with an eligible non-profit.

2. **Jurisdictional agency partnership.**

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<td>2A. Does governmental agency of the jurisdiction in which your project is located know about your application?</td>
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<td>2B. Does that government support your application?</td>
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<td>2C. Are they willing to be a project partner and receive funding on your behalf?</td>
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Please describe your relationship with the governmental agency of the jurisdiction on this project:

3. **If you indicated above that you are not partnering with an eligible nonprofit or the jurisdictional government, how do you propose to make your project eligible to receive CFT funds?**

   SPR (and possibly SPU) will own the properties and are eligible partners.
4. **Please help the Committee understand your organizational capacity.** How long has your organization been in existence? What is your previous track record of success on similar projects? Do you have a project manager identified to successfully manage this property for the foreseeable future?

SPR and SPU will provide the organizational capacity to undertake design and development of this site. SPARC, and our community partner will be a partner for inclusive engagement and with ensuring the development will achieve our shared environmental justice and equitable development goals.

5. **What long-term funding stream will pay for land management and maintenance, insurance, liability coverage, site development, and other costs associated with owning this land?**

SPR and SPU will own the properties, and provide funding for land management and maintenance, insurance, liability coverage, site development, and other costs associated with owning this land. SPARC, and our community partner will be a partner programming, educational and volunteer opportunities.

6. **What would happen to this property if your organization ceased to exist?** (e.g., is a CFT-eligible nonprofit identified as a successor in your articles of incorporation? Has the jurisdiction agreed to take ownership?)

SPR and SPU will provide continuity of ownership, management, maintenance and stewardship.
ATTACHMENT 1

DATA REPORT CFT EQUITY/OPPORTUNITY AREA DETERMINATION
DATA REPORT
CFT EQUITY/OPPORTUNITY AREA DETERMINATION

INFORMATION ABOUT THIS REPORT:

This report identifies how a property meets select criteria that were identified by King County and stakeholders as relevant to equity/opportunity area determination.

There are two methods by which a property may qualify as being in an equity/opportunity area:

**Method 1.** Property meets all three of the following “specified criteria” in King County code 26.12.003. Data results related Method 1 are provided in this report in “#1: DOES PROPERTY MEET ALL 3 SPECIFIED CRITERIA?”

(a) “areas located in a census tract in which the median household income is in the lowest one-third for median household income for census tracts in King County;

(b) “areas located in a census tract in which hospitalization rates for asthma, diabetes, and heart disease are in the highest one-third for census tracts in King County; and

(c) “for areas within the Urban Growth Boundary, [that] do not have a publicly owned and accessible park within one-quarter mile of a residence, or for areas outside the Urban Growth Boundary[,] that do not have a publicly owned and accessible park within two miles of a residence.” (King County Code 26.12.003)

**Method 2.** If a property does not qualify under Method #1, a project may qualify if “the project proponent or proponents can demonstrate, and the citizen oversight committee determines, that residents living in the area experience disproportionately limited access to public open spaces as well as demonstrated hardships such as, but not limited to, chronic low incomes, persistent poor health, or high rates of utilization of free and reduced price school meals.” (King County Code 26.12.003)

Relevant criteria and/or data sources for Method 2 are provided in two sections:

“#2: ADDITIONAL RELEVANT CRITERIA WITH READILY AVAILABLE DATA” provides data about how an applicant’s proposed property meets certain relevant criteria which have data sources that are readily accessible and regularly updated.

“#3: ADDITIONAL RELEVANT SOURCES OF INFORMATION” provides links to other relevant sources of information and data. CFT values the use of multiple sources of data and information to demonstrate that a property is in an equity/opportunity area. Applicants are welcome to provide additional criteria and data sources not identified in this report to demonstrate that a property is in an equity/opportunity area.
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Parcel is just northwest of Duwamish Waterway Park (0.04 miles), and is southeast of 8th Ave South Park (0.05 miles)
#2. ADDITIONAL RELEVANT CRITERIA WITH READILY AVAILABLE DATA

Applicant can use data results from the following criteria alongside results in #1 to provide other relevant information in the application.

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| % Households at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level                | 58%        | 99%tile    | Percentile indicates how the percentage of households at or below 200% of the federal poverty level in this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: American Community Survey) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of occurrence of poor households  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of occurrence of poor households  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of occurrence of poor households |
| Utilization Rate of Free & Reduced Price School Meals                     | 73% of students | 91%tile   | Percentile indicates how the utilization of free & reduced price school meals for an elementary school compares to that of all other elementary schools in King County. (Note: data set is available for elementary schools; attendance areas for those schools are not readily available at this time; instead we mapped geographic adjacency of parcels to elementary schools to produce results.) (source: Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of use of subsidized meals  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of use of subsidized meals  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of use of subsidized meals |
| Average Life Expectancy                                                   | 80.9 yrs   | 43%tile    | Percentile indicates how the average life expectancy for this health reporting area (HRA) compares to that of all other HRAs in King County (HRAs are larger than census tracts) (source: King County Public Health) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of life expectancy  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of life expectancy  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of life expectancy |
| % Limited English Speaking Households                                     | 19%        | 90%tile    | Percentile indicates how the percent of people who speak English less than very well for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: American Community Survey) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of limited-English-speaking households  
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Percentile indicates how the percent of the population under age 5 for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: Washington Office of Financial Management)
The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:
- 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of children under age 5
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Percentile indicates how the percentage of people who identify as being of a race and/or ethnicity other than white alone for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: Washington Office of Financial Management)
The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:
- 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of people of color
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Percentile indicates how the acres of publicly accessible open space & parks per person for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: composite layer of park & open space data)
The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:
- 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of open space & parks per capita
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### % Tree Canopy (Neighborhood “Greenness”)
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Percentile indicates how the tree cover in this neighborhood (census block group) compares with all other block groups in King County (“tree” is measured as vegetation approximately 10 feet tall) (source: lidar and aerial imagery data from 2002-2017)
The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:
- 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of tree cover
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Parcel is adjacent to Duwamish Waterway Park (0.00 miles distant)
## #2. ADDITIONAL RELEVANT CRITERIA WITH READILY AVAILABLE DATA

Applicant can use data results from the following criteria alongside results in #1 to provide other relevant information in the application.

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| % Households at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level | 58%        | 99%tile    | Percentile indicates how the percentage of households at or below 200% of the federal poverty level in this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: American Community Survey). The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of occurrence of poor households  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of occurrence of poor households  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of occurrence of poor households |
| Utilization Rate of Free & Reduced Price School Meals | 73% of students | 91%tile  | Percentile indicates how the utilization of free & reduced price school meals for an elementary school compares to that of all other elementary schools in King County. (Note: data set is available for elementary schools; attendance areas for those schools are not readily available at this time; instead we mapped geographic adjacency of parcels to elementary schools to produce results.) (source: Washington Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction). The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of use of subsidized meals  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of use of subsidized meals  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of use of subsidized meals |
| Average Life Expectancy                        | 80.9 yrs   | 43%tile    | Percentile indicates how the average life expectancy for this health reporting area (HRA) compares to that of all other HRAs in King County (HRAs are larger than census tracts) (source: King County Public Health). The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of life expectancy  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of life expectancy  
  • 67-100th percentiles indicate higher level of life expectancy |
| % Limited English Speaking Households          | 19%        | 90%tile    | Percentile indicates how the percent of people who speak English less than very well for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: American Community Survey). The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:  
  • 0-33rd percentiles indicate lower level of limited-English-speaking households  
  • 34-66th percentiles indicate middle level of limited-English-speaking households  
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<td>Percentile indicates how the acres of publicly accessible open space &amp; parks per person for this census tract compares with all other census tracts in King County (source: composite layer of park &amp; open space data) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:</td>
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<th>% Tree Canopy (Neighborhood “Greenness”)</th>
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<td>Percentile indicates how the tree cover in this neighborhood (census block group) compares with all other block groups in King County (“tree” is measured as vegetation approximately 10 feet tall) (source: lidar and aerial imagery data from 2002-2017) The percentile data can be interpreted as follows:</td>
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<td>Washington State Department of Health “Healthy Use Survey.” Individuals may be able to request their neighborhood school data.</td>
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<td><strong>School Demographics &amp; School Languages</strong></td>
<td><a href="http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/DataDownload.aspx">http://reportcard.ospi.k12.wa.us/DataDownload.aspx</a></td>
<td>WA Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). Individuals may be able to request or find their neighborhood school data.</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.k12.wa.us/DataAdmin/default.aspx">http://www.k12.wa.us/DataAdmin/default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Environmental Protection Agency “EJ Screen” (EJ = Environmental Justice). Compiles data for pollutant exposure.</td>
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<td><strong>Renter Density</strong></td>
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<td>American Community Survey data on owner/renter occupied.</td>
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<td><strong>RCO Match Reduction</strong></td>
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<td>Match reduction eligibility for a state-wide grant program. See Interactive Map to view data for your area. RCO Match Reduction information does not correlate with qualifying for a CFT match waiver.</td>
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<td><strong>4 Themes of Social Vulnerability</strong></td>
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<td>CDC’s Social Vulnerability Index:</td>
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<td>King County Sheriff’s Office</td>
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<td>“Communities Count” Social &amp; Health Indicator Data of King County</td>
<td><a href="http://www.communitiescount.org/index.php?page=data-resources">http://www.communitiescount.org/index.php?page=data-resources</a></td>
<td>Various Public Agencies across King County</td>
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AERIAL PERSPECTIVE
SOUTH PARK RIVERWALK

TO GREEN RIVER TRAIL
FUTURE SOUTH PARK PLAZA
FUTURE SOUTH PARK RIVER WALK
UNITY ELECTRIC SITE
DUWAMISH WATERWAY PARK
SILVER BAY SITE
DUWAMISH TRAIL
TO GREEN RIVER TRAIL

CONCEPTUAL RIVERWALK SECTION

GSI on private property
Ped and bike infrastructure
Park activation/expansion through ROW
Floodable open space
Gathering cultural spaces
Waterfront trail

Expanded tree canopy
Wayfinding
Interpretive signage
Sea level rise protection
Restored shoreline
Sea level rise with storm event
Floating wetlands
LEGEND

1. Proposed Acquisition Targets
2. Future Georgetown/South Park Connection
3. Duwamish Trail
4. Green River Trail

Urban Villages
Industrial Area

LOCATION MAP
SOUTH PARK RIVERWALK
March 4, 2019

Dear King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee,

I am writing on behalf of Concord International Elementary School PTA, to express our support of the joint application for Conservation Futures Tax funding by Seattle Parks and Recreation and the South Park Area Redevelopment Committee. Concord PTA, founded in 1996, works with Concord family and staff to support the children of South Park.

We support this effort without reservation. Improved access to open space along the Duwamish River is one of the community’s highest priorities. Access to parks, trails and healthy recreational opportunities correlate to improved health and happiness, and currently, South Park residents have an average of only 40 square feet of accessible open space available to them, versus the average of 387 square feet per resident within Seattle city limits. Concord has a high percentage of children of color, including many immigrants and refugees. About 75% of children served by Concord qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch, which is a federal marker of poverty. These children are offered less field trips and enrichment activities at school than their peers because our PTA is unable to fund them. Very few of them are enrolled in extra-curricular activities (sports, arts, etc.) again due to financial pressures. As well, many of them reside in apartments on the arterial of 14th Ave S or S Cloverdale St, which offers limited play space. For all these reasons, this proposal has the potential to be incredibly important to our children and families. Our kids need a healthy environment, which these open spaces will support. They also need and deserve beautiful outdoor space to run, play, socialize and learn.

Additionally, we support this effort because it is part of a broader strategy to build community capacity, and remedy historic public disinvestment within South Park. The effort adheres to the Four Equitable Development Mandates that guided the South Park Outside workshop in October 2018:

1. Promote cultural space and social cohesion
2. Increase connectivity and physical safety
3. Promote environmental justice and pollution reduction
4. Promote climate resilience and green infrastructure

The South Park community has undergone extensive self-reflection, community organizing, and planning efforts. After so much preparation, we are ready for action. The acquisition of these sites is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop open space and riverfront connectivity that has historically been overlooked as a worthwhile investment. Furthermore, the portfolio
approach to open space allows the City and the community to work together to address river access demands of today with the climate resilience challenges of the future. Please keep our students at Concord International Elementary in mind during the selection process.

Sincerely,

Robin Schwartz
Concord International Elementary School PTA, Treasurer
206-359-1774
robinschwartz@hotmail.com
Dear King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee,

I am writing to express our strong support of the joint application for Conservation Futures Tax funding by Seattle Parks and Recreation and the South Park Area Redevelopment Committee. DRCC/TAG was founded in 2001 shortly after the Lower Duwamish Waterway was designated a Superfund site by the Environmental Protection Agency. Our mission is to ensure a fair and equitable cleanup process of the Duwamish Superfund site for the residents of the Duwamish Valley. We also work closely and extensively with the community of South Park to mitigate the many harmful effects of living within a Superfund site.

During all these years working in the Duwamish Valley, we have heard community members repeatedly place improved access to open space along the Duwamish River as one of their highest priorities. Access to parks, trails and healthy recreational opportunities correlate to improved health and happiness, and currently, South Park residents have an average of only 40 square feet of accessible open space available to them, versus the average of 387 square feet per resident within Seattle city limits. For these reasons, among others, DRCC firmly believes that this joint proposal has the potential to greatly improve living conditions in the Duwamish Valley. South Park has access to significantly fewer parks than the rest of the city and we need more open spaces in the neighborhood for daily for sports, water access, picnicking, barbecuing, celebrations, meetings, and simply enjoying the River with our families.

We support this effort because it is part of a broader strategy to build community capacity, and remedy historic public disinvestment within South Park to promote environmental justice and pollution reduction as well as promote climate resilience and green infrastructure in the Duwamish Valley.

The acquisition of these sites is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop open space and riverfront connectivity that has historically been overlooked as a worthwhile investment. The community needs to enjoy the access to the River. Moving on this direction of collaboration community and City will call for a meaningful and engaging support for a healthful and equitable riverside community that is prepared for climate resilience challenges.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Paulina López
Executive Director, Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition/Technical Advisory Group
paulina@duwamishcleanup.org
206-251-2038
5 March 2019

Dear City of Seattle and King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee,

We, the board members of the Duwamish Rowing Club, are writing this letter to express our support of the application for King County Conservation Futures application by the City of Seattle for certain properties in the South Park neighborhood of Seattle. The Duwamish Rowing Club was founded in 2011 in South Park Seattle to bring the affordable rowing to the communities of South Seattle and the Duwamish Valley. The Duwamish Rowing Club gets by on modest annual dues of $250/member, grants, and fundraising. We offer rowing programs six days a week from March to October and we utilize the Duwamish Waterway Park as our launch site. We operate as a program of the South Park Area Redevelopment Committee ("SPARC"), our fiscal sponsor, and a not-for-profit entity.

We support the City’s effort to acquire the 1024 Elmgrove property and the Silver Bay Logging property in the South Park neighborhood. We hope that these property acquisitions will improve water quality and improve access to open space and recreation along the Duwamish River. Access to parks, trails and healthy recreational opportunities correlate to improved health and happiness, and currently, South Park residents are underserved in regards to open space and recreational opportunities.

We would like to request that the City keep us involved as these properties are acquired and as the planning process moves forward. We currently operate out of two shipping containers and a storage shed on a generous neighbor’s property. We believe that there is huge potential for us to create an actual boathouse building to give us a more permanent home on a small footprint on one of these properties, while still opening up tons of new green space. We are very active users of the Duwamish Waterway Park and we would like to see these property acquisitions result in a mutually beneficial arrangement for our rowing program, the City, and the community as a whole. Acquisition of these properties can really transform the community and we want to be a part of that transformation.

The South Park community has undergone extensive self-reflection, community organizing, and planning efforts. After so much preparation, we are ready for action. The acquisition of these sites is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop open space and riverfront connectivity that has historically been overlooked as a worthwhile investment. Furthermore, the portfolio approach to open space allows the City and the community to work together to address river access demands of today with the climate resilience challenges of the future.

We support this grant application.

Sincerely,
Duwamish Rowing Club
March 4, 2019

Dear King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee,

I am writing to express Seattle Public Utilities' support of the City of Seattle's application for Conservation Futures Tax funding for South Park.

Seattle Public Utilities is planning almost $100 million in drainage system investments in South Park's lower industrial basin to reduce flooding and improve water quality in the Lower Duwamish River. We hope to leverage these investments to further increase open space and provide sea level rise protection for South Park's industrial area. We are seriously considering using the Silver Bay parcel for our stormwater quality project, and if so, plan to pursue a plan to use approximately 1/3 of the site for open space. Given the alignment between our investments in the neighborhood, the community's focus on increasing open space opportunities, and climate resilience, we fully support this application and the orchestrated green space vision for South Park.

We are eager to work with the residential and industrial communities in this area to amplify these public investments and invite new partners to participate and contribute to make South Park healthy and climate-ready. Access to open space along the Duwamish River is one of the community's highest priorities and is critical to community health. South Park residents have an average of only 40 square feet of accessible open space available to them, while residents of all other Seattle neighborhoods have an average of 387 square feet.

Acquisition of this property is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop open space and riverfront connectivity that has historically been overlooked as a worthwhile investment. Using a portfolio approach to open space allows the City and the community to work together to address river access demands of today with the climate resilience challenges of the future.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mami Hara
General Manager/CEO
March 3, 2019

Dear King County Conservation Futures Advisory Committee,

I am writing on behalf of South Park Area Redevelopment Committee (SPARC) to express our support for this application for Conservation Futures Tax funding with our partner Seattle Parks and Recreation. [SPARC was founded in 1972, and is a unified body of businesses, residents and community organizations who work collectively to promote a vital, equitable, and productive South Park.]

We wholeheartedly support effort to acquire land on the Duwamish River! Improved access to open space along the Duwamish River is one of the community’s highest priorities, and it is something we have been asking for, for more than 20 years. The Duwamish River is the only river in Seattle, and South Park is the only community that has intimate access to the river. Because of the Superfund designation that can be a double-edged sword, but our most sincere hope is that as more people have that intimate access to the river, they see that it is a natural resource worth fighting for, and call out for a better cleanup.

Additionally, we support this effort because it is part of a broader strategy to build community capacity, and remedy historic public disinvestment within South Park. The effort adheres to the Four Equitable Development Mandates that guided the City Wide (South Park) Outside workshop in October 2018:

1. Promote cultural space and social cohesion
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The South Park community has been through many, many, bouts of self-reflection, community organizing, and planning efforts. After so much preparation, we are all eager for real solutions. The acquisition of these sites is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to develop open space and riverfront connectivity that is not based on private development and personal enrichment, but on community development and environmental enrichment.

Given that individual circumstances change, but overall needs are well understood, it seems that the portfolio approach to these open spaces is the best approach. This will allow the City and the community to work together to address the river access demands of today with the climate resilience solutions needed for the future.

Sincerely,

Meredith Hall

President - South Park Area Redevelopment Committee
meredith@meredith-hall.com
March 6, 2019

Dear King County Conservation Futures Committee,

Over the past seven years, Seattle Parks Foundation has worked closely with the South Park community on numerous park and open space projects. The community poured hundreds of hours of volunteer time into the development of the South Park Green Space Vision Plan in 2014 and is now implementing elements of that plan, including the renovation of Duwamish Waterway Park.

Waterway Park was identified by the community as a priority project in the South Park Green Space Vision Plan. The Friends of Duwamish Waterway Park have been volunteering for years to realize their vision for this public space. Working together, we have raised more than $1.3 million for the renovation and will begin construction later this year.

The big vision for the park has always included the adjacent riverfront property. Purchase of the property, which currently houses a port-a-potty facility, would double the size of the greenspace and very significantly expand public shoreline access.

Not purchasing the property would result in a new industrial site next to this prime gathering space that means so much to the community.

Seattle Parks Foundation fully and enthusiastically supports the City of Seattle and the SPARC application to acquire this property with King County Conservation Futures funding.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Thatcher Bailey
President/CEO