



Local Jurisdictional Conferral for Proposed Gault Property Acquisition (#26-1851)

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Background

- Parks Tacoma has submitted a grant application to the [Recreation and Conservation Office \(RCO\)](#) for funding from the [Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program \(WWRP\) Local Parks](#) category
- If awarded, the funding would help support the purchase of the 3.4-acre Gault Property from Tacoma Public Schools
- Once acquired, the site would be developed into a future neighborhood park serving the Eastside community
- RCW 79A.15.110 and RCO policy requires applicants to confer with the city that has jurisdictional control over the project area



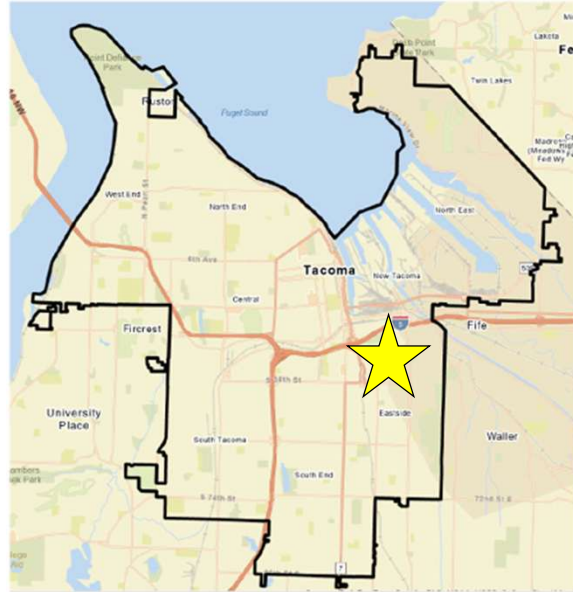
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Gault Property

- Surplus property owned by Tacoma Public Schools in Tacoma's Eastside Neighborhood
- Former Gault Middle School ballfields and adjacent to future IDEA High School campus
- Address: 3537 E L Street, Tacoma, WA 98404
- Parcel: #2087360013
- 3.4 acres zoned as Urban Residential #1



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Conceptual Site Plan

- Perimeter walking trail
- Children's play area
- Open play lawn
- Mini pitch
- Rain gardens

This grant only funds acquisition of the property, future development will be informed by community input and a rigorous design process.



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Conferral Requirements

- Per RCO Policy and RCW 79A.15.110, Parks Tacoma must review the proposed project with Tacoma City Council and provide proof of conferral.
- The jurisdiction's legislative authority may submit a letter to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board stating its support or opposition to the project.
 - Sample letter available at: [Acquisition Tool Kit - Recreation and Conservation Office](#)

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Timeline

Date	Step
4/30/2026	Preapplication Due to RCO
5/13/2026	Technical Review with RCO Evaluation Committee
6/10/2026	Conferral Presentation to Council
6/24/2026	Council Submits Comments to Parks Tacoma
7/15/2026	Final Applications Due to RCO
8/17/2026 – 8/21/2026	Evaluation
9/30/2026	Deadline for Council to Submit Letter to RCO
10/27/2026	RCO Board Approves Preliminary Ranked Lists

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