



**TO:** T.C. Broadnax, City Manager  
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**COPY:** City Council and City Clerk  
**SUBJECT:** Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement of Financial Commitment with Metro Parks related to the Point Defiance Trail Phase 1 Project and the City's Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility in Point Defiance Park – June 16, 2015  
**DATE:** May 29, 2015

**SUMMARY:** A resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement of financial commitment with the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma; accepting up to \$3,000,000 into the ES Surface Water Fund 4301, for the reimbursement of costs associated with the excavation of approximately 100,000 cubic yards of soil for the Point Defiance Trail Phase I project to be completed in conjunction with the City's construction of the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility in Point Defiance Park.

**STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:**

- Assure outstanding stewardship of the natural and built environment.

The Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project is in partnership with the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma (Metro Parks) and is another step towards the vision of Destination Point Defiance. There has been a great deal of public outreach and effort to improve the Point Defiance Park. The regional stormwater treatment facility will provide treatment for 754 acres within Tacoma that currently discharges untreated stormwater into the Puget Sound. The project is aimed at improving this receiving water and reducing the contaminated sediments entering the Puget Sound.

**BACKGROUND:** The Point Defiance Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project is a partnership between the City, Metro Parks, and the Washington State Department of Ecology to provide a regional stormwater treatment facility within Point Defiance Park. Based on the timeline of the Department of Ecology grant funding it became necessary for the City to construct a portion of the Point Defiance Trail Phase I Project as part of the City's Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project, thus allowing for completion of all stormwater assets at the same time. Metro Parks and the City have determined that there would be mutual benefit in combining the work related to the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project with soil removal work for the future park improvements through a single public works project managed and administered by the City.

The Metro Parks Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. R29-15 authorizing the execution of an interlocal agreement with the City setting forth the terms and conditions upon which the City will manage and administer the excavation for Metro Parks as part of the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project. This includes providing public notifications, design and engineering, permitting, bidding, and construction; and providing for equitable allocation of costs to Metro Parks and reimbursement by Metro Parks to the City for such equitable allocation.

The agreement of financial commitment with Metro Parks was presented to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee on May 27, 2015.

**ISSUE:** Staff is recommending a contract be awarded to Ceccanti, Inc., in the amount of \$4,638,912.00, plus a 20 percent contingency, for a cumulative total of \$5,566,694.40, excluding applicable sales tax, budgeted from the ES Surface Water Fund 4301.



This project is for the construction of a regional stormwater facility and approximately 1,500 linear feet of stormwater pipe, replacement of an existing undersized stormwater outfall, and excavation of approximately 100,000 cubic yards of soil within Point Defiance Park. agreement of financial commitment with the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma must be executed for the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility Project to be awarded as bid.

**ALTERNATIVES:** Without this agreement the City would be forced to delay construction of the outfall for the project, which would delay the regional treatment facility from going into service. Furthermore, this delay would result in the Washington Department of Ecology not providing the full grant amount to the City of Tacoma. Another alternative is to delay the project to allow Metro Parks to perform the excavation work prior to the City's regional treatment facility project. In this case, the resulting project delay would cause the grant to expire and the project would not be eligible for the million dollar Ecology grant. Both alternatives would negatively impact the Surface Water Utility Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Authorize the execution of an agreement of financial commitment with the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma; accepting up to \$3,000,000 into the ES Surface Water Fund 4301, to reimburse the City for the excavation of approximately 100,000 cubic yards of soil for the Point Defiance Trail Phase I Project in conjunction with the City's construction of the Regional Stormwater Treatment Facility in Point Defiance Park.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This agreement identifies that the City will administer and manage the construction contract for Metro Parks. As part of the cost allocation, the City will charge Metro Parks for project costs allocated to Metro Parks and for the incremental construction management time associated with the Metro Parks bid items.

**EXPENDITURES:**

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT**
4301 ES Surface Water Fund	ENV-03020-17-04	5330100	\$3,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$3,000,000</b>

\* General Fund: Include Department

\*\* Excluding Applicable Sales Tax

**REVENUES:**

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT**
Metro Parks Tacoma	0320-17-FS-AD-7	6371500	\$3,000,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$3,000,000</b>

\*\* Excluding Applicable Sales Tax

**FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: \$3,000,000**

**ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? Yes**