

City of Tacoma

City Council Action Memorandum

SUMMARY AND PURPOSE:

A resolution authorizing the execution of a Quit Claim Deed to convey park property at 4801 South Park Ave (Parcel Nos. 5115000010 and 5115000020) in Tacoma (also known as Gas Station Park), to the Metropolitan Park District of Tacoma, a municipal corporation (MPT).

BACKGROUND:

This Department's Recommendation is Based On: In alignment with the spirit and intent of the 2016 Interlocal Agreement, MPT and the City of Tacoma (City) find it mutually beneficial and in the public interest to transfer ownership, management and programming of Gas Station Park to MPT. This transfer has been negotiated for several years, and falls under the prior Surplus Disposition Policy.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT/ CUSTOMER RESEARCH:

Since 2020, MPT has conducted community engagement to inform design of future improvements to the park. This engagement has included in-person events, mailers and virtual meetings.

2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:

Equity and Accessibility:

The approval of this transfer will allow for the continued growth and expansion of Gas Station Park. It will also allow for future programming by MPT.

Livability: Equity Index Score: Moderate Opportunity

Improve access and proximity by residents to diverse income levels and race/ethnicity to community facilities, services, infrastructure, and employment.

Improve health outcomes and reduce disparities, in alignment with the community health needs assessment and CHIP, for all Tacoma residents

Explain how your legislation will affect the selected indicator(s).

Enabling MPT to enhance and program the park will increase accessibility for all community members. It will promote healthy activities for the community.



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ALTERNATIVES:

Alternative(s)	Positive Impact(s)	Negative Impact(s)
1. Retain Property		City will continue to own Gas Station Park and retain the management thereof.

EVALUATION AND FOLLOW UP:

This is a one-time conveyance of property located at 4801 South Park Avenue with no ongoing evaluation required.

STAFF/SPONSOR RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Works Department recommends City Council approve the execution of a Quit Claim Deed to MPT.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact, as this is a no-fee intergovernmental transfer.

Fund Number & Name	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	Cost Element	Total Amount
1. N/A			
TOTAL			

What Funding is being used to support the expense?

N/A

Are the expenditures and revenues planned and budgeted in this biennium's current budget? N/A

Are there financial costs or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?

Yes

The City would continue to be responsible for the maintenance and management of the park.

Will the legislation have an ongoing/recurring fiscal impact?

No

Will the legislation change the City's FTE/personnel counts? No

ATTACHMENTS:

• Aerial Depiction