

Fall City Metropolitan Park District (FCMPD)

Accomplishments in 2010

The following list identifies accomplishments made by the FCMPD in 2010. In general, it is the goal of the District to build upon these past accomplishments as it moves forward into the future.

Administrative Functions:

1. Solicited and interviewed candidates, contracted with, and trained an Office Administrator for the District, its first paid position, in order to assure professional administrative services.
2. Continued to set up and formalize administrative and records retention systems in order to improve efficiency and distribution of public information and communications.
3. Developed and submitted to King County the District's annual expense budget for 2011 to establish a corresponding property tax levy rate.
4. Provided requested information as part of a Performance Audit by State Auditor's Office.

Public Communications:

1. Held 11 regular public meetings, 9 special topic public meetings, and 2 public open houses that were facilitated as part of the Comprehensive Plan development process.
2. Maintained and updated the District's web site (www.fallcityparks.org), which includes record keeping of meeting agendas and minutes, to provide useful information to the public.
3. Continued to meet with and foster relationships with Fall City community constituents, special interest groups, King County, the Snoqualmie Tribe, and other relevant government agencies and non-government groups such as the Fall City Community Association (FCCA) and the River Float Task Force as part of the District's community involvement and public outreach.

Park District Planning:

1. Provided a forum for defining the scope and nature of public parks in the Fall City area.
2. Developed and adopted a Comprehensive Plan for the District, which included goals and objectives, an inventory of parks, open spaces, and facilities, a demand and needs analysis, and a capital improvement program to provide guidance of the future direction of the District.
3. Continued to seek public input at the District's booth at Fall City Days and via comment cards.
4. Solicited, interviewed, and hired Hebert Research, Inc. to conduct a statically valid survey of residents within the District to determine their overall satisfaction with parks and recreation services and to gather opinions on future parks and recreation developments, which will provide useful information to aid in making decisions about future issues concerning the District.

Park Lands Projects:

1. Worked with King County Councilmember Kathy Lambert, King County Parks and Recreation Department, and the citizens of Fall City to ensure that public access to the Snoqualmie Valley Trail via SE 39th Place would be maintained in perpetuity – consistent with the District's mission.
2. Researched and evaluated sites for their suitability as a potential public park in order to have an awareness of land acquisition options.
3. Prepared and submitted a grant application to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office to keep options open and to improve the District's probability of acquiring the former Wells Farm & Nursery site for the purposes of developing a new mixed-use public park.