

## RESOLUTION # 158-2007

### Resolution Establishing the Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Sustainability Task Force

Whereas, with the projected general fund budget shortfall facing Kitsap County government, decisions will have to be made to ensure that the county will continue to deliver the vital and quality services the people expect and deserve while living within our means; and

Whereas, most of the general fund is dedicated by law for mandatory services and programs that the county is required to provide, such as law and justice services; and

Whereas, the county's options for potential budget cuts are pointing to discretionary – or elective – programs and services that are likely to face the most pressure for reductions in funding and services; and

Whereas, as the largest regional discretionary department in Kitsap County, parks and recreation faces a difficult challenge to maintain the facilities and programs beloved by citizens while facing the real potential of major funding cuts; and

Whereas, the budget challenge presents a great opportunity to bring thoughtful, visionary people together to consider new innovations and ideas on how the citizens of Kitsap County can continue to enjoy their parks and recreation programs; and

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners establish the creation of a Parks and Recreation Sustainability Task Force comprised of nine civic, professional and community leaders that represent stakeholders, experts and users of parks and recreation programs and services. The Task Force shall advise the Kitsap County Commissioners on developing short and long term strategies for the sustainability of the Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department and will complete the following three main objectives no later than October 2007:

1. Examine the current Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Department budget, facilities, programs and services, including current funding and revenue sources
2. Provide analysis and recommendations on short and long-term means, methods and strategies to decrease, maintain or enhance parks facilities and recreation programs
3. Consider alternative means, methods and options to provide parks and recreation facilities and programs to the people of Kitsap County, and to propose such alternatives for consideration by the Board of Commissioners.

The Board of Commissioners hereby appoints Patty Lent as chair and Anne Blair, Danny Brown, Thomas Jelcick, Carl Johnson, Silvia Klatman, Mary McClure, Kathleen T. Simpson and Frank Stowell as members to the Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Sustainability Task Force, with qualifications and biographical data on each member noted on Attachment "A."

Adopted this 13th day of Aug, 2007.

KITSAP COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS



Josh Brown  
Josh Brown, Chair

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Jan Angel, Commissioner

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Steve Bauer, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board

## Attachment A

### Kitsap County Parks and Recreation Sustainability Task Force Member roster and biographies

**Anne Blair**, Bainbridge Island, is administrator of the Kitsap Public Facilities District. A former teacher, Anne has more than 25 years of experience as a professional nonprofit manager and executive director, and she has been a community and civic leader, including serving as a founding board member of Leadership Kitsap and Puget Sound Restoration Fund, the Kitsap Community Foundation board of directors and is she is chair of the Bainbridge Island Arts and Humanities Council. Anne is a recipient of the Mary Maxwell Gates Community Leadership Award and was elected to the Olympic College Hall of Fame in 1999.

**Danny Brown**, Port Orchard, is the president of the South Kitsap Rotary Club where has been a member since 2001. A retired US Army Colonel, Danny was also with Edward Jones Investments and the US Postal Service. Danny also serves on the board of directors at Helpline and is a committee chair for the Port Orchard United Methodist Church.

**Thomas G. Jelcick**, Hansville, has more than 40 years of professional and volunteer experience with parks and recreation, including serving as chair of the Monroe Park and Recreation district and the Northwest Regional Council of the National Recreation and Park Association, and he has also worked with municipal, federal, special district and industrial parks and recreation departments. Thomas holds a BA in parks and recreation and graduate degrees in public administration and business, and he recently retired as Regional Director for Community Support for the Commander of Navy Region Northwest. An active volunteer mediator with Kitsap Dispute Resolution Center and Court Appointed Special Advocate for Kitsap County Superior Court's Juvenile Department, he was also on the board of directors for Seattle YWCA.

**Carl Johnson**, Silverdale, is marketing coordinator for Abiding HomeCare, a Kitsap County in-home care provider for senior independent living. Carl's active civic leadership includes serving as chair of the Central Kitsap Community Council, Central Kitsap School Board member, Silverdale Chamber of Commerce board of directors and leader of the Clear Creek Trail Project. Carl is a retired bank executive whose 25 year career includes serving as senior vice president and director of operations for Great Northwest Financial Corporation. For the past 17 years Carl has been the director of an organization known as Marketplace CrossTalk, a non-profit organization designed to strengthen business ethics.

**Silvia Klatman**, Port Orchard, is executive director of the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce. She has also served as the manager of business retention and expansion for the Kitsap Regional Economic Development Council and for her family's office equipment business in Silverdale. Silvia serves on several boards including the Association of Washington Business, Washington Chamber of Commerce Executives Association and the Kitsap Peninsula Visitor and Convention Bureau, and the City of Bremerton's Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Silvia has volunteered with South Kitsap BMX, River Valley BMX, South Kitsap Eastern Little League and South Kitsap Pee Wees, activities that lead to travels with her family throughout the western United States and Canada, visiting numerous parks maintained by counties, cities and provincial governments

**Chairwoman Patty Lent**, Silverdale, is a former Kitsap County Commissioner, District 3. Patty has been the owner/operator of travel agencies in Seattle and Fife; a certified mortgage banker; a director of sales for Holiday Inn; and a public relations spokesperson for Western Airlines. She was also a part time professor at Edmonds Community College and a national travel industry lobbyist.

**Mary McClure**, Kingston, is executive director of the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council. Mary has been an active supporter of parks and open spaces, including work with the Kitsap County Parks & Recreation Committee, Kitsap Friends of Open Space Leadership Group, Kitsap Greenways Concept and the Public Facilities District Parks & Recreation Sales Tax Levy Leadership Group

**Kathleen T. Simpson**, Long Lake, is a life-long resident of Kitsap County and Certified Public Accountant with CPA and Associates, PS in Port Orchard. A member of the Washington State Certified Public Accountants and American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Kathleen's active civic service includes being treasurer for several non-profit organizations including the South Kitsap Soccer Club, Washington State Youth Soccer District IV-Cup Hosting Committee, Citizens for Improving Long Lake, Washington State Youth Soccer District IV Field Development Committee-Fields Today Fit Tomorrow, Kitsap Stingers Fastpitch and Cub Scouts Pack 4528. She has also volunteered as auditor and tax preparer for the Olalla Elementary PTA and team administrator for the Kitsap Stingers Fastpitch and South Kitsap Southern Little League teams.

**Frank Stowell**, Bainbridge Island, is vice chair of the Kitsap County Parks Advisory Board. A Kitsap County resident since 1983, for 25 years Frank worked in the New York, San Diego and Seattle offices of the Johnson O'Connor Research Foundation, a non-profit aptitude testing and research organization, where he now serves on their board of directors. He has been active in conservation and parks affairs, including serving as president of the Bainbridge island Land Trust.