

City of Mercer Island

OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST BOARD

Thursday · March 15 · 2018
Regular Meeting Agenda

6:00 pm Call to Order & Roll Call

6:05 pm Minutes of January 18, 2017 Meeting

6:10 pm Public Appearances

6:30 pm Regular Business

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| 1. 2018 Restoration Work Plan | Kim Frappier (15 min) |
| 2. OSCT Bylaws Review | Alaine Sommargren (15 min) |
| 3. Forest Health Survey Data Collection | Alaine Sommargren (10 min) |
| 4. Leap for Green | Rory Westberg (10 min) |
| 5. Quadrant Reports | Trustees (5 min) |
| 6. Next Meeting: May 17, 2018 | Rory Westberg (5 min) |

7:30 pm Adjournment (estimated)

BOARD MEMBERS

Rory Westberg, *Chair*
Robin Christy, *Vice Chair*
Thomas Hildebrandt, *Secretary*
David Wisenteiner, *Council Liaison*
Marie Bender
Craig Olson
Geraldine Poor

STAFF

Paul West, *Parks Operations Superintendent*
Alaine Sommargren, *Natural Resources Manager*
Kim Frappier, *Natural Resources Specialist*





OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 18, 2018

Call To Order:

Chair Westberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

Roll Call:

Chair Rory Westberg, Vice Chair Robin Christy, Secretary Thomas Hildebrandt, Trustee Marie Bender, Trustee Craig Olson, and Council Liaison David Wisenteiner were present. Trustee Geraldine Poor was absent.

Staff present were Paul West, Park Operations Superintendent and Alaine Sommargren, Natural Resources Manager.

Minutes:

Trustee Bender moved and Trustee Hildebrandt seconded to:

Adopt the minutes of the November 16, 2017 meeting with noted corrections. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Appearances:

Peter Struck residing at 9310 SE 54th Street
Robin Russell residing at 7549 SE 29th Street

Peter Struck and Robin Russell spoke jointly as representatives of the Concerned Citizens for Mercer Island Parks to propose placing Mercerdale Park and other parkland and open spaces under the jurisdiction of the Trust. The written version of their full statement is included with these minutes.

Regular Business:

(I) Annual Report and Work Plan

Natural Resources Manager Sommargren presented the annual report and work plan to the Trust Board and requested feedback. Sommargren noted that the next round of data collection for the Forest Health Survey will be conducted in summer of 2018.

The 2018 Work Plan guides the work of the Trust throughout the year and will be given to the City Council on March 6, 2018. Trustees suggested adding the evaluation of trust properties as a line item in the work plan so the City Council is aware of the project. Trustees asked when we would include the results of this year's forest health survey data collection. Natural Resources Manager Sommargren confirmed that this year's data would be collected between June and August 2018 and presented in early 2019. Trustees requested a preliminary report on the summer data collection at the September meeting. Chair Westberg requested to have staff provide an overview of the methodology used at the March meeting so the Trust understands the kind of data the Forest Health Survey will provide.

Chair Westberg suggested adding the discussion of adding park properties to the Trust to the work plan. Trustees requested some guidance from the city about how to proceed with this discussion. Superintendent West suggested that staff could do a presentation with background on the role of trust properties in May to allow the City ample planning to prepare for this presentation. Superintendent West

suggested an executive session may be advised.

Sommargren called out the addition of "Bylaw Review" to the March calendar, which has not been done in a number of years. Trustees noted that it would be important to review the by-laws in preparation for the City's presentation on the role of trust properties.

Trustee Olson moved, Trustee Hildebrandt seconded to: **Adopt the Annual Report and Work Plan as amended.** Motion passed 6-0.

(II) Evaluation of Trust Properties

Natural Resources Manager Sommargren presented this report to follow up on recent Trust Board discussions about the evaluation of Trust properties. The by-laws do not specify the information to be included in annual reports to council. The Trust asked staff to provide additional recommendations on the merits of different methods. Staff identified two main issues to be addressed: 1) Identify goals and items that should be included in the council and 2) The methods for gaining meaningful information. This includes consideration of time scale, and providing objective and replicable data. Staff recommend to continue with what we are already doing which includes: 1) The annual report on restoration activities as a metric of what is happening in the park and 2) An objective replicable study every 10 years on ecological health status. She noted that staff have concerns about only using photo points which had been discussed at an earlier Trust board meeting. Natural Resources Manager Sommargren showed Trustees examples of photo points that were taken as part of the Forest Health Survey in 2008. Photo points alone do not provide the objective, replicable, and quantitative data that would provide meaningful information in forested areas.

Discussion

Chair Westberg agreed that we do not need to change the methods used for the Forest Health Survey, but perhaps repackage how the data is presented so that the restoration activities we report can be put in ecological context. Trustees suggested that staff include a cumulative report on the status of the Forest Health Plan benchmarks. Trustees asked questions about the permanent plots and having data presented in updated maps. Superintendent West expressed that the Forest Health Survey is the best use of staff resources to provide meaningful ecological data to the City. Trustees and staff discussed the importance of identifying priorities in the 2018 report that accounts for the current budget climate.

Trustees raised the question of doing the new data collection for the Forest Health Survey every 5 years instead of every 10 years since during that 10-year period, the trust members and staff could turn over. Natural Resources Manager Sommargren explained that 5 years is not usually enough time to see meaningful ecological change at a landscape scale. Natural Resources Manager Sommargren added that the data collected in 2013 to create the 10-Year Update to the Open Space Plan also provided meaningful information on Trust properties.

In between these 10-year periods, trustees suggested doing qualitative assessments of restoration success and techniques and reporting on this in the annual reports. This is something that staff has already been integrating into the reports. Adaptive management and evaluating restoration progress annually is integrated into the program's restoration practices.

Trustees requested that the information provided to the Trust annually be more rigorous and detailed, even if it is qualitative reports on restoration activities. This would include a cumulative summary each year on the Forest Health Plan progress similar to the report created by Natural Resources Specialist Frappier for the 2015-16 biennium report. Trustees suggested that we continue to discuss this topic moving forward as needed.

At 6:46 PM Trustee Bender and Council Liaison Wisenteiner left the meeting, ending the quorum. The remaining members discussed several topics noted below, but no actions were taken.

(III) Hatheway Bench

Superintendent West updated trustees on the status of the Hatheway Bench. Staff succeeded in contacting Rose Anne Cattolico who is a friend of the family. Ms. Cattolico said she would be willing to fund the materials to repair the bench and would like to engage the Boy Scouts to maintain the bench moving forward. Staff will work with the Scouts to ensure that the quality of work meets the Parks Department standards for safety.

(IV) PSE Line Clearance

Natural Resources Manager Sommargren reported that line clearance will begin next week along the main transmission lines on the north side of the SE quadrant. Superintendent West provided additional history of these powerlines and the vegetation management approach to protect these lines. The Natural Resources crew will follow up with invasive plant management to improve the vegetation along this corridor.

(V) Leap for Green Participation

Chair Westberg asked whether the Trust would like to participate in Leap for Green again this year. Trustees agreed that this continues to be an important event and would like to participate in April.

(VI) Quadrant Reports

NW Quadrant – Trustees reported on trail conditions and noted the numerous unofficial trails leading to private residences from the main trails. The perimeter trail is in very good condition.

NE Quadrant – No report

SE Quadrant – Trustees reported that some fallen trees had been cleared and that there has been some erosion of the Ravine Trail under the cribbing as it goes up to the bluff. The cribbing needs to be inspected.

(VII) Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2018.

Adjournment: 7:05 pm

Rory Westberg, Chair

Attest:

Kim Frappier, Scribe

Open Space Conservancy Trust

(Joint) Public Appearance by Robin Russell & Peter Struck

January 18, 2018

Good Evening, my name is Peter Struck residing at 9130 SE 54th Street.

I'm Robin Russell residing at 7549 SE 29th Street, #403.

This evening we speak as representatives of the Concerned Citizens for Mercer Island Parks. As you are probably aware CCMIP has been active in protecting Mercerdale Park from private development these past few years. Parenthetically, this is not too dissimilar to the proposed private developments in Pioneer Park that led to the creation of the Trust!

To put your job in perspective, Theodore Roosevelt once said, "Of all the questions which can come before this nation, short of the actual preservation of its existence in a great war, there is none which compares in importance with the great central task of leaving this land even a better land for our descendants than it is for us."

Essentially, what President Roosevelt stated so eloquently so many years, is the mission of the Trust as defined in Ordinance No. B-93. In that document, the City clearly outlines several themes that have stood the test of time. Those include:

- Open spaces are a valuable and irreplaceable resource
- They contribute to the well-being of its citizens
- They are necessary to protect the character of the Island

Indeed, citizen surveys conducted by the City over the past few years have placed the maintaining and use of parks and open space as a high priority.

CCMIP endorses the mission of the Trust, and this evening, we are introducing the idea of placing Mercerdale Park, and other parkland and open spaces under the jurisdiction of the Trust.

We understand that such a move would need the support and approval of the City Council, but we believe it's appropriate to start the discussion with the Trust – a public body entrusted with preservation of parks and open spaces.

As you are well aware, development of the Island, both residential and commercial space, continues unabated. As a local real estate agent commented to me recently, "we are building on lots that five or ten years ago, we considered unbuildable!" In addition, the City's Comprehensive Plan anticipates more density which places an even greater level of responsibility on all of us to preserve what limited open space we have.

As many of you are aware, Mercerdale Park and other Island parks have been under assault to be developed for a variety of purposes over the past 30 – 40 years. Using information from the City of Mercer Island Park & Recreation Plan, 2014 – 2019, we estimate about 25% of the City's current

472 acres of parkland and open space could have been developed or put under the control of private interests by now if the citizenry of Mercer Island had not been successful in defeating these invasions.

With the continued build-out of the Town Center, the Mercerdale Park site serves not only as a peaceful respite and green space, but a community gathering spot, as well as a buffer between residential and commercial neighborhoods. It's recently restored Native Garden by CCMIP volunteers (and with the City's help), it is now a learning environment in addition to being a showcase of native flora.

We believe now is the time to create a higher threshold to preserve our remaining open space by placing them in the Trust. We are not, however, suggesting that we follow the City of Seattle and create a separate Parks District.

The benefits of such action can include:

- Develop a better corporate governance model that facilitates a broader discussion of how to treat our parks and open space
- Preserve the idea of low impact and passive usage of our parks
- Increase the economic and environmental benefits of these lands
- Sustain the ability for every-day citizens, as well as park staff, to directly influence how our parks are maintained and used
- Enhance the ability to attract volunteer assistance (e.g. friends & neighbors)
- Facilitate designated fund-raising efforts that helps alleviate City financial challenges
- Ensure that parkland and open space, which together represent the City's single largest asset, receives the special community oversight that the Trust can provide

In addition to the Parks & Rec staff, we believe the City Council will look to this body for input, and, on behalf of the 2,300 registered voters who signed petitions to place Mercer Island parks protection on the ballot, we ask that you put our request of placing Mercerdale Park and other parks and open spaces in the Trust to be part of your work plan and formal agenda for 2018.

We stand ready to assist in this discussion, and move the proposal forward as expeditiously as possible.

Thank you.



**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST BOARD
STAFF REPORT**

Action Item No. 1

March 15, 2018

Description:	2018 Restoration Work Plan
Exhibits:	1. Restoration Maps

BACKGROUND

City staff reports to the Trust board each year on planned forest restoration activities in Pioneer Park and Engstrom Open Space. Restoration activities are performed by professional contractors, volunteers, seasonal crew members, and Natural Resources staff. Restoration work is guided by the Pioneer Park Forest Health Plan and the 10-Year Update to the Open Space Vegetation Management Plan.

2018 RESTORATION WORK PLAN

Contractor Work

In 2018, professional contractor work is scheduled in all three quadrants and will largely focus on canopy retention and planting maintenance efforts, as well as long-term maintenance in an older comprehensive removal site (see maps in Exhibit 1).

- **Planting maintenance and watering** will be conducted on new plantings installed during the fall of 2017 in Pioneer Park NE (PP1005) as well as in older plantings done in 2015 in the SE Quadrant (PP1002 a, b, and c). Sites in the SE Quadrant have had poor survivorship, so contractors will be doing a plant survivorship count to help inform next steps for restoration.
- In an effort to hold ground on acres already enrolled in restoration, contractors will revisit sites that have not had maintenance in several years. To this end, **invasive removal maintenance** is scheduled for 2.6 acres of Pioneer NE (PP0903) which last received maintenance in 2015.
- **Ivy ring creation** will continue in the NW Quadrant (PP1801) where ivy has grown increasingly robust in the past several years.
- **Native tree and shrub planting** is scheduled for 5 acres in the NE Quadrant (PP1004c). As in 2017, only one planting site was contracted this year so that resources can be used for maintenance of previous planting areas. This site is of particular

ecological value as it includes steep, north-facing slopes and a watercourse. EarthCorps will also continue with volunteer planting efforts in the NW Quadrant.

Engstrom Open Space will be having a “rest year” from contractor work since the overall restoration site (EN1001a) is in good condition in terms of invasive plant cover. This allows soils on this site to recover from the impacts of active restoration. Select areas along the trail within EN1001a will receive bindweed removal and treatment by seasonal staff, as well as some spot invasive tree treatment that was missed by contractors last year.

2018 Contractor Work Summary

Site	Area ID	Project Area (sq. ft)	Restoration Task
Pioneer Park NW	PP1801	337,542	Ivy Rings
Pioneer Park NE	PP1004c	216,584	Fall planting
Pioneer Park NE	PP1005	229,476	Planting maintenance
Pioneer Park NE	PP1005	229,476	Watering
Pioneer Park NE	PP0903	113,862	Invasive removal maintenance
Pioneer Park SE	PP1002a	207,609	Planting maintenance
Pioneer Park SE	PP1002b	162,558	Planting maintenance
Pioneer Park SE	PP1002c	254,058	Planting maintenance
Pioneer Park SE	PP0902c	38,789	Planting maintenance

Natural Resources Crew

During the 2018 field season, the Natural Resources crew will continue to monitor and treat noxious weed populations on all Trust properties. Noxious weed species slated for removal and/or treatment include spotted jewelweed (*Impatiens capensis*), yellow archangel (*Lamium galeobdolon*), and knotweed (*Polygonum sp.*). The crew will also be targeting a small area of field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*) adjacent to the trail in Engstrom Open Space.

The crew will also conduct comprehensive weed removal along the north boundary of the SE Quadrant beneath the Puget Sound Energy (PSE) powerlines. PSE conducted tree and shrub pruning earlier this year. Crew members will do some corrective pruning on shrubs along the trail, conduct weed removal during the summer months, and plant native shrubs and groundcover species in late September.

Lastly, the crew will assist staff in assessing previous planting sites, including plant survivorship counts and identifying which species have been establishing with greater success. Staff will focus on planting sites in the NE and NW quadrants.

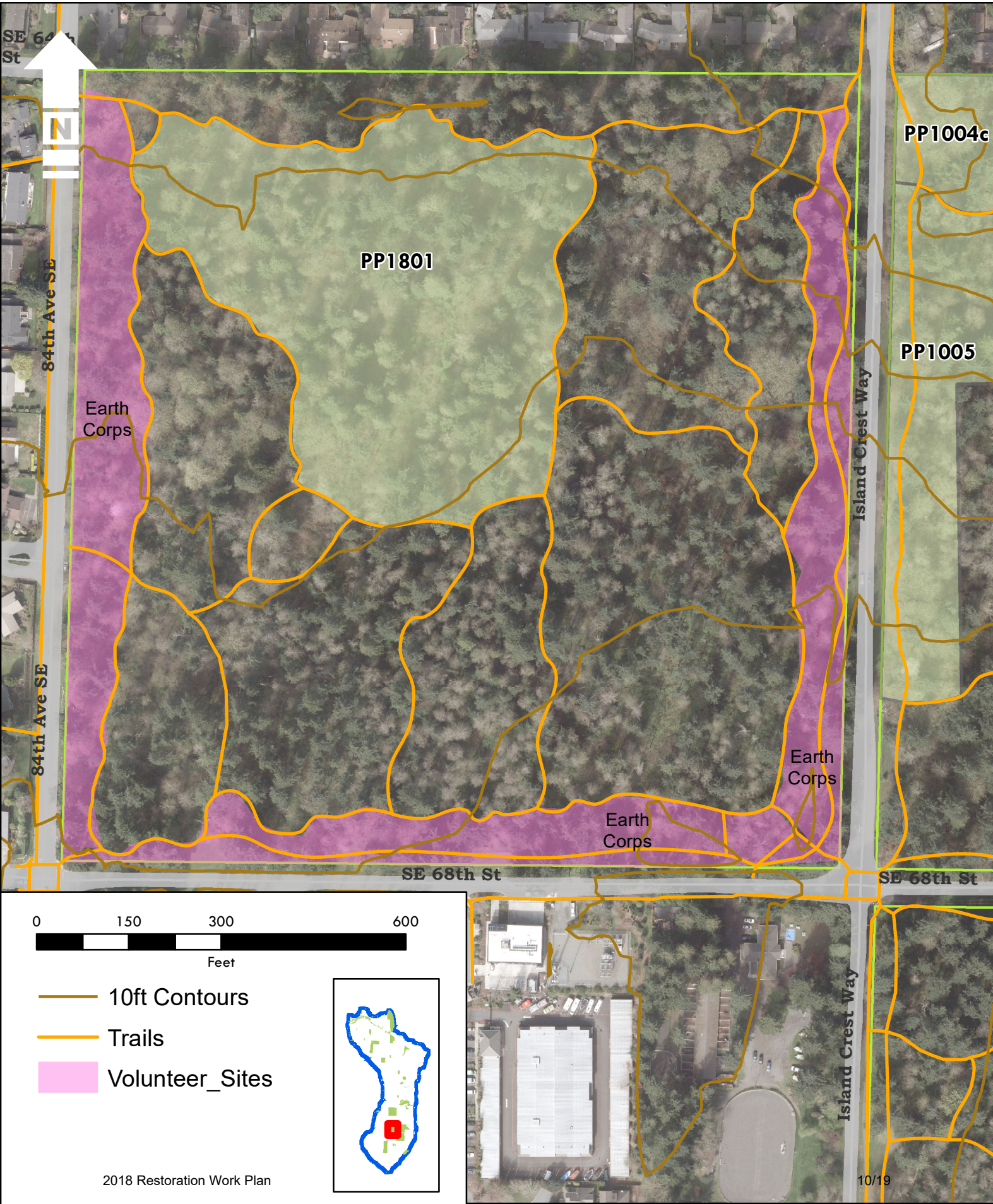
Volunteer Stewardship

EarthCorps will continue to lead large group volunteer events this year, under contract with the City. There will be four public Saturday events and the large annual student event with Islander Middle School, as well as additional corporate groups. As in past years, EarthCorps' work area is located along the perimeter of the NW Quadrant with small select areas in the interior.

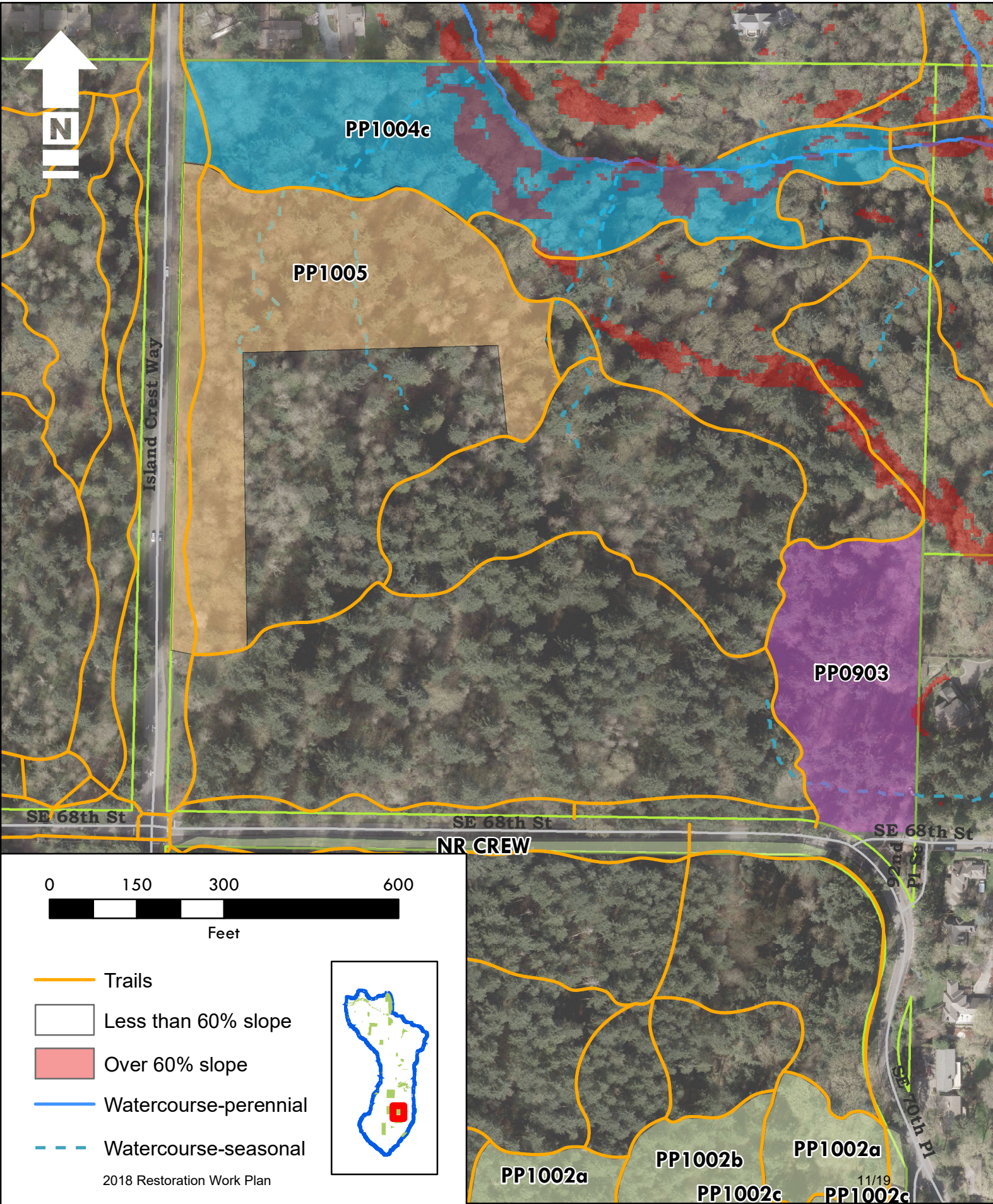
RECOMMENDATION

Review the 2018 Restoration Work Plan.

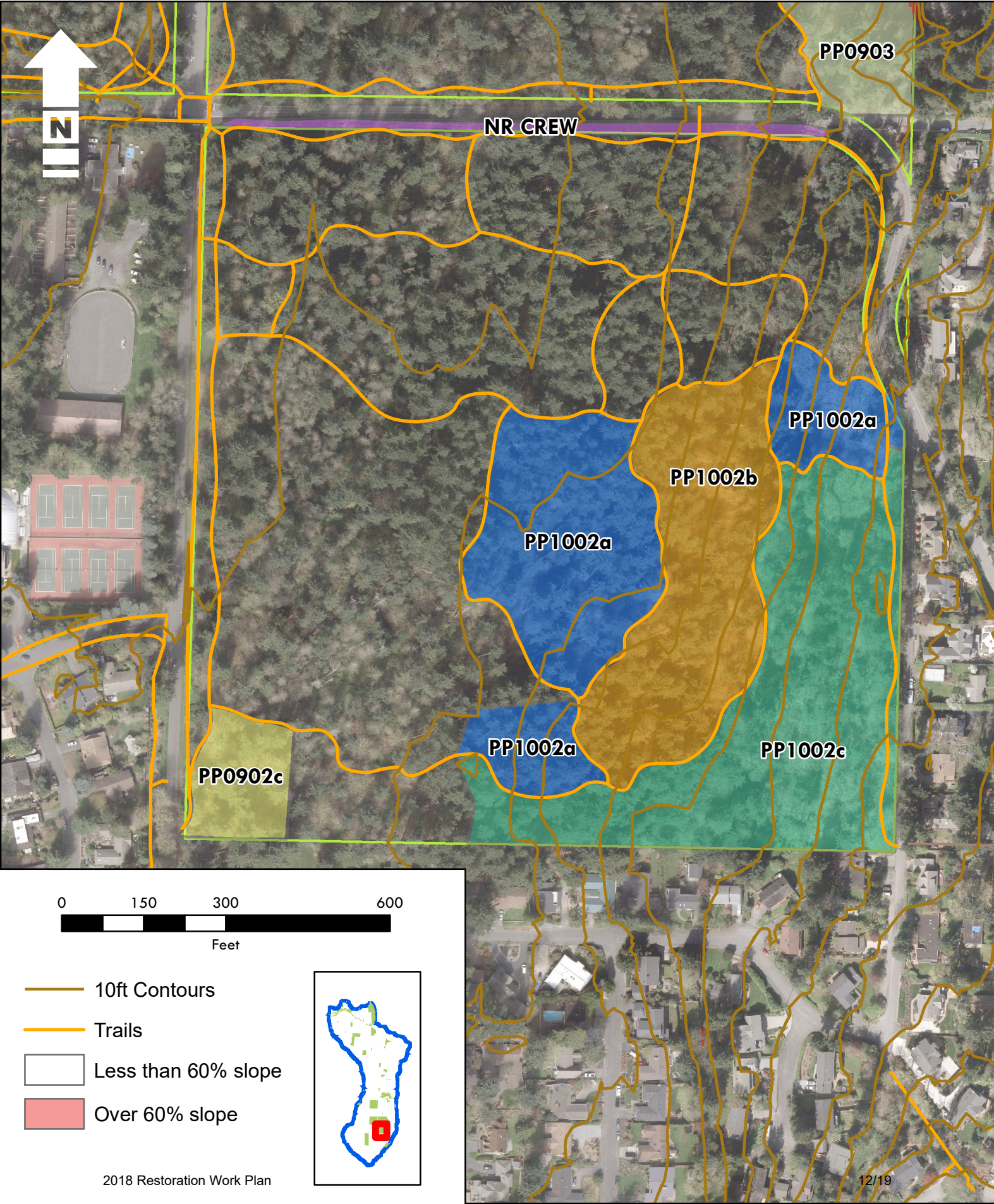
PIONEER PARK NW 2018



PIONEER PARK NE 2018



PIONEER PARK SE 2018





**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST BOARD
STAFF REPORT**

Action Item No. 2

March 15, 2018

Description:	Bylaws Review
Exhibits:	1. Current OSCT Bylaws

BACKGROUND

Section VI of the Trust Bylaws call for a periodic review of the bylaws:

These bylaws are to be given a careful review by the Board every four years for possible amendments, starting in 1996. This periodic review does not preclude adoption of amendments during the interim.

In 2012, the bylaws were reviewed and revised by staff and Trustees to reflect current practices and clarify ambiguous language. In 2014, the Trust amended the bylaws to move officer elections from the first meeting of the year to the first meeting after July 1st each year.

PROCESS

Trustees may propose changes to the bylaws for consideration or leave the bylaws unchanged. Any changes to the bylaws will be proposed for adoption at the next regular meeting, after being noticed in the MI Reporter two weeks prior.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss bylaws and propose amendments for discussion, if warranted.

**BYLAWS OF THE
MERCER ISLAND OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST**

I. Objective and Purpose

To carry out the purposes of the Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust, as established by City of Mercer Island Ordinance No. B-93 dated March 11, 1992 and amended by Ordinance No. 96-002 dated May 6, 1996 and restated herein as follows:

- A. Receiving and holding all Open Space Properties transferred to the Trust by the City Council, or by other governmental or private land owners with approval of the City Council, in perpetuity, or until such time as this Trust is terminated or any such Open Space Property is removed from this Trust by the occurrence of one or more conditions set forth in this Trust;
- B. Protecting, maintaining and preserving the Open Space Properties; and
- C. Insuring that the development and use of Open Space Properties are both consistent and compatible with the intent and purposes of this Trust and the guidelines and policies enacted pursuant to this Trust.

II. Organization

- A. Seven voting members to be appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the City Council, serving at the pleasure of the Council. Six of the members shall be citizens-at-large who reside in the city, and one member shall be a City Council member.
- B. The trustees shall receive no compensation for their services.
- C. The trustees shall serve for the following terms: the City Council Member shall serve a one-year term; citizens-at-large shall serve four-year terms; provided however, for the initial appointed term, one citizen-at-large shall serve a four-year term, one shall serve a five-year term, and one shall serve a six-year term. Thereafter, the citizens-at-large shall serve four-year terms.
- D. Vacated seats shall be filled by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council, for the remainder of any unexpired position.
- E. The officers of the trust board shall consist of a chairperson, vice chairperson, and corresponding secretary and will perform the following duties:

1. The chairperson shall schedule meetings, preside over the meetings, represent the Open Space Conservancy Trust, meet with the Park and Recreation director, meet with the City Council, set up meetings, distribute materials, and appoint members and chairpersons of committees, all as necessary to further the purposes and objectives of the Trust.
2. The Vice chairperson shall serve as presiding officer in the absence of the chairperson and shall assume whatever roles and assist in whatever tasks the chairperson may direct.
3. The secretary shall review, acknowledge receipt of, and respond to residents' letters with approval of the trustees.
4. The trustees as a whole shall discuss and vote upon officers at least once annually.

F. Election procedures:

1. Each officer shall serve a one year-term.
2. Election of officers shall take place at the first regular Board Meeting after July 1 of each calendar year.
3. The chairperson may only succeed himself/herself once.

G. Any trustee who fails to attend two consecutive regularly scheduled meetings of which he/she has had proper advance notice in writing, without having been excused by the Chairperson, will be deemed to have forfeited his/her position as trustee.

H. Resignations may be tendered in writing to the Mayor.

III. Meetings

- A. All meetings of the trustees where a quorum of the trustees are present shall be open to the public, properly noticed, and conducted under Robert's Rule of Order.
- B. The Board shall meet at least once a quarter. The calendar of meetings shall be set by the board for the next year at the last meeting of the calendar year.
- C. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

- D. The Chairperson may call a special meeting as needed, with notice given to the members and public at least ten calendar days before the meeting.
- E. Agendas and corresponding materials shall be distributed to the members at least six days before the meeting.

IV. Powers and Duties

- A. Receive and hold title to real property, or interests in real property (such as conservation easements), transferred to the Trust for preservation as open space properties (collectively “Trust properties”).
- B. Ensure preservation of Trust properties as open space properties.
- C. Prepare and recommend written policies to the City Council that are necessary to preserve Trust properties as open space properties, including, but not limited to, policies regarding public use of, maintenance of, and improvements to such properties.
- D. At or before the regular meeting in July of each year, review the status of Trust and each of the Trust properties and report the City Council on the condition of the various properties with any recommendations concerning how the Trust properties may be managed to preserve them as open space properties and any other recommendations on how the purposes of the trust could be better accomplished
- E. Exercise such other powers as may be necessary for carrying out the purposes of this Trust.

V. Amendments

Amendments to these bylaws shall require a two-thirds majority vote of all members (5 out of 7 voting to approve). Written notice must be given to the members and public at least two weeks in advance of consideration of any amendment. All amendments will be filed with the City Clerk.

VI. Bylaws Review

These bylaws are to be given a careful review by the Board every four years for possible amendments, starting in 1996. This periodic review does not preclude adoption of amendments during the interim.

JOB DESCRIPTION
TRUSTEE: OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST

GOAL:

To preserve, protect, and maintain the City of Mercer Island's open space as designated by the Open Space Conservancy Trust.

JOB TITLE:

Member, Board of Trustees of the Mercer Island Open Space Conservancy Trust

TIME COMMITMENT:

- Citizens: initially staggered terms of 4, 5, and 6 year terms followed thereafter by 4 year terms.
- City Council: 1 year term
- Regular attendance at scheduled Board of Trustee meetings is required: meetings will be held at least semi-annually with other special meetings occurring as needed.

ROLES AND PURPOSES:

- Ensure preservation of trust properties as open space
- Prepare and recommend to the City Council policies and guidelines for maintenance, use and preservation of the Open Space properties.
- Review and report annually to the City Council status and condition of the Trust properties with any recommendations as to management.

DESIRABLE ABILITIES, SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Interest in serving the City as a Board of Trustee Member
- Interest in maintaining and enhancing the community's quality of life through the preservation of open space.
- Communication and listening skills
- Leadership skill
- Knowledge of the ecological process
- Long and short range planning skill
- Ability to work with user groups and the City Council
- Ability to contribute opinions at meetings and participate in group decision making process on issues of concern
- Willingness to commit the necessary time to the Board of Trustees for resolution

TRAINING:

Information about Trust, its properties and Board of Trustee operations will be provided by staff.

Alaine Sommargren

From: lisabelden@aol.com
Sent: Friday, February 09, 2018 8:54 PM
To: Paul West; Alaine Sommargren; Bruce Fletcher; Julie Underwood
Subject: Off leash dogs and Mercer Island parks

I'm sending you a link to what Portland is doing and saying about off leash dogs in its parks; its interest in protecting its parks and wildlife, natural areas and other park users by not allowing off leash dogs other than in fenced Off Leash Areas; and why.

See:

<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/39526>

and

<https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/91738>

Please give this material and information to the Open Space Conservancy Trust Board for its next meeting.

Today, there was a professional dog walker throwing balls way off the Perimeter Trail for two off leash dogs to try to find. The dogs were a boxer and a large chocolate lab. They were both crashing around in the native undergrowth in an area with new plantings that still have orange surveyor's tape on.

When I told her that she is not supposed to do that, and to please stop playing fetch in the NW quadrant and to please stop encouraging the dogs to go off the trail by throwing balls into the undergrowth so that the dogs are crashing around in the native vegetation, she responded: "Everyone else is doing it". She had punk colored bright red dyed hair; a nose ring; and apparently no respect for the purpose for which Pioneer Park was set aside in trust.

The chocolate lab's name was Luther. As the weather warms, there will be more and more professional dog walkers abusing the park, as well as others. There are lots of people throwing balls for their dogs to chase off the trails. This is the 4th person just this week I've had to inform about the rules despite the "Dog Owners" signage. It's only going to get worse as the weather gets better.

Portland has a much better policy than MI in protecting natural areas and wildlife from off leash dogs. So does Vancouver, B.C. Vancouver has a \$2,000 (Canadian) fines for dogs off leash in its parks and beaches; and a \$2,000 fine for leaving dog feces.

Lisa

Alaine Sommargren

From: City of Mercer Island <7478ti@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 11, 2018 11:53 AM
To: Alaine Sommargren; Paul West
Subject: Pioneer Park Signage Submitted

*** FORM FIELD DATA***

Name: **Thomas Imrich**

Email: **7478ti@gmail.com**

Phone:

Comments: **Dogs should only be permitted "ON A LEASH" in any MI Park. Out of control dogs are frequently and unsafely approaching, licking, getting mud on, and frightening, children, infants, bicycle riders, joggers, and elderly adults. Fines should be heavy for "off leash" dogs anywhere on MI except in designated "Off Leash areas", as well as for any dog owners not picking up and properly disposing of dog residue. Fines exceeding many hundreds of dollars per transgression event are used in some other metro areas.**

Response: **no**

*** USER INFORMATION ***

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