

RESOLUTION NO. 577

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, IN SUPPORT OF PIERCE COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENTS TO PENINSULA SCHOOL DISTRICT FIELDS, INCLUDING THE PENINSULA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD, THE GIG HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD, THE GIG HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL FIELD AND THE GOODMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL/SOCCER FIELD.

WHEREAS, Pierce County residents voted in November, 2000, to support a tax to support zoos, parks, and regional community recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the taxes collected are limited resources which are designated to serve all of Pierce County; and

WHEREAS, currently, the Peninsula School District has been the primary provider of outdoor recreational facilities for the greater Gig Harbor Community; and

WHEREAS, the Gig Harbor City Council supports the concept introduced by Pierce County Councilmember Karen Biskey in the 2001 Pierce County budget, which maximizes the use of taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, the limitations of the existing Peninsula School District fields have, to date, curtailed community use of existing fields; and

WHEREAS, the proposed interlocal agreement would provide improvements to existing Peninsula School District fields, which would significantly expand the opportunities for community recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, the proposed interlocal agreement would also contribute \$75,000 per year to the Peninsula School District for maintenance and operations costs on these improved fields and \$35,000 per year for expanded recreational service;

NOW BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The City of Gig Harbor supports a proposed interlocal agreement to create a new Pierce County/Peninsula School District partnership to maximize the investment of taxpayer dollars and expand community recreational opportunities for Pierce County residents in the Gig Harbor area. Further, the City of Gig Harbor stresses the importance of continued support and funding of parks in the greater Gig Harbor community.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR
This 13th day of November, 2001.

APPROVED:



GRETCHEN A. WILBERT, MAYOR