

Vote Takes Place On
August 16, 2011

Tukwila Pool

Metropolitan Park District

VOTER FACT SHEET

The City of Tukwila Pool, formerly the South Central Pool, was dedicated in 1973. The pool was funded by the 1968 Forward Thrust bond issue to expand King County's parks and recreation system. In 2003, as a result of budget difficulties in King County, the ownership of the pool was transferred to City of Tukwila.

The Tukwila Pool is a 15,650 square-foot facility that resides on land leased from the Tukwila School District. The Pool is located between Foster High School and Showalter Middle School on South 144th St. in Tukwila. Features include a six lane competition style pool that varies in depth from a 3 foot shallow end to a 12 foot deep end.

Now, the City of Tukwila does not have the resources or the capabilities in place to continue to manage, maintain, and operate the Tukwila Pool. On April 18, 2011, the Tukwila City Council unanimously approved Resolution No. 1738 establishing August 16, 2011 as the date for an election. The question before the voters is regarding the formation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District. If passed the district would have the power to generate funds for the acquisition, maintenance, operation, capital improvement and/or construction expenditures for a pool facility within the boundaries of the City of Tukwila. Without Proposition No. 1 passing, the pool is scheduled to close on September 15, 2011.

CITY OF TUKWILA PROPOSITION NO. 1

FORMATION AND FUNDING OF TUKWILA POOL METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT

Tukwila Resolution No. 1738 proposes creation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District, coextensive with the City's boundaries pursuant to RCW 35.61, including the authority to levy a general tax on property with the District each year, not to exceed 15 cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, for the purpose of acquiring and operating a pool facility.

The Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District is to be governed by the City Council of the City of Tukwila, serving as the Board of Commissioners in an ex officio capacity.

For the formation of a Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District to be governed by the Tukwila City Council, serving as the Board of Commissioners.

Against the formation of a Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District.

Explanatory Statement:

If approved by the voters, this ballot measure would authorize the creation of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District, encompassing the same boundaries as the City of Tukwila. The City of Tukwila currently owns, operates and maintains the City of Tukwila Pool. The City does not have the resources to continue to manage, maintain and operate the pool. If this proposition is approved, the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District would be created to acquire, maintain and operate the Tukwila Pool.

The District would have all the powers enumerated in Ch. 35.61 RCW including the power to levy an annual tax on all taxable property within the district in an amount not to exceed 15 cents per \$1000 of assessed valuation. The District would also have the authority to issue debt and to exercise the right of eminent domain. The District would be governed by the Tukwila City Council, serving as the board of commissioners.

Questions? Contact: Rick Still, City of Tukwila Parks and Recreation Director, 206-767-2344 or tukparks@tukwilaWA.gov

For additional information concerning the conduct of this election, contact King County records and Elections.

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