

## Press Release

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## CITY SEEKS CITIZENS FOR METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE

(Edmonds – WA) The City of Edmonds is seeking interested individuals to participate in the exploration of forming a Metropolitan Park District (MPD) in Edmonds. The positions are non-paid, volunteer positions. All participants must be a registered voter, and a resident within the city of Edmonds.

This MPD Exploratory Committee will be charged with gathering and interpreting information about the pros and cons of a Metropolitan Park District (MPD); explore goals, issues, needs and priorities of Edmonds Parks and Recreation system; direct public outreach strategies such as citizen surveys and town hall meetings and prepare conclusions and recommendations for Council consideration.

This Committee will meet over the months of May and June, and be prepared to make a recommendation to City Council in July. If City Council were to consider placing this on the November ballot, it would need to be filed in August.

The first two meetings have been schedules as follows:

May 7th: 6:00-8:00 p.m. Library Plaza Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Edmonds Library May 23rd, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Library Plaza Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Edmonds Library

Interested residents of the city of Edmonds may pick up an application at the reception desk in the lobby of City Hall located as 121 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Edmonds, or may download an <u>application</u> from the city <u>website</u>.

Deadline for application is 4:30 p.m., April 27, 2012.