

- WHEREAS: Vashon Park District was able to purchase the 150-plus acre Fisher Pond Preserve in 1998 with a Washington State grant expending no Vashon Park District levy funds; And,
- WHEREAS: Vashon Park District's mission is providing Parks and Recreation not Open Space Conservation; And,
- WHEREAS: Vashon Maury Island Land Trust has a Conservation Easement in perpetuity on the Fisher Pond Preserve that prohibits any kind of development; And,
- WHEREAS: King County Airport District #1 (KCAD#1) owns and has responsibility for safety at the Vashon Municipal Airport; And,
- WHEREAS: Vashon Maury Island Land Trust, Vashon Park District and King County Airport District #1 share a covenant giving KCAD #1 authority to designate which trees within the Fisher Pond Preserve must be trimmed or removed because they present a safety hazard under the approach/departure paths of Vashon Municipal Airport; And,
- WHEREAS: KCAD #1 must bear all costs associated with any tree trimming or removal within the approach/departure paths to Vashon Municipal Airport; And,
- WHEREAS: KCAD#1 is a non-taxing district and its only income is from leasing property on Vashon Municipal Airport to the Vashon Air Service for the erection of hangars; And,
- WHEREAS: KCAD #1 must pay a Surface Water Management (SWM) fee of \$15,784.38 per year to Water and Land Resource Division of King County; And,
- WHEREAS: this SWM fee amounts to 60% of KCAD#1's total income; And,
- WHEREAS: this SWM fee could be reduced to \$289 per year if the 20 acre KCAD#1 property could be expanded by a minimum of 8 acres. Thus, freeing up funds to carry out safety improvements at Vashon Municipal Airport; And,
- WHEREAS: a property transfer to KCAD#1 would result in a public benefit to the Vashon Park District (and KCAD#1) consistent with its purposes and a suitable substitute for fair market value; Then, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED: Vashon Park District desires to transfer, at no cost, the 19.92 acres of Parcels 9093 and 9023 within the Fisher Pond Preserve which lie under the approach/departure path of Vashon Municipal Airport, to the King County Airport District #1 with the understanding that all Conservation Easements and Covenants will transfer with said property so that the only thing that changes to said property is the owner name on the parcels.