

Conservation and Natural Resources

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TO:	Council Chair Nate Nehring
FROM:	County Executive Dave Somers
RE:	Snohomish County Parks Advisory Board Appointment: Lindsey Haight, Council District 3 Board Member
DATE:	April 17, 2025

Recommendation

I am pleased to recommend Lindsey Haight from Edmonds, for the Snohomish County Parks Advisory Board Council District 3 position vacated by Nicholas Coelho.

Background

Lindsey Haight will continue serving Nicholas Coelho's current term, which expires 01/15/2027. After that time, she will be eligible to serve 2 additional four-year terms. A board member cannot serve on more than one Snohomish County board or commission. The process for appointment, terms and restrictions are codified in SCC 22 and SCC 2.03.030.

Selection Criteria

Several criteria are used to evaluate potential nominations for a position on the Parks Advisory Board. Those criteria include:

- Community experience
- Working with or membership in one or more community-based non-profit groups
- Experience with a public agency operating public parks
- Participation in Snohomish County Parks, including the Evergreen State Fairgrounds
- History of volunteerism
- Experience in marketing and promotion of parks
- Extra skill that can be applied to assisting parks administration

Parks Advisory Board Nominee

Nominee background, application and other information is included in this packet. I would like to feature some of the information that was submitted that encouraged my selection of this nominee.

Ms. Haight deeply values the role that parks, natural spaces, and free recreation play in building healthy, connected communities and she feels a strong sense of responsibility to give back and help steward these assets for current and future generations. Ms. Haight is committed to civic engagement and environmental appreciation and believes in accessible nature for all, and she wants to ensure our parks remain inclusive, sustainable, and responsive to community needs.

Ms. Haight has helped plan public events, supported community education, and coordinated

volunteer programs as a volunteer and a professional and has a strong background in organizing and facilitating programs that bring people together in outdoor and community-centered spaces. Her community involvement and volunteer activities include:

• Houseless Outreach & Support – Coordinated and participated in winter clothing drives and distribution programs for individuals experiencing homelessness in Snohomish County.

• Food Security Programs – Volunteered with local church-based initiatives to provide meals, food boxes, and pantry staples to community members in need.

• Spiritual and Community Leadership – Organized public rituals, community wellness workshops, and seasonal celebrations focused on inclusivity, mental health, and connection to nature.

• Youth and Family Engagement – Supported educational programming and creative events designed to engage youth and families in safe, enriching, and outdoor-based community experiences.

• Event Planning & Volunteer Coordination – Helped coordinate multi-day festivals and local gatherings, including managing volunteer teams, accessibility considerations, and public programming.

• Community Art Walks & Public Art Spaces – Facilitated inclusive art walks and temporary art installations that celebrated local creativity and fostered community dialogue.

• Interfaith Engagement – Built connections across spiritual and cultural traditions through shared values of stewardship, compassion, and service to the community.

We believe his experience and passion will be a significant asset to the Parks Advisory Board.

Conclusion

Pursuant to SCC 2.03.030, I am pleased to recommend the above appointment to fill the current vacancy as a representative member on the Snohomish County Parks Advisory Board. Thank you for your attention and consideration.