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BROOKVILLE GARDENS PARK RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

Fife, WA – The City of Fife will celebrate the opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for its newest park, Brookville Gardens (6512 Valley Avenue East), at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 22nd. Speakers will include Senator Hans Zeiger, Representative Melanie Stambaugh, Pierce County Executive Bruce Dammeier, Fife Mayor Kim Roscoe and a Fife City Councilmember Pat Hulcey.

The ribbon cutting of this project is the culmination of decades of design, wetland mitigation, funding requests and collaboration, said Fife Mayor Kim Roscoe. “This new park will be the highlight of green spaces in Fife, offering everything from trails and open spaces to wetlands and rentable picnic shelters,” Mayor Roscoe said.

Brookville Gardens Park marks an investment of \$8.5 million and the funding and permitting of the park involved a collaboration between the City, the Puyallup Tribes, and the state. The park will feature trails, rain gardens, open grassy space, native plants, rehabilitated wetlands, a walking bridge, play structure, picnic shelters with BBQs, interpretive/historical signage, and the most extensive Wapato Creek viewing area in the City.

Since the 1950s, the land on which Brookville Gardens Park now sits was farmed by the Yotsuuye family, under the name “Brookville Gardens.” In 2011, the land was sold by the family to the City of Fife and work has been underway since to fund, design and build this amazing park in the heart of the community.

The park will officially open to the public with a grand opening celebration on Friday, August 24th from 5 to 7 p.m. The event will feature free ice cream, bounce a house and games.

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