

MOTION 2020-20:
A MOTION OF THE PORT OF SEATTLE COMMISSION

to adopt the new names for six Port-owned public access and shoreline habitat sites along the Duwamish River as determined through the community engagement project, “Incredible Parks Want Incredible Names.”

PROPOSED
OCTOBER 27, 2020

INTRODUCTION

The Port and Seattle Parks Foundation launched a public process to rename six Port-owned parks and shoreline habitat sites along the Duwamish River. The six sites to be renamed include: Terminal 105, Terminal 107, Terminal 108, 8th Ave South Street End, Turning Basin 3, and the currently under-construction Terminal 117.

TEXT OF THE MOTION

The Port Commission hereby acknowledges the community’s input throughout the “Incredible Parks Want Incredible Names” project and adopts the following new names for the below six Port-owned parks and shoreline habitat sites:

Former Name	New Name
Terminal 105 Park	<u>ṭuʔəlaltx^w Village Park & Shoreline Habitat</u> (Toolalt, “t-oo-ah-lal-too-wx”: Herring’s House / A description of where herring live and spawn / Name of an old village site on the west bank of the Duwamish River)
Terminal 107 Park	<u>həʔapus Village Park & Shoreline Habitat</u> (haapoos, “ha-ah-poos”: Name of a small stream draining across a flat on the west side of Duwamish River)
Terminal 108 Park/Diagonal Public Access Site	<u>sbəqwaʔ Park & Shoreline Habitat</u> (sbaqwah, “s-bah-qwah”: Great Blue Heron)
Terminal 117 Public Access and Shoreline Habitat	<u>Duwamish River People’s Park & Shoreline Habitat</u>
Turning Basin #3	<u>Salmon Cove Park & Shoreline Habitat</u>

8 th Ave South Street End	<u>ṭaṭṭaṭucid Park & Shoreline Habitat</u> (tathtathootseed, “t-ahth-t-ahth-oots-eed”: Where there is something overhead, across the path / A description of logs or branches located above a path or trail)
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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION

Many of the public access sites that will be renamed in this motion were established resulting from the Port’s 1985 Comprehensive Shoreline and Public Access Plan. The plan was created to identify opportunities for the Port to design and construct shoreline habitat and public access areas as mitigation for cargo facility development. These “hidden gems” along the Duwamish River serve as vital environmental, cultural, and community assets. These shoreline river parks, located as far north as Harbor Island to as far south as Tukwila, are currently named after previous industrial or geographic markers like “Terminal 105 Park” or “8th Ave South-street end.” For years, community members have encouraged the Port to consider re-naming its parks along the Duwamish River to better reflect the cultural and environmental importance of each site.

The Incredible Parks Want Incredible Names project aims to empower community members most engaged with the Port’s river shoreline parks to participate in the decision making to re-name them. Through a unique partnership with the Seattle Parks Foundation, the Port of Seattle is re-naming six Port-owned public parks along the Duwamish River. The project convened a Review Committee consisting of eight stakeholders representing the backgrounds and expertise of a broad range of Port-park users: environmental stewards, historians, workers, Tribal and cultural heritage experts, youth, and neighboring community leaders.

By re-naming these Port-owned parks, we are collectively re-connecting to the Duwamish River, critical habitat restoration efforts, and the community’s stories about the historical, cultural, and environmental importance of each site. The project strives to strengthen existing and build new relationships between the Port and the community through shared values of river stewardship and community partnership in decision making.

The new names will be shared widely in public signage and Port outreach. In consultation with tribal historians, the Port will ensure linguistic accuracy, pronunciation and legibility for all names. A legend on how to read and pronounce the Lushootseed names is available below:

- Lushootseed Name Formatting Guide:
 Example: *sbaḡwaʔ* Park & Shoreline Habitat (sbaḡwah, “**s-bah-qwah**,” “Great Blue Heron”)
 1. *Lushootseed in Lushootseed Character Style*
 2. Lushootseed in Romanized Character Style
 3. **“English Phonetic Pronunciation of Lushootseed”**
 4. English translation of Lushootseed