

# PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD Tuesday March 23, 2021 5:30 p.m.

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#### **PRAB MEMBERS**

Jason Gerwen, Chair Vito Iacobazzi, Vice Chair Sylvia Allen J. Alan Billingsley Susan Dellinger Michael Lacadie

YOUTH COUNCIL Arianie Esperon Micah Kim Carly Sherman

Linda Farmer, Council Liaison

#### **STAFF**

Mary Dodsworth, Director Nikki York, Office Assistant

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

### ATTENDANCE/ROLL CALL

# **APPROVAL of February 23, 2021 MINUTES**

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Per Governor Inslee's Emergency Proclamation 20-25, participation in Public Comments will only be accepted via email at this time. Comments should be sent to Nikki York at <a href="mayork@cityoflakewood.us">myork@cityoflakewood.us</a>. Comments received up to six hours before the meeting will be provided to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board electronically. Comments received after that deadline will be provided to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board after the meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Welcome New Member- Fred Ramey Special Event / Summer Update Chambers Creek Canyon Trail Update Prepare for Parks Appreciation Day

#### DIRECTORS REPORT

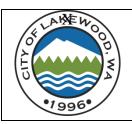
#### **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

## **NEXT PRAB MEETING**

Tuesday April 27, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. Zoom

#### **ADJOURN**

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# LAKEWOOD PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES Tuesday February 23, 2021–5:30 PM Zoom Meeting

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Jason Gerwen called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**PRAB Members Present**: Jason Gerwen-Chair, Vito Iacobazzi-Vice-Chair, Sylvia Allen, Alan Billingsley, Susan Dellinger, Michael Lacadie

Youth Council: Arianie Esperon-present, Micah Kim-absent, Carly Sherman-absent

**Staff Present**: Mary Dodsworth – Director, Nikki York – Office Assistant

**Council Liaison**: Linda Farmer, absent

Guests: Cameron Fairfield, Elizabeth Foster, Christy C

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**: Michael moved and Vito Iacobazzi seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting as written. MPU.

**Public Comment:** Elizabeth Foster noted that a basketball court at Fort Steilacoom would be great for her teenage boys

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Park Entry Signs Update: Mary Dodsworth presented a power point with the history of the park entry signs. They were installed in 2002, have the old city logo. New signs included in the Parks CIP and we will be updating all the parks in the next few years. Mary highlighted the Fort Steilacoom Park entry sign that looks like a Gateway Sign. This is the main entry to a 250 acre park so it's appropriate for this setting, however, this type of sign would be challenging to replicate at our smaller park sites. Several designs were considered and options were reviewed. The signs reflect the city logo and must be easy to maintain and be able to have graffiti removed. The board really likes the size and shape and colors of the first option, they like the font used, it's easy to read. They liked the name of the park across the bottom and the City of Lakewood in the water area so it shows. Not putting a logo on the sign will eliminate needing to change it if the city logo changes in the future. The Board liked the matching kiosk for maps, park rules or other posing and signage needs.

**Outdoor Adventure Programming:** Cameron Fairfield shared a power point presentation highlighting the new Agents of Discovery Program, an educational mobile gaming platform that uses augmented reality to get Youth Active. It is similar to Pokémon Go. It's a free app. Once downloaded it doesn't require wifi to work. Our field agent is a raccoon customized with a City of Lakewood logo. Cameron described some of the types of challenges. There can be multiple challenges is a mission. Discussed possible prizes. Missions will be updated seasonally and for special events. Spanish and English are available. This program is a subscription service to the

City. The missions are geared mostly for kids. Mary shared other possibilities with older adults and the youth council. We will work with our communications manager and use A frames at the park to promote. The City is also applying for the No Child Left Inside Grant. The campaign will be call Go & Play Lakewood (Get Outside & Play, Laugh, be Active Youth). It will consist of different monthly outdoor activities including (orienteering, geocaching, fishing event, water sports, kite making/flying, youth fitness day, birds, birds, birds, camping skills, art & nature, milk boat races, gardening and bubble stations). The board agreed that these are great activities.

Parks CIP Update- Harry Todd Park: Mary Dodsworth provided an update regarding the improvements at Harry Todd Park in the Tillicum neighborhood. It is an isolated area. The site is 17 acres. Phase I & II were able to be combined due to grants. Mary reviewed the site and needed updates. The final design allowed us to save 14 oak trees, move the restroom, add a fishing pier and docks. The restroom will have individual ADA units. The site should be open by June for the summer season. Due to Covid, the city may not have lifeguards this summer.

**Directors Report:** Mary Dodsworth reviewed the Directors Report including, Capital Project updates, City Hall will remain closed until June 30, Senior Center program updates including (zoom happy hour, zoom presentations, drive thru events, zoom reunions, exercise videos and computer assistance), Public art including (colonial plaza art, signal box art, 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary art contest), 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary proclamation, approval of non-motorized trail code updates and Community outreach.

**Board Comments:** None

**NEXT MEETING:** The next PRAB meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 23, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. This will be a virtual Zoom Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Michael Lacadie moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m. Sylvia Allen seconded. MPU

Jason Gerwen, Chairman	Nikki York, Office Assistant