

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES Tuesday May 24, 2022—5:30 PM At the Pavilion and Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Vito lacobazzi called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

PRAB Members Present: Vito Iacobazzi-Vice-Chair, Sylvia Allen, Michael Lacadie, Alan Billingsley, Fred Ramey

PRAB Members Excused: Jason Gerwen-Chair, Janet Spingath

Youth Council: Brandon Elliott, absent

PRAB Staff Present: Mary Dodsworth - Director, Nikki York - Office Assistant

Council Liaisons: Don Anderson

Guests: North Lakewood Neighborhood Association members to include Pat Jurez, Ed Abby, Judy Ashley, Steve Swortz, April Wallace

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Michael Lacadie moved and Alan Billingsley seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2022 meeting as written. MPU.

Public Comments: No public comments

NEW BUSINESS:

Prepare for Joint Council Meeting: Mary Dodsworth reviewed the work plan and significant accomplishments. The board discussed other topics that they would like to discuss with council to include the various elements of the climate change and tree plan and how it overlaps and impacts the economic development plan.

Oakbrook Park Design Charrette: The North Lakewood Neighborhood Association shared the things they currently like about the park and any issues currently affecting the park. During the charrette they shared many park updates and ideas including more shade, water fountain, bathrooms, additional benches and picnic tables, basketball half court, pickle ball court, places to ride bicycles, adult exercise equipment, climbing rocks, walking path around the park, hard surface area for hopscotch or 4 square, site lines around the park signs (which needs to be replaced) and possible extreme activities like a half pipe skate park and zip line. They also asked about signs regarding park hours and parking. The association noted that the west side of the park isn't being used and would be a good place for expansion. The group was split into 3 table to create design ideas and narrow down their selections that would be appropriate for the site. Most groups included an internal walking path around the site, additional tables and seating, mini shelter, small paved sport court area and new park entry sign. Staff will look for additional funding to support expanded scope.

Mary shared that restrooms are the most requested item in parks however, we don't normally put in a neighborhood park. We will be piloting a Portland-loo at another park site. It is a cross between a Sani can and restroom but expensive to build (\$250K) and has to be maintained.

Directors Report: Mary Dodsworth briefly discussed the RCO grants that were turned in to support Wards Lake Park Phase 2 and a Pickle Ball Court at Harry Todd Park. The youth fishing event was held this year and over 200 youth and their families enjoyed the day. This past Saturday we had the Youth Summit with 190 students and great vendors/partners.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is a joint council meeting on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Alan Billingsley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m. Sylvia Allen seconded. MPU.

Vito Iacobazzi, Vice Chairman

Nikki York, Øffice Assistant