

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday January 24, 2023– 5:30 PM
American Lake Conference Room @ City Hall & Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Jason Gerwen called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

PRAB Members Present: Jason Gerwen-Chair, Vito Iacobazzi-Vice-Chair, Sylvia Allen, Alan Billingsley, Michael Lacadie, Janet Spingath

PRAB Members Excused: Anessa McClendon

Youth Council absent: Brandon Elliott, Kloe Salazar, Kera Buckmaster, Kaitlyn Miller

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

Council Liaisons: Don Anderson, absent

Guests: Stacey Reding – Capital Project Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Janet Spingath moved and Alan Billingsley seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2022 meeting as written. MPU.

Public Comments: No public comments

NEW BUSINESS:

Elect Chair/Vice-Chair: Sylvia Allen nominated Jason Gerwen as Chair and Vito Iacobazzi as Vice-Chair. No other nominations. Sylvia Allen motioned for Jason Gerwen and Vito Iacobazzi to continue as Chair and Vice-Chair. Michael Lacadie seconded. MPU

2023 Council approved PRAB Work Plan Review: Mary Dodsworth reviewed the Council approved work plan including updates on the Nisqually Partnership Program, Parks Capital Improvement Projects, Senior Center/Services, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion through Parks and Recreation, Special Events, Street End report, Park Sign Project, Climate Change Initiatives, Tree Preservation Ordinance, Park Code or Facility Naming Processes (as requested by Council) and Future expansion opportunities could include Camp Murray and Historic Fort Steilacoom.

Street End Report Update: Mary Dodsworth provided background on the need to update the report from the 2009 Study and introduced Stacey Reding, Capital Project Coordinator to present a PowerPoint reviewing the 2022 update to the street end report. Stacey reviewed the 12 sites and potential development at each site including ADA access, shoreline enhancements, water drop art, possible habitat enhancements, parking, erosion control measures and various management considerations. Stacey review the priority matrix and shared cost estimates in 2024 dollars. Sylvia asked about a solution for buildings that are encroaching. Mary Dodsworth advised that there are a variety of solutions but depending on the site and the encroachment situation will determine the course of action. We just noted the encroachment and would look at city policy or state laws on a case by case basis. Vito Iacobazzi commented that the update is great and is in line with the Legacy plan to provide water access. Kudos to JA Brennen for making it apparent. Jason Gerwen

added that the community needs the water access. Janet Spingath liked that the update shows different ways to access the water. The Street End update will be presented to City Council on February 13th. Sylvia Allen motioned to support forwarding the updated 2022 report to Council. Alan Billingsley seconded. MPU. Jason Gerwen asked if any additional PRAB support was needed at the Council meeting. Mary Dodsworth said it would be great if PRAB members attended the meeting.

Directors Report: Mary Dodsworth provided an update that included: capital projects at Springbrook Park, Gateway signs, Park Signs expanded to include wayfinding and reader boards, Wards Lake Phase 1, Seeley Lake, FSP Turf Infields and home field, American Lake Park, Oakbrook Park, Primley Park, Fort Steilacoom Park Boundary Line Adjustment, Nisqually Partnership Project, Chief Leschi walk, Yoga and Meditation, community outreach and the Tree Lighting and Parade on December 10th.

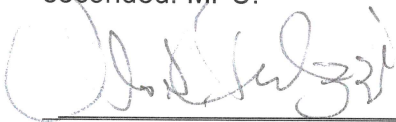
Board Member Comments:

Sylvia Allen asked about the path around Waughop Lake being closed. It was closed due to Western State water line repairs.

Vito Iacobazzi asked about naming something after Claudia Thomas. Council will be discussing on February 27th. Partners for Parks may also be there about naming opportunities for the H Barn.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the American Lake Conference Room at Lakewood City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Sylvia Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Janet Spingath seconded. MPU.



Jason Gerwen, Chairman

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Nikki York, Office Assistant