



**Parks and Recreation Commission - Rescheduled
Special Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 03, 2021, 5:00 PM
Zoom**

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CALL TO ORDER – Vice-Chair called the meeting to order

ROLL CALL – Commissioners Present: Katy Daane, David Dewey, Brittany Grahn, Jason Irving, Steve Lorenz, Cassi Marshall, Ellen Burton

Staff Present: Trang Lam, Denis Ryan

Presenter: Jim Hodges

1. Meeting Ground Rules – 5 min
Presenter: Commissioner Marshall read the Meeting Ground Rules

MEETING GROUND RULES: Listen With An Open Mind, Let Everyone Participate, Close Decisions, Identify Action Items & Follow Up, Show Up On Time & Come Prepared, Stay Mentally & Physically Present

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public comments made

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. May 26, 2021 - Approval of Parks & Recreation Commission Minutes
Presenter: Jason Irving, Commission Vice-Chair

A motion was made by Dewey, seconded by Grahn, and carried to accept the May 26, 2021 P&R Commission minutes as written.

MEETING ITEMS

3. WWII Memorial - continue location discussion – 10 Min
Presenter: Steve Lorenz, Commission Chair

Discussion of locations presented to the Commission at prior meetings – Crown Park, Camas Cemetery, and Camas/Washougal Marina Park (Port owned). Staff proposed one additional location – Mill Ditch property, specifically the parcel on NE 19th Avenue just east of Lone Street. Commission requested that staff investigate the feasibility of this location and report back. No final recommendations were made.

4. NW 38th Avenue Improvements, Phase 3 – Grass Valley Driveway – 10 min
Presenter: Jim Hodges, Project Manager – Capital Improvements

Hodges presented the project and responded to several questions from Commissioners. Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) requires a letter be submitted that confirms that project impacts are *de minimus* impacts to the park during construction. Hodges requested the Commission to review and evaluate the project impacts to Grass Valley Park and approve for the Parks and Recreation Director to send a letter to WSDOT on behalf of the Commission to endorse that the impacts will be temporary and *de minimus* in scope.

A motion was made by Marshall, seconded by Irving, and carried to direct the Director to send a letter to WSDOT to confirm that the impacts will be temporary and *de minimus* in scope.

5. Commission Retreat – Discussion – 20 min
Presenter: Steve Lorenz and Jason Irving

Lorenz presented the history of the retreat. Discussion between Commissioners and Lam ensued. Lam presented possibly timing the retreat to align with the schedules for drafting the Commission Report to City Council and any future Biennial City Budget processes. Commission agreed to an October retreat, expanding the meeting duration of the existing monthly Commission meeting to accommodate a retreat work session; and requested a facilitator consultant be hired so that Lam can participate in the retreat. Lorenz, Irving and Lam will work with facilitator to finalize the retreat agenda.

6. Parks & Recreation Commission Duties and Responsibilities (Chapter 2.28.050),
Proposed Edits – 15 min
Presenter: Steve Lorenz, Commission Chair

Lam thanked Lorenz and Grahn for working with her on the code update recommendations. She presented the recommended edits to Chapter 2.28.050 from the subcommittee group.

A motion was made by Lorenz, seconded by Dewey, and carried to approval the recommended edits as drafted and directing the Director to move the recommendations of Code changes to City Council for approval.

PROJECT UPDATES

7. Lake Management Plan
Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director

Lam shared that a project update was provided to Council at the August 2nd Council Workshop. Lam noted that the project has two phases. Project team is expecting to complete Phase I of the project in September, which includes reviewing background data, community outreach, and development of Phase 2 project scope. Phase 2 is where we'll see the bulk of the testing and monitoring to better understand the current condition of the lake to be able to develop a management strategy. The project is engaging with the community through a survey on the Engage Camas – Lake Management Plan project page. In addition, JLA (project consultant) held a tabling event at Heritage Park on Saturday, 7/31, in coordination with the PROS Plan outreach.

8. Parks Maintenance Update
Presenter: Denis Ryan and Steve Wall

Ryan provided updates to the following properties - Buhman and 450 properties are completing abatement and demo; Council requested Staff for additional evaluation of the Rose property at a recent Council Workshop; Lacamas Lake Lodge will complete indoor paint; Heritage trail landscape cleanup underway and mile markers are being refurbished by an Eagle Scout volunteer; Public Works recruiting update; design work for Louis Bloch Park improvements underway; and Lacamas Lake drawdown will be 9/13.

In response to Burton's question, Ryan stated that PUD, City of Camas and City of Washougal are partnering to pay for mitigation, including tree removal, chipping, replanting and replacement of fence. City of Camas is working to coordinate a day for the community to come share the tree chips. Discussion ensued on replacement tree species.

9. 7/19 Council Workshop on Homelessness
Presenter: Trang Lam, Parks & Recreation Director

Lam shared that the Council's work session on homelessness was very educational and insightful. As many people experiencing homelessness are likely to camp at parks, it's helpful that the Parks and Recreation Commission better understands the issue, so Lam urged Commissioners to watch that work session. Mayor Burton also shared her insights from the work session and the many facts that she learned. Lam also noted that Council will form a sub-committee and ask Staff to participate in finding solutions.

10. August Commission Meeting – First in-person meeting
Presenter: Trang Lam and Susan Palmer

Lam shared that under current COVID circumstances, the Commission could have an in-person August meeting with a Zoom option still available to anyone that wishes to join virtually. The in-person meeting will need to be in Council Chambers at City Hall since that is the only location that has the proper technology for both in-person and Zoom meetings combined. If COVID health and safety guidelines change, we will adjust accordingly.

OTHER ITEMS

11. P&R Commissioner & Park Stewardship Updates – 20 min
Presenters: Parks & Rec Commissioners

Marshall, Lorenz, Dewey and Daane provided updates on their current park assignments.

ADJOURNMENT

6:43PM