



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Item 3
July 6, 2023
Regular Business

AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION

TITLE:	Commission Officer Elections	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Needed: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Appoint a Chair and Vice Chair	

STAFF:	Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager
COUNCIL LIAISON:	Craig Reynolds
EXHIBITS:	1. Parks and Recreation Commission Bylaws

SUMMARY

The purpose of this staff report is to present the process for the election of officers for the Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC).

BACKGROUND

The Parks and Recreation Commission Bylaws (Exhibit 1) provide information on officer terms, duties, and the election process.

Per the bylaws, the term of office for Chair and Vice Chair is one year with the possibility of reelection. Each officer may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms. This year, due to meeting agenda and timing conflicts, this process was postponed by one month and added to the July PRC Meeting.

DISCUSSION/PROCESS

Chair Jodi McCarthy and Vice Chair Peter Struck have both served the maximum of two consecutive terms in their respective officer roles and new officers must be elected.

Tonight, the Parks and Recreation Commission will appoint a new Chair and Vice Chair by utilizing the following process to elect new officers:

- Place motion to elect Chair and Vice Chair on the agenda.
- Take nominations for the position of Chair from the floor.
- Nominations do not require a second vote.
- If no further nominations, the Chair declares nominations closed.
- Voting takes place in the order nominations are made.
- If there is only one nomination, board members will vote on that nomination by a voice vote.
- If there is more than one nomination, each will be voted on separately by a roll-call vote of the members present.
- Once a nominee receives a simple majority vote, the nominee is declared elected to the position.

- If none of the nominees receive a majority vote, nominations are requested again, and the process is repeated until a candidate receives a majority vote.
- The process is repeated for Vice Chair.

NEXT STEPS

Following the election of officers, the new officers will immediately assume their respective roles. The Staff Liaison will assist in the transition as desired by the newly elected Chair.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Appoint Chair and Vice Chair.