CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

Parks Commission

Date: October 1, 2008_____

Time: <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Lo

Location: Community Rooms A&B

Scribe:_Terri Reed

Commission Members and Staff Present: <u>Commissioners: Michael Perrow, Nick Tarabochia, Peter Hampl, Jacquie Goodwill and</u> <u>Robyn Dupuis; Staff Members: David Stubchaer, Marco Malich, Terri Reed, and Lita Dawn Stanton.</u>

Others Present: _____

| Topic / Agenda Item | Main Points Discussed | Recommendation/Action Follow-up (<i>if needed</i>) |
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| Approval of Minutes | Approval of September 3, 2008 Minutes | Motion: Move to approve September 3, 2008 minutes as presented. |
| | | Dupuis / Goodwill – unanimously approved. |
| OLD BUSINESS: | | |
| Eddon Boat Park – Brick House Uses | The Commission reviewed the comments received at the Open House held on July 31, 2008. The consensus was that the public would like to see the house used as a community space for meetings and gatherings, which could include a kitchen facility which could be used for receptions or parties. | Motion: Move to recommend to City Council that the brick house be updated to use as a meeting space facility open for reservations by various groups and private parties and further recommend modifying the architectural design slightly to take advantage of the harbor features and outdoor space. Goodwill / Tarabochia – unanimously approved. |
| NEW BUSINESS: | | |
| Bogue Viewing Platform Art Proposal | Bob Sullivan, representing the Arts Commission, reviewed the Call to Artists that went out for an art piece to be placed at the Bogue Viewing Platform which is a City Park. He explained that the piece should show the cultural influence of the Scandinavian heritage of the area and could be placed in the diagonal planting bed. | Motion: Move to approve the Arts Commission request taking into consideration the Mayor's and Parks Commission concerns of height of proposed art and having it fit into the park. Goodwill / Tarabochia – unanimously approved. |
| | The Parks Commissioners expressed their | |

| Wilkinson Farm Park Proposal | concerns that the height of the art should not be intrusive or block the view. Mr. Stubchaer forwarded the Mayor's concerns that the art should not detract from the view and not be more than four feet high. Dave Wheeler, representing the Friends of Wilkinson Farm (FWF), presented their ideas for developing an active farm in the park and to promote a YMCA program called "Friends and Servants" at the park. Bill Bowers, from the YMCA, explained how the program works and the success they have had with the program in Puyallup and Tacoma. The YMCA hopes to budget a staff person to develop the program in Gig Harbor in 2009. FWF proposed to start implementing the recommendations in the 2007 Historic Structures Report, produced by BOLA, with the exception of constructing a new community building. The Parks Commission believes that the original 2003 Ad Hoc Committee map/plan has been outdated. | Motion: Move to recommend a review of the Wilkinson Farm Park master plan finalized in partnership with the City of Gig Harbor's Public Works Department, and further motion that the Parks Commission work to identify grants to help offset the cost of the restoration of the park. Goodwill / Dupuis – approved unanimously. Motion: Move to recommend to City Council the recommended Action Items 1-4, with the caveat that the wish list be gone over and solidified. <i>Items 1-4 include:</i> Expand growing area Clean up barnyard area as recommended by BOLA. Investigate tool storage Investigate parking lot expansion. |
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| PUBLIC COMMENT: | Commission member Tarabochia put out the idea of discussing the Ferry Landing viewpoint and his issues of concern there. | To be discussed at the November Parks Commission meeting. |
| | Commission member Tarabochia asked about the opportunity to develop a private family lot into a community garden. | To be discussed at the November Parks Commission meeting. |
| | Mr. Elkin mentioned his concerns with the City's proposal to place logs along the path in Austin Estuary Park. He thinks that a picnic | Mr. Elkin was informed that he could share his concerns at the Hearing Examiner meeting scheduled for the park. |

Topic / Agenda Item

Main Points Discussed

Recommendation/Action Follow-up (*if needed*)

| | table is a better option and would like to donate one for the park. | |
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| NEXT PARKS MEETING: | | November 5, 2008 @ 5:30 p.m. |
| ADJOURN: | | MOTION: To adjourn at 7:05 p.m. |