

CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

Parks Commission

Date: July 11, 2012 Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Community Rooms A&B Scribe: Terri Reed

Commission Members and Staff Present: Commissioners Nick Tarabochia, Rahna Lovrovich, Heidi Holmes and Stephanie Payne;
Staff Members: Public Works Superintendent Marco Malich and Community Development Assistant Terri Reed.

Others Present: _____

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	Approval of June 6, 2012 Meeting Minutes	MOTION: Move to approve June 6, 2012 minutes as presented. Holmes / Tarabochia - unanimously approved
OLD BUSINESS:		
Private Entity Use or Building of Structures on City Park Property	Commission Chair Tarabochia spoke about his thoughts on this issue. He would like to see the City maintain control of the use by setting a specific time period for the use and only allowing temporary structures. He said that it is most important to maintain public access to the intended park use. The Commission members discussed the temporary structure issue and wanted more time to consider options.	To be discussed at next Parks Commission meeting. Staff to ask Planning Department for input.
Harbor Hill Park Property	Public Works Superintendent Malich explained that hiring the Harbor Hill park property consultant would be combined with the City's Harbor Hill Drive Extension project, which is planned for some time in the 4 th quarter of 2012.	
Field Reservation Policy	The Hearing Examiner decision for KLM Veterans Memorial Park was reviewed. The issue of reserving the field at Veteran's Park came up at the public hearing for this site (site plan and conditional use permit). The neighbors were worried about the intensity of the use of the site and the City represented that the field was not planned to be reserve-able, that it was	To be discussed at next Parks Commission meeting.

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	<p>planned as informal use only. This is reflected as finding #16 in the decision. As parks are a conditional use, it would appear that to change our policy on reserving this park, this would require a revision to the Conditional Use Permit for the park (this is a public hearing process). The neighbors were concerned about the field being heavily programmed and that the parking would not accommodate a large number of vehicles which might result from little league type use of the site. Paragraph 21 also explains the inability to reserve.</p> <p>Commission Chair Tarabochia mentioned that proposals from Little League, PAA, etc. could be submitted and then the need could be re-visited.</p>	
Crescent Creek Park Property	<p>The overview of the Crescent Creek Park parcels was discussed and the ADA access and additional parking needs were highlighted.</p> <p>Commission member Payne presented the most recent conceptual for the Playstructure Project. She reminded the members of the fundraising event on July 12th.</p>	
NEW BUSINESS:		
Eddon Boat Parcel Acquisition Grant	The City recently submitted applications to the State RCO board for acquisition of two parcels adjacent to Eddon Boat Park.	Staff will forward grant proposal to Parks Commission members.
PUBLIC COMMENT:		
Austin Estuary Park	<p>Sandy Elken, P.O. Box 795, Vaughn, WA, asked to submit a few requests regarding Austin Estuary Park.</p> <p>1) He would like the City to put in two Mutt Mitt dispensers, one at the entrance to the park and one by the museum. 2) He asked that the picnic table be turned around so that when people are seated that they are looking out to the water. 3) He has a cast iron bench that he is restoring that he would like to donate to the park. 4) He asked that the grass seeded areas be touched up because there are some bare spots. 5) When the park restoration is complete, he would like to</p>	The Parks Commission explained that they would ask for direction from City staff on these requests and will report back to Mr. Elken.

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	stage a spin-in event.	
	Parks Commission member Holmes asked about callboxes on the Cushman Trail. She explained that her son had a serious longboard accident on the trail a couple of years ago and there wasn't an adequate way to convey the location to emergency responders. Staff explained that during trail design, callboxes were discouraged because of excessive vandalism issues.	Park Commission member Holmes will follow up with the Fire Department for discussing options to better distinguish locations on the trail for emergency response.
NEXT PARKS MEETING:		August 1, 2012 @ 5:30 p.m.
ADJOURN:		MOTION: Move to adjourn @ 7:20 p.m. Payne / Holmes - unanimously approved