

# CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

## Parks Commission

Date: April 2, 2014 Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Community Rooms A/B Scribe: Terri Reed

**Commission Members and Staff Present:** Commissioners Nick Tarabochia, John Skansi, Christine Hewitson, Doug Pfeffer and Sara McDaniel; Staff Members: Public Works Director Jeff Langhelm, Public Works Superintendent Marco Malich, Associate Planner Dennis Troy and Public Works Assistant Terri Reed.

**Others Present:** City Councilmember Rahna Lovrovich

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<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES:</b>	Approval of March 5, 2014 Meeting Minutes	MOTION: Move to approve March 5, 2014 minutes as presented.  Tarabochia / Skansi – unanimously approved
<b>OLD BUSINESS:</b>		
Parks Appreciation Day	City Councilmember Lovrovich gave details on the promotion of the PAD event and outlined the activities planned for each park and the duties for each of the Commissioners.	Commissioners Pfeffer and McDaniel will attend the April 14 City Council meeting to accept the PAD proclamation.
<b>NEW BUSINESS:</b>		
Election of New Officers	Nominations and election of officers for March 2014-March 2015 term.	MOTION: Move to nominate Nick Tarabochia as Chair  Skansi / Pfeffer – unanimously approved  MOTION: Move to nominate Doug Pfeffer as Vice Chair  Hewitson / Tarabochia - unanimously approved
Review Work Study Session Agenda Items	Public Works Director Langhelm reviewed the agenda items for the Work Study Session with City Council scheduled for May 19. 1. Harbor Hill Park Visioning – Associate Planner	Associate Planner Troy will be meeting individually with City Council Members to develop a work plan.

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	<p>Troy introduced himself to the Commission and explained that he would be leading them through the continuation the visioning process for this park property. Previous work completed consisted of hiring a consultant to run the public process for recommendation of a preferred alternative. City Council has asked staff to take a second look at the vision. Commissioner Tarabochia asked for clarification as to why we were taking a second look at this. Public Works Director Langhelm explained that City Council is looking for more focused uses for the property. Commissioner Tarabochia re-emphasized his desire to put some interim trails on the property.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Parks Commission Work Plan Discussion</li> <li>3. Eagle Scout Project Review by the Parks Commission</li> <li>4. Increasing the Parks Commission Members: 5 vs. 7</li> </ol>	
Discuss Advantages / Disadvantages of Increasing Membership from 5 to 7 members	<p>Public Works Director Langhelm identified some benefits to keeping the number of Parks Commission members at 5 as well as increasing the number to 7.</p> <p>Commission members provided their initial thoughts on the positives and negative aspects of both keeping the number at five and increasing the members to seven.</p>	To be discussed at the Joint Work Study Session with City Council.
<b>PARK UPDATES</b>		
Cushman Trail Markings @ Kimball Drive	Public Works Superintendent Malich explained that the Public Works crew will add some center striping to the Cushman Trail, around the Wilco corner up to the Kimball sidewalk and discussed the possibility of adding some "Stay Right" torchdown markings at trailheads entrances.	
	Commissioner Tarabochia asked the other members about bringing the helmet requirement for wheeled devices back to the table for discussion. Associate Planner Troy added that education might be more	Commissioner Hewitson will make contact with Nanette Tatom in the Fire Department. Commissioner Tarabochia offered to contact Heidi Holmes.

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	effective than enforcement. City Councilmember Lovrovich mentioned working with our schools. This could be a City Council Joint Work Session agenda item.	Commissioner Skansi will look at what other cities have adopted.
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT:</b>	Commissioner McDaniel asked for clarification on a few park items she discovered recently while touring area parks.	
<b>ADJOURN:</b>		Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.