



AGENDA

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

6:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC
 - 1) Lonnie Hollifield- Memorial in a park

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- 3- *Prearranged – appear in person at the meeting and register to speak.*

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. October 2, 2024
5. SCHEDULED BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion Items
 - 1) Meeting Schedule & Format- Kim
 - 2) Habitat Garden – Nick
 - 3) Tree Planting - Rick
 - b. Action Items
 - 1) Chair/Vice Chair Elections
 - c. Reports and Updates
 - 1) Capital Projects Update – Kim
 - 2) Program Updates – Staff

6. BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION
7. NEXT MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 - Virtual
8. ADJOURNMENT

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MINUTES

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

6 p.m.

REMOTE

Approved: Draft

- CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- Members present: Aaron Falotico, Bill Stoneroad, Sharon Konopa, Anna Roller, Nick Anderson, Jill Van Buren
- Members absent: Joyce Thompson Graham
- Staff present: Kim Lyddane, Director; Rick Barnett, Parks & Facilities Maintenance Manager; Rose Lacey, Recreation Manager; Jay Sharpe, Natural Resources Specialist; Debbie Little, Administrative Services Coordinator
- Guests present: None
- Business from the Public
None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES 6:02 p.m.
June 5, 2024

MOTION: Falotico moved to adopt the minutes. Van Buren seconded the motion, which passed 6-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS 6:03 p.m.

- a. Goals for Increasing Tree Canopy
Stoneroad inquired about adding more drought resistant trees to the city approved tree list to help reduce tree loss over the summer. Sharpe is working on updating the city approved list and will take it into consideration. Brief discussion followed.
- b. River Rhythms July 4th Concert
Lyddane briefly reviewed the issues with the performer comments at the concert and the City's response. The department is working with the City Attorney to see if any contract language needs to be updated for future concerts. Brief discussion followed.

c. Emerald Ash Borer Outreach

Sharpe provided an update on what information has been shared with the community regarding the Emerald Ash Borer and the plan for treating city trees. Brief discussion followed.

ACTION ITEMS

a. None

REPORTS AND UPDATES

6:32 p.m.

a. Capital Projects

Lyddane reviewed the project report included in the agenda packet.

- A \$485,000 grant has been received from the Oregon Department of Parks & Recreation for the Deerfield Park renovation project. Construction is projected to start spring/summer of 2025.
- Lehigh playground replacement is in process.

b. Staff reports

Lacey provided an update on recreation programs.

- Presented summer activity and event summary highlighting Fun in the Park, Camp Albany, Summer Sounds, River Rhythms, Northwest Art & Air Festival, COOL! Pool and Waverly Paddle Boats.

Barnett provided an update on Park Maintenance.

- Summer staff did an excellent job this year.
- Park Maintenance staff are busy with projects while the weather is still decent.
- Staff working on Lehigh playground replacement.

Lyddane provided a general update.

- Construction on Water Ave is beginning. It is part of the Albany Waterfront Project.
- Vandalism has been high at Monteith Riverpark.

BUSINESS FROM THE COMMISSION

7:00 p.m.

Van Buren is communicating with Sharpe regarding the possibility of a local garden club adopting space in one of our parks for a garden. Adopt a Park program continues to grow, and the graffiti chasers are doing a great job of painting over graffiti quickly.

Stoneroad inquired if the construction on Washington St is going to impact any trees. Barnett responded that the street trees should not be impacted.

Falotico noted that November will be his last meeting as his term is ending and he is not going to continue as a commission member.

Anderson inquired about the Maple Lawn building. Lacey noted that staff are working on some maintenance projects, but it will be used for family recreation programs in the future.

Konopa mentioned that the Waverly Duck will need some maintenance before it is put back in the lake next year.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 6, 2024. This meeting will be virtual.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Submitted by,

Reviewed by,

Debbie Little
Administrative Services Coordinator

Kim Lyddane
Parks & Recreation Director

Capital Projects Report

PROJECT	STATUS	PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE	NOTES
Meadow Ridge Park Development		Completed	
Timber Linn Park soccer field improvements	Phase II complete. Phase III bids came in 2-4X budgeted amount. Project paused.	TBD	Partnership with AYSO
East Thornton Lake Natural Area development Ph 1	Design pending. Cost for a 10 car parking lot on the west side of the property estimated at \$400,000.	Development indefinitely delayed, pending O&M funding plan	SDCs, donations, State grant
Henderson Park Playground Replacement		Completed	
Deerfield Park Playground Replacement	Invitation to Bid currently out. Cooperative Purchasing request to go to Council in February. Construction to start in Spring.	10/1/2025	