



Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting - Special Meeting Agenda
Thursday, December 05, 2024, 5:00 PM
Hybrid Meeting - Zoom & Council Chambers, 616 NE 4th AVE

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ellen Burton, David Dewey, Bud Henson, Jason Irving, Jenny Wu, Council Liaison Tim Hein, Council liaison John Svilarich

Excused: Alicia Brazington, Katy Daane

Staff: Susan Palmer, Bryan Rachal

Press: Kelly Moyer, Post Record

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF PARKS & REC COMMISSION MEETING – Oct. 23, 2024

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: 5 Minutes

A motion was made by Henson, seconded by Wu, and carried to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission minutes of October 23, 2024, as written.

MEETING ITEMS

2. Pickleball Noise Mitigation Options

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 20 minutes

Rachal spoke about noise mitigation options for pickleball, which included shrubbery and fencing around the courts. He also talked about the maintenance involved with these two options. Discussion ensued on usage hours, surveys, safety issues, decibel units. Rachal recommended posting courtesy messages to the public regarding court usage.

3. Budget Update

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Rachal provided an update on the 2025 budget process and stated that it includes filling both the position for a Parks & Recreation Director and the Recreation Coordinator position once Krista Bashaw retires. Irving thanked City Council, the Mayor, and staff for supporting this.

4. Chair and Vice Chair Nominations

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: 5 minutes

A motion was made by Dewey, seconded by Henson, and carried to nominate Burton as Chair and Irving as Vice Chair for the Parks & Recreation Commission in 2025.

5. Parks Related Events and Activities

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Rachal provided an update on Hometown Holidays. The DCA and Chamber of Commerce will be helping with the tree lighting and the mayor will attend the event this year. There will be shuttles to and from the event.

Camas Parks Foundation is doing a bench fundraiser for Crown Park and Rachal has approved three benches recently.

Burton stated that two surveys are available to the public online: the Legacy Lands survey and the 5-year strategic plan survey.

PROJECT UPDATES

6. Parks & Recreation Project Updates

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Rachal provided updates on; 3rd Avenue trailhead bathroom, Crown Park project, upcoming Sports Field meeting, Skate Park sticker removal, "no trail" signage at Cemetery. Parks Maintenance is focusing on winter cleanup. In response to Dewey, Rachal stated that hanging signage at parks needs to go through an approval process.

OTHER ITEMS

7. Commissioners Updates

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

Dewey stated that Fallen Leaf Park Shelter is having flooding issues in the parking lot. Burton stated that Klickitat Park is looking good. Svilarich stated that the Commission members did a great job at reporting to the City Council last month.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6:07 PM.