



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

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [**APPROVE MINUTES OF PARKS & REC COMMISSION MEETING – Oct. 23, 2024**](#)
[Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair](#)
[Time Estimate: 5 Minutes](#)

MEETING ITEMS

2. [**Pickleball Noise Mitigation Options**](#)
[Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director](#)
[Time Estimate: 20 minutes](#)
3. **Budget Update**
Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

4. Chair and Vice Chair Nominations

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: 5 minutes

5. Parks Related Events and Activities

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

PROJECT UPDATES

6. Parks & Recreation Project Updates

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

OTHER ITEMS

7. Commissioners Updates

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

CLOSE OF MEETING



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4th AVE

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

Excused: Katy Daane

Staff: Bryan Rachal, Susan Palmer, Matthew Thorup, Steve Wall

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF PARKS COMMISSION MEETING – Sept. 25, 2024

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
 Time Estimate: 5 minutes

A motion was made by Henson, seconded by Brazington, and carried to approve the Parks & Recreation Commission minutes of 9/25/24 as written.

MEETING ITEMS

2. PARKS FEES INCREASE

Presenter: Matt Thorup, Assistant Finance Director
 Time Estimate: 20 minutes

Matthew Thorup did a presentation on fee increases for 2025 park fees. Discussion ensued on facility rental fees.

3. PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT UPDATES

Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director
 Time Estimate: 15 minutes

Steve Wall provided updates on; Crown Park project, Lacamas Creek trailhead, citywide sports field planning, Forest home drainage, T-3 Trail. For Operations & Maintenance, Wall provided updates on staffing, tree requests and winter projects. Rachal spoke about the new City app that will soon be available to the public to submit work orders.

4. BUDGET UPDATE

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

Matthew Thorup provided an update on the City Budget. Thorup added that the current proposed budget does include the Parks & Recreation Director position. Discussion ensued.

4. COMMISSIONER PARK ASSIGNMENTS

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Ellen Burton assigned park assignments to the Commission members for 2025.

5. STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
Time Estimate: 30 minutes

Ellen Burton spoke about open houses and the survey online that are available for the public to participate in the City's Strategic Planning session. Burton provided questions for the Parks Commissioners to answer for a strategic planning session.

PROJECT UPDATES

Rachal stated that the combined November/December Parks & Rec Commission meeting will be held on December 5, 2024, at 5 pm in the Council Chambers.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 7:00 pm.

Pickleball Noise Mitigation Options

Pickleglass product - \$114,000 and replaces the existing fence.



Pickleglass Fence screen product - \$26,000 and goes on the existing fencing.



Sound Seal

Option #1

BBCX exterior grade 2" thick panels only, grey color. Panels for a 4-sided fence around pickleball courts measuring (1) 114'x 120'x 10' high + 8'x 10' high walls at entry

Materials: \$60,819.00, \$500 adder for gate panel

<https://www.soundseal.com/industrial/products/exterior-sound-curtains>

Option #2

Vivid BBC P, exterior grade, 2" thick panels (multiple colors available)

Materials: \$76,425.00, \$550 adder for gate panel

<https://www.soundseal.com/industrial/products/vivid-designer-series>

Freight and sales tax would be extra.

Average lead time is 4-6 weeks after receipt of payment and signed approval drawings.

Terms: Payment with order via ACH or check.

Fence Screen

This company offers pre-made panels that we would **install ourselves**. Based on the dimensions that Chris sent over, the cost would be **\$26,000**.

https://www.fencescreen.com/Sports-and-Events/Facilities/Pickleball-Privacy-Sound-Solutions/Pickleball-Courts-Acoustic-Wraps.aspx?srsId=AfmBOopCvNImx2lVQz4OctPOHg2l6oCE0c_OMwK0JdCQ1tJRe5lk71Fm

Accoustablock

No info due to impacts of recent hurricanes in FL.

Pickleball Paddle/Ball Noise Dampeners

\$19 - \$32 per paddle

\$15 - \$25 for soft “practice balls”

Shrubs

Our team says there’s not enough room to grow the shrubs we would like in that area. They also mentioned that upkeep and management of such an addition would require a lot of additional work for our already overburdened maintenance team.

Noise Ordinances

WAC 173-60-090 Enforcement policy: Noise measurement for the purposes of enforcing the provisions of WAC [173-060-040](#) shall be measured in dBA with a sound level meter with the point of measurement being at any point within the receiving property. Such enforcement shall be undertaken only upon receipt of a complaint made by a person who resides, owns property, or is employed in the area affected by the noise complained of, **except for parks, recreational areas, and wildlife sanctuaries**. For enforcement purposes pursuant to RCW [70.107.050](#), each day, defined as the 24-hour period beginning at 12:01 a.m., in which violation of the noise control regulations (chapter [173-60](#) WAC) occurs, shall constitute a separate violation.

Clackamas County has this policy regarding their noise ordinance:

6.05.060 Exceptions

Notwithstanding 6.05.040, the following exceptions from this chapter are permitted when conditions therefor are met: A. **Sounds caused by organized athletic, religious, educational, civic or racing activities on property generally used for such purposes, including stadiums, parks, schools, churches, athletic fields, race tracks, airports and waterways, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. the same day;**

Federal Way:

7.10.020 Public disturbance noise

It is unlawful for any person to cause, or for any person in possession of property to allow to originate from that property, sound that is a public disturbance noise. **This section shall not apply to regularly scheduled events at parks, such as public address systems for baseball games or park concerts between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 p.m.**

Lake Oswego completely shut their courts down due to complaints:

<https://www.koin.com/local/lake-oswego-shuts-down-city-pickleball-courts-indefinitely-due-to-noise-complaints/>

Jenny Davies, a public health doctor and environmental attorney in Lake Oswego, attended a meeting to explain just how serious noise like this can be. Davies said chronic, persistent environmental noise triggers the body's stress response and said it's been linked to high blood pressure, heart attack, stroke, Type 2 diabetes, obesity and premature death.

West Linn: Shut down two courts that were near neighborhoods

Portland: Moved pickleball courts in Sellwood Park to the western section of the park

Ridgewood, NJ:

Posted playing hours for pickleball courts are from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday; and from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. There shall be no pickleball play on Monday and Friday.

AND ball and paddle restrictions: All pickleball players must use muted pickleballs and approved "Green Zone" paddles at all times.

Centennial, Colorado: passed regulations that, among other things, establish a distance requirement for new private pickleball courts from residentially zoned property. In addition to a no-build buffer area, permanent courts that are established within a certain distance of residentially zoned property must complete a Noise Impact Assessment. Pre-existing courts are exempted, but play is limited to hours between 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., per Ordinance No. 2023-Q-10. I did not find any similar regulations or proposed rules in Washington State.