



**Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, October 23, 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 COMMISSION MEETING – Sept. 25, 2024**](#)
[Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair](#)
[Time Estimate: 5 minutes](#)

MEETING ITEMS

2. [**PARKS FEES INCREASE**](#)
[Presenter: Matt Thorup, Assistant Finance Director](#)
[Time Estimate: 20 minutes](#)
3. **PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT UPDATES**
Presenter: Steve Wall, Public Works Director
Time Estimate: 15 minutes
4. **BUDGET UPDATE**
Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks and Rec Director
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

5. **COMMISSIONER PARK ASSIGNMENTS**

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: 10 minutes

6. **STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION**

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: 30 minutes

PROJECT UPDATES

OTHER ITEMS

7. **COMMISSIONER UPDATES**

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair

Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

CLOSE OF MEETING



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CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Alicia Brazington, Ellen Burton, Katy Daane, David Dewey, Bud Henson, Jason Irving, Jenny Wu, and Council Liaison John Svilarich.

Staff: Susan Palmer, Bryan Rachal

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A public comment was made by Lindsey Clark regarding concerns at Crown Park.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING ON AUGUST 28, 2024

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

A motion was made by Brazington, seconded by Henson, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting of August 28, 2024 as written.

MEETING ITEMS

2. PICKLEBALL DISCUSSION

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks & Recreation Director
Time Estimate: 40 minutes

Bryan Rachal stated that the Commission was given the current ordinance 9.32.050 on Public Disturbance Noises and referred to Pickleball courts and decibel limits.

Discussion ensued on: noise reducing paddles and balls; schedules; fencing and trees; maintenance/replacement of netting; reviewing other city ordinances; costs.

3. PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION BUDGET LETTER

Presenter: Jenny Wu
Time Estimate: 30 minutes

Rachal provided an update on the budget for 2025 and reviewed possible cuts for the Parks & Rec Department. Dewey stated that not filling the Parks & Recreation Director position is not a good idea. Burton stated that our community values parks, recreation, and open space so we need the city to fund and hire a Parks & Recreation Director in early 2025.

Burton stated that the Commission writes a letter to council each year regarding the P&R budget. Henson, Brazington and Wu wrote a letter to the mayor for this upcoming budget. Wu reviewed the letter and Discussion ensued. Burton acknowledged the three Commissioners for their hard work on the letter.

4. COMMISSIONER TERMS

Presenter: Bryan Rachal
Time Estimate: 5 minutes

Rachal reviewed Commissioner's terms.

PROJECT UPDATES

5. SOUTH LACAMAS TRAILHEAD AND CROWN PARK UPDATE

Presenter: Bryan Rachal, Interim Parks & Recreation Director
Time Estimate: 10 minutes

Rachal stated that they are still waiting on bathrooms for the Lacamas Creek trailhead. Rachal did a recent walk-thru at Crown Park and provided updates on the project; pathways, concrete wall removal, mulching, chain link fence removal along Everett, ADA ramp for Scout Hall, sport court area, cherry tree replacement along Everett Road.

OTHER ITEMS

6. COMMISSIONERS UPDATES

Presenter: Ellen Burton, Chair
Time Estimate: Remainder of Time

Daane provided an update on Dorothy Fox Park and says that it gets used frequently; Irving attended the downtown advisory committee meeting; Brazington spoke about the importance of having city central parks like Crown Park; Wu stated that her neighborhood adopted a bench at Crown Park, she feels that trail maintenance is lacking; Dewey stated that Grass Valley Park can use some maintenance, the dead bushes were removed but not replaced, playground equipment needs maintenance; Burton stated that Klickitat Park needs weed control, green mountain trails have a lot of noxious weeds.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6:56 PM.

2025 DRAFT City of Camas Fee Schedule

Fee Description	Notes	2024 Adopted	2025 F
PARKS & RECREATION FEES			
Camas Community Center Rental			
Reception Room – Midweek	per day	\$ 90.00	\$ 99.00
Reception Room – Weekend	per day	\$ 180.00	\$ 198.00
Reception Room – Long Term Use	per hour	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00
Conference Room – Midweek	per day	\$ 60.00	\$ 66.00
Conference Room – Weekend	per day	\$ 120.00	\$ 132.00
Conference Room – Long Term Use	per hour	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00
Ball Room – Midweek	per day	\$ 175.00	\$ 193.00
Ball Room – Weekend	per day	\$ 350.00	\$ 385.00
Ball Room – Long Term Use	per hour	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00
Kitchen – Midweek	per day	\$ 40.00	\$ 44.00
Kitchen – Weekend	per day	\$ 60.00	\$ 66.00
Kitchen – Long Term Use	per hour	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00
Sound System – Midweek	per day	\$ 75.00	\$ 83.00
Sound System – Weekend	per day	\$ 75.00	\$ 83.00
Sound System Projector – Midweek	per day	\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Sound System Projector – Weekend	per day	\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Deposit – refundable		\$ 500.00	\$ 550.00
Alcohol Use Fee		\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Key Call Back Fee		\$ 150.00	\$ 165.00
Long Term Users will be charged per hour	must pay for 6 months to be long term user	\$ 15.00	\$ 17.00
<i>Midweek is Monday through Thursday and Friday until 2:00 p.m.</i>			
<i>Weekends are Fridays after 2:00 p.m. through Sunday</i>			
<i>No rental fee will be charged to non-profit groups who are community-based and IRS recognized, City of Camas sponsored events, school sponsored events or governmental agencies that reserve the facility Monday through Thursday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and Friday before 2:00 p.m. Mid-week daily rate will be charged for weekend reservations (Friday after 2:00 p.m. through Sunday).</i>			
<i>Camas residents will receive 20% discount</i>			
Fallen Leaf Lake Park Rental			
Monday through Thursday	per day	\$ 225.00	\$ 248.00
Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays	per day	\$ 375.00	\$ 413.00
Deposit – refundable		\$ 500.00	\$ 550.00
Alcohol Use Fee		\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Key Call Back Fee		\$ 150.00	\$ 165.00
<i>Camas residents will receive 20% discount</i>			
<i>Non-profit groups renting on weekends will be charged mid-week rates</i>			
Lacamas Lake Lodge Rental			
Main Hall	hourly; Saturday – 5 hr. minimum; all other days – 2 hr. minimum	\$ 200.00	\$ 220.00
Main Hall – public agencies	hourly; mid-week excluding Fridays during normal business hours	\$ 75.00	\$ 83.00
Deposit – refundable	per day	\$ 500.00	\$ 550.00
Room 1A	hourly; Saturday – 5 hr. minimum; all other days – 2 hr. minimum	\$ 40.00	\$ 44.00
Deposit – refundable	per day	\$ 200.00	\$ 220.00
Room 1B	hourly; Saturday – 5 hr. minimum; all other days – 2 hr. minimum	\$ 40.00	\$ 44.00
Deposit – refundable	per day	\$ 200.00	\$ 220.00
AV Equipment	per day	\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
Alcohol Use Fee		\$ 100.00	\$ 110.00
<i>Non-profit will receive a 50% discount off the hourly rate</i>			
<i>Cancellation must be received a minimum of 61 days prior to the event to receive a full refund. A 50% refund will be allowed if cancellation notices is received 30–60 days prior to the event.</i>			
<i>No refunds will be made with less than a 30 day notice.</i>			
<i>Camas residents will receive 20% discount</i>			

Vision Statement

This vision is written in the present tense, as if describing the city as it exists in 2045. Some aspects of the vision can be found in Camas today, while others represent aspirations.

Our Community



Camas is an inclusive community where residents experience a sense of belonging and connection. Community-wide events foster civic pride, strong bonds among neighbors and a welcoming atmosphere for new residents. Community amenities and recreation facilities throughout Camas promote active lifestyles and social interaction. Camas is recognized for excellent schools and its commitment to lifelong learning. The City promotes a strong culture of public safety, transparent communication, and good governance, allowing residents to thrive in their neighborhoods and engage in decision-making that shapes their community.

Our Environment



Camas embraces its connection to nature and enjoys a wealth of outdoor recreational opportunities. Access to forests, clean water, parks, and trails is foundational to Camas' quality of life. The community shares a deep reverence for Camas' beauty, scenery, and tranquility, and is committed to preserving and enhancing its natural resources and tree canopy. Through proactive planning, the City mitigates the effects of changing climate conditions and natural hazards, ensuring a resilient community for generations to come.

Our Neighborhoods



Camas embraces its small-town feel while responsibly managing growth, ensuring a prosperous and livable future for all. Camas provides a variety of housing options that meet the needs of all residents, while ensuring the town's charm and livability are sustained. Camas is home to a thriving economy and diverse businesses, affording residents ample employment opportunities and access to high wage jobs. Neighborhood commercial hubs connect residents to daily services and amenities through a network of sidewalks and bike lanes, improving access and connectivity.

Our Downtown



Charming, vibrant, and walkable, Downtown Camas is the city's living room. Downtown's history is complemented by new businesses and inclusive housing options. Expansion, resiliency and a dynamic economic landscape are critical to its success. Downtown Camas anchors the community while fostering a culture of pride, support, and connection.