



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES October 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chair McCarthy called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm via Zoom Online meeting.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Rory Westberg, Don Cohen, Jodi McCarthy, Sara Marxen, Peter Burstein and Peter Struck were present.

Absent: Paul Burstein

Arts Council Member Elizabeth Mitchell and Open Space Conservancy Trust Board Member Marie Bender were present.

Consultants Steve Duh and Jean Akers were present.

Staff present were Jessi Bon, City Manager, Jason Kintner, Chief of Operations, Paul West, CIP Project Manager, Alaine Sommargren, Deputy Public Works Director, Ryan Daly, Operations Transition Team Manager, Merrill Thomas-Schadt, Recreation Coordinator

APPEARANCES

1. Meg Lippert spoke in support of the proposed project to expand the native garden at Mercerdale Park.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. **PROS Plan:** Review Community Engagement Results, Draft Capital Facilities Plan (20-year project list), and Draft Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Duh provided a summary of the second PROS Plan survey.

Bon and Duh introduced the Capital Planning process and presented the draft 20- year Capital Facilities List. Commissioners shared proposals to be added to this list:

- Struck proposed adding an expansion to the native garden and at Mercerdale Park to the 20 year list. Majority of the Commissioners showed support for including the project but delaying the timing until after the completion of the proposed Mercerdale Master Plan.
- Berkenwald proposed adding planning and design of a splash pad.
- Marxen prompted a discussion on concessions areas. No proposal was made to add this to the project list.
- Mitchell proposed an outdoor performance space project. Consensus from Commissioners was that the existing listed project to renovate the Luther Burbank Park Amphitheater would be sufficient to address this need.

Mitchell left the meeting at 7:25

Berkenwald left the meeting at 7:30

BREAK FROM 7:32-7:42PM

Bon presented the draft six-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

Bender suggested that the Open Space Conservancy Trust Board would like to review the draft list and give their own feedback.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:41PM