



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Burstein called the meeting to order at 5:00pm via Zoom Online meeting.

ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Paul Burstein, and Commissioners Jodi McCarthy, Don Cohen, Sarah Marxen and Ashley Hay were present for the Parks & Recreation Commission. Absent: Chair Peter Struck and Commissioner Rory Westberg

Staff present were City Manager Jessi Bon, Management Analyst Cassidy Berlin, Chief of Operations Jason Kintner, Recreation Manager Ryan Daly, Recreation Supervisor Katie Herzog, Recreation Coordinator Dave Setterlund, and Recreation Specialist Raven Gillis.

APPEARANCES

1. Maria Stepanov-Sommerfield commented on the P-Patch program purpose and objectives.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Review of draft City Council Park Area Naming Policy

Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager presented. Commissioners reviewed the presentation, asked questions and engaged in discussion.

It was moved by Cohen; seconded by Hay to:

Recommend the draft City Council Park Area Naming Policy to the City Council for consideration.

Passed: 5 – 0

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the July 6, 2023 Regular Meeting were presented.

It was moved by Hay; seconded by Cohen to:

Approve the minutes from the July 6, 2023 meeting

Passed: 5 – 0

3. Community Garden: P-Patch Program Objectives

Recreation Manager Ryan Daly, Recreation Supervisor Katie Herzog, and Recreation Coordinator Dave Setterlund presented. Commissioners reviewed the presentation, asked questions, engaged in discussion, and provided feedback.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

4. Recreation Manager Ryan Daly reported on the following items:

- City Hall Closure update
- Project Update: Luther Burbank South Shoreline Improvements
- Project Update: Mercer Island Medallions
- Project Update: Bike Skills Area
- Project Update: Luther Burbank Pickleball Courts
- Playground Replacements
- Seafair @ Groveland Recap
- Parks and Natural Resources Updates
- Park Volunteers
- Mostly Music in the Park
- Shakespeare in the Park
- Summer Celebration!
- Thank you to our Summer Celebration Sponsors!
- Summer Camps
- Senior Programs
- Upcoming: Blue Friday during Community Coffee tomorrow, Seahawks watch parties at the MICEC, Art Uncorked

OTHER BUSINESS

5. 2023 Planning Schedule Update

Recreation Manager Ryan Daly provided an update.

6. Commissioner Reports / Work Plan Update

Commissioner Hay expressed much appreciation for the Parks & Recreation Team for an awesome summer. Many of the events were enjoyed by her family as well as thousands of others! Thanks, again for the hard work. Good job!

Vice Chair Burstein also commented that the summer season wasn't long enough to participate in all the spectacular special events the City offered and agreed with Commissioner Hay's comments!

ADJOURNMENT at 6:39 PM