



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR HYBRID MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 5:00 PM

COMMISSIONERS

Chair: Ashley Hay
Vice Chair: Sara Marxen
Commissioners: Peter Struck, Don Cohen,
Mar Brettmann, Jason Sanio and Damon Jacobson

LOCATION

MICEC – Slater Room Council Chambers
and via Zoom
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Join the meeting at 5:00 PM (Appearances will start sometime after 5:00 PM) by:

- 1) **Telephone:** Call 253.215.8782 and enter Webinar ID **825 9108 6996** and Password **896196**.
- 2) **Zoom:** Click [this link](#) (Webinar ID **825 9108 6996** and Password **896196**)
- 3) **In person at 5:00 PM:** Mercer Island Community & Event Center - 8236 SE 24th Street, Mercer Island

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL – 5:00 PM

APPEARANCES

This is the opportunity for anyone to speak to the Commission about issues of concern.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

1. Staff Liaison Report and Planning Schedule

REGULAR BUSINESS

2. Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes
Recommended Action: Approve the June 4, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes.
3. PRC 26-12: King County Library System Mercer Island Branch - Annual Update
Recommended Action: Receive report.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Absences and Commissioner Reports

ADJOURNMENT



Department Report

[Placeholder]

Coming soon



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

2026 PLANNING SCHEDULE

Items are not listed in any particular order.
Agenda items & meeting dates are subject to change.

REMINDER: NO MEETINGS IN AUGUST

OCT 1, 5:00 PM Absences:		STAFF WORK	AGENDA GO LIVE
TIME/TOPIC		STAFF	
	PRC 26-XX: Bylaws Review (If necessary)	Ryan Daly	
	PRC 26-XX: Recreation Summer Program/Event Highlights	Katie Herzog	

OCT TBD- SPECIAL JOINT-MEETING 5:00 PM Absences:		STAFF WORK	AGENDA GO LIVE
TIME/TOPIC		STAFF	
	E-Bikes in Parks	Ryan Daly / Amelia Tjaden	

NOV 5, 5:00 PM Absences:		STAFF WORK	AGENDA GO LIVE
TIME/TOPIC		STAFF	
	PRC 26-XX: Parks Capital Project Update	Kellye Hilde	
	PRC 26-XX: MICEC Fee Waiver Policy (Tentative- may move to 2027)	Katie Herzog/Jeremy Jasman	

DEC. TBD-RESCHEDULE AS JOINT-MEETING WITH ARTS COUNCIL & OPEN SPACE CONSERVANCY TRUST Absences:		STAFF WORK	AGENDA GO LIVE
TIME/TOPIC		STAFF	
	PRC 26-XX: PROS Plan Update- Intro	Shelby Perrault	

Pending:

Project - Proposal for Year-round programming at Luther Burbank (2026)

ANNUAL AGENDA ITEMS

KCLS - Mercer Island Branch Operations Update (May)

Annual PRC Chair/Vice-Chair Elections (June)

Annual Bylaws Review (June)

Recreation Division Annual Report



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR HYBRID MEETING MINUTES June 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

With the Chair position vacant following the conclusion of the previous Chair's term, the Parks & Recreation Commission was called to order by City Staff at 5:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Ashley Hay, Peter Struck, Sara Marxen, Don Cohen, Mar Brettmann, Jason Sanio, and Damon Jacobson were present. City Council Liaison Craig Reynolds was present.

Interim Director of Parks, Recreation & Facilities Ryan Daly, Recreation Coordinator Jeremy Jasman, and Recreation Specialist Raven Gillis were present.

APPEARANCES

Lauren Alexander, President of the MI Rowing Club, addressed the PRC regarding the Mercer Island Rowing Club.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. PRC26-10: Commission Officer Elections

Struck nominated Hay for Chair. There were no further nominations.

Staff cast a unanimous vote for the nomination of Commissioner Hay for Chair.

Passed: 7 – 0

Commissioner Hay was elected Chair.

Hay nominated Marxen for Vice Chair. There were no further nominations.

Staff cast a unanimous vote for the nomination of Commissioner Marxen for Vice Chair.

Passed: 7 – 0

Commissioner Marxen was elected Vice Chair.

Following the elections, Chair Hay took the chair.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from March 26, 2026, Special Hybrid Meeting were presented.

It was moved by Cohen; seconded by Brettmann to:
Approve the minutes of March 26, 2026, Special Hybrid Meeting.

Passed: 7 – 0

3. PRC 26-11: 2025 Recreation Division Annual Report

Interim Parks, Recreation, & Facilities Director Ryan Daly and Recreation Coordinator Jeremy Jasman presented. Commissioners received the report, asked questions, and provided feedback.

STAFF LIAISON REPORT

4. Staff Liaison Report & Planning Schedule Update

Interim Parks, Recreation, & Facilities Director Ryan Daly reported on the following:

- Irrigation Systems Upgrade
- Millfoil/Aquatic Weed Removal
- Luther Burbank Park Waterfront Improvements – Milestone Reached!
- New History Tour in Luther Burbank Park
- New Dog Stick Library at LBP
- Playground Updates
- Letterboxing Program returns!
- Welcome to Summer!
 - Mercer Island Summer Camps
 - Shakespeare in the Park
 - Summer Celebration
 - Mostly Music in the Park
 - Pride Night in the Park
 - SummerDeal26 promo code for 20% off on rentals at the MICEC & Athletic Fields
 - FIFA and the MICEC
- Parks and Recreation Commission Planning Schedule

OTHER BUSINESS

5. Absences and Commissioner Reports

No future Commissioner absences were reported.

Commissioner Brettmann reported attending the Bike to Work tabling event with Staff and others, congratulated staff on the successful outreach effort, and noted the importance of promoting participation in the e-bike survey.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:20 pm



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

PRC 26-12
September 3, 2026
Regular Business

Item 3.

AGENDA BILL INFORMATION

TITLE:	PRC 26-12: King County Library System Mercer Island Branch - Annual Update	☒ Discussion Only
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Receive Report	☐ Action Needed: ☐ Motion ☐ Recommendation
STAFF:	Ryan Daly, Interim Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Director	
EXHIBITS:	N/A	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) and the Mercer Island community with an annual update on operations at the King County Library System (KCLS) Mercer Island Branch. The presentation will highlight key activities and services provided by KCLS in 2025 and offer a preview of upcoming initiatives. This agenda item also serves as a continued forum for community members and the PRC to engage directly with KCLS representatives.

BACKGROUND

The Mercer Island Parks & Recreation Commission (PRC) serves in a policy advisory capacity to the City Council and other City boards and commissions on matters related to the Mercer Island parks system, recreation programming, and the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.

In addition, under MICC 3.53.020, the PRC is tasked with “provid[ing] a forum for the community to express their views regarding library services on Mercer Island and serv[ing] in an advisory capacity to the King County Library System (KCLS).”

As part of fulfilling this responsibility, the PRC invites KCLS staff to present an annual update on operations and to share information about upcoming initiatives and services.

Past presentations by KCLS were provided on:

- [June 5, 2025](#)
- [June 6, 2024](#)
- [May 4, 2023](#)

ISSUE/DISCUSSION

KCLS staff will provide the 2025 annual presentation in a similar format to previous years which will include results from 2025 and comparable information to previous years as well as information on operations through the first 6 months of 2026. During this agenda item Commissioners will have the opportunity to engage and ask questions of KCLS staff.

NEXT STEPS

Staff will follow up with KCLS on any outstanding items or as requested by the PRC.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Receive Report