



PARKS & EVENTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2025

This meeting was conducted in person and remotely via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER: Commission Chair Emily Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

Commission Members: Emily Anderson, Amanda Frame, Rene Price, and Paul Sweum were present. Commissioner Evert's absence was excused.

Councilmember Ethan Benson was present.

City Staff:

Phil Bennett, Deputy Parks & Public Works Director; Dylan Gamble, CIP Manager; Nicole Wiebe, Community Liaison; Deana Dean, City Clerk; and Robert Thrall, Legal Assistant.

Introductions were made.

AGENDA APPROVAL - The agenda was approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- Paul Sweum commented on two-line light rail.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT – CM Benson noted there is discussion of a potential Council liaison on Snoqualmie Valley Aquatics Collaborative.

MINUTES:

1. The minutes dated July 15, 2025, were approved as presented.

REGULAR BUSINESS

2. Community Center Expansion Project. Chair Anderson introduced this item including what role the commission can play in moving this forward. Information provided by CIP Manager Dylan Gamble about funding and alternatives. Discussion followed.
3. Fall Ad Hoc Tour. Chair Anderson led discussion on the commission touring various playgrounds in the city that need repair. Parks & Public Works Deputy Director Bennett along with CIP Project Manager Gamble, discussed dates with the Commission to tour playgrounds, potential dog park sites, and trails. Deputy Director Bennet lead the discussion on the Cricket update.
4. P-Patch Discussion. Chair Anderson led the discussion about finding a location in the city to add a new P-Patch. CIP Project Manager Gamble gave an update on discussion he had with commissioner Evert's on identifying locations within the city.

SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT: Community Liaison Nicole Wiebe led discussion on the city's success this summer with all the events held. Community Liaison Wiebe acknowledged all the staff including Parks staff that worked behind the scenes to make the events happen. The vision is now towards upcoming city events through the end of the year.

FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION:

5. Agenda or Discussion Items for Future Meetings:
 - a. Community Cricket advocate to attend November meeting
 - b. Commissioners getting involved and volunteering in future city events

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Minutes prepared by Deana Dean, City Clerk and Robert Thrall, Legal Assistant.

Recorded meeting audio is available on the city website after the meeting.

Minutes approved at the November 11, 2025 Parks & Events Commission Meeting.