

# MEETING MINUTES

TUMWATER PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
May 20, 2026



- CONVENE:** 7:00 p.m.
- PRESENT:** Chair Erin Carrier and Commissioners Mike Culley, Joe Munro, Shane Harrington, Joel Hecker, and Charlie Schneider.
- Staff: Parks & Recreation Director Chuck Denney.
- EXCUSED:** Commissioner Amy Hargrove
- CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** No changes to the Agenda.
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** **Commissioner Harrington moved, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, to approve the minutes of February 18, 2026, as published. A voice vote approved the motion unanimously.**
- PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment.
- PLAY STRUCTURE UPDATES:** Director Denney updated the Commission on the new V Street play structure which opened today. A new play structure to replace the failing toys at Pioneer Park was also discussed. Commissioners liked both options presented. They would like to include sail shades and the jungle bridge; and would like staff to consider using a water or blue-colored theme, adding more platforms, and possibly remove the hammock. Discussion on play structure, design, elements, and costs will continue at the next meeting.
- 2025/2026 PARK PROJECTS:** The Commission considered funding of several items proposed by department staff. Approved items for immediate funding/completion include:

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- Trailer wraps for Tumwater Youth Program, special events, and Volunteer Tumwater trailers
  - Special event signage
  - Special event gate improvements
  - Golf special event/tournament tent
  - One bench and one picnic table for Isabella Bush Park

**MOTION:** Commissioner Schneider moved, seconded by Commissioner Munro, to approve funding of these items.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 17, 2026.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With there being no further business, Chair Carrier adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Prepared by Todd Anderson, Recreation Manager