

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
October 12, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Dacy Hiede Holmes Sheryl Knowles Annie Morton
Chris Ndifon Jean Spohn

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Cynthia Raufmann-Trewartha

STAFF PRESENT:

Michael Lafreniere - Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director

GUESTS PRESENT: None

Cheryl Knowles, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

CITIZEN COMMENT: None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: The agenda was approved without additions. 4/0/0

MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING: The minutes from the September meeting were approved. 4/0/0.

(Note: Board members Chris Ndifon and Annie Morton arrived subsequent to the above votes.)

AGENDA ITEMS:

Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan Update

Michael reported that a phone survey has been initiated. The Plan was not submitted to Planning Commission in time to be included as a proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment for 2012. However, the PROS Plan will be ready for approval by Council by then end of the year. The State requirement for submission is no later than March 2012.

Ed requested adding as a goal that Wi-Fi be available in all parks and provided by Comcast. Michael explained that the City has requested expanded Internet access from Comcast for City facilities in the context of discussions regarding renewal of its franchise agreement,

however that agreement is still under negotiation. Ed also suggested consideration of the following for the Plan:

- Community Garden in Chelsea Park
- Expand existing Community Garden behind Green House
- Add proposed ballfield or sportsfield to Hilltop Park

Future Agenda Items and/or Questions:

We reviewed our list of future agenda items. We removed some (with the option to put them back if the need arises), combined some and then prioritized them resulting in the list below:

1. Parks in North Highline annexation area
2. Health and Wellness programming for all ages
3. Candidate locations for dog park or off-leash areas , criteria needed for such a facility, demand in community for such a facility
4. Community Garden topics
5. Science and Ecology Education options- current and opportunities – nature clubs
6. Volunteer services

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Michael said that Dept staff have been approached by a UW group who want to set up a market to make available low-cost fresh produce.
- October 24 is dedication of the Eagle Landing Sculpture.
- October 21 is the “Night of The Pumpkin”.

The next meeting is Nov. 9, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm

Submitted by Jean Spohn, Secretary