

CITY OF BURIEN, WASHINGTON
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
MEETING MINUTES
Date April 9, 2008
Time: 7:00 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Gwen Benedict Ted Fosberg Larry Moormeier
Chris Ndifon Jean Spohn

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Vacant position Mark Flynn

STAFF PRESENT:

Scott Hardin, Finance and Administrative Services Director
Michael Lafreniere, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director
Scott Thomas, Parks Acquisition and Development Planner

GUESTS PRESENT:

Steve Parks

Jean Spohn called the meeting to order at approximately 7:01 PM.

MEETING MINUTES: The minutes from the March 2008 meeting were approved 4/0/0.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Steve Parks is opposed to the Emerald Pointe Project. Wondering if the Park and Recreation Advisory Board was taking a stand against the project. Staff and Board members explained that although we are attentive to the issues, it is not the role of the staff or the Board to oppose development in the city. There is a process through the department of Community Development and the City Council that governs the outcome.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: There were no changes to the agenda.

AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS:

City Capital and Operating Budget – Scott Hardin

Scott Hardin, Finance Director, provided a handout and presented information about the City's capital and operating budgets.

Town Square Artist Selection – Scott Thomas for Mark Flynn

Mark Flynn, board member, was scheduled to make this presentation but was unable to attend the meeting. Scott Thomas, Parks Acquisition and Development Planner provided a brief update in his place. The artist selection process went well. The originally selected artist, Dan Corson, is still in the competition due to being previously selected. There was great unanimity among the panel about the two additional artists that were selected to move forward in the competition. We will schedule Mark for a full update at the next meeting.

Develop Annual Report – Scott Thomas

Scott Thomas, Parks Acquisition and Development Planner, provided copies of the previous reports as part of the packet. Jean will review minutes from last year, develop a draft and circulate it to Board members for the next meeting.

Capital and Operating Budget Discussion – Michael Lafreniere

Michael Lafreniere, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services, described the current status of the capital budget update. He then provided a handout and discussed the operating budget and how it is broken down by functional area: Parks Development, Maintenance and Operations; Cultural Services; Senior and Adult Recreation; Youth and Family Recreation. Board members will review the materials, consider how resources are balanced and we will have more discussion over the coming months during the budget preparation process.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND/OR QUESTIONS:

- May: Report from Mark Flynn regarding the Town Square artist selection process.
- Budget discussions

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- WRPA Award for South County Trail Map
- Larry Moormeier's role in the interactive route mapping project is acknowledged in the City Manager's report
- Jean will be receiving recognition for her Adopt-a-Park project in Shorewood Park at the Arbor Day event next week.
- Larry Moormeier received the City's Environmental Leader award at the 15th Anniversary celebration.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM

NEXT MEETING:

Date: May14, 2008

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Burien Community Center

Respectfully submitted by Scott Thomas, Parks Acquisition and Development Planner.