

COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

Joint City Council / Parks Commission Meeting

Date: 05-21-07 Time: 6:00 p.m. Location: Community Rooms A & B Scribe: Molly Towslee, City Clerk

Members Present: Mayor Hunter and Councilmembers Ekberg, Young, Dick, Payne and Kadzik.
 Parks Commission Members: Jackie Goodwill, Michael Perrow, Peter Hampl, and Ken Malich.

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Elements of the Parks Commission Work Plan:		
<u>Skate Park</u> Goal: to have a safe, fun sanctuary for kids.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt a Park Program to address litter. • Parental involvement to help deter negative and/or illegal behaviors. • Monitor when cameras are installed. • Sponsor Community Events. • Full-time supervision (i.e. off duty Police or Parks & Rec Employee) • Add more playground equipment to encourage family participation. • Seek grants for park improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget for telephoto with zoom for security cameras. Advertise to parents / community when installed that they can view activity at park online. • Partner with adjacent businesses and others for an Adopt a Park Program.
<u>Ban Smoking in City Parks</u> Goals: Deter underage smoking and litter, address fire safety issues, and protection from second-hand smoke.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt an ordinance banning smoking in city parks. • Hard to enforce; not enough staff. • Takes away rights. • Could create conflict between park users. • Puyallup has working ordinance in place. • Enforce ban in Skatepark / Grandview Forest Parks only. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find examples of success stories from other jurisdictions. • Bring ordinance to Council for a public hearing.

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<u>Parks Naming Policy</u> Goal: Clarification of Parks Commission role in naming of city parks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop criteria for Parks Commission to bring forth recommendations in rank order. • Work together with the Historical Society. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft a resolution for Council consideration.
<u>Estuary Park</u> Goal: Finish up park for public use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage the Adopt a Park program at this location. • Schedule another parks clean-up day. • Wetlands and vegetation issues – educate the volunteers. • Phase II: Master Plan and funding in 2008 Budget. • Dovetail plans with Museum Project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk with Agnes Dei Church re: Adopt A Park. • Include Phase II Plan in 2008 Budget.
<u>Westside Park</u> Goal: Name the park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks Commission was asked to submit recommendations for a name 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit recommendations, in ranking order, for naming the park on the west side of Highway 16.
<u>Cushman Trail Phase 2 – to Rosedale.</u> Goal: Find affordable options for trail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move location of trail to McDonald Ave., not down Kimball Drive. • Find ways to deal with area from 96th to Borgen Blvd. in Phase III. • Contact Seabees / Ft. Lewis Soldiers to help with construction of bridges. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change route to McDonald to Grandview. • Contact Seabees / Ft. Lewis Soldiers.

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<u>Adopt-A-Park</u> Goal: Encourage local organizations to adopt city parks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt a policy for an Adopt-A-Park Program. • Recognize them with a Parks Appreciation Day • Assure that they are aware that they are “assisting” the city and not taking over the park responsibility. • Develop / update the Comprehensive Plan for city parks to help with the vision. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an Adopt-A-Park policy to take to Council for adoption. • Update Parks Comp Plan with Parks Commission input.
<u>Park Impact Fees</u> Goal: Revise the Parks Impact fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do a complete revision of the fees for 2008 to include an inventory of need. • Use the Capital Facilities component to develop impact fees. • Require commercial projects to also contribute Parks Impact Fees. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Find someone to update the Capital Facilities Plan in order to develop a formula for a Park Impact Fees increase.
<u>Conservation Futures May 31st deadline</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Property available adjacent to City Park at Crescent Creek. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for Conservation Futures Grant before May 31st deadline.
<u>Public Art in Parks</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define relationship with GHAC. • Help education others on your vision for what the parks should be. • Also work together with the Design Review Board on park design. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work together with the Gig Harbor Arts Commission for placement of public art in city parks. Forward recommendation to Council, either jointly or separately.

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