CITY OF GIG HARBOR COMMITTEE OUTLINE MINUTES

Parks Commission

Date: January 4, 2012

Time: 5:30 p.m. Location: Community Rooms A&B

Scribe: Terri Reed

Commission Members and Staff Present: Commissioners Nick Tarabochia, Michael Perrow, Robyn Denson and Stephanie Payne; Staff Members: Rob Karlinsey, City Administrator, Public Works Superintendent Marco Malich, Special Project Coordinator Lita Dawn Stanton and Terri Reed, Community Development Assistant.

Others Present: _____

Topic / Agenda Item	Main Points Discussed	Recommendation/Action Follow-up (<i>if needed</i>)
APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	Approval of December 7, 2011 Meeting Minutes	MOTION: Move to approve December 7, 2011 minutes as presented. Payne / Perrow - unanimously approved
OLD BUSINESS:		
Pier Naming	Lita Dawn Stanton explained the historical significance of the pier location and showed the proposed sign location over the entrance to the pier. Jake Bujacich, 3607 Ross Avenue – Spoke in support of naming the pier either "Maritime Pier" or "Fishermen's Pier". Mr. Bujacich does not feel that it should be named for only one family. Jim O'Donnell, 4220 35 th Avenue NW – Stated that he agrees with Mr. Bujacich. Greg Lovrovich, 5310 52 nd Avenue NW – Spoke on behalf of the Gig Harbor Commercial Fishermen's Civic Club and explained that they supported both names of "Maritime Pier" or "Fishermen's Pier". Commission Chair Tarabochia said that he supported the name of "Fishermen's Pier".	MOTION: Move that the Parks Commission recommend "Fishermen's Pier" as the name of the new pier. REVISED MOTION: Move that the Parks Commission recommend to City Council to consider the name of "Fishermen's Pier" ranked as first choice and "People's Dock" as second choice. Tarabochia / Denson – passed unanimously

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	Commission member Denson said that she preferred "Fishermen Pier" as first choice and "Maritime Pier" as second choice.	
	Commission member Payne preferred "People's Dock" or "Maritime Pier".	
	Commission member Perrow agreed that it should not be named for one individual but that he preferred "Fishermen's Pier"	
Wilkinson Farm Park – Eagle Project Update		Postponed to February Parks Commission meeting.
Parks Commission Bylaws Update	The current wording of the Parks Commission bylaws with regards to term limits, residency requirements and commission name was discussed among members.	MOTION: Move that the Commission officially change their name to City of Gig Harbor Parks Commission instead of Friends of the Parks Commission. Denson / Payne – unanimously approved. MOTION: Move that wording be added to the bylaws that states that a member can be removed after three consecutive unexcused absences. Tarabochia / Denson - unanimously approved Staff will provide term limits summary of other City commissions.
NEW BUSINESS:		
Harbor Hill – Park Development	City Administrator Karlinsey explained the Parks Commission's role in the design process of the park property at Harbor Hill that is currently undeveloped. This process will include soliciting public input on preferred uses of the park. Lita Dawn Stanton outlined the grant opportunities timeline for State RCO funding consideration in 2014.	Lita Dawn Stanton will provide a conceptual of the park property.

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	Parks Commission members would like to develop an overall conceptual to include connectivity of trails and surrounding properties and they prefer a park that would appeal to diverse interests.	
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Jim O'Donnell, 4220 35 th Avenue NW – would like the public to be aware that biodegradable dog waste bags should be placed in trash receptacles. He would also like better amplification of the Parks Commission speakers.	
	Commission Chair Tarabochia thanked member Perrow for his years of service and contributions to the Parks Commission and wished him the best as a City Councilmember.	
PARK UPDATES	City Administrator Karlinsey gave an update on the upcoming construction of the restroom at the pier by City staff.	Staff will forward a conceptual of the pier restroom to the Parks Commission members.
NEXT PARKS MEETING:		February 1, 2012 @ 5:00 p.m.
ADJOURN:		MOTION: Move to adjourn @ 6:50 p.m. Perrow / Denson – unanimously approved