

Parks and Recreation Committee Minutes

Thursday, July 5, 2018

4:00 PM

SeaTac City Hall – Riverton Room

Members: Present: Absent: Commence: 4:00 P.M. Adjourn: 5:30 P.M.

Clyde Hill, Chair x
Pam Fernald x
Rick Forschler x

Other City Council Members Present: Peter Kwon

Staff Present: Lawrence Ellis, Parks, Community Programs and Services Director; Kim Cooper, Human Services Coordinator; Gwen Rathe, Administrative Assistant III

Public Comment	None
2. Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden Master Plan Presentation	Matt Wood and Natalie Ross of SiteWorkshop Landscape Architecture shared the draft Master Plan. Councilmember Fernald expressed her thoughts on including the nature trail around Tub Lake. Wendy Morgan, Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden Board member, mentioned her concern on what part the Highline SeaTac Botanical Garden Board would play in the development of the plan. Councilmember Forschler told Wendy Morgan that the City would not alienate the Board. Councilmember Fernald supports the architects recommendation of having the Veteran's Memorial in the garden but wants it in close proximity to the senior center. She remarked that she does not want her vision of the Veteran's Memorial to be changed into a tree memorial. These are two different types of memorials. A tree memorial would work fine for the botanical garden, but the CIR Councilmember Fernald wrote was for a tangible Veteran's Memorial, not a tree memorial. She said she supports the Master Plan but wants to know where the line is drawn for clean and not clean soils. Lawrence said the Master Plan will be revised by the consultant due to concern over having additional staff dedicated to maintaining the garden. It will then go to the City Council on July 24 for an

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	informational presentation. Then it will come back to the Parks & Recreation Committee on August 2 for review.
3. Human Services Procedures	Councilmember Hill said he heard from a Community Services Advisory Committee member who is overwhelmed with the binders provided for reviewing Human Services funding requests and does not think the rating matrix works.
	Kim Cooper mentioned that the Share1 application is not easy to read and it appears some of the applicants struggled. Incomplete applications are not acceptable but Committee members were given all applications. They are currently about two thirds of the way through reviewing the applications.
	Lawrence Ellis added that staff is here to support the Community Services Advisory Committee through the process and have been supportive and transparent.
	The Parks & Recreation Committee agreed that the Community Services Advisory Committee should proceed with the current procedure with no change.
4. S. 188 th St. Fence Beautification Update	Lawrence shared a cost estimate from Elm Environments for a vegetative fence as requested at the last meeting. Will follow up with this topic at the August 2 meeting.
5. Parks and Recreation Updates	Lawrence Ellis reported on the following:
	Valley Ridge Sport Field Update – The project is going well. Fields 1, 2 and 3 are open. Field 4 is still under construction.
	Parks Maintenance staff did a great job with the Special Olympics event at Angle Lake Park this week and the 4 th of July event. The Special Olympics stand up paddleboard competition was on ESPN. The park looked great on ESPN.
	There was an estimated 6,000-6,500 people in Angle Lake Park for the Family Fourth of July event. No major incidents.
6. Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.