

**Park & Recreation Board
PARB
Tuesday, November 24, 2009
7:30AM
City Hall – Conference Room
10722 SE Main Street**

Minutes

Type of meeting: Regular

Attendees: Christie Schaeffer, Katie MacCready, Sherri Dow, Mart Hughes, Bob Cooper

Staff: JoAnn Herrigel, Kevin Cayson

Minutes

November minutes were approved with edits incorporated.

Board Member Recruitment

Herrigel reported that Val Hubbard had resigned from the Park Board to become a member of the artMob. The group suggested that Herrigel put an “ad” in the Pilot and also that she send the group a job description of a Park Board member for them to share with potential candidates.

City Manager Contract Update

Herrigel reported that the City Council had formally voted not to renew their contract with Mike Swanson, the City Manager. Mike’s contract lapses on February 28, 2010. She noted that Pat DuVal, the City Recorder would act as interim until another interim City Manager can be found. Council plans to begin a national recruitment for a permanent City Manager very soon.

Priorities Discussion (continued)

CIP changes submittal

Herrigel noted that she had reviewed the most recent version of the District’s Capital Improvement Plan and had submitted a list of Milwaukie projects that should be changed, added or removed from the District’s list. She shared the memo she had written to the District.

Update on Tri Met mitigation

Herrigel said that City staff had been working with Tri Met and Metro staff on mitigation for various light rail impacts in the City. Generally, she noted that mitigations were being propped for on-site rather than off site, due to regulatory restrictions. For Kronberg Park, she noted, that the FEIS will report no impact on the park by the project – but the City will be remunerated for the “staging” proposed on the site during construction. (The group encouraged Herrigel to continue to advocate that any funds from this impact be used for Kronberg design or land use.) She also noted that where there were impacts on the west side of McLoughlin involving tree removal, no City property is actually involved, thus the City cannot impact mitigation agreements.

Further priority setting discussion

Herrigel asked if there was additional work that the group wanted to do on priority setting for projects. She said she would look back at the minutes to make sure she was clear on the group's input so far and bring that to the February meeting.

Kevin Cayson noted that he did not think that there would be any capital funds available for Milwaukie in the District's budget this year – so he did not encourage the group to develop a list of projects for him to work on. He said he would keep the group updated on that budget process. He did not think that maintenance staff would be cut during this budget cycle – due to the increase in parks and facilities they were responsible for maintaining.

City Update

Riverfront : Herrigel said she planned to go to Planning Commission in March with the Riverfront Park design.

IGA Change Status: The District and the City recently signed an amendment to the IGA that clarifies maintenance responsibilities for various parks and open spaces. This amendment was shared with the group.

Community Garden: A volunteer group is coordinating a community garden at 56th and Beckman in the ROW.

No Clack Park North side Plan: District staff shared a revised version of a master plan for informal review recently and City staff is reviewing and providing comments.

District Update

Cayson noted that the District's budget would go to the DAB on April 18. He said that Dan Zinzer would remain in his Director position until June 31, 2010.

Other Comments:

- Hughes asked the group if they felt community gardens were a parks function?