

Quick Minutes

Parks, Recreation and Greenways Commission

Date/Time: Virtual Meeting- June 16, 2020; 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

Members Present: Renuka Soll, (Chair), Wesley McMahon (Vice Chair), Alice Armstrong (Orange County Representative), Lydia Kivihya-Ndugga, Jeanette Bench, William Kaiser and Jochen Schwarz

Members not Present: Guthrie Richardson (Youth Council Representative)

Staff Present: Phil Fleischmann (Director), Linda Smith (Assistant Director), Kevin Robinson (Park Maintenance Superintendent), and Marcia Purvis (Senior Planner)

Citizens Present: Joel Bulkley, Community Sports News

Council Liaison Present: Allen Buansi

	Discussion points	Motions/Votes	Action
Approval of Minutes	Approval of May 18, 2020 Minutes	Armstrong motioned, and Bench seconded a motion to approve the Minutes.	The motion passed 7-0
Communications and Petitions from Commission and Staff	Cedar Falls Park - Orange County Recycling Station – Parks staff have contacted Orange County representatives regarding the recycling station location and met with Orange County staff at Cedar Falls on June 4. County staff says this	N/A	N/A

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	<p>location is well used and will clean up the area. Orange County has also committed to monitoring the site and removing any trash due to the collection center.</p> <p>Future Land Use Map (FLUM) - Alisa Duffy Rogers, Project Manager, will be transmitting the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) documents electronically to Parks, Greenways, and Recreation Commission (PGRC) members to review.</p> <p>American Legion Property - Staff is working to finalize a lease agreement with Melody Eggen, Inc. for the dance studio's continued operation.</p>		
COVID-19 Department Response	Armstrong was concerned about the loss of revenue due to the Pandemic. Staff will be off-setting revenue loss with current Parks and Recreation Department staff vacancies. There are eight vacant positions.	N/A	N/A

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Liaison Reports	<p>Armstrong expressed an interest in serving on the Community Design Commission.</p> <p>Bench suggested Parks, Greenways, and Recreation Commission provide a liaison to the Housing Advisory Board.</p> <p>McMahon shared an update on Community Tree Commission. Forty (40) trees were planted on Duke property.</p> <p>Kivihya-Ndugga shared an update on Booker Creek Trail murals. The artist's design concept received lots of community feedback. Artist will modify the design as needed.</p> <p>Bench informed the attendees that the Environmental Stewardship and Advisory Board would be conducting a survey on sustainability and greenways ability to reduce carbon emissions.</p> <p>McMahon informed the meeting participants that the Friends of Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation</p>	N/A	N/A
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	<p>want to plant more trees on Booker Creek Trail.</p> <p>Armstrong explained that because of COVID-19, she does not think Orange County Parks and Recreation Council has been meeting.</p> <p>Bench discussed the Rosemary Street Project that the Planning Commission is considering and how to connect the park to the proposed parking structure.</p> <p>Soll also noted that the Transportation and Connectivity Advisory Board is reviewing the Rosemary Street project parking structure.</p>		
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Meeting Schedule	Vote to amend the schedule to cancel July and August Parks, Greenways, and Recreation Commission (PGRC) meetings.	Armstrong motioned, and Bench seconded a motion to approve amending the PGRC schedule to cancel the July meeting. Armstrong motioned, and Kivihya -Ndugga seconded a motion to approve amending the PGRC schedule to cancel the August meeting.	The motion passed 7-0 The motion passed 7-0
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