

Quick Minutes

Parks, Greenways and Recreation Commission

Date/Time: Virtual Meeting – November 16, 2021; 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Members Present: Tyler Steelman (Chair), Leah Boucher (Vice Chair), Alice Armstrong (Orange County Representative), Jeanette Bench, Hallie Cherry, William Kaiser, Wesley McMahon, Renuka Soll and Emerson Krause (Youth Council Representative)

Members not Present: Lydia Kivihya-Ndugga

Staff Present: Parks and Recreation Department - Phil Fleischmann, (Director), Kevin Robinson, (Park Maintenance Superintendent), and Marcia Purvis, (Senior Planner) and Monia Rainey, Administrative Services Manager

Mayor Town of Chapel Hill: Pam Hemminger

Citizens Present: Rhett Langston, (Waynesville Parks and Recreation Director) and Joel Bulkley, (Community Sports News)

	Discussion points	Motions/Votes	Action
Approval of Minutes	Approval of October 19, 2021, Minutes	Soll motioned; and McMahon seconded a motion to approve the minutes.	The motion passed 8-0
Waynesville North Carolina Accessible Playground Presentation	Rhett Langston, Waynesville Parks and Recreation Director shared information on an accessible playground the Town of Waynesville has developed.	N/A	N/A

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Communications and Petitions from Commission, Council Liaisons and Staff	No updates	N/A	N/A
Fee Change Recommendations and Cost Recovery Overview	Phil Fleischmann, Director, reviewed the Departments current fees and recommended changes.	Boucher motioned, and McMahon seconded the motion to accept the modifications and fee changes recommended by staff.	The motion passed 8-0
Greene Tract	Steelman provided information on the Greene Tract and introduced Mayor Hemminger. The mayor provided information on the status of the property and outlined some of the other items the Council is discussing, such as the American Rescue Plan Act funding,	N/A	N/A
Capital Improvement Project List	Marcia Purvis, Senior Park Planner shared Parks and Recreation's proposed Capital Improvement Program project list and asked for input and support from members. Commissioner Boucher, Cherry and McMahon offered to help P&R staff prioritize projects for requesting American Rescue Plan funding.	N/A	N/A

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Splashpad Update	Kevin Robinson, Parks Maintenance Superintendent and Phil Fleischmann reviewed the feedback they received from the Town Council at its October Work Session and additional input that was offered by the Splash Pad Work Group during its meeting earlier this month. Possible next steps for the project were shared and input from the Commission was received.	N/A	N/A
Meeting Schedule	Steelman reviewed schedules and requested input on whether to hold a December 21, meeting.	Boucher motioned, and Cherry seconded to hold a one-hour December meeting to review and vote on American Rescue Plan Act project priorities.	The motion passed 8-0
Liaison Reports	Steelman discussed Diversion, Equity and Inclusion and having someone at the April meeting. Armstrong talked about projects Orange County Parks and Recreation is working on including a survey and their Master Plan mid-way assessment that they conduct.	N/A	N/A