

Quick Minutes

Parks, Greenways and Recreation Commission

Date/Time: Virtual Meeting – January 16, 2024; 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Members Present: Shane Brogan, Holly Burnham, Jane Harris, Orange County Representative, Margaret Moore, Lydia Kivihya-Ndugga, Renuka Soll, Chair, Marcella Twamley, Vice Chair and Christopher Worrell

Council Members Present: Amy Ryan

Staff Present: Atuya Cornwell, Parks and Recreation Director, Nikiya Cherry, Assistant Director Recreation, Kevin Robinson Manager, Planning and Maintenances and Marcia Purvis, Principal Planner.

	Discussion points	Motions/Votes	Action
Approval of Minutes	Approved December 19, 2023, minutes	Worrell motioned, Burnham seconded	The motion passed 8-0
Communications and Petitions from Commission, Council Liaisons, and Staff	Burnham asked for clarification notes and what this following statement says, “Justice & Action asked to be brought to past.” Burnham talked about the 2013 Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Master Plan about how interesting it is. Burnham and Twamley requested that the programs and camps registration information be sent to commissioners. Soll asked about status of Commission appointment. Ryan explained that the most recent applicant did not garner enough support to be on the Commission.	Purvis explained that it is saying that the Justice & Action is asking for their Commission to be sunset. Purvis said she would send a link to the 2013 Comprehensive Master Plan and a document that was	

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		shared with the Commission last year that outlines accomplishments made since 2013. Cherry shared information on upcoming events and programs. Purvis will share more information on programs and camps registration.	
Questions and Petitions from the Public in Attendance	<p>Sandy Douglass, Orange County Pickleball Ambassador, shared information on December Community Engagement session with pickleball participants that the Parks and Recreation Department hosted and the new private Pickleball Club Pickleball & Play.</p> <p>Diane Willis, Tennis Player who was on Parks and Recreation work group for Tennis stakeholders. Diane Willis outlined maintenance & construction projects that the Tennis Players would like to see implemented and background information on the work group including accomplishments.</p>	N/A	N/A
End of the Year Project Review and Update	Atuya Cornwell, Director, Marcia Purvis, Principal Planner and Kevin Robinson, Senior Manager shared projects accomplished in 2023. Kivihya-Ndugga, asked about community art. Robinson talked about using art to paint bike racks for the basketball court at Umstead Park.	N/A	N/A

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	<p>Kivihya-Ndugga also inquired about funding and what happens when there is not enough money to complete a project such as, Fordham Blvd. Sidepath. Purvis explained DOT timeline requirements for spending. Also shared the Town of Chapel Hill, Durham, Chapel Hill, Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization funding schedules for spending project money allocated by these entities.</p> <p>Soll asked about using Penny for Parks funding for Comprehensive Master Plan and reconstruction of the Cedar Falls Park Tennis Courts construction project. Parks staff explained if Penny for Parks is approved could use part of the allocation to supplement existing funds for construction. Soll asked to receive information on how Penny for Parks funding was allocated.</p>		
Liaison Reports	No updates	N/A	N/A
Adjourn	Adjourn	Kivihya-Ndugga motioned, Twamley seconded	The motion passed 8-0