



City of Auburn Parks, Arts & Recreation Parks & Recreation Board



Parks and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

5:30 p.m.

Virtual and In Person at Community & Event Center

I. Call to Order 5:31 pm

Present were Chair Michael Hassen; Members Peter Di Turi, Katie Helton, Wayne Osborne, Mike Palko-Dean and Lisa Russell. Department staff present were Parks Planning Manager Jamie Kelly, Parks Recreation Manager Kevin Witte and Administrative Assistant Julie Mehl.

II. Minutes

The February minutes were approved.

III. Committee Member Input

Member Di Turi mentioned the Parks brochure, he's happy to see so many programs including the return of special events.

Member Russell asked about homeless at Game Farm Park. Jamie responded it was a person who needed services and the city's outreach employee, Kent Hay is currently working with him.

IV. Correspondence/Public Input

V. Old Business

Jamie Kelly updated the board on the progress at the Arts & Culture Center which includes stone restoration/cleaning, plugging holes, tuck pointing, sealing.

VI. New Business

Recreation Manager Witte shared a Request for Proposal for food trucks at Les Gove, Game Farm, Isaac Evans, Sunset and Brannan parks for a daily fee ranging from \$49 - \$99 per day.

VII. Department Report

Summer programs: Recreation Manager Witte reports the city received grants totaling just over \$230,000. The funds will be used for 3 programs: Fee waivers to cover a full week of summer camp, Auburn Outside and Auburn Adventure program, and Rec & Roll, a mobile unit roving at different parks throughout the summer.

Parks Recreation Manager Witte and Recreation Coordinator Rick Bruya toured the Kraken Facility at the Outlook Collection and discussed with staff ways we can work together to serve our customers.

Parks Planning Manager Kelly shares the Downtown Plaza is wrapping up. We collected funds for storage which helped fund the project. We hope to activate the space by summer.

Parks Planning Manager Kelly reports the main driving areas in the Community Center parking lot will be replaced with asphalt. Bids have been accepted and work will begin early April.

Parks Planning Manager Kelly reports the Dykstra foot bridge will be inspected by David Evans & Associates. The bridge was built in the 1960's.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.