

City of Olympia

*City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, March 19, 2026

6:00 PM

Room 207

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Vice Chair Jeff Prevost, Committee member Jamie Gerken,
Committee member Caroline Mellor and Committee member Sare
Webster

Absent: 4 - Chair Alexandria Safiq, Committee member James Goebel,
Committee member Meg Jones and Committee member Theresa
Woodward

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were unanimously approved.

3.A Approval of January, 15, 2026, Parks and Recreation Advisory
Committee Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke: Henry Valz, Bill Penn, Bob Jacobs, Marcea Basham and Sharon Cockrum.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Stipend paperwork should be submitted to Dawn Carvahlo by the end of March.
- 2) This is the final PRAC meeting for Jeff Prevost. Thank you for your service, Jeff!
- 3) Two new PRAC members have been selected by City Council and will join the committee in April.
- 4) The bid package for the Yelm Highway Community Park is under legal review and should be sent out to bid the last week in April.
- 5) Parks Stewardship is hosting the annual Earth Day at Squaxin Park Saturday April 18th from 10:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

6.A Parks Plan Public Engagement Discussion

Attachments: [PRAC Draft Parks Plan](#)
[Parks Plan Project Timeline 2026-28](#)

Laura Keehan, Director of Parks Planning and Maintenance, and Sarah Giannobile, Associate Parks Planner, led the Parks Plan public engagement discussion.

Discuss ideas for public engagement in development of the 2028 Parks Plan

7. REPORTS

There were no reports.

8. FOLLOW-UP ON PRAC MOTIONS, QUESTIONS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no follow-ups, questions or future agenda items.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Upcoming

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 16, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Accommodations