

City of Olympia

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Thursday, May 19, 2022

6:00 PM

Meeting Link:

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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: 6 - Chair Maria Ruth, Committee member Spence Cearns, Boardmember Jamie Gerken, Committee member Kyle Guzlas, Committee member Alexandria Safiq and Committee member Tiffany Sandy

Absent: 3 - Committee member Brent Barnes, Committee member Daniel Farber and Committee member Kim Murillo

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of April 21, 2022 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [Minutes](#)

The approval of minutes were unanimously approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Allison Costalias spoke to advocate for adding fencing around playgrounds to protect autistic children from running away. She specifically mentioned Decatur Woods. Logan Merriweather also spoke to advocate for the inclusion of park features for people with autism. Fencing around playgrounds was mentioned again. Bob Jacobs questioned the feasibility of the 1/2 mile neighborhood park standard. He believes it is not possible to meet the standard that was adopted 30 years ago.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laura Keehan will join Angel Nava the first Thursday of every month for a walk through tour of the Armory Creative Campus.
Reminder for PRAC members to complete their stipend paperwork.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

Update on OPARD Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Program

Attachments: [Draft Work Plan 2022](#)

Presentation was given by Olivia Salazar de Breaux and Paul Simmons.

2021 OPARD Performance Measures

Attachments: [Arts Progress Report](#)
[Facilities Progress Reports](#)
[Maintenance Progress Reports](#)
[Planning & Design Progress Reports](#)
[Recreation Progress Reports](#)

Presentation given by Paul Simmons.

7. REPORTS

Update provided by Sylvana Niehuser.

8. QUESTIONS OF STAFF AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Maria Ruth, Chair, asked when will PRAC be briefed on the Percival Landing Revision. Laura Keehan answered that it will be pushed to the fall.

Kyle Guzlas asked if the concept design signs at Yelm Highway Parcel be taken down. Laura Keehan answered that they will be taken down and some will be updated.

Maria Ruth, Chair, asked how would public comments about playground fences move towards the actual install of fences. Laura Keehan answered that Parks will look in to it and that perhaps temporary fencing could be used in the meantime.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Upcoming

Accommodations