



Meeting Minutes

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

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Thursday, December 2, 2021

5:00 PM

Online and via Phone

Special Meeting Register to attend:

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Chair Maria Ruth, Vice Chair Brock Milliarn, Committee member Brent Barnes, Committee member Barbara Benson, Committee member Spence Cearns, Committee member Kyle Guzlas, Committee member Tiffany Sandy and Committee member Alecia Johnson

Absent: 1 - Committee member Kim Murillo

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A [21-1129](#) Approval of October 21, 2021 PRAC Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Loretta Steppanen and Tom Schrader voiced their opinions in support of the colocation with OSD. Speaking against the colocation were Karen Messmer, Bob Jacobs, Jim Lazar, Micki Holden-Cooper and Jim Zahn. John Taylor is concerned with a fire station being located at the site. Timothy Leadingham spoke about his concern for the trees at the Grass Lake Trail project.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

6.A [21-1132](#) Olympia School District's Response to PRAC's School Co-location

Concerns at Yelm Highway Community Park

Matt Martenson from Berger Partnership shared a presentation with the School District's response to the concerns in PRAC's letter from 1/22/21. Assistant Superintendent Jennifer Priddy offered additional information and answered questions. PRAC members asked questions and discussed the matter.

Vice Chair Milliern moved, seconded by Committee member Guzlas, to recommend against a school location at the Yelm Highway parcel. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Ruth, Vice Chair Milliern, Committee member Barnes, Committee member Benson, Committee member Guzlas, Committee member Sandy and Committee member Johnson

Nay: 1 - Committee member Cearns

Absent: 1 - Committee member Murillo

7. REPORTS - None

8. QUESTIONS OF STAFF AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.