

City of University Place

## Park Advisory Commission

Meeting (Virtual) – Minutes

April 14, 2022

**Meeting was called to order at: 6:01pm SM**

**1. Roll Call: 6:03pm**

Commissioners present: Ian Ainoa (IA), Stacey McClain (SM), Alecia Cunningham (AC), Julie Finnegan (JF), Amy Wolfe (AW), Halley Knigge (HK)

Not Present: Kelly Forsberg (KF)

UP Staff Present: Tony West (TW), Jack Ecklund (JE)

**2. Flag Salute: Led by JF 6:03pm**

**3. Review/Approve Minutes:**

- a. Meeting minutes from: 3/17/2022 motion to approve from JF second from AW, motion carries.

**4. Review / Approve Agenda:**

- a. 4/14/2022 Agenda – motion to approve from JF second from HK, motion carries.

**5. Public Comments:**

- a. The following individual provided public comment: Steve Thorndill
- b. The following individual provided public comment: Kris Saunders
  - i. Questions from SM – Are there costs associated with inclusive playground; \$300-400k. May expect a little higher than \$300-400k.

**6. Staff Report, Updates:**

- a. TW – Reminder of Parks Appreciation Day
- b. TW – Veterans Memorial Plaza has continued, hoping to be completed by late summer

**7. Resolution 907 Joint Meeting Follow Up Discussion**

- a. PAC commissioners vote not to revise park code regarding vaping, smoking and drone
  - i. AW motions to not revise Resolution 907 for vaping smoking and drone, second motion by JF

- b. JE asks if SM would be available to present PAC recommendation to City Council for May 2. SM will be available.

#### **8. UPP Playground Property Discussion**

- a. SM – Discussion on community center at Cirque Park.
- b. Awaiting RCO funding to start on Cirque Park renovation
- c. SM had a meeting with Soudnview LL about the possibility of bringing baseball/softball to UP parks. PAC will continue discussion with UP and City Council on funding/cost of fields

#### **9. Adriana Hess & Paradise Pond Trail Connection**

- a. TW – Presentation of different options for enhancement to Adriana Hess trail connection
- b. HK & IA – What is the current temperature of the owner? Property owner is not interested in selling.
- c. HK, AC, AW strongly agree with Option 1 as primary and secondary Option 3. Preserving the wetlands for our city is a priority for PAC and is a legacy project that would be a great accomplishment for PAC.
- d. AW Motion to ask Council to move forward with the acquisition of Adriana Hess property, JF second

#### **10. Curran Orchard Playground**

- a. TW – Staff recommendation for potential proposed project. Applied for RCO grant in 2020 but was denied.
- b. AW – can the restroom be included into this RCO submission. JE – RCO POC mentioned that a restroom would help in the grants rating.
- c. SM – would like to see the possibility of the inclusive playground at Curran. HK – also agrees. JE mentioned that in talking with Rotary and folks involved, many of the same concerns Rotary has regarding the 27<sup>th</sup> & Elwood property would also be amplified at Curran.
- d. JF motion to proceed with RCO grant application with playground and restroom, second AW.

#### **11. Additional Commissioner Comments**

- a. AW – Are there space/lots that can be purchased by UP for parks purposes? JE – if funding is available there is a possibility.
- b. AC – Private sector funding for funding sources is an option for potential projects

#### **12. Adjournment: 7:36pm**

Meeting Minutes by Ian Ainoa

