

Minutes

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Special Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting

held via Zoom Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Present:

Isaac Gilbert, Chair

James Palanio, Vice Chair

Drew Barnes Gary Dean John Archer

Michaela Wooldridge Robert (Sandy) Ross

Susan Fraser Tyson Bull

Council Liaison:

John Vassilaki, Mayor

Staff:

Anthony Haddad, General Manager of Community Services

Len Robson, Public Works Manager Sheri Raposo, Land Administrator

JoAnne Kleb, Public Engagement Program Manager

Philip Cooper, Communications Manager

Jim Bauer, General Manager of Finance and Administration

Kristen Dixon, General Manager of Infrastructure

Angie Collison, Corporate Officer

Kelsey Johnson, Manager of Recreation, Arts and Culture

Alysa Wardley, Legislative Assistant

Regrets:

Marc Tougas Julia Barber Laura Harp

Guests:

Karen Brownlee

Hannah Hyland

1. Call to Order

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee was called to order by the Chair at 3:01 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the agenda for the meeting held on March 11, 2021 as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

James Palanio, Member at Large entered the meeting at 3:02 p.m.

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1 Minutes of the February 22, 2021 Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the February 22, 2021 meeting as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **New Business**

4.1 <u>Beach and Mobile Vending Program</u>

The Land Administrator provided the Committee with a presentation on the three year Beach vending program and vending hub concept.

The Public Engagement Program Manager gave an overview of the public opinion and engagement activities from the vending program proposal.

The floor was opened for questions and comments from the Committee members. Members at Large voiced concerns about the current vending tents, noting blocked real estate of shaded areas and beach views, as well as congestion of traffic.

Main Motion:

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommends that Council approve the Beach Vending program, as described in the 2021 Beach Vending Application and that Council endorse a 3-year License to Use agreement with vendors;

AND THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee supports further analysis of establishing the concept of a "Vending Hub".

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee vote for division of question and divide the motion into two parts.

CARRIED Gary Dean, Opposed

First part:

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommends that Council approve the Beach Vending program, as described in the 2021 Beach Vending Application and that Council endorse a 3-year License to Use agreement with vendors.

CARRIED

Gary Dean, Michaela Wooldridge and John Archer, Opposed

Second part:

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee supports further analysis of establishing the concept of a "Vending Hub".

Amendment:

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the City ensure that the vendors selling food and items are different from the businesses established in the area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Second part as amended:

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee supports further analysis of establishing the concept of a "Vending Hub".

AND THAT the City ensure that the vendors selling food and items are different from the businesses established in the area.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4.2 Skaha Lake Park East Plan

The Public Engagement Program Manager presented the Committee with the outcome from the third phase of the engagement process for the Skaha Lake East Plan. This included an overview of the feedback from walking tours, two public engagement sessions, as well as submitted online and paper forms.

The Public Works Manager gave a presentation which broke down components of the Skaha Lake East Plan in further detail. Regarding the initial parking lot relocation plan, it was noted this would have significant detrimental effects to the preservation of the mature trees in this area and had the potential to create a bottleneck of boat towing cars causing traffic issues to the main street entrance. These plans have since been revised to address these concerns. It was suggested that a habitat restoration plan should be prepared to update the Plan's report.

The General Manager of Finance and Administration gave the Committee an overview of the funding options for the marina upgrades. This included the management of the marina and facilities. City staff are not at a point in time where there is a comprehensive lease agreement for the area. The revised staff recommendation is to seek a community opinion to determine if there is community support for a long term contractual arrangement of up to 25 years for the operation of the marina and its associated facilities.

The floor was opened to the Committee for questions and comments. Members at Large expressed concern over the length of the agreement and as well as the amount of unknown factors regarding intent from potential business owners.

Main Motion:

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommend Council approve the Skaha Lake Park East Plan:

AND THAT the Committee support seeking Community Opinion for a long-term contractual arrangement of up to 25 years for the development, operation and management of the marina and related facilities and amenities (such as short-term and long-term moorage, marina repairs, marina retail store, gas dock with fuel sales, watercraft and equipment rentals and café/licensed restaurant) located at the marina area in Skaha Lake Park, 3885 South Main Street and include the question on the ballot as part of the upcoming by-election.

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee vote for division of question and divide the motion into two parts.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

First part:

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee recommend Council approve the Skaha Lake Park East Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Michaela Wooldridge, Member at Large left the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Second part:

THAT the Committee support seeking community opinion for a long-term contractual arrangement of up to 25 years for the development, operation and management of the marina and related facilities and amenities (such as short-term and long-term moorage, marina repairs, marina retail store, gas dock with fuel sales, watercraft and equipment rentals and café/licensed restaurant) located at the marina area in Skaha Lake Park, 3885 South Main Street and include the question on the ballot as part of the upcoming by-election.

DEFEATED

Gary Dean, John Archer, Tyson Bull, James Palanio and Isaac Gilbert, Opposed

5. **Next Meeting**

The next Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on April 19, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Drew Barnes, Member at Large left the meeting at 5:28 p.m.

6. Public Question Period

7. **Adjournment**

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee adjourn the special meeting held on March 11, 2021 at 5:34 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Certified Correct:

For Alysa Wardley Legislative Assistant