

MINUTES
Linwood Recreation Center
860 St. Clair Avenue
Thursday, January 8, 2015
5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Bishop, Erick Goodlow, Dave Haley, Dan Marckel, John Mountain, Andy Trcka

MEMBERS ABSENT: Betsy Mowry-Voss, Emily Shively, Salina Vang

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Hahm, Kathy Korum, Michelle Furrer, Gary Korum, Susie Odegard, Jody Martinez, Gwen Peterson, Tom Russell

GUESTS: N/A

1. AGENDA, MINUTES, INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. December 2014 Minutes

- The meeting was called to order by Chair Trcka at 5:42 p.m.
- A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Haley and seconded by Commissioner Marckel. The vote was 5 to 0 in favor with four commissioners absent.
- Commissioner Haley moved to amend the December 2014 meeting minutes to reflect that under Agenda Item 5. *SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS > Rice Park Revitalization*, that the minutes state that Commissioner Haley has attended 1 meeting, with 3-4 planned. Commissioner Haley moved approval of the amended minutes. Commissioner Goodlow seconded the motion. The vote was 5 to 0 in favor with four commissioners absent.

2. 2014 STAFF REVIEWS

A. Como Zoo and Conservatory – Michelle Furrer

- Michelle Furrer, Como Campus Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues and division accomplishments of the past year for the Como Campus Division for 2015.

B. Youth Initiatives & Support Services – Kathy Korum

- Deputy Director Kathy Korum briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Youth and Support Services Division.

C. Recreation Services – Gwen Peterson

- Gwen Peterson, Recreation Services Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Recreation Services Division.



D. Administration, Finance and Planning – Tom Russell

- Tom Russell, Administration, Finance, and Planning Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Administration, Finance, and Planning Division.

E. Operations – Gary Korum

- Gary Korum, Operations Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Operations Division.

F. Special Services – Susie Odegard

- Susie Odegard, Special Services Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Special Services Division

G. Design and Construction – Jody Martinez

- Jody Martinez, Design and Construction Manager, briefed the Commission on the issues for 2015 and division accomplishments of the past year for the Design and Construction Division.

3. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

A. Review 2015 Commission Work Plan

- Director Hahm and the Commissioners reviewed and discussed the draft 2015 Commission Work Plan. A second draft will be put together based on the discussion and the 2015 Commission Work Plan will be finalized at the February 2015 meeting.

B. Parks Commission Meeting Dates

- Director Hahm and the Commissioners reviewed the dates for Commission meetings in 2015. Meetings will continue to be held on the second Wednesday of the month.

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Introduction of Strategic Plan

- The year end 2014 strategic plan update was provided to the Commissioners for review.

5. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS

A. Como Regional Park Committee – Commissioner Marckel

- Commissioner Marckel reported that the next meeting is scheduled for February

B. Blooming Saint Paul – Commissioner Mountain

- No update.

C. Transportation Committee of the Planning Commission – Commissioner Trcka

- Chair Trcka reported that open houses were scheduled for the Rush Line LRT line on 1/13 & 1/15 and that he would be paying attention to the Como Transportation item and the proposed bridge over the Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary and report back as able.

D. Trees Advisory Committee – Commissioner Goodlow

- Commissioner Goodlow reported that a new Chair had been elected at the last meeting.

E. Dickerman Park Committee – Commissioner Mowry-Voss

- No update

F. Rice Park Revitalization – Commissioner Haley

- Commissioner Haley reported that plans were anticipated to be finalized in March or April.

G. Community Engagement Reports

- No update

H. Other Reports

- No update

6. ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Haley and seconded by Commissioner Bishop. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.