

MINUTES
Martin Luther King Recreation Center
Thursday, October 11, 2018
6:00 - 8:30 p.m. – meeting

Members present: Susan Bishop, Rafael Espinosa, Clara Haycraft (via phone), Dan Marckel, Andrew Trcka

Members Absent: Sara Chamberlain, John Mountain, Melvin Robinson

Staff Present: Ellen Stewart, Paul Sawyer, Noel Nix, Alice Messer, Bruce Corrie, Andrew Hestness,

Guests: Rod Halverson, Parker Evans, Kati Berg, Joe Spencer, Natalie Hansen, Josh Bellows, Arne Carlson, Julie Carlson

1. AGENDA, MINUTES, INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS – 6:00-6:10 p.m.

A. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Dan Marckel at 6:15 p.m.

While waiting to reach a quorum, Commissioner Marckel and Trcka provided task force updates for Como Regional Park and Transportation. Commission Recessed at 6:26 p.m. to allow all attending commissioners to arrive to reach a quorum. Commissioner Susan Bishop called meeting back to order at 6:34 p.m. Motion to approve updated sequence of agenda was made by Commissioner Bishop and seconded by Commissioner Trcka. Agenda approved 5-0. Motion to approve September minutes was made by Commissioner Trcka, seconded by Commissioner Espinosa. Minutes approved 5-0.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – 6:10-6:15 p.m.

note, public comment period for Pedro Park will occur directly after agenda items 4. A and B, Pedro Park resolutions

A. Motion to close public comment period on any items other than Pedro Park made by Commissioner Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Trcka. Approved 5-0

3. SERVICE UPDATE WITH EQUITY FOCUS – 6:15-6:25 p.m.

A. Gary Korum – Operations Division Equity Initiatives Update – 2018

i. Gary Korum discussed specific equity initiatives within the Operations division including hiring improvements to increase diversity amongst the workforce and recruitment efforts. He briefly discussed the role Operations staff have in helping address homeless encampments and indicated DSI is the lead agency.

4. ACTION ITEMS - 6:25 – 7:25 p.m.

A. Resolution 18-20 – Parkland Diversion at 420 Portland Avenue

i. Property owners submitted revised proposal for a 745 square foot diversion. Paul Sawyer indicated that the staff recommendation is still to deny the request per standard diversion review. Commissioners made specific instruction to staff to note in the transmittal to City Council that the preference of the Commission is to divert the minimum amount of parkland required to achieve a reasonable property setback. If it can be achieved in less than 745 square feet, the amount of land diverted should be reduced to lowest square footage possible. Commissioner Marckel recommends visiting the property to determine what would be a reasonable diversion.



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Commissioner Marckel motioned to approve, Commissioner Bishop seconded the motion. Resolution 18-20 approved 3-2.

- B. Resolution 18-18 – Pedro Park – Accept Park Design**
 - i. Andrew Hestness presented the draft proposal from the Ackerberg Group for the Public Safety Annex property. Alice Messer presented the final design concepts created by Parks and Recreation design staff based on input from the Pedro Park Design Advisory Committee. Commissioner Marckel noted that staff should include that the Commission supports the continued future pursuit of parkland on this block. Motion to act on resolution by Commissioner Bishop and seconded by Comm. Trcka. Resolution 18-18 approved 4-1.
- C. Resolution 18-19 – Pedro Park – Parkland Deal Points**
 - i. Motion to act on resolution by Commissioner Markel and seconded by Commissioner Trcka. Resolution 18-19 approved 4-1.

Pedro Park public hearing on resolutions 18-18 and 18-19

- Parker Evans addressed the Commission.
- Kati Berg, representing Friends of Pedro Park, addressed the Commission and provided written materials outlining an alternate plan.
- Joe Spencer addressed the Commission.

Commissioner Bishop motions to close Pedro Park Public Comment Period.
Commissioner Marckel seconds. Approved 5, opposed 0, public hearing closed.

- 5. DISCUSSION ITEMS – 7:25 –7:35 p.m.**
 - A. Youth Sports Services Follow Up – Rafael Espinosa**
 - i. Commissioner Espinosa determined this will be discussed at the November meeting.
- 6. DIRECTOR’S REPORT – 7:35 – 7:55 p.m.**
- 7. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE REPORTS – 7:55 - 8:30 p.m.**
 - A. Como Regional Park Committee – Commissioner Marckel
 - B. Transportation Committee – Andy Trcka
 - C. Community Engagement Reports
 - D. Other Reports
- 8. ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m.**
 - A. Commissioner Bishop motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Trcka.**
 - i. Approved 5- 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:35

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Next Meeting – Thursday, November 8, 2018 – Hancock Recreation Center

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