



**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes – Revised-FINAL
June 8, 2017**

Members Present: Gary Feffer, Jason Rupinski, Carol Beckman, Charles Castle, Scot Hume, Gary Bostrom, Ron Ilgen, Hank Scarangella

Members Absent: Mina Liebert

Alternates Present: Charlie Dunn

Alternates Absent: Brooks Williams, Michael Phan

Staff Present: Karen Palus, Kurt Schroeder, Kim King, Sarah Bryarly, Christi Mehew, Pat Gentile, Matt Mayberry, David Deitemeyer, Carl Schueler

Called to Order: Board Vice Chair Gary Feffer brought the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.

Citizen Discussion

Susan Davies, Trails and Open Space Coalition (TOSC) Executive Director, stated the Bike Summit was held this past Saturday with a 125 people in attendance. The Summit included great speakers and Ebikes was part of the discussion. This is a good starting point regarding how the city moves forward and looks to improve the bike community. The Mayor rode an EBike along the greenway for the Mayor’s Bike Ride event which was held on Saturday, June 3rd. The TOSC Starlight Spectacular will be held on Saturday, June 17th at Garden of the Gods Park.

Jeff Norton, Pikes Peak Pickleball Association, stated the club has grown from 400 to over 600 members. A \$600,000 improvement was made at Monument Valley Park to create a world class pickleball facility. With the Parks Department’s guidance, the club was able to achieve 501C3 status. Thank you to Charles Castle for his support in helping the Association learn the process to assist them in getting to where they are today.

Approval of Minutes – May 11, 2017

Motion – To approve the May 11, 2017 minutes with modifications made per Board member Carol Beckman and Board member Hank Scarangella.

1st – Scot Hume, 2nd – Charles Castle, Approved, Unanimous

Action Items

Golf Fee Increases (Presented by Pat Gentile, Golf Course Superintendent)

[Link to PowerPoint presentation](#)

The PowerPoint presentation included: mission statement; fee maintenance history; non-potable water increases; minimum wage increase; revenue, expenses, and rounds for Patty Jewett 2009 – 2020; revenue, expenses, and rounds for Valley Hi 2009 – 2020; investments in both facilities; exhibit A; and the public process.

- The increase in fees are due to the increase in water and labor costs.
- A slide was shown illustrating course comparison costs within the City.
- Board member Jason Rupinski inquired about the master plan for the golf courses and if the fee increases meets long term projections. Pat Gentile stated no; however, the long term plan is for Valley Hi to continue to increase revenue as Patty Jewett brings in the bulk of the revenue at this time. Pat Gentile showed the “looking ahead” slide which provides projected fees to 2022 and an \$8.00 increase over the years for a public 18 hole course.
- Board member Carol Beckman stated the same concern as Jason Rupinski, as well as inquired if Patty Jewett’s revenue can assist with Valley Hi’s budget. Pat Gentile stated that deed restrictions for Patty Jewett require their budget to stay entirely with the facility. Due to Valley Hi Golf Course recently having positive revenue numbers, the division has been able to add staff since the cutbacks in 2009.

Motion: A motion recommending approval of the proposed fee increases for the Golf Enterprise effective January 1, 2018 as shown in Exhibit A.

1st – Scot Hume, 2nd – Charles Castle, Approved, Unanimous

Presentations

Plan COS (Presented by Carl Schueler, Comprehensive Planning Manager)

[Link to PowerPoint presentation](#)

The PowerPoint presentation included: objectives; successes to-date; scope and schedule; overall vision; vision themes; spatial outreach; vision themes survey; vision themes, SC results; parks-related screen; ties to stakeholder input; possible big ideas – so far?; where are we now; and 2017 neighborhoods character areas concept.

Susan Davies, TOSC Executive Director, stated she is serving on the Plan COS Steering Committee and hopes there will be some language in the Comprehensive Plan that addresses the homeless issue.

Peace Officers’ Memorial and Memorial Park Master Plan Update (Presented by Sarah Bryarly, Interim Design and Development Manager and Lt. David Edmundson, Chair, Pikes Peak Region Peace Officers’ Memorial Committee)

[Link to PowerPoint presentation](#)

The PowerPoint presentation included: Pikes Peak Region Peace Officers' Memorial Organization (PPROM); PPRPOM vision and purpose; PPRPOM mission; project timeline; commitment for long term care and maintenance of the memorial; and proposed peace officers' memorial maps.

The project includes a Peace Officer's Memorial monument to be erected at Memorial Park. The project team is currently refining the design of their memorial and embarking on a fundraising campaign. As a next step, the team will present their proposed design to the Public Arts Commission for preliminary approval and input on the final design of the monument. A minor amendment to the Memorial Park Master Plan will be in order to allow for the relocation of the horseshoe courts at the Park.

Cultural Services Update (Presented by Matt Mayberry, Cultural Service Division Manager)

- Not presented at the meeting.

Kyle Property Update (Presented by Sarah Bryarly, Interim Design and Development Manager)

[Link to PowerPoint presentation](#)

The PowerPoint presentation included: acquisition of approximately 85 acres for the expansion of Corral Bluffs Open Space; key discussion points; natural resource target areas; history of partnership with Trust for Public Land; current status and map; financial implications (acquisition); TOPS funding; financial implications (maintenance and operations); and timeline/approval process.

The TOPS Working Committee has identified the 85.61 acre Kyle property, located adjacent to Corral Bluffs Open Space as having open space values that merit preservation. Acquisition of the property would serve as an extension of Corral Bluffs Open Space/Jimmy Camp Creek area. The Trust for Public Land (TPL) desires to partner with the TOPS Program in fulfilling the City's Open Space Master Plan to acquire the property for Open Space. TPL has agreed to sell the property to the City in one phase for \$570,000, through the TOPS Open Space Category.

Patriot Park Land Donation – Sand Creek Trail (Presented by David Deitemeyer, Park Planner)

[Link to PowerPoint presentation](#)

The PowerPoint presentation included: project location; 2014 Master Plan – Trails; 2014 Master Plan – Open Space; site photos; and the concept plan.

Board Business

Recommendations of TOPS Liaisons to City Council

Karen Palus

- The departure of both Scot Hume and Charles Castle has created two openings for the TOPS Working Committee liaison positions. Current liaison, Jason Rupinski has agreed to fill the role of the neighborhood park category. Carol Beckman has expressed interest in the trails category role and Gary Bostrom is interested in the open space category role. Letters of recommendation are currently being written by RMFI and CONO.

Motion to approve the proposed TOPS liaisons as stated above:

1st – Charles Castle, 2nd – Jason Rupinski, approved, unanimous

- The Parks Department is looking for a Parks Board member to serve on the Garden of the Gods Transportation Study project. Carol Beckman volunteered to work on this project.
- The TOPS Working Committee made a recommendation to add an amendment to the budget during their last meeting. They were informed that the Red Rock Canyon Master Plan budget fund was decreased to accommodate the increase in stewardship funding. The Committee decided to make an amendment to the master plan to add \$400,000 back into the Red Rock Canyon category for the master plan process. The TOPS Working Committee is asking the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board to consider the amendment today. If the Board agrees, the Parks Department will bring this item next month as an action item.
- TOPS 20th Anniversary Celebration event preparation is underway. Tilah Larson has composed a letter to send to organizations to help sponsor the event which will be held on Thursday, July 26th at the El Pomar Garden Pavilion from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m and is by invitation only. The sponsor letter was distributed to the Board.

Gary Bostrom thanked Scot Hume and Charles Castle for their service on the Board.

Charles Castle stated the Blue Moon Race is on Friday, June 30th and event flyers should be distributed to the Community Centers. Meadows Park Community Center camps have started and are doing well. He inquired about the City Auditorium RFI process and Kim King replied it has been extended to July 7th.

Gary Feffer attended a Friends of Monument Valley Park meeting and Matthew Driftmier presented a survey of the current conditions of the Park. He met with the group and informed them the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is aware of the conditions and he will be as supportive as possible.

Scot Hume stated that with his departure, a new Parks Board representative will need to attend the Incline Management Oversight Committee meetings.

Hank Scarangella stated the 30th Street Renovation project is starting soon and he offered to be a Park and Recreation Advisory Board liaison for the project.

Jason Rupinski thanked both Scot Hume and Charles Castle for their service on the Board.

Adjournment

Motion: Move to adjourn at 9:58 a.m.

1st – Charles Castle, 2nd – Scot Hume, Approved, Unanimous