



City of Sammamish  
Parks and Recreation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
January 3, 2018 - 6:30-8:30 PM  
Sammamish City Hall 801 228<sup>th</sup> Ave SE

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## MEETING SUMMARY

### **Commissioners Present**

Hank Klein, Cheryl Wagner, Doug Eglington, Sid Gupta, Stephanie Hibner, Loreen Leo, Kathe Low, Sheila Sappington, Nancy Way

### **Staff Present**

Angie Feser, Anjali Myer, Belle Stanley

### **Call to Order**

6:35 p.m.

### **Approval of Summary**

The meeting summary for December 6, 2017 was approved as presented.

### **Approval of Agenda**

The Agenda was approved as presented.

### **Public Comment**

None.

### **YMCA/Pine Lake Property Briefing**

Anjali Myer, Deputy Director, Parks & Recreation, recapped the property location, overview of the Ground Lease Agreement with the YMCA, the 2016 discussion of a potential indoor field house, the 2018 Draft PRO Plan summary of an indoor fieldhouse and budget costs and timeline allocated to the YMCA/Pine Lake property. Discussion commenced.

Two motions were proposed:

Motion: The Parks & Recreation Commission recommends that the City not pursue a feasibility study for an indoor fieldhouse within the Sammamish community at this time. (Proposed by Nancy Way) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

Motion: The PRC recommends the Parks and City staff to renegotiate with the YMCA the terms of the ground lease agreement to include potential passive recreation on the property. (Proposed by Nancy Way) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

## **PRO Plan Review**

### **A. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**

Angie Feser, Director of Parks & Recreation, reviewed the 2018-2023 Sammamish Parks Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and the CIP with the proposed staff recommendations to be included in the 2018 PRO Plan.

Motion proposed:

The PRC requests the City to pursue a safer option for crossing East Sammamish Pkwy at Sammamish Landing and also to ensure the safety of bicyclists when driving on the west side of the road where cars are parked. (Proposed by Doug Eglington) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

Motion proposed:

PRC recommends a \$50,000 placeholder in 2018 for the exploration of potential development of a plant salvage facility. (Proposed by Sid Gupta) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

Two recommendations were made to modify the CIP – one to remove the verbiage of “spray park” attached to the East Sammamish Park improvements and another to add placeholder amounts every other year for Anticipated Grants to reflect a goal.

Motion proposed:

PRC recommends to approve the amended PRO Plan CIP that includes staff recommendations and additional changes suggested and approved by PRC and staff. (Proposed by Hank Klein) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

The PRC recognized Doug Eglington for his past years of service on the Parks & Recreation Commission and other community volunteer activities. He will be ending his term as of January 31, 2018.

### **B. PRO Plan Draft Review follow-up**

Angie Feser continued the discussion of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PRO) Plan Update draft review incorporating revisions and staff comments. Referring to the PRO Plan Discussion Matrix (attached) three topics were highlighted for further discussion:

1. Clarification of “priority” as it relates to conversion of natural to artificial turf.

Motion proposed:

In regards to athletic field development, prioritize the conversion of existing natural turf fields to synthetic turf, with lights when possible, to increase playability and serve multiple athletic programs. (Proposed by Hank Klein) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

2. Suggestion of recognizing culture and heritage of residents.

Motion proposed:

The City currently offers or promotes programming including fitness, education and general interest classes, outdoor recreation, day camps and special events to reflect the wide-ranging

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diversity of the Sammamish community. (Proposed by Hank Klein) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

3. Revision of a Chapter 6 paragraph.

Motion proposed:

Addition of the sentence “When feasible, the Parks & Recreation Department should protect and highlight the historical and cultural resources related to park facilities and properties”

(Proposed by Doug Eglington) Seconded, voted on and passed unanimously.

### **Chairman’s Report**

The Volunteer Dinner was a success and enjoyed by many. Thank you to those who invested their time to make it a memorable evening. With Doug retiring, a commissioner is needed as a liaison for the Sammamish Youth Board and another for the YMCA. Sheila Sappington volunteered for being the liaison with the YMCA. There is an opportunity to assist Parks & Recreation by serving on the entertainment committee to help screen musical groups for the Fourth on the Plateau and the Concerts in the Park summer series. Another opportunity is to assist on the AWC Senior Scholarship committee to screen applicants in Sammamish to move forward in the statewide competition for an AWC scholarship. Sid Gupta, Stephanie Hibner and Sheila Sappington volunteered to serve on the AWC Scholarship Committee and Nancy Way volunteered for the entertainment screening committee. The opportunity will also be extended to the new commissioners coming onboard.

### **Director’s Report**

Recreational programming is introducing a new event this year in partnership with Central Washington University, Sammamish; the Chinese New Year Cultural Celebration will be on Saturday, February 10. Skyline’s Chinese Club and a Chinese school are involved in the planning. There will be activities, a lion dance, food trucks and music. Also in the works, a 5K run in response to the community wanting more fitness-type activities according to the PRO Plan. New volunteer software is being installed in the next month or so. It will assist with recording hours, scheduling volunteer events and waiver processing which will all be handled electronically. Parks Maintenance is focusing on small projects. Snow & ice removal occurred on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day; street and parks crews were amazingly responsive.

### **Park Commission Liaison Reports**

Sammamish Friends – Sid Gupta

Gearing up for fundraiser for July 2018; first meeting scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are welcome to participate in the planning process.

Sammamish Walks – Hank Klein/Nancy Way

Nothing to report.

Trail Stewards – Nancy Way

Nothing to report.

Sammamish Youth Board – Doug Eglington

Nothing to report.

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### Meeting Calendar

1. February 1, 2018 Joint meeting with the Planning Commission, 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers. Dinner will be served.
2. February 27, 2018 Commissioner Training Roberts Rules of Order, 6:00pm, City Hall Council Chambers

### Adjourn

9:50 p.m.