

December 5, 2011
11:30 A.M.
Newport, Oregon

The Recreation Facilities Management Review Task Force for the City of Newport met on the above date in the City Manager's Conference Room of the Newport City Hall. In attendance were Fred Springsteen, Jeff Schrantz, and Thomas Hurst, Pat Cowan, and Ed Simon. Josie Bissell and Phil Jackson were unable to attend.

Staff present was City Recorder Hawker, Finance Director Marshall, City Manager Voetberg, and Parks and Recreation Director Protiva.

REVIEW SUMMARY OF TASK FORCE WORK

Hurst distributed a draft report and recommendations resulting from the work of the Task Force. A discussion ensued regarding a possible revision to the responsibilities of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. Voetberg stated, in response to Recommendation No. 4, that the day-to-day management of all departments is his responsibility. Hurst noted that the department cannot be successful if it does not look at revenue generation. Voetberg noted that departmental revenues and expenses are reviewed during the budget process. Voetberg suggested that Recommendation No. 6 be amended to tie the cuts and revenues together. He added that rather than tying cuts to other departments, the City Council could establish a minimum amount of annual subsidy. Voetberg suggested that the recommendation to Council could be to accept the findings of the Task Force and direct staff to implement the findings.

TASK FORCE COMMENTS

Cowan noted that a question that should be asked, in regard to the proposed aquatic park and other recreational facilities, is whether there is a willingness to close the doors if the facility is not successful.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the Task Force adjourned at 11:58 A.M., to a joint meeting with the City Council.