



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 - 9:00 AM

Virtual Meeting via Zoom - Council Chambers in City Hall, 169 SW Coast Hwy

This meeting will be held electronically. The public can live-stream this meeting at <https://newportoregon.gov>. The meeting will also be broadcast on Charter Channel 190. Public comment may be made, via e-mail, up to two hours before the meeting start time at publiccomment@newportoregon.gov.

The agenda may be amended during the meeting to add or delete items, change the order of agenda items, or discuss any other business deemed necessary at the time of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

2. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.A March 30, 2021 Minutes
[Minutes 3-30-21 DRAFT.pdf](#)

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4.A Newport Trail Stewards (NEWTS) update

- 4.B Aquatics Division Meeting update

4.C Friends of Newport Parks and Recreation update

4.D Review of draft Committee Ordinance

[PR committee ordinance_draft.pdf](#)

5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

5.A March 2021 Department Report

[P&R_March 2021.pdf](#)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

7. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

8. DEVELOP NEXT AGENDA

9. ESTABLISH NEXT MEETING DATE

10. ADJOURNMENT

11. GOALS

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee supports the mission of the Parks and Recreation Department, which is "...to help meet the recreation needs of residents and guests by providing quality facilities, trails, fields and open space. We strive to offer a variety of activities and environments that allow for personal, social, and economic benefits open to all people. Our goal is to provide leadership and coordination on projects and programs that enhance the livability and quality of life in Newport."

A. Ongoing Goals

- *Serve as the city's Tree Board, which will "...approve or deny requests for public tree removal pursuant to Chapter 9.10 (Right-of-Way-Permits) and with the responsibility to study, investigate, develop Newport Municipal Code Index Page 22 and periodically update a written manual for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, removal and disposition of trees and plantings in parks, along public streets, and in other public*

places.” (Newport Municipal Code 2.05.040; see the rest of the ordinance for other Tree Board-related duties.)

- *Assist with Tree City and Bee City USA annual recertification and related activities such as the Arbor Day celebration*

B. Goals for FY 2020-2021

- *Support implementation of the Parks Master Plan*
- *Develop list of feasible short-term projects based on the PMP Tier One project list (note: supports City Council goal 20.B.4)*
- *Develop advocacy plan for those projects*
- *Develop and implement a protocol for tracking implementation of the Parks Master Plan*
- *Complete a memorial bench policy for the City of Newport*
- *Work with City staff to revitalize the Parks and Recreation Foundation (note: supports City Council goal 20.B.6)*
- *Partner with the Foundation to identify potential grant sources*
- *Work with the Foundation to identify priority projects that need grant funding and match those with potential sources of grant funds*
- *Work with City staff to identify processes for grant writing*
- *Support and advocate for projects and activities that bolster diversity, equity and inclusion in all Parks and Recreation programs and initiatives*
- *Develop process for undertaking review of department programs with staff*
- *Meet once a year with the advisory committee of the Newport 60+ Center on issues of joint concern*
- *Meet once a year with the city Bike - Ped committee on issues of joint concern*
- *Develop an integrated trail system, accommodating multiple uses, that connects neighborhoods, visitor destinations, open spaces, and natural areas.*
- *Identify priorities from the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for implementation*
- *Establish a foundation to support City parks and recreation programs*
- *Pursue the mountain bike collaborative agreement to develop trails with the NEWTS*

C. 2-5 Year Goals

- *Enhance Tree City USA program and activities to qualify for a TCUSA growth award*
- *Explore options for funding outlined in PMP like establishing a parks district etc.; make recommendation to City Council*

D. Projects generally supported by the committee for which further planning is needed

- *Develop a forest/open space management plan*
- *Support and promote a safe pedestrian bridge across Yaquina Bay*
- *Support a Newport trail connection to the C2C trail*
- *Improve and promote fishing opportunities at Big Creek Reservoir*

