



September 29, 2020  
9:03 AM  
Newport, Oregon

## Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

The Newport Parks and Recreation Committee met electronically, via Zoom, on the above date and time in the Council Chambers of Newport City Hall. On roll call, Steinberg, Brown (left 9:58 AM), Gilhuly, Norris, Baker, Saelens, Chandler, and Council Liaison CM Hall (arrived 9:13 AM, left 10:09 AM) were present.

Staff or guests in attendance was Mike Cavanaugh, Parks and Recreation Director.

**Additions/Deletions to Agenda:** Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Collaboration was deleted.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Approval of Minutes - August 4, 2020**

**MOTION** was made by Norris, seconded by Brown to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2020 meeting. The motion carried in a voice vote.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **Subcommittee & Resident/Nonresident Ordinance Requirement**

Steinberg noted that the current ordinance stated that at least seven members must be residents. Cavanaugh confirmed that Steinberg, Beeson, Gilhuly, Norris, and Saelens were residents and Brown, Scarborough, Baker, and Chandler were nonresidents. Cavanaugh will follow up with Schrantz and Smith to confirm if they are resident or nonresident.

Steinberg listed the five proposed subcommittee: Parks & Trails, Tree City USA, Aquatic Center, Recreation Center, and Friends of Newport Parks & Recreation & Fundraising. Steinberg will lead Parks & Trails, Chandler is interested Tree City USA, Brown will lead the Aquatic Center, Gilhuly will lead Recreation Center & Programs, and Norris will lead the Friends of Newport Parks & Recreation and Fundraising. This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

**MOTION:** Norris moved to recommend the change of the Committee's Resident/Nonresident ordinance from seven residents and four nonresident to six residents and five nonresidents. Seconded by Gilhuly. The motion carried in a voice vote.

### **Systematic Racism & Inequality Discussion Update**

Steinberg noted that she and Hall have been discussing the issue with Council and the City Manager about the development of a City-wide statement. Steinberg will be meeting with the City Manager to discuss more details about the building of this City statement. Hall and Steinberg added that they will report back to the Committee.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Cavanaugh reported that City Council approved the new LCSD-City Cooperative Use Agreement and deferring of the FY20-21 Swim Team Lane Fee increase to FY21-22 to allow both swim teams to continue paying the FY19-20 fees. The Frank Wade Park large ballfield lease was tabled for another time. Cavanaugh reported that Council approved the Committee's request for the City to write letters of support to initiate discussions with OR State Parks and Lincoln County in addressing sports field development within each agencies' development plans. Cavanaugh updated the group on the Red Cross Shelter use of the Recreation Center and the 60+ Activity Center during the Echo Mountain Wildfire Complex emergency. Cavanaugh updated the committee on the reopening of the Recreation & Aquatic Center. Both facilities will re-open on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Cavanaugh reviewed the department report for August 2020 that was provided to the committee.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

Steinberg updated the committee that the Newport Trail Stewards are close to purchasing liability insurance, so trail work can begin around the Big Creek Reservoir property. Steinberg reported that she drafted a letter to Council to give them an update on the Park Master Plan tracking spreadsheet. Steinberg reported that Paul O'Neill finished and successfully defended his Capstone Project for Forest Park. Steinberg noted that Vision 2040 is working on a lot of good projects and to visit their webpages for updates or to sign up for newsletters.

### **Develop Next Agenda**

Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Partnership  
Vision 2040  
Inequality & Systemic Racism Update  
Foundation Update  
Sub-Committees Requirements  
Parks Master Plan Spreadsheet Council Letter  
Newport Trail Stewards Update  
Final Update from OSU Capstone Project for Forest Park

### **Establish Next Meeting Date and Location**

The next meeting date will be determined before the end of October.

### **Adjournment**

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 AM.