



City of Ann Arbor

Meeting Minutes - Final

Park Advisory Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Tuesday, February 28, 2017

4:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St, Second
Floor, City Council chambers

A CALL TO ORDER

B ROLL CALL

Staff: 5 - J. Landefeld, A. Kuras, P. Simmons, R. Thornton, E. Cooper

Present: 9 - Alan Jackson, Bob Galardi, David Santacroce, Paige Morrison, Stephen Borgsdorf, Julie Grand, Lauren London, Mike Appel, and Graydon Krapohl

Absent: 2 - Praveena Ramaswami, and Ruth L. Kraut

C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D PUBLIC COMMENTARY - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

E APPROVAL OF MINUTES

E1 [17-0298](#) Park Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes for January 24, 2017

Attachments: PAC Meeting Minutes 1-24-17

Minutes approved and forwarded to City Council.

Yeas: 6 - Galardi, Santacroce, Morrison, Borgsdorf, London, and Appel

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Ramaswami, and RAC Rep. Kraut

Recused: 1 - Jackson

F SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

F1 Annual Update from City Senior Center

P. Simmons gave an annual report for the Senior Center. Information included usage, attendance and upgrades to the facility.

G NEW BUSINESS

G1 [17-0299](#) Resolution to Recommend Approval of a DNR Grant for the Allen Creek Railway Berm Opening Project

Attachments: DNR Grant Application PAC Approval 022817

E. Cooper discussed the resolution before PAC and included additional information including a visual layout of the project.

Resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, The neighborhoods near the project site do not have a safe and legal non-motorized access to connect the urban center of the City of Ann Arbor with the Border-to-Border (B2B)/Iron Belle Trail and the natural and recreational resources in and near the Argo Nature Area;

Whereas, Unsafe trespassing behaviors need to be prevented and a safe alternative provided.

Whereas, Grants are available through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grants Management to assist in funding improvements such as this project;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommends that City Council directs the City Administrator to apply to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Grants Management for a Non-motorized Access in the Allen Creek Railway Berm Opening Project.

Passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Yeas: 0

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Ramaswami, and RAC Rep. Kraut

G2 [17-0300](#) Resolution to Approve a Contract with Best Asphalt to Renovate Pathways at Cranbrook and Wurster Parks

Attachments: PAC - CRANBROOK AND WURSTER PATH

A. Kuras gave the history on this resolution.

Resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, The pathways at Cranbrook and Wurster Parks are in disrepair and in need of major renovation,

Whereas, The Parks and Recreation Open Space Plan recommends infrastructure improvements for pathways that are in disrepair;

Whereas, Competitive bids were received by Purchasing on January 24, 2017;

Whereas, Best Asphalt submitted the lowest responsive bid; and

Whereas, Funding is available in the approved FY2018 Park Maintenance and Capital Improvement Millage budget (\$68,303.00) and the approved FY2018 Parks Memorials & Contributions Fund (\$58,000.00);

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend approval of a contract with Best Asphalt to renovate the pathways at Cranbrook and Wurster Parks, and approve a construction contingency of \$11,482.00 (10%) to cover potential contract change orders for a total contract amount of \$126,303.00 for the life of the project without regard to fiscal year.

Passed unanimously on a voice vote.

G3 [17-0301](#) Argo Parking Lot Improvement

Attachments: PAC - Argo parking concept

A. Kuras provided detailed information on a proposed improvement for the Argo Parking Lot.

G4 [17-0302](#) Leslie Park Pickleball Courts

Attachments: PAC Resolution Leslie Park Pickleball, Leslie alternative court layout, Leslie Tennis Courts Aerial, Leslie Pk Survey 1-17, Leslie court layout

A. Kuras, Tim Burla and Jeff Shumway gave a presentation on the need for this court and discussed why this Park was chosen. A brief video showed how the game of Pickleball is played.

The Resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, Leslie Park currently has three tennis courts that are in poor condition and do not appear to be heavily used,

Whereas, Requests for dedicated Pickleball courts were noted in the PROS Plan as well as at community meetings,

Whereas, No dedicated Pickleball courts exist in the City of Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation system,

RESOLVED that PAC recommends converting two tennis courts to Pickleball Courts at Leslie

Passed unanimously on a voice vote.

H UNFINISHED BUSINESS

I COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS

J REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER

J. Landefeld that with the warm month of February, 450 rounds of golf were played in 11 days of the month; two hires have just been made for the Market Manager and Landscape Architect positions.

K REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

L REPORT FROM RELEVANT COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

M PUBLIC COMMENTARY - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

N CLOSED SESSION

N1 Land Acquisition Committee

The following motion was made:

Moved to recommend City acquisition of fee title of the property identified in Application ID 2016-02, funding of which to be allocated for purposes of Open Space and Parkland Preservation Millage between City Council

designated millage allocation funding for Parks acquisitions in the amount of \$86,250 and the remainder of funding not to exceed \$172,500 from designated millage allocation funding for Greenbelt acquisitions

Approved unanimously.

O TRANSMITTALS

P ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn