



City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Final Park Advisory Commission

Tuesday, September 16, 2014

4:00 PM City Hall, 301 E. Huron St, Second floor, City Council
workroom

A CALL TO ORDER

B ROLL CALL

4 - C. Smith, J. Lawson, D. Rohr, D. Borneman

Present: 9 - Mike Anglin, Christopher Taylor, Karen Levin, Alan Jackson, Bob Galardi,
Melissa Stults, Graydon Krapohl, David Santacroce, and Paige Morrison

Absent: 1 - Ingrid Ault

C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D PUBLIC COMMENTARY - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

Scott Rosencrans, volunteer Park Steward, 3051 Lakeview Drive, spoke about the protection of Dolph Park.

Peter Jessup, 3094 Lakewood Drive, spoke on remembrances and importance of Dolph Park.

Larry Baird, 1770 Riverwood Drive, spoke on the need to improve the Border-to-Border Trail and the non-motorized transportation plan.

Rita Mitchell, 621 Fifth Street, spoke on the land use at Fuller Park and precedents for other parks.

George Gaston, 1217 Island Drive, #103, spoke on the lease rate for the Fuller Park parking lot.

E APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved

E1 [14-1372](#) Park Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of August 19, 2014

Attachments: PAC Meeting Minutes 8-19-14.pdf

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to City Council.

F SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

F1 Sister Lakes in Dolph Park

J. Lawson gave a presentation on Sister Lakes in Dolph Park. She gave a history of the Park and the Lakes and stormwater management.

G UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H NEW BUSINESS

H1 [14-1373](#)

Attachments: PAC- EBERBACH 2014 to 2019.pdf, Lease for Eberbach with Exhibits.pdf

C. Smith provided background on this building. Has been used by AAPS Rec&Ed department for the past 25 years. Arrangement/lease between AAPS and the City came to be in the last five years. Jenna Bacolor added additional information regarding how the building is currently being used.

C. Smith read the Resolution:

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF AN AMENDED AND RESTATED FIVE YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR EBERBACH CULTURAL ARTS BUILDING

Whereas, The Eberbach Cultural Arts building at 1220 Wells Street is a City owned park facility;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor Public Schools (AAPS) uses the Eberbach Cultural Arts building for various cultural arts programming and has a desire to continue to have exclusive use of the building for continued cultural arts programming;

Whereas, The City and AAPS have partnered together successfully over the last 5 years under the terms of the expired lease agreement;

Whereas, The City and AAPS have developed an amended and restated lease agreement that will allow the AAPS to continue to use the facility for public recreational programming while having the AAPS cover the operating, maintenance and anticipated capital expenses associated with the building and grounds during the lease period;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend that City Council approve the five year amended and restated lease agreement between the City and Ann Arbor Public Schools for Eberbach Cultural Arts building.

Approved unanimously.

I COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS

I1 [14-1374](#)

Parks Advisory Commission Resolution Recommending to the City Administrator That Certain Parks Be Declared Smoke Free

Attachments: Smoking Ban Material 2.pdf, PAC - Smoke Free Resolution with Exhibit.pdf

B. Galardi gave background on the ordinance and the charge to PAC.

C. Smith read the Resolution:

PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR THAT CERTAIN PARKS BE DECLARED SMOKE FREE

Whereas on April 21, 2014 the Ann Arbor City Council passed ordinance 14-03 to add a New Chapter 64 to Title VI (Food and Health) of the Code of the City of Ann Arbor to limit smoking in outdoor public places (the "Ordinance");

Whereas the Ordinance provides that, among other things, the City Administrator may designate any City park or portion thereof as a smokefree outdoor public place in consultation with the Parks Advisory Commission ("PAC");

Whereas PAC, through a sub-committee and in consultation with City staff, examined the implementation of similar bans in other municipalities, consulted with a public health expert, and reviewed various methods of signage prohibiting smoking;

Whereas based on this work, PAC determined that City Parks with playgrounds and those within the Downtown Development Authority District should, in the first instance, be those where smoking is prohibited;

Now, therefore be it resolved that PAC:

1. Recommends to the City Administrator that, based on the above criteria, the parks on the attached list ('Exhibit A') be designated as "smokefree outdoor public places" under the Ordinance; and

2. That the City Administrator instruct Parks staff to: (i) post the appropriate signage as contemplated by the Ordinance; (ii) monitor both the effect and effectiveness of the ban as time and resources permit; (iii) report these findings to PAC one year after the implementation of the smokefree designations at which time PAC will consider whether it will recommend to the City Administrator that additional parks should be designated as "smokefree outdoor public places" under the Ordinance.

Approved unanimously.

J REPORTS FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER

C. Smith gave an update. Council voted to send the Fuller Lease resolution back to PAC for consideration to look further into the parking issues. Due back November 6. Senior Center has reopened with good improvements. Roof is yet to be replaced but no additional closures anticipated. Dog Swim had 512 dogs. Ice arena opened at Veterans Park. The indoor pool at Mack is open. 3-person scramble at LPGC and the Longest Hardest Day of Golf on 10/19. Burns Park concerts moving into renovated Senior Center so series can continue. Farmer's Market will host the AA Symphony Orchestra on 9/27. Petting instrument zoo for kids there, too. 10/8 at AADL downtown lecture on controlled burn program given by D. Borneman.

K REPORTS FROM MANAGER OF FIELD OPERATIONS

L REPORTS FROM PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

M REPORTS FROM RELEVANT COMMISSIONERS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND/OR TASKFORCES**N PUBLIC COMMENTARY - GENERAL (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

Christopher Graham, 925 Aberdeen, recommended ending the Fuller Park lease to protect the trees.

O CLOSED SESSION**P TRANSMITTALS**

P1 [14-1375](#) Park Planning Capital Project Update
Attachments: PAC COUNCIL UPDATE 9 2014.pdf

P2 [14-1376](#) PAC Council Update September 2014
Attachments: PAC Update 9-14 (2).pdf

P3 [14-1377](#) Parks Project Status Table FY2014-2015
Attachments: Parks_Project_Status_Table-FY2014-15

Q ADJOURNMENT