



# City of Ann Arbor

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## Meeting Minutes - Final Parks Advisory Commission

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Tuesday, April 21, 2015

4:00 PM

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

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**A CALL TO ORDER**

**B ROLL CALL**

*Staff: 3 - C. Smith, S. Bahl, A. Kuras*

**Present:** 8 - Mike Anglin, Karen Levin, Alan Jackson, Bob Galardi, David Santacrocce, Paige Morrison, Stephen Borgsdorf, and Julie Grand

**Absent:** 3 - Melissa Stults, Mary Jo Gray, and Praveena Ramaswami

**C APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Approved**

**D PUBLIC COMMENTARY - (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

*Tim Burla spoke on the advantages of an outdoor pickleball court.*

*Eric Boyd spoke on Greenway and the B2B Trail.*

**E APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**E1 15-0461 Parks Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2015**

**Attachments:** PAC Meeting Minutes 2-24-15.pdf

**Approved by the Commission and forwarded to City Council.**

**F SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**F1 15-0462 Washtenaw Biking and Walking Coalition - B2B**

**Attachments:** To\_finish\_B2B\_in\_A2.pdf

*Larry Deck and Larry Baird from Washtenaw Biking and Walking Coalition presented on the unfinished elements of the B2B trail in Ann Arbor. Areas of concern were identified in the presentation.*

**Received and Filed**

**F2 Allen Creek Greenway Conservancy**

*B. Galardi introduced Jonathan Buckley as a member of the Conservancy. B. Galardi gave a presentation which included background and history on the Allen Creek Greenway. It was determined that PAC would send the following recommendation to Council:*

*Whereas, on Monday, April 20, 2015 the City Administrator put forth a proposed City budget that included proposed funding for the Allen Creek Greenway Master Plan consistent with the City's Parks & Recreation Open Space (PROS) Plan,*

*Whereas, the current PROS plan recommends that a master plan for the Allen Creek Greenway be developed in cooperation with potential stakeholders,*

*Now, therefore, after due consideration, the Parks Advisory Commission supports the passage of a City Budget that includes funds for the Allen Creek Greenway Master Plan in the amounts proposed by the City Administrator.*

**Approved as presented**

**G UPDATE**

**G1 Deer Management Plan**

*S. Bahl gave an update on the Deer Management Plan. He gave a presentation that highlighted feedback from public meetings and surveys. The recommendations will go to Council in May.*

**H NEW BUSINESS**

**H1 15-0464 Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Contract with Best Asphalt to Rebuild the Tennis and Basketball Courts at Allmendinger and Hunt Parks (\$168,595.60)**

**Attachments:** PAC - ALLMENDINGER HUNT COURTS.pdf, Allmendinger.jpg, Hunt.jpg

*C. Smith gave background and explained the need to update the tennis courts.*

*The Resolution reads as follows:*

*Whereas, The Allmendinger and Hunt Park tennis and basketball courts are in disrepair and in need of major renovation,*

*Whereas, The Parks and Recreation Open Space Plan recommends infrastructure improvements for tennis and basketball courts that are in disrepair;*

*Whereas, Funding is available in the approved FY2015 Parks Maintenance and Capital Improvements Fund;*

*Whereas, Competitive bids were received by Purchasing on March 11, 2015;*

*Whereas, Best Asphalt submitted the lowest responsive bid;*

**RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend approval of a contract with Best Asphalt to rebuild the tennis and basketball courts at Allmendinger and Hunt**

*Parks, and approve a construction contingency of \$16,860 (10%) to cover potential contract change orders for a total contract amount of \$185,455.60 for the life of the project without regard to fiscal year.*

**Approved unanimously**

**H2 15-0465** Resolution to Recommend Approval of Fiscal Year 2015 Fee Adjustments for Parks and Recreation Services

**Attachments:** PAC - FEES FY2016.pdf, Parks FY16\_Fees.pdf, Comparative Fee Data FY 2016.pdf

*C. Smith reviewed the Parks budget with the Commissioners and explained the budget process.*

*The Resolution reads as follows:*

*Whereas, All Service Units of the City review their fees each year as part of the budget process;*

*Whereas, Parks & Recreation Services establish fees for new programs as part of the budget process;*

*Whereas, Parks & Recreation Services review existing fees annually as part of the budget process; and*

*RESOLVED, That fees for Parks and Recreation Services be adjusted according to the attached schedules;*

*RESOLVED, That the attached fee schedules become effective according to the dates in the attached schedules; and*

*RESOLVED, That the Parks Advisory Commission recommends that the Mayor and City Council approve the proposed fees.*

**Approved unanimously**

**H3 15-0466** Park Advisory Commission Resolution on the FY 2016/17 Proposed Budget and Budget Plan for Parks and Recreation Services and Park Operations

**Attachments:** 2016 Parks and Recreation Budget Resolution GALARDI.pdf, Fund10\_ParkOperations.pdf, Fund10\_ParksRec\_Revenue.pdf, Fund10\_ParksRec\_Expenses.pdf, Fund71\_ParkOperations.pdf, Fund71\_ParksRec.pdf

*The resolution reads as follows:*

*Whereas, a vibrant, extensive, and healthy parks system is part of every great town and city;*

*Whereas, Ann Arbor residents value their parks, natural areas and recreational facilities and support these amenities through their taxes and patronage;*

*Whereas, the Parks Advisory Commission (PAC) commends staff for their continued efforts to engage PAC members in the budget process, and in producing a budget*

*draft that follows PAC's recommended budget priorities to sustain facilities and activities for all residents, but especially children, low income residents, and seniors, particularly where these services are not otherwise available;*

*RESOLVED, That PAC recommends that City Council approve the Administrator's recommended budget for Parks and Recreation Services and Park Operations developed by staff highlighting the following items:*

- 1. Increased revenue budget resulting from increased participation and adjusted fees*
- 2. New programs that reflect programming trends*
- 3. Increased expenditure budget in order to accommodate busier facilities with the goal of providing outstanding visitor experiences*
- 4. Capital projects that focus on rehabilitating existing infrastructure and improvements where sustainable and practicable*

**Approved unanimously**

**I COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS**

**J REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER**

*C. Smith noted that the largest National Volunteer Day will be occurring at NAP. The opening of the Foot Golf course at Huron Hills will be happening over the weekend.*

**K REPORT FROM MANAGER OF FIELD OPERATIONS**

**L REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION**

**M REPORTS FROM RELEVANT COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND/OR TASKFORCES**

**N PUBLIC COMMENTARY - GENERAL (3 Minutes per Speaker)**

**O CLOSED SESSION**

**P TRANSMITTALS**

**P1 15-0467 Park Planning Capital Project Update**

**Attachments:** PAC Update 4-15.pdf

**Received and Filed**

**P2 15-0468 PAC Council Update April 2015**

**Attachments:** PAC COUNCIL UPDATE 4 2015.pdf

**Received and Filed**

**P3 15-0469 Parks Project Status Table FY 2014-2015**

**Attachments:** Parks\_Project\_Status\_Table-FY2014-15.pdf

**Received and Filed**

**Q ADJOURNMENT**