



City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Park Advisory Commission

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

4:00 PM

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

A CALL TO ORDER

B ROLL CALL

Staff present: 3 - C. Smith, G. Hurn, S. DeWitt

Present: 9 - Karen Levin, Alan Jackson, Bob Galardi, Melissa Stults, David Santacroce, Paige Morrison, Mary Jo Gray, Stephen Borgsdorf, and Julie Grand

Absent: 2 - Mike Anglin, and Praveena Ramaswami

C APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D PUBLIC COMMENTARY - (3 Minutes per Speaker)

E APPROVAL OF MINUTES

E1 [15-1145](#) Parks Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of July 21, 2015

Attachments: PAC Meeting Minutes July 21, 2015.pdf

Approved by the Commission and forwarded to City Council.

F SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

F1 [15-1146](#) POP-X at Liberty Plaza

Omari Rush from the Ann Arbor Art Center gave a presentation on POP-X, a display of art that will be taking place in Liberty Plaza. A 10-day outdoor exhibition of contemporary art held in 10x10 constructed pavilions. Music and theater performances will also occur.

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F2 Fuller Pool/Mack Pool: Season Recap and Preview

G. Hurn gave a presentation on Fuller and Mack pools that highlighted the importance of programming, customer services, and providing great experiences for visitors. Private swim lessons increased from 59 in 2013 to 420 in 2015. The number of day campers increased from 259 in 2014 to 388 in 2015. Mack offers the popular Dive-In Movie, as well as full and re-certification courses.

Approved as presented

F3 [15-1147](#) Farmers Market Infrastructure Project

Attachments: Market Infrastructure Project Narrative.pdf, Market Infrastructure Project FAQs.pdf

S. DeWitt presented on the Market Infrastructure Improvement Project. One challenge has been insufficient winter capacity. Need to emphasize it is a year round market. Want to provide more equitable covered stall space for the number of vendors currently in place. One-story structure is being proposed. Funding still being worked on--it will ultimately depend on the final design.

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G UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H NEW BUSINESS

I COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS

I1 [15-1148](#) Discussion on Designating Additional Parks as “Smokefree Outdoor Public Places”

Attachments: Chapter_64___SMOKEFREE_OUTDOOR_PUBLIC_PLACES.pdf, S Powers Smoking Ban Resolution Transmittal Ltr 9 17 14 (2).pdf

D. Santacroce and C. Smith gave the history and an update on the implementation of this item. Discussion followed on which parks might be added to the smoking ban.

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J REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER

C. Smith reported that outdoor pools are closed for the season and ended with a very busy Labor Day weekend--attendance for the weekend was up 65% over the previous year. Indoor activities at Mack and Veterans Park are open. Two remaining Library Lane proposals are being reviewed. Community feedback will be sought. Two incidents in Liberty Plaza over the Labor Day weekend have brought an increased police presence there. MDNR Trust Fund application resulted in a score of 375 points which indicates pretty much all of the points that could be scored. A. Kuras gave a presentation highlighting the important elements of the project to the MDNR Trust Fund Board. A lot of sprucing up opportunities in the parks. Burn program presentation at the downtown Library. Trick or Treat Paddle at Gallup Park is scheduled for October 18.

C. Smith gave an update on the PROS Plan Survey.

K REPORT FROM MANAGER OF FIELD OPERATIONS

L REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Rick's Run 5K scheduled at Gallup. Sponsors are welcome.

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

M1 [15-1149](#) Unaudited Review of FY2015 Financials and Update on FY2016 Year-to-Date

Attachments: FY2015 FORECAST - Summary - unaudited.pdf, FY2015 FORECAST - Variances - unaudited.pdf, FY2016 Revenue.pdf

C. Smith discussed the financials. Within 1 1/2% of budgeted revenue which is very good. Expenses are very close to budget, within .5%. B. Galardi noted congratulations should go to staff as part of the reason the numbers are as good as they are.

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N PUBLIC COMMENTARY - GENERAL (3 Minutes per Speaker)

O CLOSED SESSION

P TRANSMITTALS

P1 [15-1150](#) Park Planning Capital Project Update

Attachments: PAC Update 9-15.pdf

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P2 [15-1151](#) PAC Council Update September 2015

Attachments: PAC COUNCIL UPDATE 9 2015.pdf

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P3 [15-1152](#) Parks Project Status Table FY 2015-2016

Attachments: Parks_Project_Status_Table-FY2015-16.pdf

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Q ADJOURNMENT