



City of Ann Arbor

Formal Minutes

Park Advisory Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Tuesday, July 20, 2021

4:00 PM

Electronic Meeting

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1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Paige Morrison called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM

2 ROLL CALL

Spooner called the roll.

**Ruth Kraut attended the meeting electronically from Ypsilanti, MI
All other PAC members attended the meeting remotely from Ann Arbor, MI**

Staff Present:

Scott Spooner, City of Ann Arbor Deputy Parks and Recreation Manager

Becky Gajewski, NAP Stewardship Specialist

Adam Fercho, City of Ann Arbor Landscape Architect

Kristen Vander Lugt, Planning Staff

Present: 8 - Paige Morrison, Stephen Borgsdorf, Julie Grand, Praveena Ramaswami, Ruth L. Kraut, Rachel Skyllis, Anne Marsan, and Patti Smith

Absent: 1 - Lauren London

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved unanimously as presented.

4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4-A [21-1316](#) Minutes of the June 15, 2021 PAC Meeting

Attachments: 6-15-2021 PAC Minutes.pdf

Moved by Marsan, seconded by Kraut, approved unanimously as presented and forwarded to the City Council.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT (3 Minutes per Speaker)

Ellen Rabinowitz, 1231 Baldwin Ave, Ann Arbor requested increased opportunities for off leash play for dogs in city parks and provided suggestions.

Seeing no further callers, Chair Morrison closed Public Comment.

6 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

[21-1330](#) Supporting Pollinators in Ann Arbor's Parks

Attachments: Pollinator Handout for PAC July 2021.pdf, NAP Pollinator Presentation to PAC July 2021.pdf

7 REPORTS

7-A REPORT FROM PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGER

Spooner reported that most pools and liveries are open, river trips were canceled due to high water, and that golf courses are continuing a successful summer.

7-B REPORT FROM RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION

No report.

7-C REPORTS FROM RELEVANT COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND/OR TASKFORCES

Borgsdorf reported on the Center of the City task force continues to progress.

8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9 NEW BUSINESS

- 9-A** [21-1332](#) Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Contract with Laser Striping and Sport Surfacing to Convert One Tennis Court to Two Pickleball Courts While Renovating Both the Tennis Court and Basketball Court

Attachments: 2020_1007 PAC RESOLUTION PICKLEBALL_CREDIT .pdf, PAC - BURNS PARK COURTS.pdf, 2020 0910 Burns Park Tennis Court Survey Results with Comments.pdf

Moved by Marsan, seconded by Skylis, to approve the Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Contract with Laser Striping and Sport Surfacing to Convert One Tennis Court to Two Pickleball Courts While Renovating Both the Tennis Court and Basketball Court

On a roll call vote, the vote was as follows with the Chair declaring the motion passed.

Approved resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RECONFIGURING THE BURNS PARK TENNIS COURTS FROM FOUR TENNIS COURTS TO THREE TENNIS COURTS AND TWO PICKLEBALL COURTS

Whereas, Burns Park currently has four tennis courts that are in poor condition and need to be resurfaced,

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

Whereas, Leslie Park has the only dedicated pickleball courts in the City of Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation system,

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission approves reconfiguring the Burns Park Tennis Courts from four tennis courts to three tennis courts and two pickleball courts.

Yeas: 7 - Morrison, Borgsdorf, Councilmember Grand, Ramaswami, RAC Rep. Kraut, Skylis, Marsan, and RAC Rep. Smith

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - London

- 9-B** **21-1333** Resolution to Recommend Approval of the Fuller Park Parking Lot Land Lease with the University of Michigan

Attachments: PAC - FULLER_2021.pdf, Fuller Park Parking Lots Map .pdf, Fuller Park Lot Land lease 2021 draft.pdf

Moved by Smith, seconded by Kraut, to approve the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the Fuller Park Parking Lot Land Lease with the University of Michigan

On a roll call vote the vote was as follows with the Chair declaring the motion approved.

Approved resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE FULLER PARK PARKING LOT LAND LEASE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Whereas, On September 29, 1993, an agreement was entered into between the City of Ann Arbor and University of Michigan for the establishment and operation of a parking lot on City-owned property at Fuller Park, located south of Fuller Road;

Whereas, The parking lots north of Fuller Road have been leased to the University since 2009; Whereas, The lease generates significant revenue for the Parks & Recreation General Fund;

Whereas, It is the desire of the City and the University to continue the lease arrangement; and

Whereas, The term of the agreement shall be one year, with an option to administratively renew the lease for four additional one-year terms;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend that City Council approve the attached Fuller Park Parking Lot Land Lease with the University of Michigan (“Lease”).

Yeas: 7 - Morrison, Borgsdorf, Councilmember Grand, Ramaswami, RAC Rep. Kraut, Skylis, Marsan, and RAC Rep. Smith

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 - London

9-C Discussion on Extending the Winchell Park Renaming Committee Term

Moved by Kraut, seconded by Marsan, to extend the Winchell Park Renaming Committee until January 2022.

Unanimously approved.

10 COMMISSION PROPOSED BUSINESS**11 LAND ACQUISITION MATTERS**

Moved by Marsan seconded by Ramaswami to enter a closed session to discuss land acquisition matters at 4:56 PM.

Yeas: 6 - Morrison, Councilmember Grand, Ramaswami, RAC Rep. Kraut, Skylis, Marsan, and RAC Rep. Smith

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Borgsdorf, and London

LAND ACQUISITION MATTERS

Moved by Skylis, seconded by Ramaswami to exit the closed session at 5:16 PM

Yeas: 6 - Morrison, Councilmember Grand, Ramaswami, RAC Rep. Kraut, Skylis, Marsan, and RAC Rep. Smith

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Borgsdorf, and London

12 SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

Seeing no callers, Chair Morrison closed Public Comment.

13 COMMUNICATIONS**13-A [21-1334](#) Park Planning Capital Project Update**

Attachments: 2021-07 PAC Update.pdf

Received and Filed

13-B [21-1335](#) PAC Council Update

Attachments: PAC COUNCIL UPDATE 7_2021.pdf

Received and Filed

13-C [21-1336](#) Park Project Status Table

Attachments: Parks_Project_Status_Table-FY2021.pdf

Received and Filed

14 CLOSED SESSION**15 ADJOURNMENT**

Adjourned unanimously at 5:17 PM

Paige Morrison, Chairperson
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