

GREELEY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES – March 4, 2022

1. ROLL CALL

The Greeley Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met Friday, March 4, 2022 at 7:00am at the Greeley Recreation Center. Board members joining were: Scott McPherson, Clint Torczon, Monica Ramirez, Philip Fulcher, Louise Wilson and Vincente Vega Ruiz. Staff joining were: Kelly Snook (Interim Director of Culture, Parks, and Recreation), Eric Bloomer (Parks Superintendent), Scott Schuttenberg (Recreation Superintendent), Justin Scharton (Natural Areas and Trails Superintendent), Becky Safarik (Interim Community Development Director/Interim Deputy City Manager), Alex Reaves (Recreation Program Manager), Mark Mann (Recreation Program Manager, and Nancy Milton (Office Manager).

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No changes

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – A motion was made by Scott McPherson to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Monica Ramirez and passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC INPUT

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS – Art Commission: No report

6. STAFF REPORTS

Justin Scharton

- The City is within about 30 days of acquiring the Shurview property. The property, which is just under 1,000 acres, will double our acreage. We have had some great partners involved in the transaction including the Town of Windsor and the Trust for Public Land. The purchase price of \$8.5 million is being funded by the City of Greeley along with a grant from both the Land & Water Conservation Fund and Great Outdoors Colorado, as well as the Town of Windsor. The goal is to get folks out on the site by this summer.
- City Council has adopted the name of Campo Esperanza Natural Area as recommended by the Board.

Eric Bloomer

- Staff were at Bittersweet yesterday surveying park users and staff will be out there again next Saturday (weather dependent). The survey is also available on the City's website.
- Park shelter restrooms will be open starting in May.

Scott Schuttenberg

- Scott introduced Alex Reaves and Mark Mann who are the Recreation Division's two new Program Managers and each gave an overview of their areas of management.
- Staff are gearing up to open the outdoor pools and will be hiring 80-90 lifeguards. We are also offering several Lifeguard Training classes to get interested individuals trained and certified.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to serve on the Arts Commission: This item will be discussed at a future meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Special District for Parks & Recreation: Becky Safarik presented to the Board, a presentation that has been made to City Council. A landowner desires to create a Special Parks and Recreation District east of US Hwy 85 adjacent to the Cache la Poudre River and capture property tax and oil/gas revenues in order to create a greenway corridor with natural area amenities, extension of the Poudre Trail and features complementary to the flood plain area. City Council indicated that they are open to the concept and have directed staff to prepare a municipal code amendment to allow consideration of a Parks and Recreation District.
- B. Naming of Park for Westgate Subdivision: Eric Bloomer reviewed the background and naming suggestions for the park. A motion was made by Louise Wilson to recommend approval of permanently naming the Park under development in the Westgate Subdivision Red Tail Park as presented by staff. The motion was seconded by Scott McPherson and passed 6-0.
- C. Naming of Second Park Site for Promontory Subdivision: Eric Bloomer reviewed the background and naming suggestions for the park. A motion was made by Clint Torczon to recommend approval of permanently naming the Park under development at Promontory Subdivision Longs View Park as presented by staff. The motion was seconded by Philip Fulcher and passed 6-0.
- D. Proposed Memorial and Naming Policies: Justin Scharton explained that a Department-wide team has worked to consolidate a variety of memorial and naming policies used by the various divisions within CPRD, to develop drafts for both memorial and naming policies. A motion was made by Scott McPherson to recommend adoption of the Memorial Donation policy as drafted. The motion was seconded by Vicente Vega Ruiz and passed 6-0. Scott McPherson also made a motion to recommend adoption of the Naming Policy as drafted. The motion was seconded by Monica Ramirez and passed 6-0.

9. UPCOMING AGENDAS

- Election of Board Chair and Vice Chair

10. NEXT MEETING – The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 1 at 7am.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 8:30am.

Respectfully submitted:

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Scott McPherson

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Scott McPherson, Chair

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Nancy Milton

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