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Meeting Minutes - Approved TASK FORCE ON MUNICIPAL GOLF IN MADISON PARKS

Monday, June 29, 2020

6:00 PM

Via Virtual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Task Force on Municipal Golf in Madison Parks was held via Virtual Meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, June 29, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Bill Barker; Ald. Zachary Henak; James Kopp; Katie Krueger; Noah Lopez; Chandra Miller Fienen; and Raymond Shane; Daniel Steinbring; and Veronica Vega.

Members Absent: None.

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Lisa Laschinger; Ryan Brinza; Theran Steindl; and Liz Levy.

City Staff Present: Katie Crawley, Mayor's Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Krueger, Seconded by Shane, to Approve the Minutes of the May 18, 2020 Task Force on Municipal Golf in Madison Parks meeting.

Motion made by Henak, Seconded by Kopp, to amend the previous motion to include a summary of the discussion of item #59227 which informed the draft report and Refer the Minutes of May 18, 2020 to the next Task Force on Municipal Golf in Madison Parks meeting.

Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Registered Speaker Albrecht Karle shared recent statistics on golf course usage.

Registrant Phil Liautaud registered in support.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

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Partnership Presentation --- First Tee of South Central Wisconsin

Registrant Gary Steingraber registered.

Registrant Joe Sylvester registered in support.

Ashlyn Mehlhaff presented on the First Tee of South Central Wisconsin and answered questions from Task Force members regarding the program and possible future plans.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[58296](#)

Community Engagement and Input

Registered Speaker Linda Bellman voiced questions regarding the result of a previous Board of Parks Commissioners vote on golf finances.

Registrant Esther Nakagaki registered in opposition.

Registrant Duane Hunter registered in opposition.

Registrant Mark Brylski registered.

Registrant Jim K registered.

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Task Force Deliberation, Discussion, and Possible Recommendations

Registrant Patrick Schommer registered in support.

Registrant Bob Pederson registered in opposition.

Registrant Jocelyn Borchardt registered.

Registrant Adam Shelton registered.

Superintendent Eric Knepp presented the draft report, including possible recommendations based on past Task Force discussion.

Task Force Chair Bill Barker disclosed that in his current position as Dean of Agriculture, he oversees OJ Noer Research Facility, but he has not had any conversation about the recommendation relating to the facility.

The Task Force members discussed a number of items relating to the golf program, with staff providing answers to questions. Major items of discussion are as follows:

- Requested for additional background on the Enterprise Fund to be included in the Operations section of the draft report. This would include data on the impact of city policies on the golf program.
- The Enterprise Fund Model and whether it is in opposition to the mission of accessible community golf.

Motion made by Henak, Seconded by Krueger, to move to Accept the recommendation that the City should update the mission of the golf program to focus it clearly on affordable and accessible golf.

Motion made by Henak, Seconded by Shane, to Table the previous motion.

Motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Kopp, Seconded by Miller Fienen, to Adjourn at 8:02 PM.

Motion passed by voice vote/other.