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Meeting Minutes - Draft FACILITIES PROGRAMS AND FEES SUBCOMMITTEE (Parks)

Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, September 15, 2025

4:00 PM

VIRTUAL

1 CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Facilities, Programs and Fees Subcommittee was held Virtually at 4:00 PM on September 15, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 4:08 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Carrie Braxton; Jim Kopp; Catie McDonald; and Amber Wiza.

Members Excused: Mitchell Knight.

Parks Staff Present: Lisa Laschinger; CJ Ryan; Tanya Zastrow; Zach Watson; Joanne Austin; Tracey Hartley; Paige Funkhouser; Dave Vetrovec; John Weichelt; Kelly Post; Kevin Goke; Chad Hughes; Steve Dray; Jamie Pratt; and Nicole Miller.

2 87566 Approval of the Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Facilities, Programs and Fees Subcommittee.

Motion made by Wiza, seconded by McDonald, to Approve the Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Facilities, Programs and Fees Subcommittee meeting. Kopp abstained so Braxton voted to carry the motion. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

3 88372 Public Comment

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

4 Disclosures and Recusals

None.

5 90024 Electing Carrie Braxton as Chair of the Facilities, Programs and Fees Subcommittee

Carrie Braxton and new member Jim Kopp gave their backgrounds and qualifications.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to Approve the Election of Carrie Braxton to Chair of the Facilities, Programs and Fees Subcommittee. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

6 [89967](#) 2026 Proposed WPCRC Fees

Warner Park Community Recreation Center Director Zach Watson presented the Proposed 2026 Fees and answered questions.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other with Kopp abstaining, therefore Braxton voting.

7 [89919](#) 2026 Proposed Forest Hill Cemetery Fees

Operations Manager Chad Hughes presented the Proposed 2026 Forest Hill Cemetery Fees and answered questions.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

8 [89964](#) 2026 Proposed Athletic Fees

Customer Services Supervisor Joanne Austin presented the Proposed 2026 Athletic Fees and answered questions. Athletics Coordinator and Customer Service Lead Kevin Goke was also available to answer questions.

Motion made by Kopp, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

9 [89965](#) 2026 Proposed Shelter Fees

Austin presented the Proposed 2026 Shelter Fees and was available to answer questions.

Motion made by Wiza, seconded by McDonald, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

10 [89966](#) 2026 Proposed Park Division Fees - Mooring; Watercraft Storage; Violation Ranges; Disc Golf, Dog Park, Lake Access, and Cross Country Ski Permits

Austin presented the Proposed 2026 Park Division Fees for Mooring; Watercraft Storage; Violation Ranges; Disc Golf, Dog Park, Lake Access, and Cross Country Skiing permit and was available to answer questions.

Motion made by Kopp, seconded by McDonald, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

11 [89968](#) 2026 Proposed Aquatics Fees

Recreation Services Coordinator Tracey Hartley presented the Proposed 2026 Aquatics Fees and was available to answer questions.

Motion made by Wiza, seconded by Kopp, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

12 [89969](#) 2026 Proposed Recreation Services Fees

Hartley presented the Recreation Services Fees and answered questions.

Motion made by Wiza, seconded by Kopp, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

13 [90016](#) 2026 Proposed Special Event Fees

Park and Street Use Events Supervisor Kelly Post presented the Proposed 2026 Special Event Fees and answered questions.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

14 [89980](#) 2026-2027 Proposed Olbrich Gardens Fee Changes

Olbrich Botanical Gardens Director Tanya Zastrow introduced Paige Funkhouser, the new Private Events Coordinator and presented the Proposed 2026-2027 Olbrich Gardens Fee Changes.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

15 [89922](#) 2026 Proposed Golf Fees

Golf Director Dave Vetrovec presented the Proposed 2026 Golf Fees and answered questions.

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Wiza, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING WITH THE CHANGE THAT THE PERSONAL GOLF CART CHARGE REMAIN \$250 FOR 2026. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

16 [88376](#) Approving Golf Guidelines and Standards

Vetrovec presented changes made to the Golf Guidelines and Standards and answered questions.

Motion made by Kopp, seconded by McDonald, to RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO THE 10/8/25 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS MEETING WITH A CHANGE ON PAGE 3, #8, THAT THE SENTENCE "AT DIRECTION OF CLUBHOUSE STAFF" BE ADDED TO THE END. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

17 [89244](#) Recommending Approval on Amendments to Friends Group Rules and Guidelines

Volunteer Coordinator John Weichelt gave a summary.

Motion made by Wiza, seconded by Kopp, to Approve the Amendments.

18 [90025](#) Approving the meeting format of the October 6, 2026 meeting.

Motion made by Kopp, seconded by Wiza, to Approve that the October 6, 2025 meeting be held Virtually. Motion made by voice vote/other.

19 **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Kopp, to Adjourn at 6:19 PM. Motion passed by voice vote/other.