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Meeting Minutes - Draft BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Wednesday, November 8, 2023

6:30 PM

VIRTUAL

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held virtually at 6:30PM on Wednesday, November 8, 2023. President Harrington called the meeting to order at 6:32PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed. Members Present: Ald. Yanette Figueroa Cole; Moira Harrington; Catie McDonald; Chandra Miller Fienen; Ald. Charles Myadze; Michelle Probst; and Ben Williams.

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Lisa Laschinger; CJ Ryan; Kelly Post; and Ann Shea.

City Staff Present: Kirstie Laatsch, City Planning.

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Approval of the Minutes of the October 11, 2023 Board of Park Commissioners meeting.

Motion made by Myadze, seconded by McDonald, to Approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2023 Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

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Public Comment

There were no registrants for Public Comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS

[80681](#)

President of the Park Commission

President Harrington provided overview of climate change, highlighting points presented in the 2021 Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Report.

Superintendent of Parks

Superintendent Eric Knepp provided the Superintendent Report. Highlighted progress made towards achieving full staffing levels across the Parks Division, events returning to pre-pandemic levels, Golf wrapping up the season, and transitioning of the seasons across the Parks system.

80661 November 2023 Superintendent's Report

Public Information Officer Ann Shea gave the Public Information Office quarterly report.

Motion made by Myadze, seconded by Miller Fienen, to Accept the Report.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS**80682** Informational Presentation of 2023 Amendments to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan

Kirstie Laatsch of City Planning provided an informational presentation of updates that are proposed to the City's Comprehensive Plan and was available to answer questions. The Comprehensive Plan can be viewed at <https://plans.cityofmadison.com/comprehensive-planhome-page>

80690 Approving Proposed 2024 Board of Park Commissioners meeting Schedule and Format

Motion made by Myadze, seconded by McDonald, to Approve the proposed dates and have the first meeting of each quarter be in person at the Parks Division Lakeside Offices, except for the 3rd quarter, which will be a tour (location TBD), and with all other meetings being virtual. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

80689 Informational Presentation of Golf Enterprise Program Overview

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Laschinger provided an overview of the Golf Enterprise program as the 2023 season is nearing a close and answered questions.

80688 Informational Update on the Imagination Center at Reindahl Park

Assistant Superintendent CJ Ryan provided an informational presentation and status update of the Imagination Center at Reindahl Park and answered questions.

Moira Harrington lost connection at approximately 8:30 PM, rejoined at 8:37 PM, and lost connection again at approximately 8:41 PM. Quorum was maintained during her absences:

Members Present: 6 – Ald. Yanette Figueroa Cole; Catie McDonald; Ald. Charles Myadze; Chandra Miller Fienen; Michelle Probst; and Ben Williams.
Members Excused: 1 - Moira Harrington.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by McDonald, seconded by Williams, to Adjourn at 8:43 PM.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.