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Meeting Minutes - Approved BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

6:30 PM

Warner Park Community Recreation Center
1625 Northport Dr.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at Warner Park Community Recreation Center. President Leopold called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM. A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Members Present: Emily Gnam; Moira Harrington; Madelyn Leopold; Nancy Ragland; and Venus Washington.

Members Excused: Ald. Samba Baldeh and Ald. Maurice Cheeks.

Parks Staff Present: Eric Knepp; Kay Rutledge; Lisa Laschinger; Claire Oleksiak; Ann Freiwald; Terrence Thompson; Sarah Close; and Joanne Austin.
City Staff Present: Dan McAuliffe, City Planning.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Ragland, seconded by Gnam, to Approve the Minutes of the October 24, 2018 Board of Park Commissioners meeting. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Registered Speaker Vue Vang of Madison Area Radio Control Racing spoke about park use for his organization.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

REPORTS

President of the Park Commission

President Madelyn Leopold attended the Parks Foundation Strategic Planning Retreat. She hopes to encourage further collaboration between the Parks Division and the Parks Foundation.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Eric Knepp reviewed upcoming commission items: the James Madison Park Masterplan; recommendations of the Urban Forestry Task Force and the Integrated Pest Management Task Force; the effect of flooding on the 2018 golf season; and policy regarding dogs in parks.

53690

Superintendent's November 2018 Report

Parks Community Services Manager Claire Oleksiak presented an overview of the Community Services quarterly report. Assistant Parks Superintendent Lisa Lashinger presented an overview of the Olbrich Gardens quarterly report.

Motion made by Harrington, seconded by Ragland, to Accept the Report.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Ragland, to Approve by Consent Agenda No. 9, Legislative File No. 53597. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

53597

Authorizing the City of Madison's Mayor and Clerk to grant a Permanent Limited Easement for Public Water Main Purposes to the City of Fitchburg over a portion of Huegel Park located at 5902 Williamsburg Way. (20th A.D.)

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Ragland, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

53595

Request from Madison Starlings Volleyball Club to use Warner Park Community Recreation Center for practices and games for the 2018-2019 season under conditions of attached Fee Modification Agreement.

Warner Park Community Recreation Center Facility Manager Terrence Thompson presented the mission and history of the Madison Starlings.

Registered Speaker Liz Wessel of the Madison Starlings spoke in support.

Motion made by Washington, seconded by Harrington, to Approve. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

53685

Update to the Request from Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District for the installation and maintenance of a sanitary line through Reindahl Park.

Jen Hurlebaus of Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District presented an updated timetable and route of the installation in Reindahl Park, which will protect high value trees. Ms. Hurlebaus confirmed that the design and bid documents would be reviewed by Parks staff and meet standards for Public Works construction, and that MMSD would construct and pave the trails and parking lot near the garden.

[53472](#)

Adopting the Milwaukee Street Special Area Plan as a Supplement to the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan.

Registered Speaker Matthew Miller spoke regarding Voit Pond.

Registered Speaker Lance Green spoke regarding Starkweather Creek.

Registered Speaker Martin Bailkey of the Madison Food Policy Council spoke in support.

City of Madison Planner Dan McAuliffe presented the Milwaukee Street Special Area Plan.

Motion made by Harrington, seconded by Ragland, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval with the following recommendations to the PLAN COMMISSION. Motion passed by voice vote/other.

1. **Public Parks (p. 10) – revise last two sentences in this paragraph to state:**

“North of Milwaukee Street, the Parks Division owns parkland that was acquired through the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program. This land is deed-restricted for outdoor recreation purposes only and is currently classified as a conservation park. See Map 9 on page 12.”

2. **Modify Map 9: Future Land Use and Street Plan (page 12) to differentiate between existing parkland, new parkland, existing open space and potential new open space held by City Engineering. Most of the property held by City Engineering consists of wetlands and floodplain and would not be suitable for urban agriculture.**

3. **Green & Resilient (p. 25), Recommendation 3, revise as follows:**

“Uses for new parkland should include both passive and active recreation opportunities and consider the ideas identified on p. 15 when developing plans for future park and open spaces.”

[53686](#)

Framework for RFPs for Recreation Enhancements in Madison Parks

Registered Speaker Alex Saloutos spoke regarding policy for agreements in park spaces.

Community Services Manager Claire Oleksiak provided an overview of the purpose and criteria for selecting recreational enhancements.

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Amending Section 41.09 of the Madison General Ordinances to clarify when a certificate of appropriateness is required under Sec. 41.09 of the Historic Preservation Ordinance at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Laschinger presented updates to the Historic Preservation Ordinance.

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Harrington to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the LANDMARKS COMMISSION. Motion passed by voice vote/other

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Gnam, seconded by Washington, to Adjourn at 8:42 PM.
Motion passed by voice vote/other.