

City of Renton

Board of Park Commissioners



Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2014

4:30 p.m. – City Hall – 7th Floor Conferencing Center

I. CALL TO ORDER

In Attendance

The following members were present:

Members: Cynthia Burns, Mike O'Donin, Al Dieckman, Larry Reymann,
Tim Searing, Marlene Winter, Troy Wigstrand

Staff: Sandy Pilat, Leslie Betlach, Kelly Beymer, Casey Stanley, Kris Stimpson,
Peter Renner, Doug Jacobsen

Chair, Cynthia Burns, called the November 4, 2014, meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Roll call was taken; all members were present with the exception of Sojin Thompson.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mike O'Donin made a motion seconded by Al Dieckman to approve the November agenda as presented. All were in favor, motion carried.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Larry Reymann made a motion to approve the October minutes with the note of mentioning a homeless camp present under I-405 by May Creek (Kelly Beymer noted it has since been removed). The motion was seconded by Marlene Winter. All were in favor, motion carried, the October 2014 minutes were approved.

IV. BOARD COMMUNICATION

City Center Plan—Mike O'Donin

Mike reported the Committee will be meeting this upcoming Thursday (November 6th).

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Lake Washington Blvd. Private Development Traffic Impacts— Doug Jacobsen, Deputy Public Works Administrator

Doug reviewed the numerous projects on the horizon and necessary mitigation improvements to lessen traffic impacts. Upcoming projects include the Southport Hotel, Renton Hotel, Kenneydale mixed-use, Southport office, and Quendall terminals. All the projects result in an estimated vehicle trip generation of over 2,000 vehicles during the P.M. peak hours. Staff continues to study intersections and potential developments to find solutions to the increased traffic. Some improvements include a traffic signal at Gene Coulon Park/Lake Washington Blvd. N. intersection; a right turn lane and traffic signal at NE 44th St/I-405 northbound ramp intersection. To accommodate the Southport office, change the NE 44th St/I-405 southbound ramp intersection to all-way stop control; widen Lake Washington Blvd. N. to two lanes in each direction between N. Park Drive and Gene Coulon Park; re-channel the eastbound approach at the Gene Coulon Park/Lake Washington Blvd. N. intersection to a shared left-turn/through lane and an exclusive right-turn lane, construct a second access to connect with Logan Avenue N. The Quendall Terminals will warrant construction of a traffic signal at N. 43rd Street/Lake Washington Blvd N. intersection and an internal road east of the development site to connect N.43rd Street to Seahawks Way.

The schedule of July thru September has been utilized for negotiation and execution of the design contract; October thru June of 2015 will be public outreach coupled with preparation of plans and bid documents; and late summer to fall of 2015 will be construction.

Library Update—Peter Renner

Peter shared numerous photos of the on-going library construction. He noted everything has been going smoothly except the pile cap where we had a sizeable change order for concrete removals.

Summer Wrap-up

Recreation and Neighborhood, Resources and Events did a presentation summarizing their summer programs. They reviewed the statistics for participants and corresponding revenue for camps. The summer aquatic programs highlighted the new play structure, lifejacket loaner program and noted attendance for the pool as well as swim lessons and pass card sales.

The summer special events included approximately 20 events co-sponsored with KCLS. We utilized Coulon Park this year for the fun and films program. The Pooch Plunge set record numbers.

Upcoming special events include the Hassle Free Holiday Bazaar, the Thanksgiving Dinner at the Renton Senior Activity Center, Clam Lights, K9 Candy Cane 5K Fun Run, the Renton City Concert Band and Youth Symphony, and the Polar Bear Dip on New Year's Day.

The Neighborhood Program had eight project grants requesting \$44,970. Twelve mini grants were awarded in the amount of \$5,990 and 20 picnics were held servicing 4,000 people.

This year's Farmers Market operated for 18 weeks and had an attendance of approximately 48,850. They had approximately 55 vendors each day and donated 3,344 pounds of food with total sales for the season of \$171,150.

The Summer Lunch Program offered 20 sites and operated on a partnership between non-profits, the school district and Community Services. In eight weeks 23,895 children were served. Our scholarship program awarded 247 individuals with scholarships. We had eight volunteer parks project utilizing 188 volunteers for over 400 hours of service

V. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mike O'Donin and seconded by Larry Reymann to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. All were in favor, motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Signature

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

December 15, 2014 @ 5:00 P.M.

Renton History Museum

