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Meeting Minutes - Final

Board of Park, Recreation and Cultural Services

Christina Mueller
Alderman Jason Meekma
Keith Hemmig
Roy Carter
Melissa Kaprelian-Becker
Amy Schaal
Kristen Kaprelian
Malik Frazier
Christopher Bogan
Alderman Mary Land

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

5:15 PM

City Hall Annex, Room 130

Call To Order

Chair Kaprelian called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Staff present: Tom Molbeck, Mike Willis, Becky Spika

Guests present: Alderman Sandy Weidner, Alderman Steve Smetana

Approval of Minutes for the September 13, 2017 Meeting

A motion was made by Mueller, seconded by Hemmig, to Approve the Minutes

Public Input

There was no public input.

[998-17](#)

Subject: Zoological Report

Attachments: [Zoological Report October 2017](#)

Received and Filed

[999-17](#)

Subject: Director's Report

Attachments: [Director's Report October 2017](#)

Deferred to November meeting due to meeting time constraint.

A motion was made by Kaprelian, seconded by Mueller, that this file be Deferred

[842-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Aldermen from the 5th and 6th Districts on August 24, 2017 requesting the development and implementation of a formal policy for citizen donations of park benches to parks and other public spaces.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on September 13, 2017: To Receive and File the communication from the Aldermen from the 5th and 6th Districts on August 24, 2017 requesting the development and implementation of a formal policy for citizen donations of park benches to parks and other public spaces.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on October 11, 2017: To defer the communication pending a proposal by the Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services.

Fiscal Note: NA

Attachments: [Smetana Weidner ParkBenchDonationPolicy](#)

Alderman Weidner asked for consideration of a formal policy and procedure for park bench donations to be made available to the public through the internet. Several examples of community donation publications were distributed. PRCS Administration was asked to present a park bench donation proposal to the board at a future meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Meekma, seconded by Kaprelian-Becker, that this Communication be Deferred. The motion PASSED by the following vote:

AYES: 5 - Christina Mueller, Jason Meekma, Keith Hemmig, Roy Carter and Malik Frazier

NOES: 3 - Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Kristen Kaprelian and Christopher Bogan

EXCUSED: 1 - Mary Land

RECUSED: 1 - Amy Schaal

[843-17](#)

Subject: Communication from the Aldermen from the 5th and 6th Districts on August 24, 2017 requesting removal of vegetation, weeds, and invasive trees along the bike trail abutting the overlook area on 6th Street and the bike trails north of the Zoo at the lake front.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on September 13, 2017: To Receive and File the communication from the Aldermen from the 5th and 6th Districts on August 24, 2017 requesting removal of vegetation, weeds, and invasive trees along the bike trail abutting the overlook area on 6th Street and the bike trails north of the Zoo at the lake front.

Recommendation of the Board of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services on October 11, 2017: To Receive and File the communication from the Aldermen from the 5th and 6th Districts on August 24, 2017 requesting removal of vegetation, weeds, and invasive trees along the bike trail abutting the overlook area on 6th Street and the bike trails north of the Zoo at the lake front.

Fiscal Note: NA

Attachments: [Smetana_Weidner_BikeTrailVegetationRemoval](#)

Alderman Smetana spoke on behalf of the residents in the effected areas. Tom Molbeck provided historical and current information on procedures and on plans for the future.

A motion was made by Kaprelian-Becker, seconded by Kaprelian, that this file be Recommended to be Received and Filed

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

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