

PARKS COMMISSION
Thursday, November 1, 2012
Public Services
55 Portland Street
5:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Commission Members: Steve Morgenstein, Travis Wagner, Jeff Scher, Cynthia Loebenstein, Diane Davidson, Ralph Carmona, Kirk Goodhue, Jaime Parker

City Staff: Troy Moon, Mike Bobinsky, Melissa Graffam, Rick Knowland

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget Priorities – CIP and Operating Budget Priorities

Troy Moon handed out a list of potential 2014 CIP requests that would impact the parks and cemeteries (copy of list is attached).

Green Space Gathering - 2013

The date for next year's 4th Annual Green Space Gathering will be on April 4, 2013 from 6pm to 8pm. We are hoping to be able to hold the event at the Ocean Avenue School. Confirmation has not been received at this time. The Commission will be looking for a possible keynote speaker for this event. More information and details will be worked on in the next couple of months.

OLD BUSINESS

Acceptance of Meeting Minutes from October 2012

Meeting minutes were accepted.

Signs – Scope of Work for Review and Design Consultant

With this on-going topic, the Commission discussed how when we get an inventory of the signs in the parks, we will need to coordinate with all city departments who have a stake in what goes in the parks (etc. Police, Recreation, Schools and Public Services). The Commission is looking to have a "brand" for our parks to make the signs all inclusive. Jaime Parker suggested that we pick a park to be the "pilot" project. Commission members will be taking pictures of the signs that are in certain parks and report back at the next month's meeting.

REPORTS, PROJECTS AND TIMELINES

Community Garden Working Group

Troy Moon mentioned that they still has one more meeting and will report back to the Commission at another meeting date.

Public Art Discussion

The proposal for the temporary art sculptures to be placed at the Eastern Prom was denied. Diane Davison found out that this request should have gone to Public Arts Commission prior to meeting with the Historic Preservation Board. Diane said that she would like to invite the Public Arts Commission to a future meeting to discuss public art.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.