

Parks Committee

City of Roeland Park
Draft Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 9th, 2016
Roeland Park City Hall

Attendees

-Committee members and liaisons- Corey Coe, Becky Fast (Council Liaison), Pat Frankin, Jennifer Provyn, Tyler Steele, Erin Thompson (Council Liaison), Kathleen Whitworth

-Absent: Chris Burt, Jan Grebe, Jose Leon (Public Works Advisor)

-Guests-Gretchen Davis and Sara Coe (Citizens Fund Raising Initiative for R Park), Todd, Austin and Ian Zimmer RP residents

Call to Order by Jennifer Provyn

Approval of Minutes: January and February, 2016 meeting minutes approved

- **2016 available funds for Parks Committee**
 - \$1253 in Parks budget

Old Business

Action items completed

- Custom Recycle lid funding for an existing unit in storage has been secured through Sustainability (\$200, Donors \$505) Order placed 3/14/2016 with delivery in 6-8 weeks
- Jennifer and Kathleen met with the Arts Committee to invite them to participate in Arbor Day. Decision expected after 3/16 Arts Meeting.
 - In addition Arts assumed ownership of addressing Granada Art stones in disrepair and developing a unique way to identify new recycle container in R Park.
 - Arts is asking for Parks help for Music under the Stars event on 7/22/2016. Help needed revolves around keeping kids busy during event.

Resident voices

- The Zimmer family Todd, Austin and Ian spoke in strong support of a tennis court in R Park. They currently play tennis and would use and appreciate a tennis court within the city so that they could play more often. It was important to them and would promote healthy family fun.
- A concern that there are not adequate dog bins in R Park was raised. It was suggested that one in each of the four corners of the park would better serve the park taking the one out of the middle of the park and away from the picnic tables
- It was suggested that additional baby swings be incorporated in R Park as mothers with babies are waiting for swings.

New Business

- **New Action items**
 - Committee needs to provide direction to Citizens Fund Raising Initiative team as to next target. Options discussed include R Park tennis Court and/or Medium sized shelter. More discussion needed
 - A detailed review of R Park quadrants is needed
 - Jennifer to research funding and commitment for R Park drinking fountain Funding will come from Citizens Fund raising Initiative (Fountain), Jahn Duncan (plumbing, pad and hookup), Water One (1" pipe from main and backflow preventer) City (\$1K approved for unexpected cost).
 - Work to start in April, 2016.
 - Jennifer to update Council on 3/21/2016 on drinking fountain and Parks budget recommendations for 2016/17/
 - All committee members need to research bench options for Carpenter and Granada Park to be reviewed and discussed at a future meeting
 - Need to send thank you notes to Sustainability, Jan Grebe and Megan England and spouse for Recycle Lid

- **Review of benches for Carpenter and Granada Park**
 - A brief look at options provided by Public Works were reviewed however more time will be taken in a future meeting to discuss
- **2016/17 Budget discussion from capital expenditures**
 - \$48,563 allotted in 2016 budget for Park improvements
 - Priorities and recommendations developed and depicted in draft presentation reviewed at meeting. Final to be presented to Council on 03/21/2016
- **Arbor Day- 04/30/2016 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM**
 - Flyer in Development-Kathleen & Jennifer
 - Insert into Roeland Parker-Completed
 - Bicycle Safety-Tyler
 - Soccer-Jennifer?
 - Bake Sale-Gretchen and team
 - PV Post and Mission publication-Kathleen
 - Arts Committee participation-pending
 - Sustainability participation-???
- **Open Action Items from previous meetings**
 - February meeting with Boulevard Apartments had to be rescheduled to March. Easement for multi-use track trail is one of the items to be discussed. Keith, Jose and Becky to attend
 - Donor policy-Where is this?
 - Tree plan for R Park-What is status on preferred tree list and placement?
 - Memorial tree program-Status and donor costs?
 - Where will R Park Recycle bin be located within R Park? No depiction in current plan.

Motions Approved

- Meeting adjournment

Other Matters/Reminders/Announcements

- **Future Citizen's Fundraising Events**
 - June, 2016 Soccer Clinic
 - Pirate Day-June 6th AM prior to City Wide Block Party
 - October 15th "Chili and Country Music" RPCC 6-9PM
- **Future Arts Committee Events**
 - Music under the Stars July22nd, RP Community Center
- **Future Events Committee Events**
 - Easter Egg Hunt-3/26/2016 @ Nall Park
 - Citywide Block Party-6/04/2016 @R Park
 - Barktoberfest October? date in question due to conflict

Parks Committee Meetings

Next Regular Committee Meeting: Wednesday, April 14th, 2016 6:00 PM City Hall