

**CITY OF ISSAQUAH
Park Board**

7:00 PM
October 25, 2021

DRAFT MINUTES

Virtual Meeting

BOARD AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Alternate Meeting Format: On March 6, 2020 the Mayor declared a civil emergency due to the outbreak of novel coronavirus (COVID-19). On March 24, 2020 the Governor issued Proclamation 20-28 relating to the COVID-19 emergency and open public meetings. The proclamation has been extended. Due to these factors, the meeting was held using a remote meeting platform.

Board Members:

Bradley Book
Chris Kovac (Excused)
Ruben Nieto
Jeremy Noble (Excused)
Jonathan Richardson
Carl Riess
Linda Whitworth
Danielle Wolfrom Githens
Zachary Szablewski
Marlene Waxse
Ryan Reamy, Youth Rep
Vacant

Administration/Staff:

Jeff Watling, Parks Director
Milissa Ching, Department Operations
Specialist
Minnie Dhaliwal,
John Mortenson,

Due to the Governor's Proclamation 20-28 related to the COVID-19 emergency and open public meetings, this meeting is being held remotely.

Join by Computer

- Webex Events [attendee meeting link](#)
- If needed, meeting password is 98027
- Access [Webex Guidelines](#)

Join by Phone

- Call 1-206-207-1700, enter meeting number (access code) 2484 914 7283#

Other Listening Options

- Stream online: issaquahwa.gov/ictv
- Youtube live: issaquahwa.gov/live
- Comcast Channel: ICTV 21

If planning to make verbal comments, please email milissac@issaquahwa.gov.
Submit written comments to parkboard@issaquahwa.gov.

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of September 27, 2021.
Book approved the minutes as written.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Kappler: Comments regarding the trails around the City. The majority of use is for residents. Not to get caught up on which trails are part of the greenway. MTS trail on Newport potentially. Lots of work to be done on the trails.

Connie Marsh: Graded trail through town. MTS Greenway trail has a specific identity and brings tourists to town. Linked and confident walkway through town. We have a lot of trails, but no easy way to navigate the way through town. Wants a public conversation about what a public trail should mean and where it should be located in Issaquah.

Newport Way and Title 18 regarding greenness of town and when it is green. What kind of a canopy do we need to have? Questions regarding needs for planting strips. Can we keep mature trees and bump out the curb to preserve existing canopy? How are cars, bikes and peds going to cross the road safely? Absence of legal crossings.

Title 18 asks Park Board members to speak their hearts on what they feel the greenery and parking of the City should be. Discussion about how to create a system.

REGULAR BUSINESSa) **Title 18 - City Code Update, (I), (D)**

Presented by:

Minnie Dhaliwal, Community Planning & Development Director

Watling talked about the three tools regarding building and managing infrastructure. No one tool can do it all.

- Capital Investment
- Operational Resources
- City Code

Watling reviewed the questions shared by Dhaliwal and asked the board to discuss how can the City code play a roll in helping that happen.

Dhaliwal shared visual examples of how Title 18 code was implemented in different developments around town. Codes can translate the vision into reality.

She provided why the Park Board is being asked to help with updating the Title 18 code and how they can consider the three tools Watling described.

The Park Board discussed how they envision the City Code being updated and asked questions as well:

- Park Impact Fees
- Sidewalk design
- Intentional parks, not just left over, undevelopable land
- Parks within walking distance
- How much park space and size based on density
- Native Plants
- Canopy quality

Newport Way – Maple to Sunset design standard, (I), (D)

Presented by:

John Mortenson, PW Transportation Engineering Manager

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Mortenson shared a presentation on Newport Way

- See presentation for details.

The park board engaged in discussion and asked clarifying questions.

Rules and Regulations update, (A)

Presented by:

Jeff Watling, Parks and Community Services Director

Watling reviewed the proposed updates to the Rules and Regulations.

Book opened for questions.

- Days for providing materials
- Public participation requirement, address being provided
- Further review of the Rules and Regulations can be assessed in the future

Githens Motioned to approve the proposed updates, Waxe Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Anchor Parks update, (I), (D)

Presented by:

Jennifer Fink, Park Planner and Project Administrator

Please see presentation for details.

Kick off in November. Park Board thoughts on re-launching the work and sequencing on the projects.

Park Board discussed their excitement of these projects

Dog Park Tour update, (I)

Presented by:

Jennifer Fink, Park Planner and Project Administrator

REPORTS

- a) Director's Report
- King County Health Order for Recreation Facilities, Vaccine verification

- b) Chairperson's Report
- Adhoc meeting update
 - Revenue sources
 - Metro Park District

Youth Report

- New Youth Rep
- Upcoming Events

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJORNMENT 9:10 PM