



MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023, 5:00 PM

In person at City Hall, Room 207.

Virtual attendance is also available via Zoom.

AMENDED

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84314784824?pwd=THBkd mRwTl k4MG5DV3hhbC9xVDhXdz09>

Or call in by phone: +1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 843 1478 4824

Passcode: 278667

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B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Ald. Chris Wery - Committee Chair, Ald. Steven Campbell - Committee Vice Chair, Ald. Mark Steuer, Ald. Melinda Eck

Excused: None

Others Present: Director Dan Ditscheit

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a Change Order for \$12,500 for additional engineering work associated with the stormwater management and trail design for Olde Preble Park.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to approve a Change Order for \$12,500 for additional engineering work associated with the stormwater management and trail design for Olde Preble Park.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

2. Consideration with possible action on the request by the Astor Neighborhood Association and Astor East River Neighborhood Association to apply for a mini-grant for the purchase and installation of a furnace for the Astor Park shelter.

Moved by Ald. Steven Campbell, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to approve the request by the Astor Neighborhood Association and Astor East River Neighborhood Association to apply for a mini-grant for the purchase and installation of a furnace for the Astor Park shelter.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

3. Consideration with possible action on the request by the Astor and Astor East River Neighborhood Associations to allow free-use of the Astor Park shelter for meetings if they are able to secure adequate funding to purchase and install a furnace for that shelter.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Steven Campbell to deny the request by the Astor and

Astor East River Neighborhood Associations to allow unlimited free-use of the Astor Park shelter for meetings and instead allow 3 free shelter rentals per year for each Neighborhood Association, per the existing policy.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

F. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to receive and place on file the updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Mark Steuer, Steven Campbell, Chris Wery, Melinda Eck, No- None, Abstain- None.

2. Next Meeting: November 29, 2023

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to adjourn.

Motion Passed.

Yes- None, No- None, Abstain- None.