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## **PARKS, RECREATION AND ARTS COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL MEETING RESULTS September 24, 2018**

Chairperson Hurt called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Those in attendance included:

Councilmember Barbara McGuinness, Ward 1;  
Councilmember Mary Ann Mastorakos, Ward 2;  
Council Member Chairperson Dan Hurt, Ward 3;  
Councilmember Michelle Ohley, Ward 4.

Also in attendance were:

Mike Whelan, Chair of Parks, Recreation & Arts Advisory Committee;  
Jack Tapy, Boy Scout;  
Director of Parks, Recreation and Arts, Tom McCarthy;  
Executive Assistant, Parks, Recreation and Arts, Ann-Marie Stagoski.

### **Agenda Item #1: Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the September 10, 2018 Parks, Recreation & Arts Committee of Council Meeting were submitted for approval. Councilmember Ohley made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Hurt, to approve the September 10, 2018 minutes. In discussion, Councilmember McGuinness endorsed changing the spelling of the word "compositing" to "composting" in Agenda Item #5. A voice vote was taken to amend the minutes with unanimous affirmative result and the motion was declared passed.

### **Agenda Item #2: Pavilion Location Discussion**

Director McCarthy discussed possible locations of a potential future pavilion if we are awarded grant money. Conceptual renderings were passed out. Points addressed included:

- the long side of the pavilion would look east
- brick used would be as close to existing brick at the current Central Park pavilion as possible
- number of pillars at new pavilion
- amenities including, pillar height, width, casings, counter area, electric, fans

Concerns included interfering with green space and parking. Director McCarthy pointed out that the green space lost by placing the pavilion near the pool and playground is recovered by not placing it near the Awakening and amenities such as park benches and picnic tables could be added near the Awakening to make that space more useable.

The number of parking spaces was discussed. Adding a set of stairs and walkway near Lydia Hill (at the cost of about \$13,000) and requiring pool staff to park on Lydia Hill will also free up approximately 25 spaces. Parking is also available in the Central Park lot, on Veterans' Place Drive, at the Awakening South lot, at the

Awakening North lot, and on Sachs surface and garage deck. There are currently 198 pool parking spots and an additional 36 spots on Lydia Hill.

Bathrooms are available at the pool facility with outside access.

The applied for grant includes:

A 936 square foot pavilion (26' X 36')	Electric
Picnic tables	Grading
Countertop	Plumbing
Trash cans	Trees/landscaping
Recycling receptacles	Rubber mulch around the Awakening
Drinking fountain	

Parks anticipates grant awards will be announced in early November.  
Parks requested \$223,000 and are required to match that with city funds of \$47,000.

The meeting then moved to the proposed green space where the location had been marked with cones, east of the pool and west of the playground. Councilmember McGuinness questioned if the pavilion might be best placed in the center of the green space. It was discussed and agreed that keeping it closer to the sidewalk and leaving a larger area of green space for activities was best.

Councilmember Mastorakos asked if it was possible to put a cut through path to the parking lot. It was discussed and agreed that it would be best to see if that became necessary. The handicap ramp lined up with the sidewalk around to the new pavilion location.

Councilmember McGuinness asked how many the pavilion would seat and if there was demand for more pavilion space. Councilmember Ohley stated that when she had previously been going door to door to speak with residents, that a pavilion was a big request. Director McCarthy stated that the pavilion would seat approximately 65 people.

Councilmember McGuinness asked if we could put a gazebo over by the Awakening. Director McCarthy stated that he would get her cost projections for a gazebo in that location.

There was consensus that the pavilion would be best if located closer to the pool and playground. Director McCarthy and Mike Whelan will collaborate on design options. The hope is that it will be built by next summer.

**Agenda Item #3: New Business**

No new business.

**Agenda Item #4: Old Business**

No old business.

**Agenda Item #5: Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Councilmember Hurt adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.