

CITY OF BOULDER
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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES

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Name of Board/Commission: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Date of Meeting: May 23, 2016
Contact Information Preparing Summary: Sarah DeSouza, 303-413-7223
Board Members Present: Mike Guzek, Kelly Wyatt, Valerie Yates, Jennifer Kovarik, Marty Gorce, Tyler Romero
Board Members Absent: Tom Klenow
Staff Present: Yvette Bowden, Jeff Haley, Dean Rummel, Sarah DeSouza, Amanda Bevis, Stacy Cole, Ali Rhodes, Callie Hayden, Margo Josephs, Kathleen Alexander
Guests Present: Nate Bleekman, Suzanne Jones, Casey Earp, Assistant City Manager, Bill Cowern, City Transportation, Melanie Sloan, City Transportation, Susan Connelly, Community Vitality
Type of Meeting: Advisory/Regular
Agenda Item 1: Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. and the agenda was approved as written.
Agenda Item 2: Future Board Items and Tours Bowden reviewed upcoming community touch opportunities. These events can be found at www.BoulderParks-Rec.org
Agenda Item 3: Public Participation Nathan Bleekman provided a presentation on the need to make all parks in Boulder accessible to people of all abilities. Mayor Suzanne Jones thanked Nathan for his excellent presentation.
Agenda Item 4: Consent Agenda A. Approval of Minutes from April 25, 2016 Minutes from April 25, 2016 were approved as written. B. Parks and Recreation Development Update C. Parks and Recreation Operations Update
Agenda Item 5: Items for Action There were not items for action this month.
Agenda Item 6: Items for Discussion/Information A. Update on Development of the Chautauqua Access Management Plan PRAB Members shared the following comments about this item: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Look at all creative options including other access points to the site• Focus on the character of Chautauqua and avoid changing it• Combine efforts with other surveys being conducted by city departments such as OSMP• Consider what would encourage people to enter through other access points (signage, more information/promotion of options)• Potential role for PRAB Liaison

B. Chautauqua Pedestrian Safety, Access and Lighting Improvements

PRAB Members shared the following comments about this item:

- Focus on the pedestrian experience
- Concern about concrete that was voiced in September
- Question about maintenance
- Wayfinding signs will be added
- Lighting is a placeholder until lighting plan is approved
- Continue to pursue creative options

C. Parks and Recreation Access Update

PRAB Members shared the following comments about this item:

- Commendation to staff regarding increased access of programs and numerous success stories.

Agenda Item 7: Matters from the Department

A. Boulder’s Resilience Strategy Feedback

Casey Earp presented this item to the Board.

PRAB Members shared the following questions about this item:

- How will the resiliency message and Resiliency Lab program reach Boulder’s underserved populations?

B. Urban Forest Strategic Plan Update

Alexander presented this item to the Board.

PRAB Members shared the following questions about this item:

- What is the role of public feedback in the development of the plan? Specifically, can neighbors choose to treat street trees adjacent to their homes if they chose?

C. Boulder Reservoir Business Plan Update

Bowden, Bevis and Cole presented this item to the Board.

PRAB Members shared the following questions about this item:

- How will “flank season” impact the casual Reservoir user?
- What operational needs are impacted by casual user?
- What are unintentional consequences of switching to a “flank season”?
- Is Boulder Reservoir a recreational facility or a park?

D. City Community Engagement Efforts Update

Bowden presented this item to the Board.

Agenda Item 8: Matters from the Board

A. PRAB Community Engagement Updates

- Board members reported out on their community engagement activities from the last month.

Next Board Meeting: June 27, 2016

Adjourn: There being no further business to come before the Board at this time; the meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Approved by:

Mike Guzek

Board Vice-Chair

Date _____

Attested:

Sarah DeSouza

Board Secretary

Date _____