



PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes
May 7, 2014

Meeting Summary

A review of the McKay/Lambertson Open Lands Master Plan was presented. Staff provided updates on several park/recreation-related matters.

Roll Call

The regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) was called to order by Chair Dick Miller at 6:05 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2014, in the Zang Spur Room at the George Di Ciero City and County Building.

Present: PRAC: Dick Miller, Mike Moroze, Dave Peterson, Judy Shuster, Doug Errett, Dave McMahon
OSTAC: Rob Bodine, Ray Churgovich (attended for McKay-Lambertson discussion)

Absent: Kevin Skattum

Others in Attendance: 12 residents
Nancy Harrold, Director of Recreation Services
Kathryn Bergh, Capital Improvements Project Manager
Martha Derda, City Council
Liz Law-Evans, City Council
Ellen Cancino, Recording Secretary

Agenda Minutes

RESIDENTS' COMMENTS (for items not on agenda)

None present.

MCKAY-LAMBERTSON OPEN LANDS MASTER PLAN

Kathryn Bergh provided a history and background of the proposed project to date. The original PUD for the McKay development indicated regional parks. The Lambertson plans showed the inclusion of open lands.

The McKay developer chose not to build parks but rather gave cash in lieu to Broomfield in the amount of roughly \$1.3 million.

There was a general discussion and comment session among the residents, PRAC committee, OSTAC representatives, and City Council representatives. The general intent and discussion are shown in the attachment to these minutes.

The residents left the meeting at the conclusion of the discussion.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2014 regular meeting passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR

After approval of nominations from the group, Mike Moroze was elected Chair and Doug was elected Vice-Chair.

**PUBLIC ART PROPOSAL FOR COMMONS OPEN SPACE -
LIAISON TO PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE (PAC) FOR JURY PROCESS**

The PAC has asked if any PRAC member would care to participate in the process of choosing a piece of art that would be placed in Broomfield County Commons. A call will go out to artists. The process may require attendance at two to three PAC meetings. Dave McMahon volunteered to serve as liaison.

NEW BUSINESS

Founders/memorial park CIP request - Subcommittee to work with PAC to develop the request for 2016 CIP budget. Kevin Standbridge, Deputy City and County Manager, suggested submitting a CIP request for the development of the founders'/memorial park that has been discussed several times in the past by PRAC. Nancy said it may be a good idea to get members from several boards/commissions to work together on this project, in addition to a resident. Dave and Judy said that they would be interested in working on this.

STAFF REPORTS

Meeting with recognized youth sport organizations on April 24. Tabled
Recreation fees update - summary of April 29 Study Session. Next steps will be to prepare a memorandum for council consideration.
Youth scholarship program - update. Tabled

OLD BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: DATE/AGENDA ITEMS

Date. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 16, 2014.

Agenda Items: Summary of meeting with recognized youth sports organizations
 Fee changes - update
 Youth scholarship program - update
 Founders' park - subcommittee update

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Approved by PRAC on July 16, 2014.

ATTACHMENT - MCKAY/LAMBERTSON DISCUSSION

Resident: Questioned the elevation of the lake overlook and environmental education amenity.

Resident: Has concerns that the planned 30-space parking lot will not accommodate visitors to the area. Does not want people parking on her street/near her house.

Staff: Many studies will be performed to determine a sound estimate of how much parking will be necessary.

Resident: This whole thing came out of left field. Developer said the area would always remain open.

Staff: The area has always been designated park/open lands.

Resident: Will traffic counts be conducted now or during the summer?

Staff: Historical traffic counts already exist.

Resident: Seems like a lot going into a small space.

Kathryn: Addressed comments from the open house held in March as well as those from the online survey made available for public comment. She noted that 91% of the 220 comments were in favor of the plan.

Resident: People could have replied to the survey multiple times and produced false results.

Staff: There is a means to look at IP addresses to determine if this happened.

Resident: How was this survey publicized?

Staff: Website, social media. Broomfield Enterprise ads

Resident: Concerned with how many people will come to the park

Martha: Only 1/10 of the area around the lake is being developed. It is not going to be an amusement park.

Resident: Concerns about nighttime activity in the park.

Dick Miller: Feels that Broomfield Police will be able to handle patrolling the park.

Kathryn: Staff will do their due diligence to accurately predict the number of people that will be attracted to the area.

Kathryn: It will be an ongoing process to communicate with the two committees (PRAC and OSTAC) and the public.

Nancy Harrold: Staff made sure all features are nature-based and saw this as a possible opportunity to do something different.

Resident: Objects to having a bike "park."

Doug Errett: Would appreciate having a bike park versus just a trail.

Liz Law-Evans: Emphasizes that everything is very tentative at this point. Broomfield's goal is to make sure that all content is a good fit. There is much more work to be done. Encouraged all to continue to be involved.

Resident: Too many attractions are being planned for the park.

Resident: The parking lot will be filled with lake visitors only. Many will continue to park on streets.

Martha: What is the best way to communicate with you (residents)?

Resident: Signs in the area.

Resident: Is very odd it has taken so long to get to this point.

Resident: Can their street be made private/off limits to parking?

Dick Miller: Check with Police Department to see if something can be done. That can be done now.

Resident: What will be done about pedestrian crossings on Zuni?

Kathryn: Planned to be much like Sheridan near County Commons with medians so that pedestrians can cross half of the street at a time.

Liz, Martha: Encouraged residents to contact them with any concerns.

Resident: Does not feel that area needs improvement; not all land needs to be developed.