

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Minutes Regular Meeting – March 14, 2013

Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Tawny Espinoza at 12:06 p.m.

Meeting Location: Orchard Mesa Community Swimming Pool

Roll Call

Board Members Present: David McIlnay
Dr. Scott McBrayer
Scott Coleman
Tawny Espinoza
Kristy Emerson
Jim Doody (Ex-Officio)

Board Members Absent: Marc Litzen
Bart Dickson

Parks & Recreation Staff Present: Rob Schoeber, Director
Tressa Fisher, Administrative Specialist
Traci Wieland, Recreation Superintendent
Mike Vendegna, Parks Superintendent
Emily Wright, Recreation Supervisor

Guests: Randall Cupp, US Bank
Ken Walter, Glacier Ice Rink
Kurt Mackey, Glacier Ice Rink

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

Dave McIlnay moved to approve the February 7, 2013 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board minutes. Tawny Espinoza seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Motion adopted by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Yes 5 No 0

Item 3: Parks Outstanding Partner Award – US Bank

Traci Wieland introduced Randall Cupp from US Bank, who has been a huge sponsor of the annual Pork and Hops event. In addition, US Bank works diligently with United Way and has raised over \$6,000 in donations. Traci Wieland presented US Bank with the “Parks Outstanding Partner Award” plaque and thanked them for their hard work and dedication in the community. Thank you US Bank!

Item 4: Project updates

Traci Wieland provided an update on the major park projects that are currently underway (See attached). Major renovations continue at Lincoln Park, which now includes the unplanned road repairs along the east entrance. The fix is almost complete, but the road will remain recycled asphalt until the first week of May. The revised plans for the 12th Street crosswalk consist of a more southern location and will include a

median to increase public safety versus signals and/or flashing lights. Security will be hired to assist with the crosswalk area during large events (graduations, JUCO night games, etc.). Sod is scheduled to be laid in the loop road area during the week of spring break and concrete trails around the park are nearly finished. The playground is moving along quickly and is still on schedule for the pour in place to be installed in mid-April. The grand opening for Lincoln Park will be held on April 20, 2013 at 10:00 a.m., of which the Board members will receive an invitation. Mrs. Wieland also reported there are additional parking and trail ADA improvements that will be presented to the Parks Improvement Advisory Board (PIAB) in April.

Staff continues to work with the Las Colonias subcommittee and Ted Ciavonne on the conceptual plan. A stakeholder update meeting is scheduled for April, in addition to a public meeting, to review the conceptual plan. The plan is tentatively scheduled to be presented at PRAB in May and City Council in June. The project is under a short timeline, in order to apply for 2013 GOCO grant funds.

A GOCO planning grant has been submitted for Matchett Park, which will remain in a holding pattern until a decision on the grant is received. Board member Scott Coleman has been actively trying to reach the surrounding homeowners groups, yet has found it very challenging due to the majority of these groups not being organized. Traci Wieland stated her and Scott Coleman are going to take a step back and come up with a different approach for reaching the surrounding neighborhood residents, which could possibly include a survey with a follow-up meeting to discuss the survey results. The goal remains to build a relationship with the Matchett Park area residents prior to moving forward with the park's development.

Rob Schoeber discussed the abundance of inappropriate activities that occur in the spring throughout the parks, stating the Park Patrol will be, once again, working this summer, providing more resources in the parks and along the trails.

Kristy Emerson asked for an update on the Brady Trucking zoning issue, of which Jim Doody gave a brief explanation of the ballot measure. Regardless of the public vote, the zoning will not impact the development of Las Colonias Park.

Rob Schoeber briefly discussed a stadium power outage that occurred on Tuesday evening. At the time there were events going on in the hospitality suite, Lincoln Park Barn, and on both sides (football and baseball) of the stadium. It is believed the 27 minute outage was caused by pure "overload" and staff is currently working on ways to prevent it from happening again. Rob Schoeber highly commended the Parks staff for handling the situation so well. Staff is also currently putting together an emergency evacuation plan for the tower during these types of situations.

Item 5: Pool Locker Room Remodels

Emily Wright distributed copies of the remodel diagrams for both Lincoln Park and Orchard Mesa Pools (See attached). The main reason for the renovations at the pools is to meet the ADA requirements, which has required the staff to get "very creative", as they must work within the existing square footage at both buildings. Minor cosmetic improvements (paint, tile, etc.) will be completed at the same time for an "overall" cleaner and improved look at the pools. Mrs. Wright reviewed the plans in detail and invited the Board members to tour the facility following today's meeting.

Item 6: For the Good of the Community

No items were discussed

Item 7: Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tressa Fisher
Administrative Specialist

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Lincoln Park Renovation

- East entrance into park between Administration and the Golf Course is still closed for construction. This unplanned activity took longer than expected due to the level of repair necessary. Asphalt millings will be put in place until May 1 when the road is paved. This will require some closures throughout the day.
- The existing crosswalk on 12th Street west of Stocker Stadium will be moved south and a median will be added. Work will be completed prior to JUCO.
- Options for improved sidewalks on the southwest, south, and southeast side of the track will be explored along with renovated ADA parking south of the main ticket gate with recommendations to PIAB in April.
- Sodding of the Loop Road will hopefully take place the end of March/early April.
- Playground installation is moving along very quickly with hopeful completion by early April. The poured-in-place surfacing will be installed upon completion.
- All other Phase I and II (GOCO related) improvements will be completed in time for the Grand Opening Celebration on Saturday, April 20 at 10am in conjunction with Southwest Arbor Fest.
- All landscaping within Lincoln Park will be getting a face lift as well as new signage throughout the park. Parks crews are currently designing and scheduling a complete renovation of all existing landscape and planting beds, and signs are being designed for the main entrance(s) to the park.

Las Colonias

- A conceptual plan will be presented to the stakeholder group and public in two separate meetings on April 10 at TRCC. Invitations will be sent next week. Feedback will be incorporated into a final preferred plan to be presented to Parks and Recreation Advisory Board on May 2 and City Council on June 5.

Matchett Park

- The planning grant has been submitted to GOCO. Notification will be received in June.

CIP Projects

- OM Pool and LP Pool locker room renovations are in final design phase. RFPs for the locker rooms, OM Plaster, and OM Deck will be ready March 18. Renovations at both pools will take place in the fall.
- A site visit was conducted for the Pomona Elementary and Washington Park playgrounds on March 8 with a dozen participants. Review meetings will be held with Pomona, East, and Chipeta representatives the first week in April with final selection mid-month.
- The design process for five irrigation renovation projects are 85% complete and construction time lines are being developed.



