



Minutes
Parks, Recreation, Golf and Double Butte Cemetery
Advisory Board
March 16, 2016

Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, Golf and Double Butte Cemetery Advisory Board meeting held on March 16, 2016, 6:00 p.m., Tempe Public Library – 2nd Floor Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

Members Present:

Sharon Doyle – Chair
Judy Aldrich
Tiffany Beyer
Maureen DeCindis
Mary Ann Dillon
Christina Hudson
Mary Larsen
John Vack

Members Absent:

Fred Wood – Vice Chair
Suzanne Durkin-Bighorn
Duane Washkowiak

City Staff Present:

Charlie Bladine, Public Works Supervisor- Administration
Craig Hayton, Acting Parks Manager
Tony Miano, Deputy Public Works Director- Field Operations
Kelly Rafferty, Deputy Community Services Director- Recreation
Bonnie Richardson, Principal Planner

Upon the establishment of a quorum, meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Sharon Doyle.

Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes

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Motion made by Judy Aldrich to approve meeting minutes of February 17, 2016 as submitted.

Seconded: Mary Larsen

Motion: Approved unanimously

Agenda Item 2 – Public Appearances

Deb Gain Braley, Tempe resident requested a future agenda item addressing camping/fire permits and regulations. In addition, options for insurance for neighborhood associations.

Agenda Item 3 – Papago Park Preserve Designation

Darlene Justice, North Tempe Neighborhood Association provided background material to the board and discussed the process to designate Papago Park as a preserve. In December 2015, a petition with more than 1,100 signatures was presented to the Tempe Mayor and City Council. The petition asks Tempe Mayor and Councilmembers to establish a preserve for the remaining Sonoran Desert in Papago Park. This includes Tempe's Protected Park Zones and Tempe's Riparian/Aquatic Zones, as outlined in the Discover Papago Park Master Plan. The proposal will be presented to council at the April 7th Issue Review Session at 4:00 pm.

Motion made by Maureen DeCindis for board to support proposal.

Seconded: Tiffany Beyer

Motion: Approved unanimously

Agenda Item 4 – Landscape Masterplan Process

Bonnie Richardson provided a presentation to the board on the Tempe Library and Cultural Center Landscape Master Plan. This is a 5-year CIP project and will include the following:

- Installation of solar canopies & panels
- Comprehensive Landscape Master Plan
- Lighting & electrical improvements
- Construction of new irrigation system
- Parking lot improvements
- Installation of trees & landscape

The goal of this project is to revitalize the complex by; enhance & update appearance, improve visitor experience, increase safety, expand & reinvent use of exterior spaces and attract new visitors to the cultural campus.

Next steps include; data collection, assessment of the health & function of landscape & hardscape, consideration of new activities & uses and citizen involvement.

Information will be brought back to the board as the process moves forward.

Agenda Item 5 – Lighting Project Updates

Craig Hayton provided an update on various lighting projects going on throughout the city which included the following:

- Tempe Town Lake Marina Area – Sail light pole updates that were damaged during monsoon storms
- Meyer Park Area Meeting, Thursday, March 24th from 6-7pm, Tempe History Museum, Community Room, 809 E. Southern Ave – This small scale pilot program will begin installing LED street lights and park lights the week of April 4th. The street lights will be installed on Dorsey Lane between Alameda and Malibu. The park lights will be installed in the grassy area south of the playground.
- Hollis Park Area Meeting, Thursday, March 24th from 6-7pm, Tempe History Museum, Community Room, 809 E. Southern Ave – This small scale pilot program will begin installing LED street lights and park lights the week of April 4th. The street lights will be installed on Dorsey Lane between Alameda and Malibu. The park lights will be installed in the southeast corner of the park, where the concrete pathway meets the playground.

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- Indian Bend Light – Central overhead light pole will be replaced with two LED heads on existing pole.

Following the pilot program staff is seeking input from residents prior to moving forward with additional change outs to LED lights.

Agenda Item 6 – Capital Improvement Process Update – Next public Meeting March 17, 2016, 31 E 5th Street, City Hall Council Chambers

Charlie Bladine provided an update to the board on the upcoming council meeting which will review the recommended 5 year CIP budget and look for council direction on recommendations and priorities. Upcoming CIP public meeting schedule was also provided to the board.

Agenda Item 7 – New Signs for Park Construction and Public Meetings

Craig Hayton reviewed conceptual proposed park construction signage that can be placed in parks receiving updates. The signage could display meeting date and website information as a way to receive additional input and comments from park users.

Agenda Item 8 – Current Events/Board Announcements/Future Agenda Items

- April is Tempe Bike Month
- Arbor Day Run, April 29th
- Pat's Run, April 23rd
- Update on Tempe Town Lake next month

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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