



Commissioners:

Austin, Bridges, Child, Crawford, Gamon, Haase, Haines, L. Johnson, N. Johnson, McCaul

Staff Liason:

Derek Barry, Community Services Manager

The city is conducting this public meeting using a hybrid model. The public is welcome to attend tonight's meeting in-person at City Hall (First Floor Conference Room), or virtually by using the meeting access link below.

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COMMISSION BUSINESS

1. Approval of the August 14, 2025 meeting minutes
2. Sumner Municipal Code Update: 12.60.040 General park, trail, and facility rules

REPORTS

1. Parks, Cemetery, Forestry Updates

ADJOURNMENT

Forestry & Parks Commission Meeting (Hybrid)

8/14/25 4:37-5:47pm

Meeting called by: Derek Barry

Type of Meeting: Forestry & Parks Commission

Facilitator: Derek Barry

Note Taker: Derek Barry

Attendees: Commissioners Bridges, Child, Crawford, Gamon, N. Johnson, McCaul
Community Services Manager Derek Barry, Parks Supervisor Dan Gates

Minutes

Agenda Item: Approval of the June 12, 2025 meeting minutes

Discussion: Approved the minutes of the June 12, 2025 meeting minutes

Conclusion: Approved

Agenda Item: Watershed Tour Date Discussion

Discussion: Best days/times for people? Noticing?

Agenda Item: Parks, Cemetery, Forestry Updates

Fencing considerations RVP Court, Seibenthaler Park Playground, Loyalty Park west of court

Heritage & Hops-Council ok with moving forward with final design, seeking funding

BHSC & Sk8 – to be demolished, up in the air for next steps, funding, location, what type

RVP – Covered Court and shade structures under construction

Lucy V Ryan – demolished, grading later in the month

Seibenthaler – RAVE 8/20 1-4:30pm, shade structures September

Water conservation efforts

Main St Trees installed

Cricket proposal shared

Maple Street tree planting, homeowner proposal shared

Agenda Item:

Commissioner comments, discussion

Scooters, motorized in parks concerns, “mobility” definition and SMC language

Loyalty Park – Park St lighting?

Future support with root barriers, stakes?

Loyalty Park – elevated crosswalks or speed humps?

12.60.040 General park, trail, and facility rules.

The following rules apply to all city parks, trails, and facilities unless otherwise modified in this chapter:

M. No motorized vehicles shall be permitted other than battery powered mobility devices [needed for accommodations related to the following the definitions established by the Americans with Disabilities Act.](#)

N. No riding of bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, or in-line skates shall be allowed, except on pathways, trails, and other areas designated to specifically permit such activities.

O. [No motorized bicycles, motorized skateboards, motorized scooters or similar motorized or electric transportation devices are allowed in parks or facilities.](#)

~~OP.~~ No person shall fly rockets, [drones](#) or ~~gas-powered~~ model aircraft.

PQ. All animals in a park or on a trail shall be on a leash, and the owners of the animals shall be responsible for disposing of, in a sanitary fashion, any animal excrement. Horses are not permitted.

~~QR.~~ No fires shall be permitted in any park or trail or area adjacent thereto except in designated barbecues or areas.

RS. There shall be no use involving a group or cause promoting hatred, discrimination or otherwise fostering violations of other individuals' civil rights.

SI. Athletic teams participating in an athletic league organized by any public, private or nonprofit organization shall use, for competitive events or for practices, only those fields or facilities designated for use for that athletic event in the Sumner parks and open space plan.

TU. No camping or overnight stays allowed.

~~UV.~~ It is unlawful to enter or remain in any park, trail, or public facility while closed. (Ord. 2787 § 1, 2021; Ord. 2772 § 1, 2021; Ord. 2677 § 1 (part), 2019; Ord. 2569 § 1 (part), 2016; Ord. 2536 § 1, 2015; Ord. 2480 § 1 (part), 2014; Ord. 1994 § 1, 2002; Ord. 1812 § 4, 1997)