

Forestry & Parks Commission Meeting

7/8/2021

Zoom

Meeting called by: Derek Barry

Type of meeting: Forestry & Parks Commission

Facilitator: Derek Barry

Note taker: Derek Barry

Attendees: Commissioners Austin, Bridges, Crawford, Elfers, Haase, Hoard, Huffington, Johnson, Kenna, Community Services Manager Derek Barry, Parks Supervisor Dan Gates

Minutes

Agenda item: Approval of June 2021 meeting minutes

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Approved the minutes of the June 2021 meeting.

Conclusions:

Approved

Agenda item: Draft Cemetery Master Plan

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff discussed the draft Cemetery Master Plan that was shared with commissioners ahead of the meeting. The draft will see final edits with pictures/exhibits being moved to the most appropriate place. The commission thought the information and flow of the plan was good.

Agenda item: Cemetery Master Plan

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff shared a brief history of the 1997 Cemetery Master Plan and what the 2021 Cemetery Master Plan is intending to do. The draft plan will be sent to Forestry & Parks Commissioners to review for discussion at the July 2021 meeting.

Agenda item: Parks Master Plans Update

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff shared that the consultant has done a site visit for both locations. They were interested in the history of both locations. Each commissioner shared what amenities and vision they had for the locations.

Agenda item: Main Street Vision

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff shared the background on the Main Street Vision project as well as what the look and feel could be for Heritage Park and the alleyways. Staff shared that the project will include changes to the Ryan House and invited the commissioners to go to the online survey to fill out what they liked best about the landscape concepts.

Agenda item: Senior Center Tree Removal

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff shared that five trees were removed from the Senior Center and that a more appropriate tree planting will take place that creates a more inviting and useful courtyard at the Senior Center.

Agenda item: Commissioner comments

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Commissioners discussed how a reservation system could best benefit the community. This includes what locations and what cost, if any, community members should pay.

Agenda item: Staff Comments

Presenter: Derek Barry

Discussion:

Staff gave an update on the no smoking policy that was presented to the Mayor and City Administrator.