



MINUTES

Richland Parks and Recreation Commission Workshop

Richland Community Center – Meeting Room

Thursday, April 25, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Mason called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Chair Mason and Commissioners Buelt, Hodges, Thallapally, and Gubba were present.

Commissioners Vice Chair Gutierrez, Commissioners Lunstad, and Cunningham were absent.

Also in attendance were Deputy City Manager Schiessl, Recreation Manager Piper, and Interim Public Works Director D'Alessandro.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. 2024-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Presentation Interim Public Works Director D'Alessandro

D'Alessandro presented the draft of the six-year Transportation Improvement Plan to the commission.

RCW 35.77.010 requires local jurisdictions to prepare and adopt a perpetual six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The City's TIP is combined with other state and local agency TIPs into a state-wide STIP. The TIP is used primarily to manage the expenditure of state and federal funds. Richland's long-standing practice of preparing its TIP involves multiple public involvement opportunities, including the involvement of the Parks & Recreation Commission and Planning Commission. Public meetings to consider the TIP will be held by the Parks & Recreation Commission and the Planning Commission. The Parks & Recreation Commission is requested to vote at the following Parks and Recreation Commission meeting scheduled in May.

D'Alessandro engaged in a question-and-answer conversation regarding the draft 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Plan with the commission.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2. Harmful Algal Blooms Deputy City Manager Schiessl

Deputy City Manager Schiessl summarized the previous discussion from the Health District end-of-season Harmful Cyanobacterial Blooms presentation, reports, and information on harmful algal blooms with the commission. Discussion focused on the public health considerations at the Howard Amon Park swim dock. Schiessl engaged in a question-and-answer conversation with the commission during the presentation.

Item will be moved for a recommendation at the next meeting in May.

3. 2024 Parks and Recreation Commission Goals Chair Mason

Chair Mason led the discussion of the 2024 Parks and Recreation Commission's Goals to familiarize the new commission members.

The commission engaged in question-and-answer regarding the 2024 goals. Discussion will continue at the next workshop.

4. 2024 Park Tour Agenda Planning

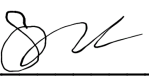
The commission discussed locations for the tour, and a poll will be sent out with dates for the 2024 Parks and Recreation Commission Park Tour.

ADJOURNMENT:

The workshop adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

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Approved by: 
Chair Mason, Richland Parks and Recreation Commission