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MEETING NOTICE

TUALATIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE January 12, 2016 - 6:00 PM

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OFFICE Tualatin Community Park 8515 SW Tualatin Road

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. December 8, 2015

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Chair
- 2. Staff
- 3. Public

D. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Tualatin River Greenway Trail Project Update
- 2. Trail Section Opening
- 3. Smoke and Tobacco Free City Spaces Update

E. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Metro Parks & Nature System Plan Draft
- 2. Annual Report of the Committee
- F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS
- H. ADJOURNMENT



DRAFT MINUTES

TUALATIN PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE December 8, 2015

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION OFFICE Tualatin Community Park 8515 SW Tualatin Road

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kay Dix, Bruce Andrus-Hughes, Krista Nanton, Dana Paulino,

Valerie Pratt, Stephen Ricker,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Wells

STAFF PRESENT: Rich Mueller, Parks and Recreation Manager

Tom Steiger, Park Maintenance Manager

PUBLIC PRESENT: Denise Cline

OTHER:

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-chairperson Valerie Pratt called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of November 10, 2015 were unanimously approved, on a motion from Kay Dix, and second by Dana Paulino.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Chair

There were none.

2. Staff

Rich Mueller provided updates on the following: Starry Night & Holiday Lights news article, Pohl Center programs, trail project news article, volunteer projects at Brown's Ferry Park & Hwy 99 boat launch, benefits of parks on the economy and Basalt Creek Concept Plan update.

3. Public

Denise Cline introduced herself and mentioned that she was interested in serving on the advisory committee.

D. OLD BUSINESS

1. Tualatin River Greenway Gap Completion Project Update

Rich Mueller shared the staff report and presentation from the November 23, 2015 council meeting. Rich and Tom Steiger updated committee members on the progress and status of the trail project. They shared information on the schedule, interpretive installations and photos showing the construction project.

2. Advisory Committee Terms and Reappointment

Rich Mueller reviewed committee member positions that expire in February of 2016. He explained that the process to reapply for appointment on the committee. Committee members are to reapply online by the January 15, 2016 deadline. Rich sent a link for members to apply for reappointment.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Park Maintenance and Operations Update

Tom Steiger, Parks Maintenance Manager updated the committee on the winter schedule and projects. Tom reviewed the volunteer services projects and partners in parks, greenways and natural areas. He explained the collaboration at recreation events and the support that parks maintenance provides for community events. Tom discussed the current improvements which include dog park chips, Commons Lake cleaning, ball field renovation and storm clean up. Committee members asked questions and commented on the high quality of maintenance at parks.

2. Dog Rules Enforcement

The committee discussed how to address enforcement of dog rules, specifically dogs being on leash. The current park rules state that dogs are to be on a leash no longer than six feet. Committee members are concerned about bike and pedestrian safety issues with off leash dogs. An area of concern is from the sidewalk on SW Tualatin Road to the Ki-a-Kuts Bridge. The committee ideas to resolve conflict between unleashed dogs and pedestrians focused on education, information and notification for dog owners. Some of the ideas include: news articles, City newsletter, CIO's, separate signage, additional off leash parks, flyer, educational information at events, notification through volunteers and park ranger hours expanded.

F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Annual report of the committee

G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

H. ADJOURNMENT

Valerie Pratt adjourned the meeting by consensus at 7:39 pm, after a motion from Stephen Ricker that was seconded by Dana Paulino.

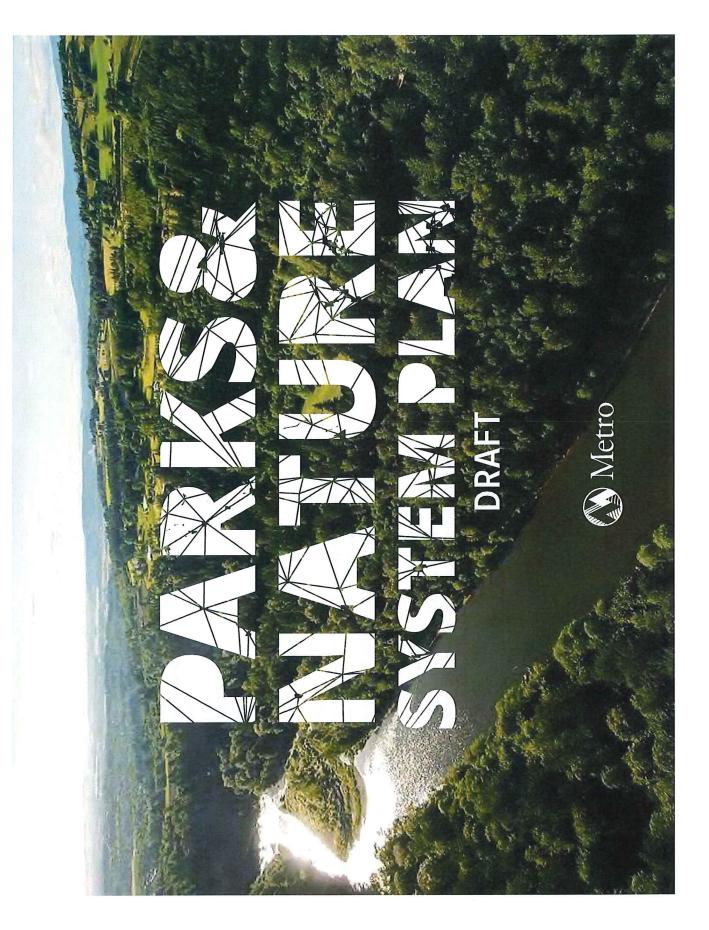


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Parks and nature investments

Three times during the last two decades, voters across the Portland metropolitan area have invested in a network of regional parks, trails and natural areas – a drawing card for residents and businesses. Now, you're invited to shape the future.

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Oversight committee History

Metro's portfolio of outdoor destinations and nature programs has grown dramatically during the past two decades, laying the groundwork for a world-class regional park system.

To realize that opportunity, Metro is developing a system plan that will guide future decision-making and investments for regional parks, trails, natural areas and nature programs. Community members and partners helped shape a draft plan that lays out Metro's mission, role and priorities going forward – and introduces the 17,000 acres of parks, trails and natural areas that Metro manages on behalf of the public.

SHARE YOUR VIEWS

Review the draft Parks and Nature System Plan and let Metro know what you think by sending an email today.

- Draft Metro Parks and Nature System Plan
 24.55 MB Adobe Acrobat PDF | Published Dec 11, 2015
- What works well in the draft Parks and Nature System Plan?
- What could make this plan better?
- What should Metro's Parks and Nature team consider as it begins to put the system plan in action?
- Why are parks and nature investments important to your community?

Your feedback will help fine-tune the plan before it is considered by the Metro Council in late January 2016.

Milestones

2014: The public and partners helped craft a set of values to shape Metro's parks, trails, natural areas and nature programs, while Metro's nature team analyzed baseline information about the system.

January through November 2015: Working with the public and stakeholders, Metro developed an operating model and strategies for Metro's parks, trails, natural areas and nature programs.

December 2015: A draft system plan will be available for review online.

Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2016: Join Metro's Parks and Nature team from 3 to 5 p.m. at Metro, 600 NE Grand Ave. in Portland, to discuss the system plan and share your feedback. To RSVP and get more details, contact Marybeth Haliski.

Late January 2016: The Metro Council is slated to consider the Parks and Nature System Plan.

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