

KIRKLAND PARK BOARD

Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 11, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER

The March Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Adam White.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Chair Adam White, Vice Chair Kevin Quille, Sue Contreras, Sue Keller, Ted Marx, Rick Ockerman, Jim Poplow and Rosalie Wessels.

Staff present: Michael Cogle, Jason Filan, Linda Murphy and Jennifer Schroder.

Recording Secretary: Cheryl Harmon

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Aquatics, Recreation and Community Center Project

Ms. Schroder presented an updated report on the study of a potential Aquatics, Recreation and Community (ARC) Center in Kirkland including an overview of sites evaluated and community outreach completed.

Ms. Schroder introduced Dominick Martin of EMC Research, Inc., the consultant hired to perform a telephone survey of Kirkland voters regarding opinions on a potential ARC Center.

Questions were answered by staff and the consultant.

A public comment period was held. Comments were heard from the following:

Terri Fletcher	Jon Erickson
John Putt	Ken Albinger
Tina Holt	Llew Johnson
Robin Lesh	Rob Martin
Kevin Brown	Shelly Stockman
Phil Boulton	Keith Dunbar
Elaine Darling	Jamie Rector
Karen Lightfeldt	Angelina Henry
Sherill Aumiller	Lloyd Pernela
Nancy Peterson	

The Board discussed facility components and asked clarifying questions of staff. Ms. Contreras moved that the Park Board reaffirm the desired facility with the additional components of the ARC as originally proposed in September, 2014, and re-emphasize the importance of developing and operating a financially self-sustaining facility. Mr. Ockerman seconded. Motion carried (6-2; yes: Ms. Contreras, Mr. Marx, Mr. Ockerman,

Mr. Popolow, Ms. Wessels and Mr. White; no: Ms. Keller and Mr. Quille). Additional discussion was had.

The Board discussed publicly-owned sites and asked clarifying questions of staff. Mr. Quille moved that the Juanita Beach and NKCC sites be permanently removed from consideration for the location of the ARC. Ms. Contreras seconded. Additional discussion was had. Motion carried (5-3; yes: Ms. Contreras, Mr. Marx, Mr. Ockerman, Mr. Quille and Mr. White; no: Ms. Keller, Mr. Popolow and Ms. Wessels).

The Board discussed privately-owned sites. Mr. Ockerman moved that the city continue to aggressively pursue a private site for the ARC, preferably in the Totem Lake area. Ms. Keller seconded. A clarifying question was asked. Motion carried (8-0).

The Board discussed project timing. Ms. Keller moved to recommend that the City should continue to work diligently, responsibly and decisively with the community to consider a voter-approved ballot measure to fund and build the ARC as early as the City Council deems prudent. Mr. Quille seconded. Additional discussion was had. Motion carried (8-0).

The Board discussed community partners. Mr. Ockerman moved to recommend that the City should continue to seek strong community partners for the ARC but should be prepared to move forward in order to maintain project momentum and complete the project in a timely manner. Ms. Keller seconded. Additional discussion was had. Motion carried (8-0).

The City Council will receive this presentation at a Study Session on March 17th.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ockerman moved to adjourn. Ms. Wessels seconded. Motion carried (8-0). Meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m.