

**KIRKLAND PARK BOARD**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**December 13, 2023**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The December 13, 2023 Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Chair Mike Holland.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Board member Tammy Cohen, Board member Katherine Kearny, Board member Roshan Parikh, Board member Crystal Thimsen, Vice Chair Tessa Hansen, Chair Mike Holland

Members Absent: Board member Amy Ambrosini, Board member Tara Bobbarjung

Staff Present: Deputy Director John Lloyd, Parks Maintenance & Operations Manager Jason Filan, Recreation Manager Sara Shellenbarger, Park Planning & Development Manager Mary Gardocki, Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch

Recording Secretary: Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch

**3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None presented.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The November 15, 2023 Park Board meeting minutes were presented to the Board and approved by unanimous consent.

**5. BUSINESS ITEMS**

a. Chair and Vice Chair Election

John Lloyd, Deputy Director facilitated the elections for the Chair and Vice Chair.

Move to approve the nomination Mike Holland as Board Chair.

Moved: Roshan Parikh; Seconded: Crystal Thimsen

The motion passed with ALL votes in favor and none against and no abstentions. Two Board members were not present for the vote.

Move to approve the nomination Tessa Hansen as Board Vice Chair.

Moved: Crystal Thimsen; Seconded: Roshan Parikh

The motion passed with ALL votes in favor and none against and no abstentions. Two Board members were not present for the vote.

b. Future Meeting Schedule

John Lloyd, Deputy Director presented options to the Board to change our standing session date, time, and location (currently 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays at 7pm in Council Chambers).

John Lloyd, Deputy Director confirmed he will send out a notice about potentially moving to 5:30pm in the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays in the Peter Kirk Room. All members will be given a chance to review and provide feedback. If all are in agreement, Park Staff will update the meeting invite.

c. Park Board Member Reports

Park Board discussed the potential of an updated, smaller Parks ballot initiative. The Board discussed the feedback received from the No Campaign from the original Parks Proposition 1.

No other park board members reported.

## 6. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Correspondence

None reported.

b. Department Monthly Report

The department monthly report was emailed to Board members and will be posted online.

c. Staff Updates and Information

John Lloyd, Deputy Director provided additional information on the Council funding to conduct a survey on feedback on Proposition 1 and for interest in a future, smaller ballot measure for August 2024. Council will make the decision whether or not to pursue to the new ballot measure in February. Staff and the Board discussed.

John Lloyd, Deputy Director provided an update on the recommendation for the induction of the Sno-King Hockey 16U Tier II Girls National Champions into the Plaza of Champions. The recommendation will include notes from the Park Board discussion in November. The recommendation will be presented to City Council January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

Sara Shellenbarger, Recreation Manager updated the Board on the cancellation of Light Up Kirkland due to inclement weather. The bonfires at Juanita Beach on December 16<sup>th</sup> and at O.O. Denny Park on December 18<sup>th</sup> are still on schedule.

Jason Filan, Parks Maintenance & Operations manager provided an update on maintenance priorities, including leaf removal, and the planting of about 600 plants and trees in the system by staff and by Green Kirkland stewards.

d. Comments from the Chair

No additional comments.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mike Holland adjourned the meeting at 7:44 PM by unanimous consent.

*Emily Lima Welch*

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Emily Lima Welch, Recording Secretary  
Parks and Community Services

*Mike Holland*

Mike Holland (Feb 6, 2024 13:31 PST)

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Mike Holland, Chair  
Park Board

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