

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The September 13, 2023 Park Board regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Chair Mike Holland.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Board member Amy Ambrosini, Board member Tara Bobbarjung, Board member Tammy Cohen, Board member Roshan Parikh, Board member Crystal Thimsen, Vice Chair Tessa Hansen, Chair Mike Holland

Members Absent: Board member Katherine Kearny

Staff Present: Deputy Director John Lloyd, Parks Operations Manager Jason Filan, Recreation Manager Sara Shellenbarger, Park Planning & Development Manager Mary Gardocki, Park Planning & Development Intern Mitchell T Fransen, Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch, Senior Planner David Barnes, AICP Senior Planner Lindsay Levine

Recording Secretary: Administrative Assistant Emily Lima Welch

**3. ITEMS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None presented.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The June 14, 2023 Park Board meeting minutes were presented to the Board and approved by unanimous consent.

The July 12, 2023 Park Board meeting minutes were presented to the Board and approved by unanimous consent.

**5. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**a. Comprehensive Plan Update**

David Barnes, Senior Planner and Lindsay Levine, AICP, Senior Planner presented on the K2044 Comprehensive Plan Update, and the intersection between Parks and Sustainability, Climate & Environment (SCE) Elements. Staff answered questions from the Board.

**b. Park Board Member Reports**

Board Member Ambrosini attended the Houghton Neighborhood Association meeting on September 12, 2023, along with City Manager Kurt Triplett and Mayor Penny Sweet, along with the Pro / Con Committees to discuss the Park Ballot Measure.

Board Member Parikh attended the Moss Bay Neighborhood Association meeting on September 11, 2023, with Director Lynn Zwaagstra and the Pro / Con Committees to discuss the Park Ballot Measure.

Board Member Bobbarjung has returned to school and is pursuing outreach at LWHS (alongside Youth Council) to encourage engagement and voting by senior students with regard the Parks Ballot Measure.

Chair Holland, Vice-Chair Hansen, and Board Member Ambrosini attended the 132nd Square Park Grand Opening event on July 15, 2023.

**c. Department Highlights and Updates**

John Lloyd, Deputy Director gave a brief update on the memo and materials provided. Staff answered questions from the Board.

**d. Ballot Measure Update**

Hillary De La Cruz, Management Analyst provided a memo regarding the most recent updates on the Parks Ballot Measure, including the final ballot language submitted to King County. Staff answered questions from the Board.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS**

**a. Correspondence**

Will F.

Brittany K.

**b. Department Monthly Report**

The department monthly report for August 2023 was not yet completed by September 13, 2023. John Lloyd, Deputy Director confirmed it will be completed, emailed to the Board, and posted online at Staff's earliest convenience.

**c. Staff Updates and Information**

John Lloyd, Deputy Director noted that it had been recently brought to Staff attention that we are no longer permitted to have fully virtual meetings now that the Covid State of Emergency has ended per the Washington Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA). Park Board sessions will be moving to back Council Chambers (with a remote option for Board members) effective immediately.

Sara Shellenbarger, Recreation Manager reported on the success of See Spot Splash and City Hall for All, and called attention to the increased Teen Programming programs that are currently open for registration.

Mary Gardocki, Planning & Development Manager is hosting a walking tour for the Washington Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (WASLA) at Totem Lake Park on September 14, 2023, and will also hosting the opening reception for the conference at Marina Park.

**d. Comments from the Chair**

No additional comments.

## 7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mike Holland adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM by unanimous consent.

*Emily Lima Welch*

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Emily Lima Welch, Recording Secretary  
Parks and Community Services

*Mike Holland*

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Mike Holland (Nov 30, 2023 15:52 PST)

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Mike Holland, Chair  
Park Board







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