



CITY OF OREGON CITY PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Commission Chambers, 625 Center Street, Oregon City
Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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ADJOURNMENT

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CITY OF OREGON CITY
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
City Hall Commission Chambers
Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

INTRODUCTIONS

Members: David Bone, Joyce Gifford, Tim Wuest, Tim Lainhart, Steve Williams, Erin McClellan (remote), Emily Lisborg (remote), Joey Knauf

Staff: Kendall Reid, Parks and Recreation Director; Kori Buth, Administrative Assistant; Parks and Cemetery Manager, Tom Kissinger; Facilities Manager, Kyle Christoph; Aquatics and Recreation Manager, Melissa Sebastian; Pioneer Community Center Manager, Cecily Rose; Rentals and Events Coordinator, Taylor Miller

New Assistant City Manager, Alexandra Rains, will be helping to support the Parks and Recreation Department. Comes from the City of Scappoose as the City Manager and comes with familiarity of Master Plans and grant funding.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of January 25th, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Steve Williams mentioned that the member report section needed to be corrected from “salmon season” to “salmon migration”.

Tim Lainhart motioned to approve previous PRAC minutes, with correction considered.

Joyce Gifford seconded the motion.

Roll call passed motion unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Two public comments and a written statement received.

Brian Shaw wished to speak on Clackamette Park RV Park Relocation. It was decided that public comments would take place at the time of the subject presentation.

PRESENTATIONS

*Permanent Pickleball Nets at Hillendale Park – by Tim Wuest

Steve Williams confirmed that the action that this item requires is a recommendation to move forward with public engagement and potential City Commission approval as needed.

Tim Lainhart asked how many tennis and basketball courts we have city-wide? Confirmed this is the only pickleball location. Kendall confirmed Rivercrest and Hillendale Parks both have tennis and basketball courts.

Steve Williams asked how Tim Wuest came up with costs for his presentation.

Tim received written bids from two different companies – one quote about \$20,000 and the other quote about \$8,000 (the company that installed the courts in Molalla).

David Bone asked if the City carries insurance in cases of vandalism? Kendall confirmed that the City would just purchase new supplies in the case of vandalism.

Steve Williams confirmed that there would still be two basketball courts and one tennis court available at Hillendale Park, even after the installation of permanent nets occupying four of the pickleball courts. Remains a multi-sport court.

Joyce Gifford asked the cost of relocating the basketball courts. Tom Kissinger mentioned that we could get a quote for it but gave a rough estimate of tens of thousands of dollars to move the basketball hoops, due to excavation needs. Cost would need to be researched.

Steve Williams asked for Kendall's, and Parks staff, input on the project idea. Kendall supports pickleball but talked about the need for public input so that the community could also provide their feedback on the proposed changes. Last year Parks went out and bought pickleball nets, balls, and paddles and we launched a pickleball program so that it was accessible to users. We do have plans to expand that programming this coming summer. According to the National Parks and Recreation Association, the "do's and don't's" of pickleball include never converting an existing court to strictly pickleball to avoid alienating community members.

Tim Wuest stated that the pickleball programming was not well-received, as RJ advertised the opportunity and only had a couple participants respond.

Kendall stated that the City has tried to collaborate with the Hillendale Pickleball Club to absorb some of the expenses so that they didn't feel the need to charge people to play.

Tim Lainhart asked why we don't have permanent, dedicated courts when surrounding cities do. Kendall confirmed that the Hillendale Pickleball Club and they primarily used the courts, had portable nets and storage options. The Parks Master Plan doesn't currently demonstrate a high desire for dedicated pickleball courts. We want to provide everything to everybody, but with limited resources.

Tim Wuest mentioned that the installation of permanent nets would be much cheaper than building a new pickleball center. Hillendale Park location is the most desirable area because of noise issues.

Emily Lisborg asked what the Master Plan said about pickleball specifically. Kendall stated that pickleball was rated in one of the lower categories in regard to priorities. Emily also asked if the relocation of the basketball nets would be the most cost prohibitive aspect of this project. Kendall mentioned that the conversion of the courts would be between \$8k-\$20k, according to Tim Wuest's quotes. Tim mentioned that he has connections and will take care of costs so that it is a free upgrade to the City. Kendall suggested we go through a process to price out the project in full. We can provide conversion figures after further research is done.

Joyce Gifford asked if Emily Lisborg and Erin McClellan (our remote PRAC members) had gotten the written statement that we had received on behalf of the Hillendale Pickleball Club. Joyce wants to consider the opinion of the letter, which stands in opposition to the installation of permanent nets, due to costs of maintenance and potentially negative community impact.

Joey Knauf wondered if surrounding communities with permanent nets are on dedicated pickleball courts or on multi-use surfaces. Tim Wuest confirmed that the areas he presented in his PowerPoint slides represent dedicated space for pickleball only. The Hillendale Pickleball Club has done a lot of work to make the courts what they are now, including paving, painting, bleachers, and fencing. Erin McClellan asked for confirmation on what action needs to be taken on this agenda item and what that vote then means. Steve Williams confirmed that today's vote would be a recommendation to move this item forward to public engagement and potential City Commission involvement.

David Bone motioned to move item forward to public process.

Tim Wuest seconded the motion.

Roll call passed unanimously.

***Clackamette Park Master Plan–RV Park Relocation by Brian Martin with Lango Hansen Architects**

Steve Williams asked what the increased delay time would be if we had to amend the Clackamette Park Master Plan process. Brian Martin spoke on the groundwork that would need to be done before a true decision could even be made, including a geotechnical review, and discovering if the ground can even be built on. The process would add a considerable delay to the Master Plan process.

Tim Wuest asked if a restroom would be built at The Cove property if the RV Park was established there and referenced the cost of the Cemetery Restroom build. Also referenced the cost difference between the existing Master Plan location and the proposed site at The Cove. Brian mentioned that the figures provided were based on the County Assessor number. Kendall stated that there would need to be an appraisal done for the true costs.

Erin McClellan asked if the RV Park income is seen as Parks and Recreation revenue. Kendall confirmed that those fees are received by Parks and Recreation. Erin then mentioned that, because of the increased size of the proposed site, what that would translate to for Parks revenue. Kendall responded that the current RV Park brings in about \$100,000 annually but with the cost of maintenance and City expenses, we are likely losing money or breaking about even. With the upgrades to the RV Park amenities at either of the potential sites, we expect rates to increase but it would take a very long time to make the proposed Cove location cost effective in any sort of way.

Emily Lisborg asked about the standing water that was seen in the provided presentation photos and asked about the flood plain stats and how much higher that site is and how many times that has flooded in the last 100 years. Brian Martin confirmed that both the approved Master Plan location and proposed Cove location are within the 100-year flood plain and both at an elevation in the mid-thirties. Emily also asked about the low community priority of the expansion of the RV Park at all and, with such a high price tag, why double the size? Brian confirmed that the RV Park was not listed as a high priority by the community. Steve Williams asked about the existing approved Master Plan site and how invested we are in that process. Kendall stated that the Master Plan was approved with the caveat that we didn't change the tax lots zoning to institutional. City Commission's direction was to explore the RV Park relocation before further decisions would be made. We changed the language in institutional zoning to include recreational vehicles.

Tim Lainhart asked if it was a requirement to have an RV Park, giving the low priority in the Master Plan. Kendall confirmed that, based on the overall feedback from the community, they wanted to continue to have an RV Park available. Brian also mentioned that the community feedback often came from people that weren't necessarily utilizing the RV park specifically, and it was noted that there is support for it but that the existing location seemed to stand in the way of direct access to Jon Storm Park.

Emily Lisborg asked if there has been discussion about a similar site but with a smaller footprint to bring down costs. Is there a way to shrink the project overall. Kendall mentioned that it hasn't been proposed to scale down the project and that another direction would be needed from City Commission.

David Bone asked if there are residual effects from our homeless population and potential squatters and if we provided more spaces would that become more of an issue. Kendall mentioned that, aside from rare occasions needing attention, we haven't experienced a lot of issues with homelessness and vehicle abandonment. With a new location and a raised standard of amenities, we expect that will also be reflected in our clientele. David asked where the letter came from that was provided in their agenda packet. Tim Wuest provided that letter.

Joyce Gifford asked if the approved Master Plan location is also owned by Urban Renewal because on the slide it mentioned that it is already owned by the City. Kendall confirmed that it is only The Cove property that is currently owned by Urban Renewal.

Steve Williams mentioned Tim Wuest's presented letter and asked him to paraphrase that for the group. Tim pointed out the proposed alternate location is not on City property. Urban Renewal properties are typically difficult to develop. It is Tim's belief that the RV Park will never make the City any money and typically will be visited by non-Oregon City residents, making it an amenity that is not even utilized by many community members. The Urban Renewal website lists The Cove as one of the highest potential development sites in the City and believes that it would be a travesty to put the RV Park there just to lose money on. Tim pointed out that the Clackamette Park Master Plan is approved and doesn't believe that the City should even consider the Cove property as an option.

Public Comment by Brian Shaw:

The approved Master Plan was so close to being complete but at the 11th hour, after two years of work and public engagement, City Commissioners decided it wasn't right to finalize. Brian referenced Tim Wuest's comments on Urban Renewal property and that if you went to any other city and told them you were going to put an RV Park on Urban Renewal Property, you would be laughed at. This City needs more revenue streams as we can get, hence our need to have to charge fees. We could potentially see more revenue if the property was developed in other ways because there is real value in it.

Public Comment by William Gifford:

Referenced the comment made earlier in the meeting by Tim Lainhart regarding the need of keeping the RV Park as a City amenity. William believes that if we must have an RV Park, make it nice, up out of the flood plain, and stick to the original plan of having it within Clackamette Park in the approved location. William doesn't believe the RV Park serves the residents of Oregon City. The Cove property has been designated to increase taxes for Oregon City and the RV Park will not increase the value at all. Nor does William believe there is community support for relocating the RV Park to the Cove location.

Emily Lisborg asked if any surrounding cities have RV Parks. Kendall confirmed that we are currently the only city with this amenity.

Tim Lainhart asked if it was possible to motion to not have an RV Park at all moving forward, since they will already be reviewing the proposals.

Steve Williams mentioned that community feedback and approval of the Clackamette Park Master Plan process reflect that a decision has already been made and changing that would delay things even further. At this point, Steve believes it to be a yay or a nay on this recommendation between the two potential sites proposed and then if a decision is made to discuss further changes, it can be addressed then.

Joyce Gifford mentioned that the public process must be followed. Steve mentioned the time and effort spent on this Master Plan and confirmed that there was certainly support for the RV Park, but it was most important to get it out of the flood plain and be able to utilize the existing area for other park use. Mentioned the major delay in this plan.

Tim Wuest made a motion to *not* support the alternate RV Park location at the Cove.

Joy Knauf seconded the motion.

Kori Buth confirmed that this motion was in support to *not* recommend the consideration of the Cove property as a potential RV Park location.

All in favor, aside from Tim Lainhart, who voted no.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Upcoming PRAC Agenda Items

Kendall explained the proposed schedule of agenda topics to discuss over the remainder of the calendar year. Many of these items are flexible but some of them make sense to be placed within particular months.

Joey Knauf asked what the blue highlighted topics indicates. Kori Buth mentioned that those topics are extra flexible to move around as seen fit. There are also a few topics listed at the bottom of the list that haven't been placed, as we haven't identified the best fit for those items yet.

Emily Lisborg mentioned Bee City, as it has been brought up a couple times. We will add that back to the list of items. Emily is going to reach out to that group to inquire about a presentation to PRAC. Mentioned that we will circle back to Emily with getting that on the schedule.

STAFF REPORTS

Kendall Reid provided update on Parks Master Plan and CIP, presenting the final draft to PRAC at the March 28th meeting. Looking at dates for public engagement, City Commission, and other interested groups. Clackamette Park Master Plan will be presented again to City Commission on March 12th to discuss the proposal for the RV Park relocation. We welcome PRAC's support at that meeting.

Denise Toyooka spoke on the ODOT right-of-way in the WES Good Neighbor area project (hillside where pollinator garden was considered). We approached ODOT to include that on the 6(f) process to exchange property down near Jon

Storm Park, but that was denied. Discovered that Clackamas County owns much of that hillside and ODOT only owns a small strip. We are now trying to make a connection with Clackamas County to discuss a maintenance agreement for that property. Our subcontractor is trying to gather the appropriate materials for plantings and had to substitute out a couple things due to visibility factors that would allow the parking lot to still be viewed from the roadside. We are still working through arborist reports that allow us to process our tree permits so we are looking at other options to move that forward.

Melissa Sebastian shared that the swimming pool opened the ability to renew memberships through One Pass. Glow swim series wraps up in March as the days get a bit longer. There were all well-attended events! Spring break camps are open for registration and there are 20 spots currently available. Registration opens March 6th for pool easter egg hunts, spring swim lessons and programs. Lantern Tours take place on Saturday at Ermatinger House and there are still a few spots available for that fun event, as well as spots available for the Murder Mystery event happening on March 9-10th. We have scheduled 173 students for field trips so far this year! Aquatics and Recreation staff will be present at the OCSD Family Focus Forum to promote scholarship availability, as well as the programs and resources available to families. Currently hiring seasonal pool and recreation staff, such as camp counselors, lead counselors and various recreation event staff. Movies in the Park currently has 186 votes and the chance to vote closes April 5th.

Tim Wuest asked if the One Pass program allows for free access to the pool. Melissa stated that you must select the swimming pool as your chose sit and then it is free access.

Steve Williams asked how long the waitlists are. Melissa mentioned that there are far more people waitlisted than we can provide class spots for. As a guess, maybe 30% of the people that register get a spot, which means that 70% are still sitting in a waitlist.

Cecily Rose spoke on the Nutrition Assistant posting that closed on February 20th. We will conduct interviews for that role next week. Looking to expand fitness programs at the Pioneer Center, so there is talk about a possible fitness instructor position being added to the staff at the Center. Spring programming looks great, but we are facing capacity issues for a couple of those offerings. Internal programming put on by staff is also growing. March 6th celebrating National Oreo Day, March 8th hosting a Lunch and Learn for National Women's Day, Bunco beginning, National Canine's Veterans Day presentation, some fun St. Patrick's Day activities, as well as Easter celebration activities. There are 24 change bins going out to local businesses to promote the March for Meals #savelunch campaign. We are expecting major nutrition funding cuts at the County level, so we are trying to be proactive knowing the need only grows. Gearing up for spring closure of Center and preparing for a building deep clean as well as staff training opportunities.

Kyle Christoph talked on improving security systems at City Hall. Preparing for exterior paint at Ermatinger House and cameras, access controls and new slider door at Pioneer Center. Working with Melissa at the Pool on securing certain spaces from the public after some Oregon Health reviews came back. Reception desk at the Library has been arranged to provide more space and efficiency and currently looking at lighting controls there. There is currently a position posted for Facilities Maintenance and we are looking forward to adding another staff member to that team.

Tom Kissinger mentioned that he has now experienced his first high-water event at Clackamette Park. The park was closed January 23rd – 31st, as the water crested at 23 feet. Luckily, no electrical infrastructure was damaged. We had one park host that remained on site to help control access to the park. Chips are being laid at some of our dog parks to help absorb water and mud. Working on some general planning for future projects and we are looking at better management of sports fields and mapping of ornamental bark beds. Tom met with one of our sports associations to talk through the plans and get some buy-in on some cooperative work that can be done proactively.

Steve Williams asked about the ringed ivy on trees at Old Canemah Park and wanted confirmation of what that meant. Tom confirmed that it does involve cutting the roots from the ivy, so that eventually the ivy will die and fall off the tree without a root system.

MEMBER REPORTS

Joyce Gifford wanted to offer a thank you to Melissa and recreation staff for the Lunar New Year event. Melissa confirmed that it was funded by Art Commission Grant dollars and talked about the collaboration of the event.

Joyce also asked about the \$20M deficit that Parks see in their budget. Kendall confirmed that the deficit is \$23M - \$11M for Parks and \$11M for Facilities. The Deferred Maintenance report was completed in 2022 and Kendall can share that report. PRAC can support Parks and Recreation by being involved in the conversations around alternate funding options during the Parks Master Plan process.

Erin McClellan asked about how PRAC can take advantage of the methods and channels that are available to members to be able to advocate for Parks.

Kendall mentioned the marketing development that will take place so that we are able to effectively tell our story year after year.

Steve Williams mentioned how many people were utilizing our Parks in the sunshine that afternoon.

Emily Lisborg gave a kudos to Tom and Parks staff for having turf management on their radar.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Parks Master Plan – Next Practice Partners

Pioneer Center Updates – Cecily Rose
Highlights and Upcoming Summer Events - Melissa Sebastian
Ermatinger House MOU
Arbor Day Events

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING – March 28th, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting ended about 8:10 pm

*represents an agenda item that requires action taken by PRAC

CITY OF OREGON CITY
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Work Session Interviews
Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting
Thursday, December 22, 2022 at 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

INTRODUCTIONS

Members: Steve Williams, Ken Worcester, Timothy Lainhart, Brent Haverkamp, Emily Lisborg, Tim Wuest, Troy Bolinger, Joey Knauf

Staff: Kendall Reid, Parks and Recreation Director

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. PRAC Member Interviews

Current PRAC members interviewed David Montoya for a vacant spot on the committee. The following questions were asked:

1. Why do you want to be on PRAC?
2. What is your favorite thing to do in Oregon City parks?
3. Geographically, what do you feel is the most underserved part of Oregon City and what can be done to change that?
4. What is your favorite park and why?
5. Why do you like Oregon City?
6. What life experience, appointment, or position best qualifies you for PRAC?
7. What is the greatest asset you would bring to PRAC?

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING - January 26, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned around 8:00 PM.

March 25, 2024

Dear members of the City Commission, Urban Renewal Commission, and Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee,

I am a citizen of Oregon City, and have proudly called Oregon City my home since 1998. I'm just a plain old citizen without ties to the business, hospitality, tourism, or development industries in our town.

Because I love my city, I stay informed by watching every meeting on the City's YouTube Channel. I find it interesting how much time has been spent discussing the RV park at Clackamette Park, and now the discussion has rolled into two Commissions and one advisory committee.

While I don't understand why there is so much discussion about a 20-30-ish space RV park, I wanted to use the opportunity to bring some thoughts and ideas to the discussion.

Regarding the RV park, during the process of drafting the Clackamette Park Master Plan, the feedback from the citizens was that the RV park was a lower priority use of the park. There was much more interest in relocating the boat ramp in the Master Plan document than there was about the RV park. Yet, the recent discussions during the city meetings has disproportionally been about the RV park.

Does the RV park make money or lose money? Does it benefit the citizens or only those who live out of town? Does it promote tourism yes or no? Does the city want to be in the RV park business yes or no? There doesn't seem to be any clear answer to any of these questions. Meanwhile, big decisions are being proposed, discussed, and are soon to be made.

The discussion has now morphed into Clackamette Cove, without much citizen involvement.

In my dream Oregon City, Clackamette Cove is an extension of Clackamette Park. This could be a jewel for the city, like Drake Park is to Ashland, Mingus Park is to Coos Bay, or Lithia Park is to Bend. If done well, Clackamette Cove and Park could be a destination that would drive tourism all by itself, while also being a beautiful asset to the citizens.

A RV park benefits the few who own RVs. Condos built around the cove benefit the developers, real estate agents, and those wealthy enough to buy luxury waterfront units. A business district around the cove benefits developers and (most likely) corporate chain restaurant and retail boards of directors. A park for the people benefits the people.

Thank you for your time and your contributions to make Oregon City the beautiful city that I love. I will continue to follow along on YouTube.

Sincerely,

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To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

From: Robert Small and Rita Maynard -Current Presidents
Co-Founders of Hillendale Pickleball Club 2014

Re: Hillendale Court Improvements

To address the confusion about the status of the Hillendale Pickleball Club, the Club has 200 members in 2023-2024 and is registered with the State of Oregon as a 501c nonprofit organization. We file yearly, have officers and comply with the State's 501c requirements.

We take pride in being ambassadors to the sport of pickleball and promote recreational play for all skill levels. Hillendale Pickleball Club welcomes beginners and teaches the sport. The courts provide an opportunity for seniors to be social. An AED has been purchased and is available at our play times. The Club also provides a Porta-Potty. We are able to provide the play we do during our designated times due to the Club's many volunteers.

Presently, we are meeting with Oregon City to find ways to be collaborative, potentially holding teaching sessions on the courts and at City events. Having a family night for residents available is also on the table. The Club meets with neighborhood associations to encourage use of the courts.

When we initially created the courts with grants from Metro and CCP we were able to create a multi-use sports court for tennis, basketball and pickleball. Our funds were not sufficient to shore up the perimeter which needed repair to keep the courts from cracking. Presently, there are significant cracks which are widening. Through consultation with contractors we were informed that the courts would be unplayable if repairs were not done. These are costly repairs. Estimates have been around twenty thousand dollars. Hillendale Pickleball Club is invested in having these repairs made. We are prepared to have a fundraiser to offset a significant portion of the cost of repairs.

While permanent nets have their advantages, it is the opinion of the Hillendale Pickleball Club Board that at this time any investment in Hillendale courts should be done to reinforce the perimeter and repair the existing cracks. This perimeter repair would prevent future cracks and the current cracks from expanding.

Thank you for considering our concerns.
If you have any questions feel free to contact us.

Kindly,
Robert Small and Rita Maynard- Hillendale Pickleball Club Presidents

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March 27,2024

To: Parks and recreation Advisory Board

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the installation of permanent pickleball nets at Hillendale Park. As an avid pickleball player and a resident of the community, I believe that providing permanent pickleball facilities in our local park would be a valuable addition to our recreational amenities.

Pickleball is a rapidly growing sport that appeals to individuals of all ages and skill levels. It promotes physical activity, social interaction, and healthy competition. By establishing permanent pickleball courts at Hillendale Park, we would not only cater to the existing pickleball community but also encourage more people to discover and enjoy this wonderful sport.

Having permanent nets would eliminate the need for temporary setups, which can be inconvenient and time-consuming. It would also demonstrate the city's commitment to promoting recreational opportunities for its residents and visitors. Additionally, permanent pickleball courts could potentially attract tournaments and events, bringing economic benefits to the local businesses and fostering a sense of community pride.

Furthermore, pickleball is a low-impact sport that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. By providing accessible and inclusive recreational facilities like permanent pickleball courts, we can promote health and wellness for everyone in our community.

In conclusion, I urge you to consider the installation of permanent pickleball nets at Hillendale Park. This investment would enhance our community's quality of life, promote physical activity, and create opportunities for social engagement. Thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to seeing the positive impact that permanent pickleball facilities can bring to our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Davis Kile



CITY OF OREGON CITY

Staff Report

625 Center Street
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To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee **Agenda Date:** March 28, 2024
From: Next Practice Partners

SUBJECT:
Parks and Recreation Master Plan Final Draft Update

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee provide input on the final draft of the Parks Master Plan.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon City Parks & Recreation Department's collaborative effort with PROS Consulting INC on the new Parks Master Plan is nearing its culmination. This forward-thinking initiative, designed to revamp and enhance the city's parks, recreation facilities, programs, staffing, funding, and landscape management, sets a strategic direction for the upcoming 20 years with a special emphasis on the first 10 years of implementation. It seeks to build upon the foundations laid by the last master plan developed in 2008, aligning with the evolving needs of our community.

Initiated in April 2022, this project embarked on a comprehensive engagement and planning process. This included a series of stakeholder interviews with City Commissioners, Committee members, staff, and influential community leaders conducted by PROS Consulting in early June. The first of several public engagement sessions took place on June 2nd, offering a platform for open communication about the project's goals, expected outcomes, and schedule. To further understand the community's current and future recreational needs, a Statistically Valid Survey was executed, achieving participation from 401 residents. This effort was complemented by a subsequent online survey that attracted 184 additional responses, reinforcing the commitment to capturing a wide range of community perspectives.

Feedback from these surveys, alongside ongoing dialogues with the community and stakeholders, has been instrumental in refining the master plan. This includes ensuring

that future services are closely aligned with residents' needs and contribute positively to the community fabric. A series of public engagement events and presentations to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) further provided valuable insights, shaping the development of the plan.

This comprehensive process, including a meticulous review by department staff, key stakeholders, and the integration of their feedback, underscores the collaborative spirit driving the plan's development. Currently, we are in the final stages of incorporating the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as an Appendix to the master plan, a critical component that will guide the implementation of the envisioned improvements.

As we approach the project's conclusion, our sights are set on seeking the City Commission's approval in May. This step is pivotal in transitioning from planning to action, marking a significant milestone in our journey to enrich Oregon City's parks and recreational offerings for our community's current and future generations.

OPTIONS:

1. Review Parks Master Plan final draft and provide input



CITY OF OREGON CITY

Staff Report

625 Center Street
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To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
Agenda Date: March 28, 2024

From: Aquatic and Recreation Manager Melissa Sebastian

SUBJECT:

Spring and Summer Programming and Events Update

BACKGROUND:

We would like to update you on our programming and events as we head into spring and summer. Our highlighted programs include seasonal camp offerings, scholarship opportunities, an indoor playground, and Ermatinger House field trips. Thanks to our partnership with the Friends of the Ermatinger House, the Ermatinger House has been experiencing great success with its field trip programs and events.

We have planned more exciting events for this year. Our cultural event series is expanding, and we are hosting more events this year. The events that we will be highlighting for this Spring and Summer include the traditional spring egg hunts, the 4th of July celebration, and our concert and movie series.

Here is an overview of our annual events, with highlighted events coming up this spring and summer:

Concerts in the Park:

- Thursdays from July 4th to August 15th
- End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center
- 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, with food service starting at 5:00 pm

Movies in the Park:

- Fridays from August 2nd to August 23rd
- Hillendale Park, Wesley Lynn Park, and Chapin Park
- Starts at dusk; concessions start at 7:30 pm

Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Update

Melissa Sebastian, Aquatic & Recreation Manager

Aquatic and Recreation Programs

Aquatics:

1. Adult Fitness
2. Swim Lessons
3. Adult Learn-to-Swim
4. Swim Clubs
5. Recreation and Family Swims
6. Facility Rentals

Recreation:

1. Indoor Playground
2. Seasonal Camps
3. Adult Fitness

Ermatinger:

1. Field Trips
2. Tours and heritage information
3. Adopt-an-Artifact



Aquatic and Recreation Events

Aquatics:

- 1. Swamp Swim
- 2. Glow Swim Series
- 3. Easter Egg Hunts
- 4. Swim Meets (6-10)

Recreation:

- 1. DDDD
- 2. Spring Forward
- 3. Cultural Event Series
- 4. Concerts in the Park
- 5. Movies in the Park

Ermatinger:

- 1. Heritage Days and Heritage Holidays
- 2. Boos and Brews/Hops and Heritage
- 3. Lantern Tours
- 4. Murder Mystery
- 5. Veterans Day Event
- 6. Oregon's Birthday
- 7. Military Arms Display
- 8. Historic Preservation Month
- 9. Sensory Santa



Spring and Summer Programs

- Ermatinger House Field Trip Program
- Adult Learn to Swim and Summer Rec Swim Team
- Winter, Spring, and Summer Camps
 - Spring Break Camp
 - Summer Camp



Spring and Summer Events

- Easter Egg Hunts
- MENA Festival- Sunday, April 14th 12pm-3pm
- Ukrainian Festival- Saturday, May 11th 12pm-3pm
- July 4th Event
- Concert Series
- Movie Series



Summer Event Series

- Concerts in the Park
- Movies in the Park



Dates to Note



- **April 3** | Scholarship Applications due
- **April 10** | Summer Camp Registration Opens
- **May 15** | Summer Swim Lesson Registration Opens
- **June 24** | Summer Pool Schedule starts- wading pool
- **July 4** | July 4th Event- kicking off our Summer Concert Series
- **August 2** | Movies in the Park begins



PRAC Update

Aquatic and Recreation Team



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Questions or Comments?



PRAC Update



Pioneer Adult Community Center

615 5th Street
Oregon City, OR
97045



Who are we?

- The Pioneer Center opened in 1979 as a resource to community members seeking services, programming and aide. We offer nutritional, educational, recreational, and social services to adults in our area. Our wonderful staff works to provide clients with the tools and services to keep them healthy, active and independent.



Who we serve...

- We serve adults aged 21 and over residing in or near Oregon City.
- We serve adults residing in West Linn as supported through our Intergovernmental agreement.
- We serve seniors and people with disabilities residing in Clackamas County as supported by our Subrecipient Agreement with Clackamas County Social Services.

Calling for the vulnerable in our community

For many of our clients, we provide the only meal or human contact they will have each day. This is why we focus much of our time and energy on vital services and programs that enrich the lives of our recipients.

- Who are the vulnerable?**
- In Oregon, 107,166 seniors are threatened by or are currently experiencing hunger and food insecurity
 - 5,428 Seniors reside in Oregon City
 - 10.2% of Oregon City Residents have a disability
 - Oregon has 100,873 seniors living below the poverty line.
 - Oregon City has a poverty rate of 7.8%, with a total of 2,877 individuals living in poverty
 - Seniors above age 85 are the fastest growing demographic
 - 1 in 6 seniors are victims of financial



Nutrition:

Last year 37,264 total meals were provided from the Center for those unable to cook for themselves.

Transportation:

5,992 transportation units were provided for those age 60+ or adults with disabilities in both Oregon City and West Linn.

Case Management:

288 hours of time was provided for covering personalized based care to clients on the Meals on Wheels program.

Reassurance:

255 well-being and reassurance calls assisting vulnerable recipients in need were made.

Resources:

1,446 resource connections for seniors and individuals with disabilities were provided last year.



Miscellaneous Social Services:

- Energy Assistance
 - Legal Aid
 - Support Groups
 - Tax Aide
- ## Continued:
- Estate Planning
 - Foot Care
 - Pantry
 - Medicare Presentations
 - Veteran's Benefits Presentations
 - Long Term Care Presentations

Recreational Services:

- Line Dancing, Latin Dance
- Tai Chi, Yoga, Meditation, Stretch & Tone
- Bingo
- Ukelele, Watercolor, Writing
- Fitness Room (with new addition of Silver Sneakers, Silver & Fit, Renew Active and Active and Fit).
- Holiday Events, Parties and Activities
- Day Trips and Outings

Many additional health, education, and wellness programs are offered seasonally or sporadically.



How are we funded?

The Pioneer Center is supported financially through the collective generosity of many organizations and individuals.

- Federal Funding/Older Americans Act
- Clackamas County Social Services
- State of Oregon (Medicaid/T19)
- City of Oregon City
- City of West Linn
- Private & Corporate donors and sponsors
- Local businesses and Community groups
- Participant donations

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Community Generosity

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During the Holidays we have the honor of witnessing an abundance of generosity from our community to those we serve.

- The Center's Giving Tree produces Holiday Gifts for every single client on Meals on Wheels.
- Monetary donations allow the Center to host a Holiday Party for those able to attend
- Poinsettias are generously donated by Smith Gardens for all Nutrition Clients
- Holiday Spirit week this year included prizes and activities daily.
- Holiday Music Performances provided by volunteers
- Pantry Donations collected by OC staff

The Value of Volunteers

The Pioneer Community Center currently has 95 active and vetted volunteers. Last year volunteers provided **3,285** hours of service at the Center.

This is a direct cost savings to the Center in the amount of **\$106,335.45!**

Currently volunteers fill the following roles:

- Meals on Wheels Drivers
- Receptionist Assistance
 - Nutrition Servers
- Recreational Program Leaders
 - Event Support
 - Dining Room Hosts
- Recreational Trip Escorts
 - Legal Aid Experts
 - Community Garden Workers

Serving the Community in additional ways:

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Rentals at the Pioneer Community Center

The Center's Budget for Facility Rentals is \$26,000 this fiscal year 23-24.

We have exceeded this goal and currently (through Feb. 2024) have reached \$30,605.50, a favorable amount of \$4,605.50.

The Pioneer Center is a popular rental space for the following types of events:

- Weddings
- Celebrations of Life
- Reunions
- Anniversaries
- Quinceaneras
- Birthday Parties
- Business Meetings



\$75 HOURLY STARTING RATE

FACILITY RENTALS

PIONEER COMMUNITY CENTER

*Birthday Parties *Weddings *Baby Showers
*Anniversaries *Celebration of Life *Retirement Parties *Fundraisers *Meetings *Seminars

BALLROOM • DAYLIGHT BASEMENT • PEACE GARDEN

The Pioneer Community Center is located in charming historic Oregon City. Our Ballroom is an ideal setting for a seated dinner or a dance, accommodating up to 200 guests. The outdoor Peace Garden is at your disposal for weddings, receptions, and picturesque photo shoots. Additionally, our Daylight Basement space offers a versatile option for ongoing rentals, meetings, trainings, or intimate group events. Count on our dedicated staff to ensure that your event, whether in the serene Peace Garden or within the welcoming walls of the Pioneer Community Center, is a delightful and memorable experience.

FEATURED DETAILS

✓ 3,300 sq. ft. Ballroom	✓ Elevated stage for live band, DJ, or speaker	✓ Outside catering is allowed
✓ Tables and chairs for 300 people, theater or reception style	✓ Additional rooms available to rent for dressing or storage	✓ Alcohol is permitted (additional fee)
	✓ Food service area available	

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Fostering Diversity, Equity and Inclusion with the addition of Cultural Events and Activities

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Special Events and Activities



We accomplish the work we do by numerous ways. But the most prevalent is through the efforts of an amazing team

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We invite you to get involved!

- Register for activities & programming
- Attend drop in activities
- Volunteer
- Attend an event
- Partner
- Sponsor
- Invite
- Educate

