



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
October 12, 2020**

PRESENT: Tim Reid, President
Erik Hanberg, Clerk
Andrea Smith
Aaron Pointer
Jessie Baines

IN THE CHAIR: Tim Reid

PLACE: Remote call in meeting

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Metropolitan Park District Board of Park Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Reid at 6:00 p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

PROCLAMATION HONORING HAROLD MOSS

Commissioner Pointer read a proclamation honoring the life and contributions of Harold G Moss. Commissioner commented on the great community work of Mr. Moss

PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY

Alan Varsik commented on the contributions of the Nisqually and Puyallup Tribe. He noted the shared mission that the tribes share with the Park District in being stewards of lands.

Commissioner Reid read a proclamation recognizing the Puyallup and Nisqually tribes in honor of Indigenous People's Day.

Council Tribal Member, David Bean was present to accept the proclamation and spoke of his family tribal history and the Tribes continued relationship with Metro Parks.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Reid urged the community to continue wearing masks, practicing social distancing and recreating responsibility in parks.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director, Shon Sylvia commented on the following:

- Northwest Trek Tram will begin running again on October 17th. Like other elements of Trek operations, Trek tram operations will focus on safe experiences for our guests and staff.

- The Board, together with the City Council will convene on Tuesday, October 27th for an annual joint meeting to receive a progress briefing on the work the two jurisdictions have been underway with- including transition of park properties to MPT, re-aligning services and programs between the organizations and more. More details will be shared soon, including preliminary agenda.
- The City of Tacoma City manager shared her preliminary 2021-22 budget proposal with the City Council last Tuesday- including a \$505 million General Fund (reflecting a \$40 million reduction from current biennium) and a \$3.67 billion dollar total City budget (reflecting all funds). The budget outlines a number of transformative initiatives and realignment of services, including:
 - Creating a new Behavioral Response Unit in the Fire Dep't
 - Creating a new Community Trauma Response Team in Neighborhood & Community Services
 - Creating a new "Office of Health & Safety" in the City Managers Office- internally focused on employee health & safety
 - Creating a new "Office of Community Safety"- externally focused on delivering non-law enforcement safety services to the community and to be further defined by the Community through a process

COMMUNITY COMMENTS None

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Pointer moved to adopt the minutes as presented; seconded by Commissioner Hanberg and passed on a vote of 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. C45-20: APPROVAL OF WARRANTS CLAIM FUND FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

Commissioner Pointer moved to adopt the consent agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Hanberg and passed on a vote of 5-0.

PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS None

PUBLIC WORKS PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS None

SINGLE READING RESOLUTIONS None

SECOND READINGS RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. RR43-20: SURPLUSING AND CONVEYING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY AT TITLOW PARK TO THE CITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PEDESTRIAN RAIL CROSSING

This resolution was moved and seconded at the September 12, 2020 Regular Park Board Meeting.

Marty Stump reviewed of map of the property noting that no trees are being removed in order to construct this pedestrian crossing.

Being no additional comments the question was called and the resolution passed on a vote of 5-0.

RESOLUTION NO. RR44-20: ADOPTING DISTRICT FAMILIES FIRST CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE ACT POLICY

This resolution was moved and seconded at the September 12, 2020 Regular Park Board Meeting.

Being no additional comments the question was called and the resolution passed on a vote of 5-0.

FIRST READING RESOLUTIONS None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

BOARD COMMENTS

Commissioner Pointer commented that he recently attend a Tacoma Athletic Commission meeting. The commission discussed the lack of access for youth to low cost athletic opportunities especially during this COIVD crisis.

Shon Sylvia commented that Metro park and the School District have been working together and have brought back access to both cross country running and golf to Tacoma students.

Commissioner Hanberg commented positively on the continued relationship with the Puyallup and Nisqually Tribes.

ADJOURN:

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

President

Clerk

Submitted by: Jennifer Bowman, Board Secretary