



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 8, 2021**

PRESENT:

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

IN THE CHAIR: Erik Hanberg

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 Hanberg at 6:00 p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS None

PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Hanberg read a proclamation into the record proclaiming February 2021 as Black History Month and proclaiming Juneteenth as a Metro Parks Holiday. The proclamation states that Metro Parks Tacoma will observe June 19 each year as part of our commitment to anti-racism, racial and social justice, encouraging a day of reflection, recognition, acknowledgment, and healing.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT None

COMMUNITY COMMENTS None

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. C9-21: APPROVAL OF WARRANTS CLAIM FUND FOR JANUARY 2021

RESOLUTION NO. C10-21: FIRST CREEK COMMUNITY SPACE FINAL ACCEPTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CLIMBING BOULDERS BY TRUST FOR PUBLIC LAND (TPL)

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

PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. P11-21: AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES FOR METRO PARKS TACOMA

1. ASSOCIATED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS INC. FOR BULK FUEL (RESALE & OPERATING) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000
2. PETRO CARD FOR FUEL, UNLEADED & DIESEL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000
3. VOYAGER FLEET SYSTEMS INC. FOR FUEL, UNLEADED & DIESEL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000
4. BERK CONSULTING CONTRACT AMENDMENT# 2 FOR SHARED SERVICES, ANALYSIS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$90,000

Commissioner Pointer moved adoption of the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Marina Becker commented that items 1-3 are needed for fuel purchases around the District for both operating and retail sales. She commented that having a variety of sources and locations minimizes drive times around the city when refueling is required.

President Hanberg commented that he interested in updating District policy that reflects that electric fleet purchases are preferred.

Pete Mayer commented that item 4 for Berk Consulting is for authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract amendment #2 with BERK Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$ 90,000 for additional professional services related to data collection and analysis of potential shared services between the City of Tacoma and Metro Parks and to provide recommendations and implementation of prioritized services and properties to be transferred.

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

PUBLIC WORKS PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS None

SINGLE READING RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. R13-21: ADOPTING AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF TACOMA AND PORT OF TACOMA

Commissioner Pointer moved adoption of the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Mr. Mayer commented that this ILA will allow for the Port of Tacoma to reimburse the Park District for a contract with a third party to assist in the joint work being done in concert with the JMAC to address the following

- Facilitating discussions on how to use the COVID-19 pandemic as a catalyst to identify and prioritize collaborative opportunities;
- Developing a “common language” and expectations between policy-makers and staff to enable JMAC to work more effectively and efficiently; and
- Developing a process that illustrates how multiple public jurisdictions can better serve the same community by better integrating projects and initiatives for greater collective impact and increased sustainability.

The Port of Tacoma Board will consider this action at their February 18th Board Meeting. Commissioner Smith stated that JMAC meets this Friday and will begin work on this project.

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

SECOND READINGS RESOLUTIONS None

FIRST READING RESOLUTIONS None

RESOLUTION NO. RR14-21: ADOPTING REVISED DISTRICT FAMILIES FIRST CORONA VIRUS RESPONSE ACT POLICY

Commissioner Pointer moved adoption of the resolution; seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Erwin Vidallon commented that this resolution will update the District’s Families First Coronavirus Response Act Policy. Staff noted this policy is administered in accordance with the FFCRA statute, regulations and evolving federal guidance. Mr. Vidallon indicated that even though the Emergency Paid Sick Leave (EPSL) officially ended when the Cares Act legislation ended December 31, 2020, organizations were given the opportunity to extend the use of the EPSL should they choose.

The proposed changes to the policy include:

1. Extending the employer-paid benefits in alignment with the national and/or state of emergency. The policy will continue to allow staff to use any remaining days of EPSL for reasons related to COVID-19, including if the employee is experiencing symptoms, to care for eligible individuals who is in isolation or quarantine, and to care for a child.
2. The proposed changes to the policy will also allow the use of the EPSL leave if employees experience adverse reactions to the vaccination.

Board members were reminded that full-time employees are eligible for up to 80 hours of EPSL, and part-time employees are entitled to EPSL equal to the number of hours they typically work during a two-week period. Any EPSL leave is available in addition to accrued leave already earned.

Being no additional comments, this resolution was moved to second reading on February 22nd.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

BOARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Pointer commented positively on the rock-climbing project at the Eastside/ First Creek site.

Commissioner Baines thanked staff and the Board for the proclamation read earlier in the meeting.

ADJOURN:

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30p.m.

APPROVED:

President

Clerk

Submitted by: Jennifer Bowman, Board Secretary