



**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 13, 2021**

PRESENT:

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

IN THE CHAIR: Erik Hanberg

PLACE: Metro Parks Tacoma Headquarters

REGULAR MEETING

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS None

PRESIDENTS REPORT

President Hanberg commented that this is the last Board meeting for 2021. President Hanberg also amended the order of the items on the agenda by moving RR82-21 to follow the consent agenda.

STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Joint Municipal Action Committee

Commissioner Smith commented that JMAC met last Friday. Work continues to be focused on outcomes of the Summit of Sixty and identifying items for the 2022 work plan including JEDI, equitable childcare and health in all policies.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2022 BOARD OFFICERS

Commissioner Reid nominated Commissioner Smith for the position of Board President, seconded by Commissioner Pointer.

Commissioner Reid nominated Commissioner Pointer for the position of Board Clerk, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Final nominations and voting will occur at the January 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director, Shon Sylvia reported on the following:

- The following new employees were introduced: Libbi Lovshin and Erik Sachs.
- On behalf of District Staff, Mr. Sylvia thanked Commissioner Baines for his years of service to the District as a Park Board Commissioner.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS None

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 22, 2021 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. C77-21: APPROVAL OF WARRANTS CLAIM FUND FOR NOVEMBER 2021

RESOLUTION NO. C78-21: APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ARTS & HERITAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. C79-21: ACCEPTING DONATION FROM THE FORT NISQUALLY FOUNDATION FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FORT NISQUALLY LIVING HISTORY MUSEUM

RESOLUTION NO. C80-21: CENTER AT NORPOINT RE-ROOF FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF QUEEN CITY SHEET METAL & ROOFING INC. CONTRACT #2019164J/ BID NO. J2019-15

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

New advisory council members were thanked and recognized by Commissioner Smith.

SINGLE READING RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. R82-21: ENDORSEMENT OF THE TACOMA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPOSITIONS 1 & 2

Commissioner Reid moved to adopt the resolution seconded by Commissioner Pointer.

Carla Santorno representing Tacoma Public Schools was introduced. Ms. Santorno stated that two levies will be coming forward to the public in February. She commented that Proposition 1 supports 15% of the day-to-day operations of every neighborhood school from teachers, nurses, counselors, librarians, paraeducators, instructional and special needs staff to books, instructional

materials and basic maintenance and operations. In addition, Ms. Santorno stated that Proposition 1 supports educational programs for every student in every neighborhood, including math and reading and boost programs to bring all students up to grade level. She continued by noting that Proposition 1 also maintains special needs programs and improves accessibility for students, teachers and staff with disabilities. Ms. Santorno also explained that Proposition 1 maintains programs for high-achieving students and college entrance exams for all students, as well as programs in career and technical education, arts, music, athletics and extracurricular activities, as well as pre-school & after school programs in every neighborhood. It was also highlighted that Proposition 1 maintains neighborhood school health, safety & security including replacing deteriorating plumbing and HVAC systems to make sure there's safe water and clean air for students and staff. Maintenance of aging roofs and buildings, seismic upgrades and earthquake safety and prioritizes school safety, security and fire alarm systems and 911 communications will also be funded by this proposition.

Ms. Santorno then explained that Proposition 2 maintains expanded access to technology and laptops for every K-12 student and staff for teaching and learning, both in school and at home; and increases computer safety, cybersecurity and privacy protection for all staff and students. In addition, she commented that Proposition 2 replaces outdated technology for up-to-date teaching & learning with updated computers and software for teachers and students and provides technology training for teachers and staff to assist students and parents with curriculum and technology access and needs.

Ms. Santorno commented that Propositions 1 and 2, if passed, are projected to result in a decrease in the average four-year tax rate for Tacoma schools due to rising property values from \$2.72 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to \$2.63 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. The cost to the average Tacoma homeowner is projected to be about \$13 more per month \$9.43 for Prop. 1 and \$3.63 for Prop. 2.

Commissioner Baines thanked Tacoma Schools for their continued partnership with the Park District and expressed support for the two ballot measures.

Commissioner Pointer recognized and thanked Carla Santorno for continuous to community as she retires from the position of school superintendent.

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

PURCHASING RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. P80-21: AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES FOR METRO PARKS TACOMA

1. ASSOCIATED PETROLEUM PRODUCT INC. BULK FUEL (RESALE AND OPERATING) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000
2. PETRO CARD FOR FUEL, UNLEADED AND DIESEL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000

3. WILSON SPORTING GOODS FOR RESALE / OPERATING SUPPLIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,000
4. CDW-G MICROSOFT FOR SOFTWARE, MAINTENANCE, TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND OTHER SERVICES AS REQUESTED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$190,000 PER YEAR FOR 3 YEARS

Commissioner Pointer moved to adopt the resolution seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Mark Knowlden commented that items 1&2 are both for fuel both for operating and resale for 2022. He then comment that item 3 is for golf balls for Meadow Park Golf Course.

Debbie Terwilleger commented that item 4 is four the District licensing for Microsoft. She noted that Metro Parks currently uses Microsoft Office 365 software for all aspects of communications and work management including email, Teams, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, SharePoint etc. The three-year software maintenance contract with Microsoft also provides ongoing software upgrades and required security and functional enhancement patches.

Commissioner Baines asked about the process used to select fuel vendors; staff commented that state contract is being used to ensure best pricing.

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. R81-21: ADOPTING AN UPDATED 2021-22 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Commissioner Pointer moved to adopt the resolution seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Hunter George commented that quite a bit of the 2021 legislative agenda was accomplished including work related to child care licensing, funds for Gas Station Park and grant funding opportunities.

Mr. George commented There are two main goals for the 60 day session coming in 2022 including financial assistance to rebuild the Dash Point Pier, which is closed indefinitely due to safety concerns and supporting the Washington Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) request to boost the fiscal sustainability of the derelict vessel program. In addition, MPT will support the Washington Recreation and Park Association's (WRPA) agenda, which includes various measures to provide funding options for local park & recreation agencies across the state.

Being not additional comments, the question was called and the resolution passed on a vote of 5-0.

SECOND READINGS RESOLUTIONS None

FIRST READING RESOLUTIONS None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS None

BOARD COMMENTS

Board members expressed appreciation to Commissioner Baines for his years of service as a Park Commissioner.

Commissioner Baines commented on his years as a commissioner noting moving forward he will remain interested on the District’s focus on DEI efforts and advocating for all in the community . He noted he will continue to be an advocate for the same as a community member.

ADJOURN

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

APPROVED:

President

Clerk

Submitted by: Jennifer Bowman, Board Secretary