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#### AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING

## ASHLAND PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION May 18, 2015 Council Chambers 1175 E. Main Street

#### 7:00 p.m.

- CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - 1. Study Session-April 20, 2015
  - 2. Joint Meeting with Council—April 27, 2015
  - 3. Regular Meeting- April 27, 2015
- III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
  - 1. Open Forum
- IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
  - Parks Cost-of-Living Discussion and Approval
  - 2. Bonding Discussion
  - CIP-Projects Outlook for BN 15-17
- VII. SUBCOMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS
  - Ashland Creek Park Opening Update
- VIII. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS
- IX. UPCOMING MEETING DATES
  - Study Session—June 15, 2015
     The Grove, 1195 E. Main Street—7:00 PM
  - Regular Meeting—June 22, 2015
     Council Chambers, 1175 E. Main Street—7:00 PM
- X. ADJOURNMENT

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## City of Ashland PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION STUDY SESSION MINUTES April 20, 2015

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Commissioners Landt, Lewis, Miller, Shaw; Director Black; Superintendents Dials and Dickens; City

Attorney Lohman; Administrative Supervisor Dyssegard; Assistant Manuel

Absent: Commissioner Gardiner; City Council Liaison, Mayor Stromberg

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice / Acting Chair Landt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at The Grove, 1195 E. Main Street.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

#### ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Landt added Item #1 Discussion of Email/Junk Mail and Item #2 Discussion of Availability of Parks Bathrooms to the Agenda.

#### Item #1 Discussion of Email/Junk Mail

Black noted increased computer security of incoming items resulting in more data being sent to spam or junk mail folders. He asked Commissioners to check their spam or junk mail folders periodically in order to retrieve legitimate information sent erroneously to the folders. He stated that the City of Ashland IT Department was reviewing the filter for a possible fix.

#### Item #2 Discussion of Availability of Parks Bathrooms

Shaw stated that early morning walkers sometimes needed restroom facilities, only to find them occasionally locked. Dickens replied that all restroom locks were in the process of being retrofitted with new locks with automatic timers. Once completed, this would allow for early access in the spring and summer months. He noted that the new locks would decrease staff time used for opening and closing facilities and would be programmable for special events or other activities held outside of regular restroom hours.

Landt asked for clarification about the schedule for the opening and closing hours of bathroom doors once the locks were retrofitted. Dickens said restroom hours were not yet set but would be flexible and could be programmed separately. He noted that currently restrooms were opened and closed by staff – who also cleaned the facilities while on site.

Shaw suggested opening the most heavily used facilities early. He recommended the dog park as a priority because of the number of people who walk their dogs early before work, as well as other more heavily used parks.

#### Item #3 Budget Process Update

Black explained that each City Department was asked to decrease projected budgets to balance against revenues from the General Fund. He stated that Parks was asked to lower their budget by \$240,000. He detailed the items selected for adjustments as follows: **Vacation Payouts** decreased by \$3,000. Black stated that further scrutiny determined that the adjusted figure was closer to the actual payouts of the previous year. **Facility Use** decreased by \$30,000 as there would no longer be a fee for using The Grove. He stated that costs would be added back into the budget when the Parks office moved to The Grove, but it would be accounted for with a staff add package. **Fuel costs** were decreased by \$50,000 due to changes in the cost of fuel. The line-item for **Temporary** 

Employees was decreased by \$50,000, a slight increase over the prior year. Black noted that **Professional**Services would be decreased by \$25,000 – a significant number for both operations and recreation. **Urban Tree**Services decreased by \$5,000, with a cost savings provided by the addition of an arborist on staff. Black commented that **Professional Services** were typically accounted for within a project.

Black talked about the proposed request for additional staffing, noting that the Project Manager was accounted for but the Trails Tech I would most likely not be recommended by the Budget Officer. Finally, the roving Park Tech I might be approved with funding from savings due to reduced mowing of the median strips. Landt suggested that Black display the graph documenting increased park acreage juxtaposed with the current staffing shortfall.

There followed discussion about the budget cuts in comparison to other departments, the outdated calculation of \$2.09 per \$1,000 in tax increment financing that provided the benchmark for projecting the budget, and ways to bankroll proposed additional staff. Black noted that the position of Project Manager would be funded 100% through the capital project fund or CIP.

It was agreed that Black would focus on the proposed staff add packages, the proposed staffing increase and the artificial turf project for Siskiyou Blvd. median strips when in talks with the Budget Officer.

## Item #4 STAFF AND COMMISSIONER UPDATES BIKE SWAP UPDATE

Superintendent Dials reported that the Annual Bike Swap on Saturday, April 18, was another successful event, with approximately 50 volunteers, an estimated 400 people attending, and 300 pieces of equipment sold. Less people attended than in previous years and equipment numbers were down slightly, but logistically things went well.

Superintendent Dickens highlighted the opening celebration for Ashland Creek Park. He stated that the free opening event was slated for May 20, 2015, from 11:30 – 1:30 p.m. Invitations were completed and ready to post. The second Oregon Parks and Recreation Grant reimbursement of \$127,000 would be sent upon receipt of photos. [This concluded an OPRD grant totaling \$309,000 for Ashland Creek Park construction.] Dickens detailed the tasks yet to be completed prior to the opening celebration, noting that the park would be ready by May 20, weather permitting.

Landt suggested seeding grass for the project, in the fall, with an educational piece about ways to conserve water in a time of drought. Black expressed a concern about erosion and dust. He noted that smaller portions of the park would remain as natural habitat. Dickens stated that he would rather reduce the watering schedule at an established park in order to complete the new park before weeds become entrenched.

Shaw commented that the concept of green neighborhood parks might encourage less intensive landscaping at home, as a conservation effort.

Further discussion focused on water conservation, irrigation methods and the Talent Irrigation District's schedule.

#### OREGON SCENIC BIKEWAYS MEETING

Black announced that there would be a hearing in Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 22, at 5:00 p.m. regarding the route for a scenic bikeway along Highway 66 and beyond. He stated that the bikeway would be marketed as an intense ride that was not appropriate for families.

#### Item #5 ETHICS REVIEW WITH CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Lohman introduced State and City rules regarding conflicts of interest and gifts. He stated that it was the responsibility of Commissioners to adhere to both sets of rules.

Lohman noted that the State had mandated that public servants could not use their position to obtain anything of value, including services. He emphasized that Commissioners must conduct public business without personal gain, nor could there be special consideration to any person: no promises of employment, no compensation or benefits for a private interest. Public officials were bound by privacy restrictions not to disclose private or confidential information.

He quoted municipal code regarding gifts as follows: "No public official shall solicit or accept gifts, favors, services, compensation, retainers, or promises of future employment from a source with a legislative or administrative interest in the performance of his/her official duties or in anticipation of official action to be taken by the public official..."

Lohman explained that gifts of below \$50 in value were not considered compensation unless given by someone with an *economic* interest in affecting the outcome of a vote. He recommended declining any gift, including meals, with a cumulative value of over \$50 per year as a general principle. Lohman examined situations such as attending a conference, sharing meals, going to special events, and other situations that could potentially lead to a conflict. He also reviewed exceptions to the rules; for example, receipt of unsolicited gifts under \$25. Publications related to official duties were most likely exempt.

There followed a question and answer time reviewing various situations that might become a conflict. Lohman explained the difference between disclosure and recusal, with examples of when to take those actions. He noted that his role was to advise and provide mitigation or support as needed.

Lohman talked briefly about maintaining the separation between policy-making and administration. He reviewed public meetings/records rules and their application. He talked about permissible or non-permissible electronic communications, especially about the potential for serial emails that could be construed as official business.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Manuel, Assistant

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## City of Ashland CITY COUNCIL AND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION JOINT MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2015 Council Chambers 1175 E. Main Street

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: Mayor Stromberg; Councilors Morris, Rosenthal, Seffinger, Voisin; City Administrator Kanner; City

Finance Director Tuneberg

Commissioners Gardiner, Landt, Lewis, Shaw; Director Black; Superintendents Dials and Dickens;

Administrative Supervisor Dyssegard; Assistant Manuel

Absent: Councilors Lemhouse, Marsh; Commissioner Miller

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Commission Chair Gardiner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 1175 E. Main Street.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

There was none.

#### PRESENTATION OF PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND ADD PACKAGES

Black noted that there were six main areas that guided the budget for the 2015-2017 Biennium:

- Trails, Open Space and Land Conservation
- Volunteers
- · Facilities and Programming
- Planning and Development
- Organization
- Parks and Recreation Governance

Black presented through a brief overview of the Ashland Parks and Recreation Budget. He stated that responsibilities included jurisdiction over nineteen parks, a Senior Center, a Nature Center, maintenance for Ashland High School varsity fields, and 785 acres of land – both landscaped and forested; a golf course, community gardens, artisan space, seasonal pool, 30 miles of trails, and six facilities. Black highlighted the 106 recreational programs offered for the summer season. He noted that there were three divisions, and 43.8 FTE.

Black stated that a comparison of the last biennium with the proposed biennium showed a small increase. The former was at \$12,052,100 with the proposed budget at \$12, 410.268. He noted that the increase was due to changes in utilities, benefits, and personnel. Black presented a graph depicting budget fluctuations over prior years, beginning with 2007 and ending with 2017.

Black talked about the proposed Add Package requests for Parks, noting that the proposed project manager would be funded entirely out the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan). He stated that renovations of The Grove would convert unused space into offices that would house the Recreation headquarters. Classes would remain available at The Grove, and no uses would be lost, including the recording studio.

Black explained the need for a Trails Tech I, stating that the extra person would be necessary if Parks and Recreation agreed to take on the new task of maintaining trails in Ashland's watershed. He stated that a roving Park Tech 1 was an important addition to staff, acting as additional assistance when hot spots occurred, whether due to a vacancy, a special project or other pressing needs.

Black highlighted the challenges in meeting the proposed budget, suggesting that a performance audit would assist the Department in gaining financial and operational efficiencies. He also proposed meeting quarterly with the Finance Department and the Commission regarding budget updates.

Councilor Morris noted that the 2008 budget used very little of the CIP. Black stated that budget carry-overs were included in the revenue at that time, and there were more people on staff. Councilor Rosenthal stated that 2008 was the last year that the Youth Activities Levy was listed. He stated that the levy inflated the budget by \$3 million.

Mayor Stromberg expressed his opinion that the presentation was helpful in describing the ways in which Parks and Recreation activities benefited the community. He voiced support for the performance audit.

Commissioner Gardiner complimented Black for his suggestion about participating in a performance audit. He stated that it was a great opportunity to review best practices and find ways to close the gap between revenue and expenses. Gardiner noted that raising the cost of programs could alienate participants and the audit would assist the Director in finding the right balance.

Further discussion and queries focused on the paper transfer of \$550,000 transferred from the General Fund, how that would affect future funding, efforts to balance the budget, and reasons for the historical budgetary excess. In response to a question by Councilor Seffinger, Black indicated that he would was comfortable with the budget as proposed. He stated that if approved, he could manage current responsibilities to high standards. He assured Seffinger that the performance audit would foster innovation while addressing efficiencies.

Commissioner Shaw led a discussion about expending the budget versus historical underspending and/or inflation of the budget. He highlighted the importance of realistic figures to reflect actualities on the ground, stating that the goal was to match the budget rather than record an excess. Kanner noted that budgets should balance. Black emphasized the efforts made to remain under budget.

Black was asked to prioritize Add Package requests. He stated that The Grove renovation project was first because it spoke to current needs and use. The roving technician was next, with the trails technician contingent upon funding for taking on new responsibilities in watershed trails management.

Councilor Rosenthal focused on the proposed transfer of watershed trails management. Kanner noted that the Fire District took on the trails in Ashland's watershed area, approximately seven years ago, as part of the effort to manage forest fires. He stated that although the Fire District agreed to take on maintenance of the trails, no funding followed; therefore, maintenance was minimal. Rosenthal asked whether there would be more economic benefit to the community if taking on the trails became a priority for Parks.

Mayor Stromberg noted the complex nature of trails management, stating that City trails sometimes merged into Forest Service trails and/or onto private lands. He highlighted damage to the trails system caused by mountain bikers participating in extreme aspects of the sport. It was acknowledged that the sport was dangerous and led to the development of a separate trails system for bikers. Public participation meant managing volunteers and volunteer organizations such as the Ashland Woodlands and Trails Association. Black commented that taking on the trails in the watershed region also meant processing applications for new trails and ensuring that the trails met certain requirements and standards.

Further discussion of the budget centered upon variables such as weather cycles and other factors affecting revenues. Mayor Stromberg asked whether cost centers were used for each activity. It was noted that many programs were subsidized, but that cost recoveries were a focus. Black noted that the golf course, for example, typically recovered at 70% of expenses from fees for use. Seffinger highlighted the value of subsidized programs for the greater good: stewardship programs for children learning to protect and conserve natural resources as well as nutritious meals provided to underserved seniors.

Councilor Voisin confirmed that the budget was predicated on \$2.09 per \$1000 in tax incremental financing.

Mayor Stromberg spoke to the importance of the discussion, noting that it was helpful to come together and create a greater understanding of the Department and its goals, achievements, and finances.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Betsy Manuel** 

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# City of Ashland PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES April 27, 2015

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present:

Commissioners Gardiner, Landt, Lewis, Shaw; Director Black; Superintendent Dickens;

Administrative Supervisor Dyssegard and Assistant Manuel

Absent:

Commissioner Miller; City Council Liaison, Mayor Stromberg; Recreation Superintendent Dials

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gardiner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 1175 E. Main Street.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Study Session and Special Meeting - March 11, 2015

MOTION:

Landt moved to approve the minutes as presented. Lewis seconded the motion.

The vote was all yes.

#### Study Session and Special Meeting - March 16, 2015

MOTION:

Shaw moved to approve the minutes as presented. Lewis seconded the motion.

The vote was all yes.

#### Regular Meeting - March 23, 2015

MOTION:

Landt moved to approve the minutes as presented. Shaw seconded the motion.

The vote was all yes.

#### III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

#### IV. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were none.

#### V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### Update on Budget Process

Black referred to the earlier joint meeting with Ashland City Council, remarking that it was a first step in the budget approval process. He announced that the Parks Budget Hearing was scheduled for May 7, 2015, and he encouraged all to attend. In response to a question by Gardiner, Black noted that the Ashland Police Department was also scheduled to make a presentation that evening.

Black said his budget presentation overview would focus on the benefits and value Parks provided to the community. It was anticipated that a majority of the time allotted would be spent fielding questions from the Citizens' Budget Committee.

There followed a brief discussion of the role of Commissioners at the meeting. Discussion also centered on the philosophy of expending funds allotted to Parks. Black stated that the budget cycle would be spent sifting the numbers to realize some savings and cost efficiencies. He agreed that the budget should reflect

actual needs. Black noted that the \$550,000 coming from the General Fund would assist in balancing the budget. He stated that the capital infusion would give staff time to develop budgetary efficiencies. Black highlighted retirement payouts and other extraordinary expenses.

Gardiner noted that the Commission was gaining experience with budgeting as well. He stated that the City had changed the way funding was determined for Parks. Gardiner was optimistic about moving forward, expressing confidence in the new Director and with the current Commission. Black noted that the proposed Performance Audit would help in managing the budget more efficiently.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

Black welcomed Park Technician III, Bill Miller, and highlighted his expertise in the area of water management.

PT III Miller spoke about lessons learned the previous year with regard to drought management. He said water conservation was important in providing ongoing drought mitigation. Ashland citizens were serious about conserving water, which contributed to a substantial reduction last year (30% in 2013/2014). He noted that the City was able to keep the Reeder Reservoir full through September.

Miller said the City of Ashland had 70 irrigation lines and over half of them serviced parks. He explained that the Upper Duck Pond provided 70% of the irrigation to Lithia Park. Miller said TID water was available as a backup source but water volumes fluctuated based on flow levels.

Miller noted that each Ashland park had unique characteristics, from full shade to full sun. He explained about the central irrigation monitoring system and said that in drought years, monitoring water fluctuations changed from weekly to daily – sometimes even hourly. He listed a number of factors that were weighed when planning water use. Prior experience would help initiate a proactive stance when weaning plants from excessive water use. He noted that no annuals were planted the previous year as Parks was transitioning to perennials. Parks was also isolating irrigation lines so shrubs could be watered separately from other types of plants because of differing water requirements. He talked about a reassessment of watering needs for trees, noting that once a tree was established, less irrigation was needed. Miller noted that in some areas of Lithia Park, sub-ground water helped to keep areas green despite reduced irrigation.

Miller noted technologies and other innovations that assisted in water management. He reviewed the spreadsheet provided by the City on water production from the watershed. He said it was a record that would be helpful going forward, establishing a benchmark for low water tables. Parks was also working with GIS to produce a detailed, color-coded map of each irrigation line. Miller explained that the map detail would be helpful, especially when addressing water leaks on weekends.

Miller highlighted other efficiencies such as a transitioning away from drip lines to a low water distribution system called bubblers. He talked about the 24-hour hotline instituted by Parks that allowed members of the public to report on water line breaks so they could be quickly repaired. He finished by noting that water was a precious resource and he hoped Ashland would understand the proactive approach Ashland Parks and Recreation used in managing its water.

Miller replied to questions from the Commission. Gardiner asked about the percentage of acreage currently irrigated (approximately 378 acres). Lewis asked about the dead vegetation at Walker School, stating that complaints were received. Miller commented that the Ashland School District had jurisdiction in that area

and the district would discover how much more difficult it was to restore an area once weeds were established.

Shaw asked if the 30% reduction in water use was sustainable; Miller replied affirmatively.

#### VII. SUBCOMMITTEE AND STAFF REPORTS

#### Golf Course Subcommittee Meeting

Lewis reported that the topics discussed at the April 16 Golf Subcommittee meeting included an update on FootGolf, golf course signage and maintenance, dog policy implementation and Golf budget adjustments. He noted that the official opening of FootGolf at Oak Knoll was set for May 11, 2015. Ten holes of FootGolf would be offered instead of nine. A new supplier was identified for Golf signage, and wording for implementation of the dog policy was still under review. Maintenance issues discussed included plugging of lawns and TID irrigation, which would continue through September 15, at which time the domestic water source would be used. Adjustments to the Golf Course budget were said to be currently under consideration.

#### Bee City USA Subcommittee Meeting

Gardiner noted that the first meeting of the Bee City USA Subcommittee, held on April 13 at the North Mountain Park Nature Center, focused on the election of a Chair (Kristina LaFever). Quarterly meetings were agreed upon and dates set. The subcommittee identified potential events and activities to promote awareness of Ashland's Bee City USA designation.

#### Staff Reports

Dickens noted that the opening ceremony for Ashland Creek Park was scheduled for May 20, 2015, from 11:30 to 1:30. Hot dogs would be served and crafts and other activities provided for the public, staff and their families.

#### VIII. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS

Landt noted a recent complaint from a community member about unleashed dogs on Parks-managed trails. Black stated that dog rules had to be enforced and monitoring increased. Those who did not comply could be cited by police and fined. In response to a question by Landt, Black noted that woodland areas would be monitored as closely as possible. The Forest Service also required dogs to remain on leash.

Landt asked staff to postpone planting grass at Ashland Creek Park until fall 2015. He highlighted the commitment of the Ashland Parks and Recreation Commission toward water conservation, noting that planting in the fall would demonstrate such commitment. Postponement of the planting would provide an educational opportunity for the public and set an example of conservative water management in a drought year.

Dickens said the planting was scheduled for the first week of May. Black explained that the direction to seed in spring 2015 came from him. He noted that the area under discussion was approximately one-half acre in size — about half of what was originally planned. Black noted that a portion of Ashland Creek Park would remain in its natural state to reduce water consumption. He expressed a willingness to halt the planting if directed by the Commission.

Further discussion focused on the pros and cons of proceeding with planting grass as originally scheduled. PT III Miller described the steps currently being taken to irrigate using water-saving technologies and conservation strategies at the park. Shaw suggested posting signage detailing water conservation

measures. Dickens noted that 80% of the grass would need to be planted at Ashland Creek Park to comply with DEQ's storm water management objectives.

Landt noted for the record that he was proposing a motion to plant lawn at Ashland Creek Park in fall 2015.

**MOTION:** Landt moved to direct staff to wait until fall 2015 to plant grass or at least postpone a substantial portion of the grass planned for Ashland Creek Park until then. The motion died for lack of a second.

Black noted that he would take away from the discussion the idea of posting signage to explain APRC's water conservation measures at Ashland Creek Park.

Gardiner thanked Landt for bringing the issue forward.

#### IX. UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Budget Hearing:

May 7, 2015 @ Council Chambers, 1175 E. Main Street - 7:00 p.m.

Study Session:

May 11, 2015 @ The Grove, 1195 E. Main Street - 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

May 18, 2015 @ Council Chambers, 1175 E. Main Street - 7:00 p.m.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Manuel

#### ASHLAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Ashland Parks and Recreation Commission

FROM:

Michael A. Black, AICP - Director

DATE:

May 14, 2015

SUBJECT:

Regular Meeting of May 18, 2015

The APRC regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at the City Council Chambers and is scheduled for 7:00 p.m.

The following is a preview of the items that will be discussed:

#### 1. Parks COLA Discussion and Approval

On May 19, 2014, the Parks and Recreation Commission approved a Benefit Adjustment that included guidance for COLAs between 2104 and 2016. The agreement, which functions as a benefits agreement between administration and parks and recreation workers, states:

"Wages: Rather than adjusting all salaries by a specific percentage, parties recommend a range of 1-5% based upon the CPI-W 12-month average from March of the prior year to March of the current year."

The attached CPI spreadsheet details the average for CPI-W for the period specified, which is -0.6%. Since the above agreement sets the minimum COLA at 1%, and the CPI-W for 2014 was negative (-0.6%), the adjustment that will be made to the parks and recreation worker's salaries for COLA should be 1%. This will apply to all parks and recreation workers and supervisors, but will not apply to executive management employees (Parks Superintendent, Recreation Superintendent and Parks Director).

Based on the above referenced information, I recommend that the Parks and Recreation Commission approve a 1% increase in designated employee's salaries as a COLA based on the 2014 CPI-W.

#### 2. Bonding Discussion

We will discuss the potential for bonding for revenue to complete the designated projects in the CIP (Garfield Park Splash Pad). I plan to discuss the process, rates and payment details and how those will affect our CIP budget in the coming years.

#### 3. CIP Projects Outlook

We will be discussing the recent amendments to the CIP and basic timelines for projects. We will also talk about the project manager position and how filling this position will help APRC achieve higher levels of success with projects. Attached you will find an amended CIP spreadsheet.

Home of Famous Lithia Park

### **Consumer Price Index**

Base period: 1982-84 = 100, not seasonally adjusted

CPI-U

	U.S	S. City Aver	age	West – Size Class B/C				
	2015	2014	2013	2015	2014	2013		
Jan.	-0.1%	1.6%	1.6%	0.0%	1.5%	1.0%		
Feb.	0.0%	1.1%	2.0%	0.6%	0.7%	1.5%		
March	-0.1%	1.5%	1.5%	0.8%	0.9%	1.0%		
April		2.0%	1.1%	8	0.9%	0.8%		
May		2.1%	1.4%	U A	1.7%	0.7%		
June		2.1%	1.8%		1.9%	1.0%		
July		2.0%	2.0%		1.8%	1.6%		
Aug.		1.7%	1.5%		1.5%	1.6%		
Sept.		1.7%	1.2%		1.6%	1.2%		
Oct.		1.7%	1.0%		1.6%	0.8%		
Nov.		1.3%	1.2%		1.2%	1.0%		
Dec.		0.8%	1.5%		0.6%	1.4%		

### **CPI-W**

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Feb.	-0.6%	1.0%	1.9%	0.1%	0.8%	1.4%				
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Sept.		1.6%	1.0%		1.6%	1.1%				
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2nd half	2.3%	2.8%	2.1%	2.1%	2.7%	1.8%
Annual	2.4%	2.5%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.0%

## 2015-17 CIP Estimates - Updated 5.11.2015

		2015/17 Budget			Parks CIP		Other (grant/	
	Description	Proposal	F&B	SDC	EFB	2015 EFB	loan)	Totals
	Repair Perozzi Fountain @ Lithia Park	70,000	70,000				-	70,000
	Lithia Park Asphalt	23,000			23,000			23,000
BANCES	Oak Knoll Driving Range Netting	21,048	11,950		9,098			21,048
ENVED	Daniel Meyer Pool-Solar Panel Replacement	35,000	35,000					35,000
cart path	RENAME - Oak Knoll Cart Path	120,000	120,000					120,000
	Park Restroom Auto Lock Doors	22,162			22,162			22,162
	Garfield Park Sand Volleyball Relocation	9,239			9,239			9,239
REVISED	Hunter Park Playground	70,000	70,000		1 1			70,000
REVISED	Hunter Park Asphalt Overlay	40,000	30,000		10,000			40,000
	Calle Guanajuato Improvements (Bond Repayment)	80,000	80,000					80,000
	Ashland Creek Park Development		-					=0
	RENAME • 340 S. Pioneer, Parks Office Upgrades	15,000	15,000					15,000
	RENAME - Garfeld Park Water Play Replacement, Shade and Play Imp	550,000	•				550,000	550,000
	Sign Replacement Plan	25,000	25,000					25,000
	Lower Clay Street Purchase	310,000	310,000	18				310,000
	Lithia Park Master Plan	230,000	230,000					230,000
	Lithia Park Rehabilitation Project (Sand, etc)	55,052	20,000		35,052			55,052
CLOSE	Daniel Meyer Pool Bathhouse							-
Haviso	Second Dog Park Construction	75,000	75,000				19:13	75,000
	Project Manager	40,000	40,000	1912				40,000
	Land Acquisition**	1,662,385	100,000	562,340			1,000,045	1,662,385
	Sub-total Carry over Projects	3,452,886	1,231,950	562,340	108,551		1,550,045	3,452,886
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	YMCA Park Improvements	5,000	5,000					5,000
	Ashland Creek Park Phase II	35,000	35,000					35,000
	Park Building Maintenance and Upgrades (Paint)	25,000	25,000					25,000
(REVISE)	The Grove - Recreation Office Remodel	111,017			111,017			111,017
MONSE	Winburn Sidewalk	35,000	35,000.00					35,000
	Bicycle Skills Park and Track	27,917	27,917	115	VEE X			27,917
(EME)	Darriel Meyer Pool Bubble	46,950	S 3. 1.		46,950			46,950
	Oak Knoll Playground	40,000		40,000				40,000
	Trails and Open Space Comp Plan Update	39,120	20,000		19,120			39,120
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	Sub-total New Projects	365,004	147,917	40,000	177,087			365,004
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