

MINUTES
ASHLAND PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION (APRC)
Trails Master Plan Review Subcommittee Meeting
June 2, 2022 – 10 a.m.
In Person Meeting – Lithia Park Butler Memorial Bandshell

Present:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: APRC Commissioner Rick Landt, APRC Commissioner Leslie Eldridge, City of Ashland Councilor Stephen Jensen, Ashland Forest Lands Commissioner Luke Brandy, Brooke Hansen, David Chapman (left at 10:18 p.m.), Rogue Valley Mountain Bike Association (RVMB) Member Casey Botts, Ashland Woodlands & Trails Association Torsten Heycke (arrived at 10:22 a.m.)

APRC & CITY STAFF: APRC Director Michael A. Black, City of Ashland Fire Department Forestry Division Chief Chris Chambers, City of Ashland GIS Specialist Lea Richards, APRC Open Space Supervisor Jason Minica, APRC Executive Analyst Dorinda Cottle

Absent:

Ashland Forest Lands Commissioner Priscila Franco, Jeffrey McFarland

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- [Trails Master Plan Review Subcommittee, May 4, 2022 \(Study Session\)](#)

Motion: Landt moved to approve the Minutes from the May 4, 2022 study session, as presented. Brandy seconded.

Vote: The vote was all yes.

- [Trails Master Plan Review Subcommittee, April 14, 2022](#)

Motion: Eldridge moved to approve the minutes by unanimous consent.

Vote: The vote was all yes.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MINUTES

- [Trails Master Plan Review Subcommittee Working Group for Alice in Wonderland Re-route, February 15, 2022](#)

Motion: Eldridge moved to acknowledge the minutes by unanimous consent.

Vote: The vote was all yes.

III. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

IV. PUBLIC INPUT

None

V. MOVE FROM AD HOC TO STANDING TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE

- Chapman removed himself from the subcommittee as a voting member. He will serve as an advisor from here forward

- Leadership of the Trails Master Plan Review Subcommittee with transfer from a dual leadership between Landt and Eldridge to solely Eldridge
- Eldridge stated that the demand and need for trails will be ongoing and it makes sense for this ad hoc subcommittee to be moved to a standing advisory subcommittee. This change will go before the Commission for approval. The subcommittee size will be reduced in size with possibly five to seven members, who will meet when trails issues come up. The mission would be to keep the trails process moving forward with new trails, re-routes and so on, and will *not* focus on maintenance. Members will be appointed by the Commission
- Jensen asked if the standing advisory committee would come up with a trails process. Eldridge stated that a codified trails process, including an application, will be created internally with the Commission, APRC staff and possibly RVMBA. The process may differ slightly depending on APRC managed lands versus City lands

VI. TRAILS APPROVAL PROCESS

- Eldridge passed out a draft on the Trails Approval Process

VII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dorinda Cottle
APRC Executive Analyst