

**MINUTES FOR
ASHLAND PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION
Parks & Open Space Map Update Subcommittee
May 1, 2023
340 S. Pioneer Street – 9:30 AM**

Present: Commissioners Landt, Eldridge; Analyst Kiewel, Eric Hansen, Katie Larsen, Torsten Heycke

Absent: Director Black, JoAnne Eggers

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - Landt called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
- II. **Approval of minutes for September 27, 2022** – Eldridge moved to approve minutes Heycke seconded – All approved.
- III. **Additions or Deletions to the Agenda - None**
- IV. **Public Forum - None**
- V. **Review Parks & Open Space Map Recommendations** - Landt stated that rather than change the City Comprehensive Plan a narrative will be added to the updated map. City Council will hopefully approve of the new map and verbiage.

The subcommittee reviewed the map and agreed on the following updates:

- Update to reflect the Palen Property has now been acquired by APRC.
 - The subcommittee discussed the removal of Billings Ranch from the map except for the riparian areas, which are outside the Urban Growth Boundary. Eldridge would like to add the Billings ranch as an example in the narrative regarding the goals.
 - Added additional property for trail connectivity that connects trails through the watershed. (15)
 - Bottom of Wrights Creek property (6) leave on the plan
 - Keep property Bear Creek riparian/floodplain segments from Nevada Street to North Mountain Ave. (E) on plan
 - Eldridge suggested adding text regarding Imperatrice property as a potential trail system
 - Map will be updated when any new properties are acquired.
- VI. **Subcommittee Recommendations to Parks Commission** – APRC will be updated in the May study session meeting.

Motion: Eldridge moved that the subcommittee accept the parcels that have been removed from the plan as discussed.
Seconded by Larson.

Discussion – none

Vote: All Yes

Next meeting will review the property addition with the narrative language.

Eldridge would like to see the drainage and creeks layer added to the map.

Landt stated that staff will review the Trails Master Plan with the Parks and Open Space Map for consistency.

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.
Tara Kiewel, Administrative Analyst