

CITY OF COLUMBUS
PARK BOARD MEETING
INTERACTIVE MEETING FORMAT
STATUTES SECTION 13D.021
10-05-2023

The 10-05-2023 Park Board meeting for the City of Columbus was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Brad Norling at the City of Columbus City Hall. Present were Board members Bob Bodene, Kris King, and Steven Ray.

City Council Members Janet Hegland and Ron Hanegraaf, Public Works Director Jim Windingstad were also present.

Absent: Andrea Messina.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Motion by King to approve Park Board agenda for 10-05-2023 meeting as presented.

Second by Ray.

Roll call vote: Ray – aye; Norling – aye; Bodene – aye; King- aye. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PARK BOARD MINUTES:

Motion King to approve the minutes of the 08-22-2023 Park Board meeting.

Second by Ray.

Roll call vote: Ray – aye; Norling – aye; Bodene – aye; King - abstain. All in favor, motion carried.

DISCUSSION/MOTION:

Fencing: Windingstad provided the board members with an updated fence quote and a map diagram showing the layout of the fence with requested openings. The board inquired purchasing this year or purchase will be next year as a 2023 expense. Windingstad stated Century Fence will honor this 2023 pricing for the spring 2024 install. Norling questioned the board if 4 openings were enough or if one additional opening would be beneficial. The board chose to add one additional opening, establishing 5 openings throughout. King inquired about the concrete stop price as well. The board previously agreed to place 35 8-foot barriers placed in front of the fence with a quote from Cemstone \$5,175.00. Windingstad will present the fence quote with layout with the curb stops included at the next City Council meeting.

Motion by Bodene to recommend to the Council the installation of a vinyl coated fence from Century Fence along the parking lot of the Columbus City Park with the price adjustment of an additional opening and concrete curb stops.

Second by Ray. Roll call vote: Ray – aye; Norling – aye; Bodene – aye; King - aye. All in favor, motion carried.

Lighting: Windingstad presented an application to Connexus to get an updated design and project report. As of date he has not received a response but previously placed \$1,000.00 in the budget for this project. The consensus was to move this to a 2024 project awaiting a response from Connexus. If this project goes forward, the board agreed to inform the residents a courtesy informational correspondence.

Park Board Members Open Discussion:

Norling shared that he felt the Fall Fest event was a true success and well attended.

Ray added that there were a lot of families, and the weather was perfect. Hegland added that parking/handicap parking was an issue as people commented they had to walk further, as well as the availability of seating will be looked at closely next year. Hegland mentioned that there was comments made with interest of having other events in the park throughout the summer ie: Arts in the Park, Music in the Park as Community experiences.

NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting for Thursday, November 30, 5:30 p.m. The discussions will be 2024 budget review and future projects. The board will also discuss the status of the Park Master Plan. Norling added that he would like to discuss the option of moving meetings to Tuesday versus Thursdays.

ADJORN:

Motion made by Norling to adjourn.

Second by Ray.

Roll call vote: Ray – aye; King – aye; Norling – aye; Bodene – aye. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Lorie A Spangler

Lorie Spangler, Recording Secretary