REDMOND CITY COUNCIL
PARKS AND HUMAN SERVICES (PKHS) COMMITTEE/
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY

Council Conference Room
15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, August 2, 2011

Council:
Hank Margeson
John Stilin, Chair
Pat Vache (*Not in attendance*)
Richard Cole *(Attending Council Member)*

Staff:
Craig Larsen, Parks and Recreation Director
Mark Hickok, Business Operation Manager
Cindy Johnson, Recreation Program Administrator
Eric O'Neal, Program Administrator, Parks Operations
Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner
Hugh Foskett, Supplemental Recreation Leader IV
Elizabeth Adkisson, Deputy City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m. Adjourned: 5:20 p.m.

Committee Chair, John Stilin, opened the meeting; the item "Derby Days Follow-Up" was removed from the agenda.

CDBG Update

Ms. Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner, reported on the CDBG Update:

- staff spoke to the committee in May regarding the option to be a 'Joint Agreement City';
- Redmond has been notified by HUD that option is available;
- Interlocal Agreement with King County in this regard is currently routing;
- entitlement of $176,000; lower than estimated;
- staff will proceed with initial plan; and
- timelines:
    - consent agenda item for 08/16/11 regular meeting – re distribution of funds; and
    - back in the fall re projects.

General discussion ensued regarding estimated entitlement, and discrepancy.

Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness Mid-Plan Review

Ms. Buckingham reported on the Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness Mid-Plan Review:

- currently mid-process of the review;
- planning activities;
- would like to collect stakeholder information; and
- 08/16/11 director of DEH to talk to City Council and gather input.

General discussion ensued regarding the 08/16 presentation.

Ms. Buckingham also reported that Tent City has moved to Bellevue.

Interlocal Agreement between the City of Redmond and the City of Sammamish for Landscape Maintenance of a Portion of SR202

Mr. Eric O'Neal, Program Administrator, Parks Operations, reported on the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Redmond and the City of Sammamish for Landscape Maintenance of a Portion of SR202:

- the item will be before Council soon;
- this is the final step in the design, building, and maintenance of the project;
- would like to take over the maintenance in the corridor entering Sammamish (roughly 700 feet into Sammamish);
    - control the service levels of key entry point into Redmond; and
    - this is the original concept from the 2007 plans.

General discussion ensued regarding the specific area to be covered in the agreement, who will pay for the maintenance, and the scope of the services that will be provided.

Idylwood Beach Park

Ms. Cindy Johnson, Recreation Program Administrator, and Mr. Hugh Foskett, Supplemental Recreation Leader IV, reported on Idylwood Beach Park:

- beach aquatics are open from the date Lake Washington School District gets out for the summer through Labor Day;
- open 11am-6pm with lifeguard coverage (NEW hours);
- amenities at park:
    - picnic shelter;
    - playground;
    - sand volleyball;
    - NEW: lap swim area (100 yard length);
    - NEW: sand toy loaner area;
    - NEW: ice cream vendor (via survey results vending machines were taken out);
    - NEW: boat rental program and paddle boarding;
- recorded attendance:
    - average 25,000 people from mid-June through Labor Day;
    - average 342 people per day (record count when lifeguards on duty);
- partnerships:
    - King County Water Quality – tests water quality weekly;
    - Seattle Children's Hospital – anti-drowning program, life jacket loaner program;
    - local agencies/municipalities – compare notes;
    - American Red Cross Certification – lifeguards certification;
    - open water certification; and
- staff has focused on increasing customer service, and encouraging safety and fun; positive responses from community have been received.

General discussion ensued regarding the old hours (12noon - 7pm), ice cream vendor contract, and the addition of boat and paddleboard rentals (life jacket required for use).

WAVE Aquatics Presentation – Redmond Pool

Mr. Mark Hickok, Business Operation Manager, Parks and Recreation, Tyson Wellock, WAVE Aquatics, Director, reported on the Redmond Pool:

- the pool reopened November 1, 2010;
- the City has a good partnership with WAVE Aquatics;
- the City and WAVE Aquatics would like to make an amendment to the contract, regarding revenue/payment schedule; proposed change from quarterly to yearly payment;
- the item will come before Council for approval in the near future;
- review of Redmond Pool Usages for the first two quarters of 2011;
- WAVE Swim School in high demand;
- other popular programs include:
    - Lap Swim;
    - Deep Water Aerobics; and
    - Senior Water Aerobics;
- upcoming summer event: Splash in the Summer (swim camp);
- upcoming fall events: high school swim season; and
- Pool Hours:
    - Monday through Friday – 5am to 9 or 11pm; and
    - Saturday and Sunday – 7am to 6pm.

General discussion ensued regarding benefit to the contract amendment, the facilities and maintenance, expansion of pool programs to include/appeal to more individuals, the swim school, pre-summer water safety classes for youth, and possible partnerships with schools.

Future Park Bond

Mr. Craig Larsen, Parks and Recreation Director, reported on the future park bond:

- grant planning for Fall 2012;
- preparing for 2012 ballot measure;
- Parks and Trails Commission has been gathering stakeholder information through it's "Plant a Seed" presentation; information will be gathered and reviewed; additional stakeholder comments gathered at such events as Derby Days and community block watch events;
- next steps – scientific analysis of data; hope to have information processed in 10 weeks, and have more information on what 'Redmond' wants; issues: scale, capacity – what are people interested in; official survey will go out in January;
- proposal to build new facility – exploring two possible locations;
    1. in greater downtown Redmond area (urbanized area);
    2. partner with King county, and locate facility at Marymoor Park;
    - researching locations and considering economic benefit, dis/advantages to the locations, and will do a site analysis for both;

- staff will continue to update the Council via committee meetings; should have more data to share in the next two months; and
- staff would like input as to how and when to bring this discussion to the full body.

General discussion ensued regarding hockey rink/pool duality option and acquiring a LEAD certification for facility – lower energy costs.

Miscellaneous

General discussion ensued regarding the City Hall Campus Lawn.