

Minutes for Magnuson Park Advisory Committee
January 11, 2016
Lower Conference Room, Building 30

Members Present: Gabrielle Gerhard (Chair), Tom Kelly (Vice Chair), Adrienne Karls (Secretary), Lynn Ferguson, Humberto Alvarez, Jon Carver, Sandy Miller, Mary Anne Ward

Absent: Carol Valdrighi, Aaron Hoard, Scott Marshall, Herbert Curl, Chandra Hampson

Magnuson Park Staff: Brian Judd, Cheryl Frasier

Guests: Tom Ansart, Spike Mafford

Call to Order: Gabrielle Gerhard calls meeting to order at 6:05pm

Notes from the Chair – Gabrielle Gerhard: None

Approval of December minutes: Jon Carver moves to approve the minutes with friendly amendments and Lynn Ferguson seconds. All members present vote in favor.

Announcement: Reminder that SDOT will be presenting proposed plans for pedestrian and traffic flow changes to Sand Point Way on January 25, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Officers Club.

Public Comment: None

Sail Sand Point Year end summary – Mary Anne Ward: the past year has been a huge success with outreach, enrollments for adult and kids' programs, classes and racing. Some plans for this year include obtaining resources for funding and lead paint abatement, providing a marine STEM program for the kids living in Magnuson Park, utilizing \$12K donation for adaptive sailing by purchasing a new lift that will allow people in wheelchairs easier access, work with Children's Hospital and the Ronald McDonald House to coordinate free passes for children battling cancer and their families, and continuing free full moon boat rides.

Funding sources for athletic fields – Committee: field user fees are to increase in July 2017. Open discussion as to where the funds are going, including the creation of a dedicated Field Improvement Fund, including two \$800K pots of money – one for fields and one for lights. Update on asset management plan for next month and Jon Carver to start a letter of support for field improvement funding dedicated to Magnuson Park playfields.

Director's Report – Brian Judd and Cheryl Frasier: answering questions about the Strategic Plan will continue into February and March 2017. Building 20 RFP: still having conversations with restaurants that would like to occupy the space. **Q:** Are food trucks allowed in the park? **A:** Yes, they can enter if there's a contract through SPR publicizing food truck or service. Building 18 RFP: need to look at the deed restrictions for SPR uses. **Q:** Should the connection to Burke Gilman Trail be going further down the North Shore? **A:** It's in reference to the area behind the boat house but please email questions. **Q:** What's the status of the 520 Mitigations? **A:** it's still under state negotiations so there's no update at this time. Building 2 RFP: there was a review process committee who worked closely with Parks and found there were two strong RFP's submitted. The committee's recommendation is that neither group

should get a contract for Building 2. The denial was in part due to the groups' inability to bring any capital investment to the table. The RFP process has ended. However, there is an appeal period with many phases, the first of which is underway at this time. Conversation ensued that SPR is asking the potential tenant to get funding when there is no actual lease in place; this is nearly impossible to do because of the lengthy term of the future lease.

Lynn Ferguson places a motion that MPAC write a letter advising the Parks Superintendent to stay true to their RFP process and continue to negotiate a lease with their finalists. Mary Anne Ward seconds the motion, Tom Kelly votes opposed, Humberto Alvarez votes to abstain, and the remaining member's present vote in favor of writing said letter to the Parks Superintendent.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Adrienne Karls - Secretary