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LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ May 14, 2015

Present: Jack Doyel, Wendi Cudmore, Twyla Dennis, Joe Waneka, Gene Alvine, Brian Steckelberg, Leighton Millar

Staff: Elizabeth Anderson, Marilyn Hilgenberg, Keven Aggers, Larry Callihan, Janet Meisel-Burns, Carol Wallace, Alan Krcmarik from the Finance Department

Absent: Katie Davis, Deborah Manderscheid, Hugh McKean (City Council Liaison)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

Minutes: Minutes of the April 9, 2015 were approved as written.

Council Liaison Report: None

CEF Fees Proposals from Finance Department

Alan Krcmarik, Executive Economic Advisor, was present to discuss the City's proposed new methodology on collecting future CEF fees. There will be no changes to fees collected for Parks/Trails/Recreation. Commission members expressed a concern about how this will impact future projects.

2016 Budget & Fee Proposals

Staff discussed the 2016 Budget and fee proposals for the Parks & Recreation Department. There will only be minor changes in fees. The Department continues to try and exceed cost recovery goals. The proposal to eliminate the city food sales tax could cause a reduction in programs and services offered to the public. Commission members expressed a serious concern about the impact this will have on the public. The Commission will draft a letter to address their concerns which will be sent to City Council for the May 19th Council consideration of the Ordinance.

Mehaffey Park Update

The Grand Opening for Mehaffey Park has been delayed because of the unusual amount of rain days, which impacts the laying of sod and completion of hardscaping. Staff is hoping for the opening of the park to occur on August 1st. Several pictures of areas at Mehaffey were shown to the Commission to show progress. Continued forecast of rain could cause further delay. The June Commission meeting will be held onsite at Mehaffey Park.

Low & Moderate Income Fee Guidelines

Commission members were presented with a listing of low and moderate income discount programs. Both 2013 and 2014 figures were shown for comparison. Larimer County was a qualifying agency, but had to drop out of the programs because of staffing issues. Staff is working on ways to work again with Larimer County because of the exposure they have with these groups.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm
/s Wendi Cudmore, Vice-Chair