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LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ October 13, 2011

Present: Neil Spooner, Jack Doyel, Gene Alvine, Deborah Manderscheid, Leighton Millar, Twyla Dennis, Sean Cronin, Katie Davis, Hugh McKean (City Council Liaison)

Staff: Gary Havener, Keven Aggers, Larry Callihan, Janet Meisel-Burns, Carol Wallace

Absent: Pam Wagner

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

Minutes: Minutes of the August 11, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

Council Liaison Report: None

Mehaffey Park – Design Consultant Section, Design Schedule

Staff is waiting for contract to be signed before releasing the name of the Design Consultant for Mehaffey Park. Informational maps were passed out to Commission members and discussed. Negotiations are in progress to acquire approximately 3.6 acres on the north end of Mehaffey Park site to provide a required access point from 29th Street. The first public open house will be in December including concepts for design of Mehaffey Park presented at the open house. Construction could start in August 2012 with a partial opening of the park in mid-2013 and be fully operational by 2014.

Third Quarter Financials – Operations & Capital Financial Reports, 2011

The Parks & Recreation Department is in good shape financially for the first three quarters of 2011 with all funds and divisions within budgeting projections. Expenditures are 4% below projections. Both Conservation Trust Fund and Natural Areas Revenue are doing better than expected.

Budget approval Schedule for City Council

The first reading of the proposed 2012 Budget was approved on first reading by City Council. The second reading will be on October 18th. There were no questions on the Parks & Recreation sections of the 2012 budget at Council on October 4th.

Commission Members Discussion Topics

The VAC will be making a presentation concerning placement of art in public places at the October 18th City Council Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Community Marketing Committee on October 16th at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers.

Installation of art pieces selected for the Chilson Recreation Center will be in November.

A handout of the Parks & Recreation section results of Quality of Life Survey, 2011 was distributed. Although most responses tallied lower than 2010, quality Parks & Trails and the parks cleanliness tied for third highest at 91% strongly agree.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm
/s Gene Alvine, Chairman