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## LOVELAND PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes ♦ November 10, 2011

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

**Staff:** Gary Havener, Keven Aggers, Larry Callihan, Carol Wallace

**Absent:** Pam Wagner, Twyla Dennis,

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

**Minutes:** Minutes of the October 13, 2011 meeting were approved as written.

**Council Liaison Report:** Hugh McKean will be the Council Liaison for the next two years.

### **Mehaffey Park Design Update**

AECOM was selected as the designing firm for Mehaffey Park. The company presented a pictorial history of the Mehaffey parcel, which was a unique aspect of their proposal. A Traffic Input Study will begin soon. Staff will conduct neighborhood meetings in December to get public input. Progress of the design phase will be dependent on outcome of the neighborhood meetings. All conceptional drawings will be presented at future Commission meetings. An additional 3-5 acres will need to be purchased on the north end for access from 29<sup>th</sup> Street. Potential natural features for the playground will be tunnels, exploratory features with earth tones and colors. AECOM will put together three conceptual designs for display at the public meetings to gather comments on each. The Commission members are encouraged to attend the public neighborhood meetings and will be provided that schedule via e-mail.

### **Parks Maintenance – Future Impacts Report**

Staff and Commission members discussed the impacts over the last two years of budget cuts. Staff discussed service level trends and Budget trends and reductions over the past two years, projecting service level impacts to long term maintenance reductions to infrastructure and turf.

Meeting adjourned at 6 pm  
/s Gene Alvine, Chairman