

Parks Committee

City of Roeland Park
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 11th, 2017
Roeland Park City Hall

Attendees

Committee members and liaisons-Corey Coe, Patrick Franken, Jim Kanally, Randi King, Jose Leon (Public Works Director), Jennifer Provyn, Kathleen Whitworth

Call to Order by Jennifer Provyn

- **2017 available funds for Parks Committee**
 - \$2109.28 in Parks budget

Old Business

Action items completed

- KCPL grant trees (6 trees) have been planted in R Park (Thanks, Carl!) Additional trees purchased by Public Work have been installed on Roe Boulevard
- December, 2016 Minutes approved

Resident voices

- No comments received

Presentations

- Sunshade Grant
 - Potential grant of up to \$8K for sunshades for R Park and Granada Park. Will address picnic tables only. If approved by Parks will need to present to Council in February, 2017. Grant writers will need to move swiftly in order to meet grant deadline.

New Actions items

- Need to address the need for new playground equipment in R Park
 - Equipment is too old and too expensive to maintain. The equipment is over 20 years old!
 - Will need to champion as objective for 2018 budget.
 - Cost could range from \$35K to \$75 K.
 - Ad-hoc playground selection committee needed. May want to invite residential volunteer members to serve.
 - Need to invite Daniel V. to next meeting and revisit timeframe for purchase.
- Need to select Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Community Foundation liaison at February, 2017 meeting.
- All members need to read and sign KOMA forms by end of February meeting
 - Jennifer to contact Keith about presenting to Parks members
- Arbor Day celebration slated for Saturday, April 29th 11:00 AM at R Park. Ideas include:
 - Tree Marker scavenger hunt
 - Mortgage burning for R Park
 - Citizens fundraising table with goods (tee shirts, coffee, etc.) and baked goods for sale to raise money for R Park shelter
 - Sustainability, Arts to participate? Need to ask
- Council presentation slated for January, 2017 of draft R Park plan recommendations from the Parks and Arts Committees
- Developing a cost estimate report to share with Council on January 17th of volunteer hours and pro-bono (free) work already donated to R park
- Citizens fundraising and i9 are asking to hold a fundraiser in September, 2017 at R Park, Entitled "Game Day". This event would be a fundraiser for parks. Further discussion/definition is needed prior to approval by Parks.

Continuing Action items

- Granada Art Stones-Arts Committee was approached. Asking for resolution by spring, 2017.

- R/Granada Park recycle bin-It was determined that magnetic signs would best address the need for to further emphasize recycle bin content
 - Jennifer to review with donors Megan and Jan
- Granada and Carpenter Park bench purchase
 - Funds available will be known by May, 2017. Bench Committee (Patrick, Daniel V., and Kathleen) to move forward with selections.
- R Park tree marker purchase review completed. Installation targeted prior to Arbor Day celebration 2017. Cost is estimated to be \$930.00. Kathleen to assume ownership.
- Patrick took ownership of resolving R Park Marquee issue. Clearly defined process that is workable for Public works and event coordinators is needed
- Nall Park Bike trail-Urban Trail Board approved the project for 2017. Project is funded in 2017 RP budget however a defined plan with goals and timelines is needed.
 - Status of easement agreement with Blvd Apartments is not known.
 - Will need to flag route, map, and establish finalized plan and easement agreement.
 - A volunteer work day cleanup in preparation for the trail.will need to be scheduled.
- Donor policy-Where is this?
- Memorial tree program-Status and donor costs?

Motions Approved

- Meeting adjournment

Other Matters/Reminders/Announcements

Future Parks Events-Arbor day, April 29th, 2017 11:00 AM @ R Park

- **Future R Park Fundraising Events**
 - March 25th, 2017 Spring Wine Fling RP Community Center 7-10:00 PM
 - Soccer Clinic-June, 2017
- **Future Arts Committee Events**
 - None known
- **Future Events Committee Events**
 - Easter Egg Hunt 04/15/17-Nall Park with Dome rain backup
 - City Wide Block Party-6/10/17-R Park
 - Barktoberfest 10/07/17 (potentially) @ R Park 11:00 AM-3:00 PM

Parks Committee Meetings-

City Council Presentation of R Park Draft Plan, Tuesday, January 17th, 6:00 PM @ City Hall-All are welcome but not required

Next Regular Committee Meeting: Wednesday, February 8th, 2017, 6:00 PM @ City Hall