

**RECREATION & PARKS COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES SYNOPSIS**

April 14, 2021 – Virtual Meeting

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Phone #: 929-205-6099, Conference Code: 84353272387#

Call to Order

8:38 a.m.

Present

Commissioners: Derrick Clay, Gregg Dodd, Alvis Moore, Letha Pugh, and Karla Rothan

Staff: Attendance not taken

Guest(s): Attendance not taken

Previous Board Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Commissioner Dodd and seconded by Commissioner Pugh the March meeting minutes were unanimously accepted.

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Remarks from Chief of Staff's Office, Kenneth Paul

- Robin Davis represented; no current updates

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Ord #0666-2021 (COAAA Senior Farmer's Market Appropriation)

Title: To authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks to accept, and appropriate, a grant from the Ohio Department of Aging in the amount of \$222,152.00 to the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund for the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging in connection with the Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program; and to declare an emergency. (\$222,152.00)

2. Ord #0667-2021 (COAAA Senior Farmer's Market Contract 2021)

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a contract with LifeCare Alliance for the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program; to authorize the expenditure of up to \$226,081.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$226,081.00)

3. **Ord #0797-2021 (COAAA PASSPORT Supplemental Expenditure 2021)**
Title: To authorize the expenditure of up to \$3,666,668.00 from the Recreation and Parks Grant Fund; to authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to increase various contracts for PASSPORT home care and Assisted Living services; and to declare an emergency. (\$3,666,668.00)

4. **Ord #0929-2021 (Greenways CIP AC2021)**
Title: To authorize the City Auditor to establish a certificate in the amount of \$200,000.00 for various expenditures for labor, material and equipment in conjunction with greenways trails system improvements within the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$200,000.00 from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$200,000.00)

5. **Ord #0930-2021 (CIP Staff Billing, Cost Allocation 2020-21)**
Title: To authorize and direct the City Auditor to establish a certificate in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 for the reimbursement of staff time related to the administration of Recreation and Parks 2020-2021 Capital Improvement Projects; and to authorize the expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund. (\$1,000,000.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Dodd the Commission unanimously approved the Consent Agenda.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

6. **Ord #0899-2021 (Raymond Golf Course Pump Replacement - Hole 10)**
Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with National Water Services, LLC for the Raymond Golf Course Pump Replacement - Hole 10 Project; to authorize the transfer of \$57,065.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to authorize the amendment of the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$57,065.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$57,065.00)

7. **Ord #0912-2021 (Greater Columbus Rowing Association Lease 2021)**
Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks, with the approval of the Director of Finance and Management and the Director of the Department of Public Utilities to enter into lease agreements with the Greater Columbus Rowing Association (Hereinafter "GCRA") in conjunction with their rowing activities from Griggs Boathouse and on Griggs Reservoir.

8. **Ord #0913-2021 (Turnberry Golf Course Improvements)**
Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into contract with CESO, Inc. for the Turnberry Golf Course Improvements Design Project; to authorize the transfer of \$106,900.00 within the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to authorize the amendment of the 2020 Capital Improvements Budget; to authorize the expenditure of \$106,900.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$106,900.00)

9. Ord #0922-2021 (2020 Gym Dividers Professional Services Contract)

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with XYZ Professional Services, LTD to provide engineering services for the 2020 Gym Dividers and to authorize an expenditure of \$133,032.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$133,032.00)

10. Ord #0923-2021 (2021 CDBG Funded Hard Surface Improvements)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with M&D Blacktop for the Hard Surface Improvements 2020 – 2021; to authorize an expenditure of \$158,940.80 from funds provided by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; to authorize an expenditure of \$2,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund for interdepartmental fees for prevailing wage; and to declare an emergency. (\$160,900.80)

11. Ord #0931-2021 (2020-21 Roof Renovation Program)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with General Maintenance and Engineering Company for the Roof Renovations 2020 - 2021 project; to authorize the expenditure of \$1,868,500.00 from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$1,868,500.00)

12. Ord #0937-2021 (Downtown Connectors Phase I Construction)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Columbus Asphalt Paving, Inc. for the construction of Downtown Connector Trail – Phase 1 and to authorize an expenditure of \$365,797.80 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to authorize an expenditure of \$31,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund for interdepartmental inspections and fees; and to declare an emergency. (\$396,797.80)

13. Ord #0938-2021 (Hard Surface Improvements 2021)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with M&D Blacktop for the Hard Surface Improvements 2020 – 2021; to authorize an expenditure of \$901,826.80 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; to authorize an expenditure of \$2,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund for interdepartmental inspections and fees; and to declare an emergency. (\$903,826.80)

14. Ord #0939-2021 (Hard Surface Improvements Construction Management and Inspection Services)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Dynotec, Inc. to provide construction management services for CRPD’s annual Hard Surface Program and to authorize an expenditure of \$129,183.22 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$129,183.22)

15. Ord #0940-2021 (Glenwood and Windsor Swimming Pool Replacements – Professional Services for Design)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Williams Architects to provide professional design services for the Glenwood and Windsor Swimming Pool Replacement Project; to authorize an expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 from funds provided by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and to declare an emergency. (\$1,000,000.00)

16. Ord #0941-2021 (Street Tree Installation Spring 2021 MGI)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with Greenscapes Landscape Company for the installation of 1002 street trees throughout the City of Columbus; to authorize the expenditure of \$315,574.00 (incl. \$28,000.00 contingency) funded by the Mayor’s Green Initiative (MGI); and to declare an emergency. (\$315,574.00)

17. Ord #0942-2021 (Street Tree Installation Spring 2021 (Greater Hilltop & North Central UIRF Neighborhoods))

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into contract with GreenScapes Landscape Company for the installation of 307 street trees in the Hilltop and North Central Area Communities; to authorize the expenditure of \$98,109.00 (incl. \$10,000.00 contingency) funded by the Dept. of Development and the Urban Infrastructure Recovery Fund (UIRF), and to declare an emergency. (\$98,109.00)

18. Ord #0934-2021 (Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) -Urban Forestry Master Plan (UFMP) 2020-21)

Title: To authorize the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into various contracts for management of the Emerald Ash Borer infestation; to authorize the amendment of the 2021 Capital Improvements Budget; to establish Auditor's Certificates in the amount of \$508,985.62; to authorize the expenditure of \$508,985.62 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$508,985.62)

19. Ord #0935-2021 (Golf Courses Spring Fertilizer Application 2021)

Title: To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with the Harrell’s, LLC for the purchase of Golf course fertilizer for Spring application on all 6 golf courses on behalf of the Recreation and Parks Department; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of City Code; to authorize the expenditure of \$508,985.62 from and within the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$508,985.62)

20. Ord #0936-2021 (Stageline Mobile Stage 2021)

Title: To authorize the Director of the Recreation and Parks Department to enter into a contract with Stageline Mobile Stage to purchase an SL75 Mobile Stage with specific accessories included; to authorize the expenditure of \$85,850.00 and to declare an emergency. (\$85,850.00)

21. Ord #0944-2021 (Class Acts 2021)

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of Recreation and Parks to enter into a contract with Class Acts Columbus, Inc. to provide talent buying, fiscal agent, and event management services for events produced by the Office of Special Events; to authorize the expenditure of \$335,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Operating Fund; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City Codes; and to declare an emergency. (\$335,000.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Dodd and seconded by Commissioner Pugh the Commission unanimously approved the Administration Agenda.

RECREATION & PROGRAM SERVICES AGENDA

22. Ord #0924-2021 (Transit Cargo Van 2021 "Funmobile")

Title: To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into various contracts for the purchase of a van, upfit and wrapping of the van for the Recreation and Parks Department; to authorize the expenditure of \$65,000.00 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund, to establish an Auditor's certificates in the amount of \$65,000.00; and to declare an emergency. (\$65,000.00)

On a motion made by Commissioner Pugh and seconded by Commissioner Rothan the Commission unanimously approved the Recreation & Parks Program Services Agenda.

PARKS OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE AGENDA

23. Ord #0914-2021 (Dump Truck Upfit 2021)

Title: This vote is in support of the Department's eighteen-month effort to evaluate Columbus' trees, gather community input, and strategically invest in our urban forest. The Commission supports the Department's efforts resulting in the Urban Forestry Master Plan and supports its immediate implementation.

On a motion made by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Clay the Commission unanimously approved the Parks Operations & Maintenance Agenda.

URBAN FORESTRY MASTER PLAN

24. Commission Only (Urban Forestry Master Plan)

Title: This vote is in support of the Department's eighteen-month effort to evaluate Columbus' trees, gather community input, and strategically invest in our urban forest. The Commission supports the Department's efforts resulting in the Urban Forestry Master Plan and supports its immediate implementation.

On a motion made by Commissioner Rothan and seconded by Commissioner Dodd the

Commission unanimously approved the Urban Forestry Master Plan.

Department and Project Updates

- Columbus Sports Park
- Creative Campus
- Glenwood and Windsor pools
- Capital Improvement Plan for Aquatics

Division Updates

- Community Relations, Sophia Fifner
 - Proactive media alerts to help with the busy summer season questions/concerns
 - Arbor Day and Earth Day events update
 - P.L.A.Y. Golf Outing
- Parks Maintenance & Operations, Assistant Director Troy Euton (Director Rakosky)
 - Teams are prepping the parks for Spring
- Recreation & Program Services, Assistant Director Bernita Reese
 - Schools Out Program (1 session complete, 1 upcoming)
 - Covid Vaccination Clinics will be taking place at Community Centers On Monday's starting April 26th
- Youth & Family Development, Assistant Director Eric Brandon
 - APPS Programming update
 - NVI Program update (expansion)
 - CARE Coalition
 - 29 CPD Officer are participating
 - *We Care Tour* update
 - Summer Food Application
 - Produce Model
 - City Leaders & CapKids update
 - Working with Grove City, 43232 zip code
 - Spring & Summer Camps
 - Free food and activities

Director's Comments

- Implementation of Urban Forestry Master Plan
- Summer Camp and Aquatics roll out
- Columbus Sports Park Update
- Staffing vacancies
- Congratulations and thank you to Sophia Fifner for her work with the Columbus Recreation & Parks Department
- State of the City

Commission Comments

- Commissioner Rothan asked if CRPD could work with an organization that specifically teaches swimming
- Commissioner Clay thanked Sophia Fifner for her time and work with CRPD

- Commissioner Pugh commented on reviewing questions from residents and confirming who the contacts are within the department

Public Comments

- Mr. Wentzel asked if the RFP for West Case Road has been completed (Confirmed by staff - RFP has been completed)
- Mr. Wentzel asked if permanent pickle ball courts could be installed

Adjournment

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