

APPROVED MINUTES
WYOMING PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 5, 2022
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Spangler called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for December 5, 2022 to order at 7:00PM.

CALL OF ROLL:

*On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission were present:
Members: Bruce Spangler, Heather Vandenheuvel, Jessica Bergan, Bruce Vukelich and Rick Ahartz*

Absent: None

Also Present: Alex Saxe, Assistant City Administrator and Council Liaison Claire Luger

Visitors: None

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

Chair Spangler determined a Quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPEN FORUM: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA: NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming Park Advisory Commission for November 7, 2022

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER VANDENHEUVEL, SECONDED BY MEMBER VUKELICH, TO APPROVE THE PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 7, 2022 MEETING.

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vandenheuvel, Bergan, Vukelich, and Ahartz

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

2. 2022 Goals Update

Assistant City Administrator Saxe Gave an update on the PAC goals for 2022 with the end of the year approaching. He explained what was accomplished and what the PAC can continue to work on into the future.

3. Continue Discussion on Railroad Park Phase One

Assistant City Administrator Saxe Gave an overview from the last meeting that the Commission decided to have staff do some more research and bring more information to the Commission. Staff took this direction and discovered the pavers are on the ground in between the flagpoles and in each section, there is the ability to fit 100 bricks. The initial install would include current purchased bricks and the rest would be blank. Each year there is the ability to continue to add newly purchased bricks, but that should be done in larger chunks. Staff received two quotes for three flagpoles and will provide those numbers at the meeting. WSB has provided two 3-D drawings that show how the memorial looks and they have the emblems in the concrete.

Chair Spangler asked how many pavers have been purchased. His concern is that the park will run out of room and so he wants to know if there are ways to expand the paver area.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated he has not check recently, but the last count was 46 pavers. He said he would check with Ms. Amberg at WSB.

Member Vandenheuvel clarified that Veterans pavers would be a part of the memorial and non-veterans would be elsewhere in the park.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated that non-veterans 'pavers would be placed over by the History Walk.

The PAC had discussion on having the military emblems on a slanted wall for more accessible viewing. There were concerns about the removal of trees that could affect the annual tree lighting ceremony.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe showed the concept plan and it was determined the main tree for the tree lighting will remain, but he was unsure about the other trees and will check with Ms. Amberg about the trees.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe explained that the pavers can't really be elevated, because then they are not pavers.

Chair Spangler asked if it was too late to explore more of a thinner engraved plaque versus the bricks and maybe offer thinner plaques that you could put on a slanted wall.

Assistant City Administrator Saxe stated that it is not too late, but WSB would need to come to the next meeting to help plan for this suggested change. He also explained in the original concept plan the pavers were all along the walkway, but WSB changed that because the Commission had concerns about people walking on them.

The PAC liked the idea of going back to the original concept of having the pavers in the walkway.

The PAC provided direction to staff to provide clarification on the tree removals, explore alternatives for the pavers to be on more of a wall or in the main walking area and invite Ms. Amberg from WSB to the January meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

4. Park Steward updates

Chair Spangler Did not have any updates.

Member Bergan Did not have any updates.

Member Vandenheuvel Did not have any updates.

Member Ahartz Did not have any updates.

Member Vukelich Did not have any updates.

UPCOMING:

5. Looking ahead to 2023

Assistant City Administrator Saxe provided some information for what to expect at the first meeting of 2023.

The PAC asked for clarification if the January meeting will be on the 2nd or the 9th. Staff will confirm when the meeting will be held and will let the PAC know.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MEMBER BERGAN, SECONDED BY MEMBER VANDENHEUVEL, TO ADJOURN THE DECEMBER 5, 2022 MEETING OF THE WYOMING, PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION AT 7:42 PM

Voting Aye: Spangler, Vandenheuvel, Bergan, Vukelich, and Ahartz

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

NEXT MEETING:
JANUARY 2, 2023
7:00PM