



**Spokane Park Board**  
November 13, 2014 – 2:05 p.m.  
City Hall, City Council Chambers  
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, Washington

**Park Board Members:**

X Cameron, Randy – President  
X Chris Wright – Vice President  
X Eadie, Leroy  
X Santorsola, Jim  
X Kelley, Ross  
X Traver, Susan  
X Van Voorhis, Ken  
AE Dunau, Andy  
X Selinger, Sam  
AE Potratz, Preston  
AE Councilman Allen, Mike

**Parks Staff:**

Jason Conley  
Nancy Goodspeed  
Tony Madunich  
Juliet Sinisterra  
Sam Song  
Angel Spell  
Carl Strong  
Al Vorderbrueggen

**Guest(s):**

Jason Conley  
Heather Beebe-Stevens

**MINUTES**

1. **Roll Call:** *Leesa Van Zandt*  
See above.
2. **Motion No. 1:** Sam Selinger motioned to approve the October 9, 2014, 2014 Regular Park Board Meeting Minutes and Study Session Notes.  
Ross Kelley seconded.  
Motion carried.
3. **Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:**  
None.
4. **Monthly Highlights:**
  - A. The big news this month is of course the overwhelming voter approval of the \$60 million Park Bond. Surprising some, but not all, Spokane voters demonstrated their ongoing love and support of parks with a 68.54 % “yes” vote. That surpassed the 2007 “Pools and Play Park Bond” with its 68.12% “yes” vote. In the coming months park plans will begin to take shape. So, stay tuned for details. And in the interim, here’s a BIG “thank you” to Spokane voters who clearly love their city parks.
  - B. Meanwhile, the weather was perfect and the fall foliage magnificent for the annual Fall Leaf Festival at Finch Arboretum held October 25<sup>th</sup>. Some years see lots of rain, but this year the colors were outstanding and there were dozens of happy kids taking advantage of the giant leaf piles to play.
  - C. Now is the time to consider planning private group adventures for your organization. Many schools, youth groups, scout troops and businesses take advantage of our great group

pricing. Guides, equipment and even transportation are included. Trips are typically 4-hours in length and can be customized to suit your group. For pricing and scheduling call Ryan Griffith at 363.5418.

- D. Therapeutic Recreation is recruiting volunteers for the Ski and Snowboard Program. Volunteers help participants with disabilities ski and snowboard, and enjoy camaraderie on the mountain. Applicants should love people, have a passion for skiing or snowboarding, and be available on Saturdays. And here's a great incentive - Volunteers ski free on days they teach. Incentives include free lift tickets to use on personal time. For more information contact Alice Busch, at 625-6245.
- E. The Ice Palace is now open! Lessons are available for all ages and we have lots of promotions and special deals to keep you coming back for more!
- F. The Ice Palace is a great place for kids to meet their friends, a fabulous date night location, or a place to learn a trendy sport. So don't stay at home when Spokane has this great covered outdoor ice skating rink.
- G. And as an added incentive this year, look for Riverfront Park's special "Slide and Ride" coupons. Coupons feature one-dollar off on the Ice Palace, the SkyRide and the Carrousel.
- H. Turning now to golf, it'll soon be the season for "gifting" a golfer. Check the website for great seasonal membership incentives at all four courses. And don't forget Gift Cards. Purchase a gift card for \$100 or more and get a sleeve of Titleist Golf Balls as our gift to you.
- I. Finally today, right after Thanksgiving look for our New Winter Activity Guide. It's now in production and will offer lots of classes and programs to fit the season.

5. **Special Guests:**

Parks and Recreation Executive Officer, *Jason Conley*

Jason Conley was introduced by Leroy Eadie as the new Executive Officer for the Parks and Recreation Department. Jason started on Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Jason gave a background on his education and experience, as well as his former history with the Spokane Parks and Recreation Department.

6. **Motion No. 2:** Chris Wright motioned to approve claims for the month of October 2014 in the amount of \$1,610,068.88.  
Ken Van Voorhis seconded.  
Motion carried.

7. **Financial Report & Budget Update:** – *Leroy Eadie*

Leroy Eadie presented the October Financials. The Park Fund Revenue to date is at 95%; the Park Fund Expenditures to date is at 98%; and the Golf Revenue is at 88% and the expenditures are at 102%.

8. **Parks Foundation:** - *Heather Beebe-Stevens, Executive Director*

Heather updated the Park Board on the events of the summer as well as the current events at the Parks Foundation. Make-A-Splash raised approximately \$43,000 for 2014. Make-A-Splash purchased approximately 2,000 swim passes, for 17,167 swims. The Parks Foundation created new donor opportunities. The Parks Foundation grant award letters are in the mail. There will be a Board meeting on Monday, November 17, 2014.

9. **Committee Reports – Action Items:**

**Golf Committee:** October 15, 2014 and November 12, 2014, *Ross Kelley*

- A. There was an update on Point of Sale Software.
- B. There was discussion on the On Line Tee Time Booking Policy.
- C. The September and October Financials were reviewed.
- D. There was discussion on the Pre-Season Pass Sales.
- E. There was discussion on the Friends of Indian Canyon group.
- F. There was discussion on the Winter Closing Schedules.
- G. There was a Revenue Enhancement/Advertising Update.
- H. The courses are currently closed.
- I. Next meeting will be on December 17, 2014, at 8 a.m. in City Hall Conference Room 5A.

**Land Committee:** November 5, 2014, *Ken Van Voorhis*

- A. **Cancelled.**
- C. The next scheduled meeting is December 3, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room 5A.

**Recreation Committee:** November 6, 2014, *Susan Traver*

- A. **Cancelled.**
- B. The next Recreation Committee meeting will be on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall **Conference Room 5A.**

**Riverfront Park Committee:** November 10, 2014, *Chris Wright*

- A. Discussion took place for amending the City's policy on Artwork in the Park.  
**Motion No. 3:** Chris Wright moved to approve the proposed amendments to the "Artworks in the Parks" City Policy.  
 Sam Selinger seconded.  
 Motion carried.
- B. There was discussion to recommend the formation of two Citizen Oversight Committees – A Steering Committee and a Family Use & Accessibility Committee.  
**Motion No. 4:** Chris Wright moved to approve the recommendation to form two Citizen Oversight Committees: A Steering Committee and a Family Use & Accessibility Committee.  
 Sam Selinger seconded.  
 Motion carried.
- C. There was discussion on the October Operations Report.
- D. GeoEngineers Environmental Site presented their ESA Phase I findings.
- E. The October Financials were reviewed.
- F. There was an update on the Riverfront Park Master Plan.
- G. Margo Buckles gave an update on the Sister Cities Garden discussing that they are currently looking for a new landscape architect/contractor to help move things forward.
- H. The next regularly scheduled Riverfront Park Committee meeting will be December 8, 2014 at 8:05 a.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A, Fifth Floor.

**Finance Committee:** November 11, 2014, *Ross Kelley for Andy Dunau*

- A. There was an Information Technology Project Plan Update.
- A. There was discussion on the Riverfront Park Master Plan Finance.
- B. There was a review of the October Financials.
- C. The next regularly scheduled meeting December 9, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in City Hall Conference Room 3B.

**Urban Forestry Tree Committee:** November 4, 2014, 2014, *Ken Van Voorhis*

- A. Walking tour of downtown trees.
- B. Next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2014 at 4:15 p.m. in the Woodland Center at Finch Arboretum.

**By-Laws Committee:** *Ross Kelley* reported they did not meet.

10. **Reports:**

**Park Board President:** *Randy Cameron*

- 1. Randy Cameron gave an overview of the process and work involved for Riverfront Park's passage of the Park Bond.
- 2. Randy Cameron thanked Mayor Condon, Ben Stuckart, Mike Allen, the City Council, Rick Romero, Ted McGregor, the RFP Citizen Advisory Committee, the Campaign volunteers, the Campaign Chairs, the donors, and the Citizens of Spokane.

**Liaison Reports:**

- 1. Conservation Futures Liaison – *No report given.*
- 2. Parks Foundation Liaison – *No report given.*
- 3. Council Liaison – *No report given.*
- 4. Parks Department Revenue & Sponsorship Subcommittee – *No report given.*

**Director's Report:** *Leroy Eadie*

- 1. Leroy Eadie thanked Randy Cameron and Baker Construction for hosting the Ice Cream Social today.
- 2. Leroy Eadie thanked the Park Board for all their efforts and leadership on the passage of the Park Bond.
- 3. Leroy Eadie thanked Juliet Sinisterra, Sam Song, Garret Jones, Ted McGregor, Mayor Condon, the City Council, the Parks Foundation, Chris Wright, and Sam Selinger.
- 4. Leroy Eadie announced that Parks and Recreation is recruiting for the Riverfront Park Director and hope to fill the position by the end of the year.

11. **Correspondence:**

A. Letters: Letter to Cameron from Phanco received October 16, 2014.

B. Newsletters:

Corbin Senior Activity Center  
Southside Senior & Community Center

12. **Public Comments:** None.

13. **Executive Session:** N/A.

14. **Adjournment:** 3:19 p.m.

A. Next Committee meeting dates:

Golf Committee: December 17, 2014, 8 a.m. in City Hall Conference Room 5A.

Land Committee: December 3, 2014, 3:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A

Recreation Committee: December 4, 2014, 3:00 p.m., **City Hall Conference Room 3B**

Riverfront Park Committee: December 8, 2014, 8:05 a.m., City Hall Tribal Conference Room 1

Finance Committee: December 9, 3:00 p.m., City Hall Conference Room 5A

- Urban Forestry Committee: December 2, 2014, 4:15 p.m., Woodland Center
- B. Next Park Board meeting date: December 11, 2014, 1:30 p.m., City Council Chambers
  - C. Next Park Board Study Session: December 11, 3:30 p.m., City Hall Conference Room 3B