

**REDMOND CITY COUNCIL  
PARKS AND HUMAN SERVICES (PKHS) COMMITTEE/  
SPECIAL MEETING SUMMARY**

Council Conference Room  
15670 NE 85<sup>th</sup> Street, Redmond, Washington

Tuesday, April 2, 2013

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**Council:**

David Carson (4:34pm)  
Tom Flynn, Chair  
John Stilin  
Hank Margeson (Attending Councilmember)  
Pat Vache (Attending Councilmember)

**Staff:**

Carolyn Hope, Parks Planning/Cultural Arts Mgr  
Katie Anderson, Deputy Parks Director  
Alaric Bien, Senior Planner, Planning  
Brooke Buckingham, Senior Planner, Planning  
Teresa Kluver, Parks Operations Supervisor  
Michelle M. McGehee, MMC, City Clerk

Convened: 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:21 p.m.

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Committee Chair Tom Flynn, opened the meeting, announced the Council members in attendance, and overviewed the agenda.

**Update on Regional Collaboration**

Mr. Alaric Bien, Senior Planner, Human Services Group in the Planning Department, shared some of the regional collaborations and inter-city resource sharing between Redmond, Bellevue, Kirkland, and Issaquah. Topics discussed were:

- actively participating in the Eastside Human Services Forum;
- homelessness issues with Eastside Homelessness Advisory Committee (EHAC);
- a joint meeting from all the commissions on the previous Thursday held to discuss what each city is doing and to learn from each other; Bellevue's biennial needs update;
- needs update: homelessness, Veterans and Human Services Levy, mental illness and drug dependency dollars, health transformation efforts at the county level; and
- the desire to have joint presentations for the eastside region, instead of separate cities, so everyone can benefit from the same information.

Mr. Bien also sat in at a meeting at the Redmond Worksource, and will meet with clients at a later date.

The committee felt that it was more effective to take a regional view, but is open to more discussions about sharing resources. They would also like to show joint advocacy.

General discussion ensued regarding if the Human Services Commissions can come out with a joint statement representing the City, or does it have to come from the Council? Also discussed was the efficiency of regional collaboration.

### **Green Redmond 2012 Update**

Ms. Teresa Kluver, Parks Operations Supervisor, reported on the Green Redmond program. She discussed how total acres increased, but total volunteers decreased because the new acres brought in were cleaner; and the volunteers were more efficient than anticipated. The total volunteer hours and goals have been adjusted accordingly. Facebook, Twitter and having an appearance at events, have been used for outreach.

This is the last year of the U.S. Department of Agriculture grant. The largest portion of the grant was used on Youth & Families Diversity Engagement Project. Seattle used their grant on monitoring stewards, and Redmond benefitted by having trained monitors in parks.

General discussion ensued regarding collaborating with other groups including Public Works and Natural Resources, how the monitoring process works and what tools are used, and if there was any recognition for the Forest Stewards.

### **Dudley Carter Haida House Roof Replacement**

Ms. Carolyn Hope, Parks Planning/Cultural Arts Manager, presented a brief update on the replacement of the Dudley Carter Haida House roof. Ms. Kim Dietz plans to bring a grant from 4-Culture for \$9,000 to help with the roof replacement. Bids came in at approximately \$40,000 to keep the roof in the same authentic style. The project will move forward as soon as the materials are found, and then the replacement will take about six weeks.

### **Hartman Park Baseball Batting Cage**

Ms. Carolyn Hope, Parks Planning/Cultural Arts Manager, briefly discussed the Hartman Park batting cage. Bruce Dees and Associates has started some conceptual drawing/design alternatives. The goal is to take the old cages down and replace it with larger, covered and lit batting cages. Ms. Hope is looking at options for cost, scale, size, and design. Four little league partners are helping with the costs. Construction should start this fall.

### **Recreation Buildings Master Plan**

Ms. Katie Anderson, Deputy Parks Director, discussed that the Recreation Buildings Master Plan is in Phase II of a design study to determine best use and a strategy for the four recreation buildings. The goal is to develop a facilities building plan that would serve the residents for the next 20-30 years. First, Public Works will perform a condition assessment. The next step will be to determine what kind of renovation or expansion of the facilities the community might need and what it will cost. The last step will be to design the renovation or new facility. The previous design study did a survey of the community and first priority was to have a new aquatics and community center.

Ms. Anderson explained that even though it is expensive to maintain four buildings, focus groups show they value stand-alone facilities. Formed in March, a 25-member, cross-departmental team was formed to evaluate the recommendations from the previous study. The current plan is to request architectural professional services to work with team and community for concepts and cost estimates, and to present the contract in June. \$75,000 in funding is currently available, but the actual cost may be higher.

General discussion ensued about how this fits into the park plan. The condition of the buildings, cost, consolidation, and how the pool will be assessed was also discussed.