

**City of Covington
City Council Special Meeting
Joint Study Session with Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes
Tuesday, October 13, 2020**

NOTE: *This City Council meeting was held in accordance with RCW 42.30.070. This meeting was held telephonically and virtually to comply with Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-28 (as amended and extended), which, among other things, suspended various requirements under the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 42.30 RCW, and prohibited public agencies from conducting meetings in person through November 9, 2020.*

The Special Meeting - Joint Study Session with the Parks and Recreation Commission was called to order Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., with Mayor Wagner presiding.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Wagner, Joe Cimaomo, Jennifer Harjehausen, Jared Koukal, Elizabeth Porter, Kristina Soltys, and Sean Smith.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Laura Morrissey, Emily Finger, Steve Pand, Bryan Higgins, George Pearson, and Thomas Russell.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Aaron Drake.

STAFF PRESENT:

Regan Bolli, City Manager; Ethan Newton, Parks & Recreation Director; Pat Patterson, Recreation and Cultural Arts Manager; Mayson Morrissey, Information Technology Manager (in person); and Krista Bates, Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk.

All attendees present via Zoom except as noted.

Mayor Wagner called the joint study session to order.

ITEM FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Parks and Recreation Priorities

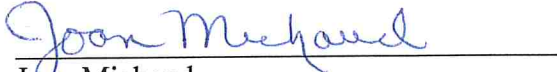
Parks and Recreation Commission Chair Laura Morrissey began the presentation on this item and spoke about the Aquatics Center. Commissioner Emily Finger then spoke about Covington Community Park. Commissioner Tom Russell then spoke about Jenkins Creek Park. Commissioner George Pearson also spoke about Jenkins Creek Park and the master plan. Laura Morrissey then shared Commissioner Aaron Drake's report regarding walkability and neighborhood connectors and the tree code as Mr. Drake was unable to attend the meeting. Commissioner Bryan Higgins spoke about capital projects. Commissioner Steve Pand spoke about funding and sustainability.

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Councilmembers provided comments and asked questions and Parks & Recreation Director Ethan Newton, Chair Laura Morrissey, and Commissioner George Pearson provided responses.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.



Joan Michaud
City Clerk