

Parks & Recreation Committee - Board of Representatives

Dennis Mahoney, Chair

Raven Matherne, Vice Chair

## **Committee Minutes**

Date:Tuesday, August 18, 2020Time:7:00 p.m.Place:The Meeting was Held Remotely

The Parks & Recreation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Mahoney, Vice Chair Matherne and Committee Member Reps. de la Cruz, Giordano, Policar, and Saftic. Excused was Reps. Aquila, Pratt and Wallace. Also present were Reps. McMullen; Dana Lee, Law Department; Mark McGrath, Director of Operations, Jennifer Williams, Parks & Facilities Bureau Chief; Laurie Albano, Parks & Recreation Supervisor; Ken Smith, Terry Conners Rink; Laura Burwick, Special Assistant to the Mayor.

Chair Mahoney called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Since there was no quorum at the beginning of the meeting Chair Mahoney took item number 2 first.

Item No.	Description	<b>Committee Action</b>
1 <u>PR30.053</u>	ORDINANCE for publication; Amending Chapter 175, Parks and Recreation, Sec. 175-1 to require a Resolution of the Board of Representatives to Designate of any City Park or Recreational Facility as "Permit Parking Only." 07/22/20 – Submitted by Rep. McMullen	Committee approved 5-1-0

Rep. McMullen explained that he put this item on because the Czecik permit parking only process did not follow the order usually assumed. This ordinance will certify the process be followed.

Rep. Giordano expressed concerns about this ordinance because he does not want to have Scalzi Park become a permit parking only park.

Dana Lee explained that this ordinance simply resets the procedure that the Board of Representatives actually decides that these lots are permit parking only.

A motion to approve Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 5-1-0 (Reps. Mahoney, Matherne, de la Cruz, Policar, and Saftic in favor; Giordano opposed.)

2. <u>PR30.054</u> REVIEW; Projected Capital Expenditures for Terry Conners Rink and Effect on Fee Levels over the Next Ten Years. 08/10/20 – Submitted by Rep. Mahoney Ken Smith explained:

- Terry Conners opened on July 20, 2020
- 266 kids in camp
- 3 groups of 20 kids to keep social distance
- \$73,000 earned
- No Covid cases
- Youth hockey has begun

Laura Burwick discussed the attached <u>spreadsheets</u> which looked at possible figurations of where the rates would have to be put in order for the city to cover the capital expenditures for the rink assuming the city would borrow funds in the bond market. The key revenue drivers are group rentals and lesson registration. In the model spreadsheets it used the group rate as the driver of the revenue and assumed they would use the group rate to cover the interest expense. All other revenue items used a 3% growth rate. The <u>model assumed a 5%</u> increase on group rates for resident and nonresidents. The cash flow for year 2021 would be \$59,546 and after 10 years in year 2031 it would be \$185,972. The cumulative cash flow reserve after the 10 years would be \$1,351,545. All the cash flow amounts assume no unexpected expenses or upgrades. The committee also discussed a <u>3% model increase rate.</u>

Laura said administrations next step would be to have a public meeting. The Mayor's Terry Conners task force would initiate this public hearing. The public would be invited to speak on the following:

- Suggestions on how to increase revenue
- Questions on the capital expenditures, other ways to raise capital
- Look at alternatives with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party operating rink.

Chair Mahoney adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

This meeting is on video.