

**Welcome** –with Kelly McCaffrey, Park District Oversight Committee Chair

**Public Comment:**

**Bob Edmiston**, Madison Park Greenways – Requested that development of Woody Lane (Intersection of 28<sup>th</sup> Ave. E. and E Helen St.) as a neighborhood greenway be considered for funding in the next 6-year cycle of Seattle Park District. Edmiston cited safety and environmental challenges associated with Woody Lane. Edmiston requested that Seattle Parks and Recreation and the Municipal Park District Oversight Committee support the recommendations of the Parks Civil Engineer by funding the process to arrive at a Full Street Improvement Plan that both Parks and SDOT find agreeable.

**Lindy Wishard**, Madison Park Greenways- Requested that development of Woody Lane for funding in the next Seattle Park District 6-year cycle. Wishard provided historical context for the request including: a description of public meetings held to gather neighborhood input, car and bicycle traffic data collected, previous project funding efforts, and the request’s responsiveness to the City’s larger neighborhood greenways plan.

**Geness Reichert**, Queen Anne Neighbor- Shared concern about the impact of proposed development to a “landmark” tree near Bigelow Ave, N. and the Olmstead inspired, Queen Anne Boulevard. Reichert described the tree as a “majestic maple more than one hundred years old”. Reichert cited that the tree has at least 10 additional years of life, which would be greatly impacted by nearby proposed development. Reichert requested additional public process time for this issue.

**Evans Wright**, Friends of Colman Park Vista- Shared concerns about the Colman Park vegetation management plan (VMP). Wright cited the following concerns about the VMP: is a narrowly defined, forest restoration project; does not reflect a shared, multi-stakeholder vision; not specific enough; restoration of the parks Olmsted heritage, is not a clear outcome and insufficient evidence of public involvement.

**Steven Grayson**, Amy Yee Tennis Center Advisory Council- Shared the Amy Yee Tennis Center Advisory Council’s desire for a tennis expansion be considered in the next 6-year cycle of the Seattle Park District. To prepare for future public process, Grayson requested the following clarification regarding the process for being considered for inclusion in the next funding cycle: the steps and requirements, milestone dates, details of the decision-making process, identified decisionmakers, the amount of money available for potential projects and the public sources for this information.

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**2019 Presentation of the John C. Little Award to Recipient Daisy Catague- with Stephanie Little**, Descendant of John C. Little

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**2018 Annual Park District Report Outline – with David Takami**, Seattle Parks and Recreation, Strategic Advisor

**Summary:** The presenter shared an outline for the 2018 Annual Park District report. The committee was provided with a paper copy of the staff proposed outline for the report. The presenter and committee members reviewed each staff proposed section and planned content for these sections. Committee members provided feedback and recommendations on the content presented.

The presenter invited the PDOC to provide a letter from the committee as a section. The presenter shared a timeline for report completion including, an April deadline for PDOC comment on a draft report and the goal to complete the 2018 Annual Park District report by June 24.

**Q&A, Comments- 2018 Annual Park District Report Outline: David Takami, Seattle Parks and Recreation, Strategic Advisor**

**C1: - Agreed with the suggestion of a section featuring a letter from Park District Oversight Committee in the report. Suggested the inclusion of more information about how 2019 budget decisions will impact future reporting and the Seattle Park District.**

**Q2: May we have additional clarification on the timeline for drafts and PDOC review?**

*A2: The first draft will be available for review in early or mid-April, final draft will be completed and sent to graphic designer in late April, first designed draft finished by graphic designer in mid-May and Final designed version sent to printer late May.*

**Recommendations/Decisions Made: NA**

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**Renewing Our Legacy Strategic Plan Update – with Kathleen Conner and Selena Elmer, Seattle Parks and Recreation, Strategic Advisors**

**Summary:** The presenters provided context for the next steps in SPR’s strategic plan process. The update included an overview of 2018 effort (presentation slide #5), input gathered to date (presentation slide #6), the vision for document development (presentation slides #7-9) a schedule for the aforementioned efforts.

The presenters shared a one-page schedule outlining updates in the process for Seattle Parks and Recreation’s strategic plan development. Presenters described spring, summer and fall milestones within the process.

Spring milestones include:

- Review Strategic Plan approach and structure
- Strategic Plan Outreach (Parks & Rec Fest)
- New Superintendent onboarding
- Focus on RSJ work: introduction to SPR’s Pathway to Equity

Summer milestones include:

- Review drafts of Strategic Plan
- Recommend approval of Strategic Plan to Superintendent
- Reacquaintance with Park District initiatives and performance

Fall milestones include:

- Workshop on Task Force recommendations
- Subcommittee to examine challenge or opportunity fund structure (with Parks Foundation)
- 2020 Budget review
- 2021-2026 Park District planning (after budget)

The presentation concluded with an outline of potential dates for PDOC involvement and community engagement.

**Q&A, Comments- Renewing Our Legacy Strategic Plan Update – with Kathleen Conner and Selena Elmer, Seattle Parks and Recreation, Strategic Advisors**

**Q1: How are community centers represented in task force work?**

*A1: Community Centers are being considered as a part of the Recreation Task Force.*

**Q2: Can you outline where in the process public input and engagement will happen?**

*A2: Public ideas and priorities for the strategic plan will be gathered at the Park and Rec Fest events in June and throughout the spring via surveys. The public process for Seattle Park District financial plan prioritization will begin in winter 2020.*

**C3: Recommended a person with an equity viewpoint be involved in reshaping the grant process.**

**C4: Recommended the strategic plan address emergency management, as related to major maintenance.**

**Q6: How** are the ideas SPR staff are collecting from the public going to be synthesized and shared with the PDOC?

*A6: Ideas will be integrated into strategic plan presentations for consideration at future meetings. The same process would be observed for the Seattle Park District financial plan as well.*

**Q7: What efforts will be taken to capture the voices of historically underrepresented communities? What are the methods or procedures for reporting back to community members that provide input?**

*A7: The Communications Team is currently working to develop methods to respond to community input. The team will present on the communications and outreach procedures at the next meeting.*

**Recommendations/Decisions Made**

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