A REGULAR MEETING OF THE SIOUX FALLS PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD was held on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at 4 p.m. at the Mary Jo Wegner Arboretum.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
Members present: Patti Abdallah, Lorrae Lindquist, Mark Steinborn, Ann Nachtigal, Jim Stavenger, Todd Sundleaf, and Jason Reisdorfer.

Members absent: None.

Parks and Recreation staff present: Don Kearney, Director of Parks and Recreation; Tory Miedema, Park Development Specialist; Mike Patten, Park Development Specialist; and Kelby Mieras, Operations Manager.

Others present: Kelly Smith and Olivia Olson, KSFY; Calah Kelley, KELO; John Paulson and Jane Paulson, Friends of McKennan Park Neighborhood Association; Karen Leonard, City Attorney’s Office; Theresa Stehly, Sioux Falls City Council member; Lori Kiesow and Ann Randall, Wagner Arboretum Society Board; Elizabeth Chapman, Eide Bailly; Tom Jansa, Dakota Golf Management; Joe Sneve and Briana Santos, Argus Leader; Cheryl Rath, Cheryl Bower, Mary Fleming, Bruce Danielson, Zach DeBoer, Liz Muilenburg, Kathy Kersey, Carol Flower, Nancy Tapken, and Lori Selderman, citizens.

Attendees were informed that a public information packet was provided at the back table.

Approval of Minutes (June 20, 2017)
A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2017, regular meeting. The motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously with all present: Board members voting yes.

Public Input
No public input.

Report of Standing Committees
For committee reports, Steinborn reported that the Marketing and Public Needs Committee discussed all items on the agenda. Abdallah reported that the Park System Planning and Development Committee discussed all the items on the agenda, as well as the Mayor’s proposed CIP, the Heritage Park building, the Golf RFP, and the status of the Recreation Manager position. Stavenger reported that the Partnerships and Recreation Committee discussed all the items on the agenda, as well as the Mayor’s proposed CIP, the Heritage Park building, the Golf RFP, and the status of the Recreation Manager position.
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Unfinished Business
No unfinished business.

Under New Business
a. Parks and Recreation Board Composition Ordinance: Theresa Stehly presented the proposed Parks and Recreation Board composition ordinance. A copy of the proposed ordinance was provided in the Board packets. She explained how the ordinance was eventually drafted and what changes are being proposed from the current system. She is proposing this ordinance because she believes the Park Board needs more diversity to stimulate more and better collaboration. A number of citizens gave public input on this item. They expressed support for the proposed ordinance. The reasons for support were generally that a more diverse Board would provide different perspectives, citizens would feel more comfortable bringing issues to someone from their own area, and a representative from their own area would have a better feel for what was important about the parks and neighborhood because of familiarity. The Board discussed the proposed ordinance at length and asked Stehly questions about how the ordinance would work and what problems she is trying to solve with it. The Board pointed out that all areas of the city are well represented in past and future capital projects and that their focus is on what is best for the city, not the district they live in. They didn’t feel like it was a necessary change because the Board already has a diverse makeup with a lot of different backgrounds and interests, the current system allows for the best candidate to be chosen, the Council can veto any mayoral appointments, and the Board is advisory to the Mayor and City Council. The final approval of management contracts, capital, and operating budgets rests solely with the district-elected City Council. A motion was made to recommend denial of the proposed ordinance. The motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

b. Hey Mary Lou Sculpture Placement at Sanford Sports Complex: Patten presented the proposed temporary sculpture placement at Sanford Sports Complex. A picture of the sculpture and a site plan showing the proposed location was provided in the Board packets. South Dakota Junior Football (SDFJ) has a lease agreement with the artist for placement and will be responsible for all installation and maintenance costs. The Visual Arts Commission approved the temporary placement in June. A motion was made to recommend approval of the temporary placement. The motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

c. Trudy Peckham Memorial Sculpture Placement at the MJW Arboretum: Patten presented the proposed sculpture placement at the MJW Arboretum. A picture of the sculpture and a site plan showing the proposed location was provided in the Board packets. The Wegner Arboretum Society will be responsible for all installation costs. The City will be responsible for all maintenance costs. The Visual Arts Commission approved the placement in July. A motion was made to recommend approval of the placement. The motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.
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d. McKenran Flag Pole Gifting Agreement: Mieras presented the gifting agreement. An exhibit showing the flag pole and proposed location at McKenran Park was provided. The Friends of McKennan Park Neighborhood Association (FMNA) will be responsible for purchase of the flag pole and all installation costs. FMNA will also provide the City with three flags annually. A motion was made to approve the agreement. The motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

e. Eide Bailly Dakota Golf Audit: Elizabeth Chapman presented the annual audit of Dakota Golf Management's financials as required in the agreement with the City. A copy of the audit was provided in the Board packets. The audit did not have any substantial findings and was presented as a clean, unmodified audit. They verified that the City was paid a monthly rent payment equal to 20 percent of gross revenues as required by their contract. They did have an issue with segregation of duties, but said this is common with businesses with small staff sizes. A motion was made to accept the audit. The motion passed unanimously with all present Board members voting yes.

Report of Director of Parks and Recreation
a. The Recreation Manager candidates will be coming in for second interviews and to tour our facilities this week.

b. The Ice Rink Master Plan work is in progress. The consultant is on board and has begun the site reviews with staff.

c. The Midco® Aquatic Center year-to-date revenues are $675,000 and the expenses are $711,000.

d. The Micco Aquatic Center will be periodically shut down for a few weeks in August for yearly maintenance. Portions of the facility will remain open at all times except for a one-week period where the entire facility will be closed for punch list items. The outdoor aquatic facilities will be open as well during this time.

e. The Mayor presented his 2018 operating budget to the City Council. The proposed budget is flat to the 2017 budget.

Items Added After the Agenda Deadline
None.

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned.

[Signatures]

Secretary

Approved by:

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President