



**Meeting Minutes for the Parks, Recreation  
and Cultural Services Board / Tree Board  
Special Meeting—Annual Tour of Parks & Facilities**

**July 23, 2015  
6: 00 p.m.**

**Shoreline City Hall  
Room 104**

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**1. Call to Order/Attendance**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sycuro at 6:02 p.m.

Park Board Members Present: Christine Southwick, William Franklin, Katie Schielke, John Hoey, Jesse Sycuro, Betsy Robertson, Vadim Dolgov, Cindy Dittbrenner

Absent: Lauren Smith

City Staff Present: Eric Friedli, Director; Kirk Peterson, Parks Maintenance Superintendent; Lynn Gabrieli, Administrative Assistant III

**2. Approval of Agenda: Chair Sycuro requested the addition of “Comments from the Board” following the Echo Lake Donor Bench discussion. So moved by Ms. Southwick and seconded by Ms. Robertson. The motion carried and the agenda was approved as amended.**

**3. Approval of Minutes: Chair Sycuro called for a motion to approve the June, 2015 Board minutes. So moved by Ms. Robertson and seconded by Ms. Schielke. The motion carried.**

**4. Public Comment  
None**

**5. Director’s Report**

*Eric Friedli, Director*

- The Shoreline Veterans Recognition Plaza is under construction.
- The stage is under construction for Aurora Theatre Company’s production of Fiddler on the Roof which will perform every Friday and Saturday evening through the month of August.
- The City’s budget process is underway. Parks Department budget documents are due Friday, July 24 followed by meetings with ASD and the City Manager prior to City Council approval in November. When the City Manager presents the budget to the City Council the public will be invited to comment. A budget discussion will be added to the Board’s agenda for the October regular meeting.
- The Quarterly Tree Report is in the agenda packet.
- Summer is full of events. See the calendar on the back of the agenda for information.
- The Student Conservation Association will be clearing invasive plants in North City Park as part of Crime Prevention through Environmental Design.
- The Board requested staff feedback regarding the July 13 meeting with the PRCS Board. Staff replied that the Councilmembers responded favorably to the interaction.

6. **Donor Bench Program Expansion to Echo Lake Park**  
 Staff provided contextual information regarding the history of the Donor Bench program. A process for announcing the availability of benches at Echo Lake Park was explained per the Agenda packet memo. **Chair Sycuro called for a motion to approve the expansion of the Donor Bench program to Echo Lake Park. So moved by Ms. Southwick and seconded by Mr. Hoey. The motion carried.**
  
7. **Comments from the Board:**  
 The Board discussed their experience meeting with the City Council on July 13.
  
8. **Tour**  
 The Board followed the itinerary laid forth in the agenda. Miranda Redinger, Senior Planner, met the Board and staff at Spartan Recreation Center and led a walking tour of the 185<sup>th</sup> Street Light Rail Subarea Station Plan. The Board asked questions and considered potential impacts to parks, recreation, and open spaces in higher density areas, including the need for public art, signage, and a new pool/community center.  
  
 The Board made one unscheduled stop to tour Darnell Park on foot. The need for park signage and potential volunteer opportunities were considered.
  
9. **Adjournment**  
**The Board returned to City Hall and adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.**

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Signature of Chair  
 Jesse Sycuro

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Date

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Signature of Minute Writer  
 Lynn Gabrieli

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Date