



THE CITY OF WORCESTER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PARKS
- PARKS, RECREATION, & CEMETERY
DIVISION

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Meeting Minutes for
Thursday December 17, 2020 – 6:30 P.M.
Virtual Meeting
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Commissioners Present:

Scott Cashman
Nick Chacharone
Mary Anne Dube
Eric Goldstein
Julie Ann Lamacchia
John Lauring
Bowen Lee

Administration Present:

Robert C. Antonelli, Jr.
Jeffrey Tomaino, Recreation Coordinator
Milagros Pacheco, Senior Accountant

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER’S REPORT:

- Chair Mr. Lauring called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM. He went on to the acceptance of the minutes for December 10, 2020.
- Ms. Dube made a motion to accept the minutes. Second by Mr. Goldstein. All were in favor. Motion was approved 6 – 0 (This vote was unanimous, at this point Mr. Chacharone had not called in to the meeting yet)
- Mr. Lauring turned the meeting over to Assistant Commissioner, Robert Antonelli for his report:
- Mr. Antonelli went on to the first item on the Assistant Commissioners report:
 - Crompton Park Skate Park Master Plan Review
 - Mr. Antonelli turned the meeting over to Mr. Michael Easler the Project Landscape Architect from Weston and Sampson.
 - Mr. Easler explained that before Covid19 there had been some public meetings where they were trying to collect data from the neighbors to determine what would be best suited for

this location. However, Covid19 hit and they had to take a different approach to do research, so they did it via a survey to get the community feedback. The survey was successful and received many responses and based on those responses they came up with a preferred concept/design.

- Mr. Easler, then asked Mr. Brad Siedlecki, Consultant Skate Park Designer from Pillar Design to explain and show the design they had come up with. Mr. Siedlecki had a presentation of the ultimate design of the skate park which consisted of the following:
 - A triple pool bowl
 - A snake run
 - Rolled Edge
 - ADA access through a ramp off Endicott Street and through a sidewalk on Quinsigamond Ave side.
 - 3' Volcano
 - Shallow end
 - 5' hip extension/radial ledge
 - 6' extension/bank to ledge roller
 - 6" slappy curb
 - 2" tall steep bank fun box
 - Pier 7 block ledge
 - Flat bar
 - Skate Park entrance with a City of Worcester logo manual pad
 - Spectator sitting area with shade
 - A couple of benches on the Quinsigamond Street side
 - Shade trees
- There were some questions from the Parks Commission, such as:
 - What the budget was – Approx. \$2 million
 - Has the community been consulted re: parking expectation? – There is parking all around the park.
 - Additional seating for spectators – part of phase II
 - Shade areas – At the entrance where spectator seating is located
 - The possibility of having a liaison organization that would help taking care of the facility – None at this time
 - Lighting – Possible as part of Phase II
 - Security cameras – Yes as part of Phase II
 - Snow removal – Snow will not be removed
- There were no additional questions. Mr. Goldstein made a motion to approve the Crompton Park Skate Master Plan. Second by Mr. Lee. All were in favor. Motion was approved 7 – 0.
- Grant Applications –
 - Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant – Columbus Park- Awarded
 - Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant – Coal Mine Brook - Submitted
 - PARC & LAND Grant Program – Mulcahy Field – Awarded
 - PARC & LAND Grant Program – Coes Pond Beach - Awarded
- Economic Development Initiatives –
 - NA
- Cultural Events-
 - NA
- Park Vandalism & Graffiti – NA
- Donations –
 - NA
- Capital Improvement Programs
 - Apricot Street Playground - NA
 - Ball Property - NA

- Banis Street Playground - NA
- Beaver Brook Park - NA
- Bell Pond – NA
- Bennett Field – NA
- Betty Price Playground – NA
- Blackstone Gateway Park – NA
- Blithwood Park – NA
- Boynton Park – NA
- Burncoat Park – NA
- Burncoat Playground – NA
- Cascades Park – NA
- Castle Park – NA
- Common – NA
- Coes Park (Knife) – NA
 - Stearns Tavern
 - Playground
- Coes Pond – NA
- Columbus Park – NA
- Cookson Park – NA
- Cristoforo Columbo (East Park) – NA
- Crompton Park – Crompton Park Skate Park Master Plan Meeting
 - December 17, 2020 (Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting)
- Dodge Park – NA
- Elm Park – NA
 - Newton Hill - NA
- Fairmont Park – NA
- Farber Field – NA
- Grant Square – NA
- Great Brook Valley Playground – NA
- Green Hill Park Renovation – NA
 - Green Hill Farm
 - Community Gardens
 - WWI
- Greenwood Park – NA
- Hadwen Park – NA
- Harrington Field – NA
- Harry Sherry Field (S. Worcester) - NA
- Holland Rink - NA
- Holmes Field - NA
- Indian Hill Park – NA
- Indian Lake Beach – NA
- Institute Park – NA
 - Walkway Design
 - Salisbury Pond
- Kendrick Field – NA
- Knights of Columbus – NA
- Korean War Memorial – NA
- Lake Park – NA
- Lake View Playground – NA
- Logan Field – NA
- Morgan Landing – NA
- Mulcahy Field – NA
- Oakland Heights Playground – NA
- Providence Street Playground – NA

- Ramshorn Island – NA
- Rockwood Field – NA
- Salisbury Park (Bancroft Tower) – NA
- Shale Street Playground – NA
- Shore Park – NA
- Spillane Field – NA
- Tacoma Street Playground – NA
- TY Cobb – NA
- University Park – NA
- Vernon Hill – NA
- Wetherall Estates (Duffy Field) – NA
- 149 West Boylston Drive - NA
- Winslow & Pleasant - NA
- Aquatic Master Plan – NA
- Open Space and Recreation Plan – NA
- North Lake Ave Linear Park – NA
- Community Development Block Grant – NA
- Art-in-the-Park – Request to keep Art Work in Elm Park - NA
- Dog Park, Licensing & Control of Dogs – NA
- Rectangular Field Development – NA
- Park Monument Review – NA
- Misc. items:
 - Keep Worcester Clean – NA
 - City Council Orders – NA
 - Petitions – NA
 - Forestry Operations – NA
 - ALB (Asian Longhorned Beetle)
 - EAB (Emerald Ash Borer)
 - Arbor Day – May 1, 2021
 - Budget – Operational & Capital - NA
 - Parks, Recreation & Cemetery Division – NA
 - Capital Improvement Program – NA
 - City Five Point Financial Plan – NA
 - City Auditor Communications - NA
 - Summer Youth Employment Program – NA
 - Aquatics – NA
 - Christian’s Law – NA
 - Recreation Worcester - NA
 - Holiday Tree – NA
 - Worcester Common Ice Skating Rink - NA
 - Waterfowl in Park – NA
 - Out-to-Lunch – NA
 - Trash – NA
 - ESCo – NA
 - Park Permits –
- See Above
 - Access/ ADA – NA
 - Mobile Concession/ Food Truck - NA
 - ATV – Recreational Vehicle – NA
 - Veterans Memorials - NA
- Misc. Information – NA
- Golf Course:
 - NA
- Golf Course Donations:

- NA

- Mr. Chacharone made a motion to adjourn. Second by Mr. Cashman. All were in favor. Motion was approved 7-0. Meeting ended at 8:22 PM

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