



## Advisory Board Minutes September 29, 2009

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Kevin Loos, Vice Chair Jana Dobbs, Kelly Barth, Joe Caldwell and Andy Clayton

**STAFF ABSENT:**

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**GUESTS:**

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- I. Meeting called to order by Chair Kevin Loos.
- II. Concerns of the Board – None noted.
- III. Capital Improvement Projects/Community Needs – Mark put together a power point presentation that is to be shown to the city commission October 6. Ernie was also hosting a meeting of the PLAY committee meeting tomorrow evening (9/30) at 5:15 p.m. Kelly Barth had been appointed by Bill Penny several years ago to serve on the committee. Kelly would serve but thought someone else with children in sports would be better to express the needs. Joe Caldwell volunteered. Formal motion was made by Barth to appoint Caldwell on the committee; second by Dobbs. Motion approved.

Mark gave a short presentation about how Parks and Recreation is growing in every way possible. Youth sports has taken over competitive baseball from DCABA. We've lost a number of facilities due to various reasons, selling of facilities, school district space due to State budget cuts, etc.

The department wants to request permission from the City Commission to engage the public in a discussion of facility needs in the community. Possible funding for new projects could be through the '94 one-cent sales tax because we have additional bonds retiring.

Dobbs made a motion to approve the plans of the department engaging the public in conversation to create a list of facility needs (indoor and outdoor), parks and trails; also looking into public/private partnerships; second by Caldwell. Motion approved.

- IV. Future Public Forums – Roger asked everyone to send him some open dates in October to the first or second week of November for public forums. So we could schedule some time for the Advisory Board to host some public forums. He thought we might want to schedule a lunch meeting to get business professionals; as well as night shift workers getting more people involved in the process. Try to hold the forum to 75-90 minutes and keep on the subject at hand. Break into small groups, within those groups, discuss the four most important needs within each group (Indoor facilities; outdoor facilities; parks and trails).
- V. Burroughs Creek Trail and Linear Park Groundbreaking (Oct. 6 at 11:30 a.m.) -- groundbreaking at Parnell Park, 15<sup>th</sup> and Maryland St. Currently planning. There will also be a dedication ceremony once it is complete next year.

- VI. Other Items? Tennis courts being redesigned and now the lights may need to move from where they were originally planned.

Mark said the warranty work on the roof at the Indoor Aquatic Center was moving along very nicely.

- VII. Next meeting Tuesday, October 13, at Noon, Parks and Recreation Conference Room.