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CITY OF COOS BAY
MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMISSION

January 27, 2012

Parks Commission members present: Chairperson, Christine Coles, Commissioner Ariann Lyons, Commissioner Beverly Meyers, Commissioner Bill Otton, Commissioner and Jennifer Stephens

Not Present: Commissioner Patty Scott (excused), Commissioner Mike Vaughan (excused)

Staff present: Operations Administrator Randy Dixon and Codes / Planning Specialist Lisa Ekelund

Guests present: None

Location: Coos Bay Visitors Center

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1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

22 Chairperson Coles called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm.

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2. OLD BUSINESS

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Parks Master Plan Review

28 Randy stated during the process of this plan review, they will look at existing conditions and
29 then also look and benchmarks of similar cities and identify if Coos Bay is up to the current
30 standards. If it is found that more parks are necessary, they will go through the process of
31 notifying the Council and looking into possible grants.

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33 Randy stated that each commissioner should document all of the input they receive. These
34 contacts should be completed by the 15th or 16th of March.

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Establish Task Force Committee (An advisory body which represents a wide range of community interest; Schools, Associations, etc...)

39 The Commission discussed the zones and the following is a list of where focus would be for each
40 of the Commissioners:

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42 Chairperson ColesZone 3
43 Commissioner Stephens.....Zone 2
44 Commissioner Scott.....Zone 5
45 Commissioner MeyersZone 1
46 Commissioner OttonZone 6
47 Commissioner LyonsZone 4
48 Commissioner Vaughan.....Floater
49 Vacant positionFloater

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51 Establish Technical Advisory Committee (An advisory body that represents a wide range of
52 agencies with specific areas of oversight; ODFW, US Core, etc...)

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54 Randy stated that the Commissioners are to contact specific people to engage their interests in
55 this project. Once the Commissioners receive input, they are to coordinate a meeting. The
56 Commissioners are to provide a date for Randy to meet and then he will set up a public hearing.

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58 Randy stated the Commissioners should provide each contact person a parks master plan
59 planning guide and during the meeting, they will discuss their interests.

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61 The Commission discussed contacting the following people in their designated zones:
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63 Commissioner Meyers Zone 1 Contacts: The Eastside Coalition (Bear and Jean Melton), the
64 Middle School (ask the Principal who can represent them), Chairman of Eastside (2
65 Representatives), ODFW (Randy will provide a name), Bay Area Sports Fisherman, George
66 Tinker of OR State Marine Board, and the Chairman of Bassett.

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68 Commissioner Stephens Zone 2 Contacts: Historical Rail (Randy will provide contact name)
69 Blossom Gulch Elementary, Marshfield High School, Library (Director), Marshfield Cemetery
70 (Cricket), and Mo's Bike Shop.

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72 Commissioner Coles Zone 3 Contacts: Mingus Park and Pool (Kathy, Helen, and a board
73 member), South Slough Estuary (Tom Gaskill), Big Tuesday Rotary Club, Scout Cabin, Officer
74 Chris Esperance, Coos Art Museum (Archie and Stephen), Softball Association (Robert
75 Holling), Festivals and Farmers Market, Egyptian Theatre Committee, ODOT (for the
76 Boardwalk area to discuss an overhead bridge connectivity), Marshfield Sun Museum, Pedway,
77 Surf Rider Foundation (Carmann Matthews), September Concerts and Music on the Bay.

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79 Commissioner Lyons arrived at 1:00 pm.
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81 Commissioner Lyons Zone 4 Contacts: Bay Area Hospital and Medical Park, Education Service
82 District, Coos Bay School District Offices, Coos Historical and Maritime Society Museum
83 (Jennifer Groth), St. Catherine's, The Senior Center, Glory and Day, retirement complexes,
84 Christ Lutheran Church, and the Oregon Coast Music Association.

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86 Commissioner Scott Zone 5 Contacts: Life Care (Val Zippo), Ocean Crest, Ocean Ridge,
87 Empire Lakes Association, ODFW, Tom Greens with the Sawdust Whiskey Trail program, Jim
88 Toffemeier with cut and brush, and SWOC.

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90 Commissioner Otton Zone 6 Contacts: The Boat Building (Jim Berg), Empire Coalition (Tom
91 Greens), Star of Hope, Sunset Middle School, Madison Elementary School, Hollering Place, Ed
92 Lund, Taylor Wasson, The Salvation Army, and the Coast Guard.

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94 Entire Area (Overlap Zones): The Port and the Confederated Tribes.
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96 **3. ADJOURNMENT**

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98 **There being no further business to come before the Parks Commission, by consensus of the**
99 **Commission, Chairperson Coles adjourned the meeting at 1:32 pm.**

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101 Respectfully Submitted,

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103 Lisa Ekelund, Codes and Planning Specialist
104 Public Works and Development Department

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106 **APPROVED BY THE PARKS COMMISSION ON THE 9TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2012.**