

Town of Fairfax

Minutes of  
Fairfax Parks and Recreation Commission  
Monday, October 10, 2016  
7:00 p.m.  
Youth Center  
16 Park Road

PARC Commissioners in attendance: Richard Pedemonte, Monty Stephens, Sisi Parry-Hanson, Lisa Taylor. Staff in attendance: Anne Mannes, Recreation & Community Services Manager, Programming, Maria Baird, Recreation & Community Services Manager, Events. Others in attendance: Scott Gibbons, Aaron Czerny, David Smadbeck, Doug Smith, Rose Taber, Gina Fara, M.K. Brown, Diane Dalto, Claudia Laughter

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The September minutes were approved.

**New Business**

1. **Public Art at Parkade**-Consideration of proposal by Scott Gibbons- Scott attended the meeting and distributed copies of his artwork that he would like to display at the parkade temporary art installation. They are images of jazz playing musicians. He will recreate the pieces from his originals. He will contact Peaceman about adhering them to the three dimensional canvas that is currently there. **ACTION ITEM: Sisi made a motion to accept the artwork that is being proposed by Scott at the parkade; Monty seconded. All Commissioners voted in favor. The display will go up in the next few weeks, and remain for 3 months.**

Aaron Czerny, is also an artist interested in displaying his work at the parkade. He brought a miniature replica of his piece, a boat, with a steel bottom. It is a salvaged canoe, and its actual size is 10 feet tall, by 17 feet long. There is some concern it may hang over the edge of the allocated space. Maria will check with Mark Lockaby, Public Works Manager, and Garrett Toy, Town Manager, to see if this is okay. He also asked if he could pave a small slab of cement, to make sure the base of the boat is secure. Maria will also defer this to Public Works. His theme is geologic epic, and has to do with humans bringing about geologic change. The boat represents migration, movement, water and drought. He will put a small amount of water in it- 2 to 4 inches. It will have a box drum, and instrument handles people can turn that will be soundpieces. It will have a futuristic totem in the mast. The top will have a compass, and carved faces. There will also be pink fluorescent pouches, that people can take and bring something back as an offering. Monty inquired as to how deep the landscaping bed is at that site. Maria will check with Rudy Contratti, groundskeeper for Public Works. **ACTION ITEM: Sisi suggested that Aaron come to PARC in the near future, to see if the concerns can be addressed.** Aaron added that it will take him several months to construct his project, as he is doing is for his Master's Thesis in art.

2. **Bicycle Pump Track** –Maria stated that Public Works has drawn a chalk outline of where the pump track may go in Peri Park, so the public can see the size and location. More research will be done on the impact on the park. Several members of the audience spoke on their concerns with the pump track. M.K. stated she plays bocce ball there every week, and the noise and the impact from children riding bicycles will affect her game. Diane Dalto also stated she is opposed to the pump track and that the General Plan states that Peri Park will be used for tranquil activities.
3. **Irish Festival- October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Women’s Club** – David submitted an application for the event, which was approved by Public Works and the Police Department. He provided Maria with flyers, which she will post.
4. **Artist-in-Residence position**- Maria stated she has received 5 applications, and interview for the candidates have begun. The interview panel consist of Anne, Lisa, and Maria. They will pick the top three applicants to recommend to the Town Council, who will interview the candidates at the November meeting.

**Old Business-**

1. **Speakcheesey**-the wine & cheese pairing brought in \$450 and was well attended.
2. **Peri Park clean-up** – scheduled for Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Public Works will deliver the sand after the public has cleaned the park. A better quality of sand will be used.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. The next meeting will be on November 14<sup>th</sup> .