

MINUTES

Park, Arts and Culture Committee Meeting

Monday, August 4, 2014

7:15-8:15 PM

Room 12, City Hall

Participants

Committee Members: Councilor Kurt Wright, Ward 4 (KW)
Councilor Vince Brennan, Ward 3 (VB) (not present)
Councilor Karen Paul, Ward 6 (KP)

Staff: Jen Francis, Parks Planner, DPR (JF)
Nate Wildfire, Assistant Director, CEDO (NW)
Kirsten Merriman Shapiro, Special Projects Manager, CEDO (KMS)
Rubi Simon, Library (BS)

Others: Tad Cooke, New Moran
Erick Crockenberg, New Moran

1) Approval of agenda & draft minutes from 6/18

- Meeting came to order at 7:20 pm
- Motion to approve agenda as is (Paul/Wright); approved
- 6/18 minutes will be approved at next meeting

2) Public Forum

- No comment

3) WAN Update (Shapiro)

- Ground breaking, 8/5 at 1 pm
- SD Ireland is the GC, with multiple oversight contracts
- Renderings of site plan and Skatepark shared with committee
- (KW) When will Bike Path work begin?
 - (KMS) Construction is focused on stormwater & utilities this fall, with Bike Path & finish items next spring; **will provide construction schedule update at next PACC meeting**

4) PIAP Update (Wildfire)

- Consultant, Ken Braverman, was hired to support PIAP development

- Working to advance MOUs, the purpose of which is to outline a series of milestones alongside a timeline
- New Moran MOU draft review
 - New Moran has the largest dollar figure and is the most complex project
 - Asking PACC to recommend the draft MOU & draft resolution to the full City Council
 - New Moran milestones
 - i. Phase 1: Due diligence via findings report on Nov 15 from New Moran team (to include funding feasibility analysis, hard budgets & sources, operations & financing plans, prelim P&Z review)
 - ii. Phase 2: development of agreement/terms sheet by the City (January – March)
- (KP) Voted in support of the NM MOU at BOF
- (KMS) Seeking support of related resolution regarding to the BEDI 108 loan
 - Approved by voters in March 2014
 - Will also be coming to City Council August 11 along with NM items
- Motion to support the New Moran draft MOU, the New Moran draft resolution and the BEDI 108 resolution (Paul/Wright); approved

5) Fletcher Free Update

- Consultant selection for long-range plan
 - Twelve consultants interested, selected Maureen Sullivan
 - Working in collaboration with ECHO because museums & libraries have similar funding sources/opportunities
 - Maureen getting the nine-month process started August 28
 - Steering committee will be organized to facilitate focus groups & community meetings
 - The cost of the plan is \$20,000
- (KW) Is the library involved in public safety discussion of needles?
 - (RS) Beginning conversations on options; it's beyond the issue of needle disposal alone; have been working with the PD to help with situations (key system, staff training, walkthroughs)

6) Parks Project Update (Francis)

- Bike Path Rehabilitation – Construction Phase 1a currently out for bid
 - Area between Perkins Pier through Waterfront Park
 - Pre-bid meeting held today
 - Bids due August 18, 3pm
 - BOF and Council approvals weeks of 9/1 & 9/8, respectively
 - Notice to proceed week of 9/8
 - Substantial completion by December 15
 - Design will continue on Phase 1b (Urban Reserve to North Beach and pause places) over the winter with plans for construction in the Spring and Fall of 2015
- Parks Master Plan
 - Draft review through September
 - PMP slated to be finalized in fall and adopted into the MDP over the winter
 - Draft is available for review online: www.burlingtonvt.gov/planBTV/Parks-Master-Plan
 - **PACC review of PMP draft at next meeting**
- Wrapping up summer PFP projects, starting fall projects
 - Baird & Rock Point Community Garden improvements – Baird shed successful partnership with Resource & Youthbuild
 - Roosevelt Improvements – volunteer planting effort
 - Oakledge Park Siting Study – precursor to accessible playground design
 - Leddy Arena locker room renovation – to support Lumberjacks & BHS hockey

- Calahan Bentley Field – drainage improvements funded by the South End Little League
- Wayfinding – follow up to PMP and department branding

7) Other items

- None

8) Confirmation of next meeting date

- Proposal to meet on the Third Wednesday of the month
- Next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 17, 5:30 pm

9) Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM