



**Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Joint Advisory Committee (JAC) meeting**

**Date: 04/27/2022**

**Time: 6:00 p.m., regular meeting**

**Location: Virtual/Online via Zoom**

**In Attendance**

Committee Members: Nature & Trails: Heather AbuSneineh, Eugenie Adamah-Tassah, Margaret Hite, Shirley Hoffmann, Sridevi Kothandapani, Erik Lehr, Sam Scheerens, Alison Rhea, & Katy Brumbelow  
Programs & Events: Erin Carroll, Rehana Malik, Karina Ramirez, Riya Saripalli, & Miguel Tendero  
Parks & Facilities: Kristen Abele, Carla Fennell, Nisha George, Jane Leo, Carl Nelson, Jacqui Orenda-Weber, Alaka Sarangdhar, Nanda Siddaiah, & Erica Soto

Board liaison(s): Barbie Minor  
Staff: Bruce Barbarasch, Holly Thompson, Keith Watson, Gery Keck, Peter Swinton, Aisha Panas  
Invited Speakers: Liz Jones & Cassera Phipps

**1. Call to Order**

Bruce Barbarasch called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Members reviewed the minutes from the October 2021 Joint Advisory Committee meeting and approved the minutes as presented.

**2. District Update**

Holly Thompson provided an update on district activities. She reviewed the district's proposed budget for fiscal year 22-23, provided an update on Summer Registration and Summer Centro, and discussed staffing/hiring challenges. Committee members asked about the district's registration system and plans for when the system and the process for registering will be updated. Holly explained that the district is focused on the financial system implementation but will be starting scoping work on updating the district's website and registration system in the next fiscal year.

**3. Downtown Beaverton Park & Open Space Planning**

Gery Keck, Design & Development Manager, and Liz Jones, Development Project Manager with the City of Beaverton, provided an update on the district's partnership with the city on downtown parks, trails, open spaces and natural area planning. THPRD and the city are working together to get feedback from the greater Beaverton community on what we want for downtown Beaverton park space. Gery & Liz asked committee members to answer the following questions: 1) what types of parks, open spaces, natural areas would you like to see in the downtown; 2) what types of activities would you like to do in these spaces; 3) do you have ideas for the design, look, and feel for these spaces to fit with Beaverton's downtown; and 4) what ideas do you have to help make these spaces welcoming and inclusive to everyone. Committee members asked questions and shared a great deal of ideas for downtown parks ranging from water play, year-round permanent sheltered and shaded areas, culturally specific parks, large gathering spaces, and more.

**4. Permanent Restrooms Project**

Gery Keck provided an update on the district's efforts to add permanent restrooms to park sites.

**5. Stretch Break**

Meeting Participants took a short break.

**6. Cooper Mountain Community Plan**

Cassera Phipps, Senior Planner, with the City of Beaverton presented on the city's Cooper Mountain Community Planning process. The project is determining how future growth will occur (homes, roads, parks, trails, & utilities) in Cooper Mountain planning for 3,760 new homes using a racial equity framework. The team has identified three alternatives for moving forward and is narrowing down to a preferred hybrid approach. Beaverton will allow for more types of housing in new and existing neighborhoods including middle housing such as ADUs, duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, townhouses, and cottage clusters. Cassera highlighted the McKernan Creek Greenway as an important feature, key wildlife corridor, and unique feature of this area.

**7. Comprehensive Plan Update**

Peter Swinton, Planner, presented on the district's update to the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan guides local government operations typically for about 20 years. It seeks to turn the broad ideas within THPRD's award-winning Vision Action Plan into more concrete concepts with goals, objectives, guiding principles, and how we will realize the community vision. The Comprehensive Plan has seven overall goals, including the four community visioning goals. Committee members were asked for their feedback on the goals.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Holly Thompson (THPRD Staff)