

**URBANA PARK DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 MINUTES – BOARD STUDY SESSION
 TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018
 6:30 PM-8:00 PM
 PLANNING AND OPERATIONS FACILITY
 1011 E. KERR AVENUE
 URBANA, ILLINOIS 61802**

The study session meeting of the Urbana Park District Board of Commissioners was held Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the Planning and Operations Facility, 1011 E. Kerr Avenue, Urbana, IL at 6:30 pm. The notice and agenda of the meeting were posted at the park district administrative office and at the location of the meeting. Copies of the notice and agenda were received by each commissioner of the district and by local newspapers, radio, and television stations at least forty-eight hours before the meeting in compliance with the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois. A copy of the notice and agenda is attached to the minutes. Also available for inspection are all documents that were reviewed or approved at the meeting.

COMMISSIONERS	PRESENT	ABSENT
President Michael Walker	X	
Vice-President Bob Stewart	X	
Commissioner Lashaunda Cunningham	X	
Commissioner Nancy Delcomyn	X	
Commissioner Meredith Blumthal	X	

Also present were Tim Bartlett, Executive Director;
 Derek Liebert, Planning and Operations Superintendent;
 Corky Emberson, Recreation Superintendent;
 Katy Roland, Business Manager;
 Kara Dudek, Planning Assistant;
 Andy Rousseau, Project Manager;
 Allison Jones served as Recorder.

Also present were guests Gabe Lewis and Rita Black with CCRPC, Mary Ellen Wuellner with CCFPD, and Craig Shonkwiler with the City of Urbana.

I. Call to Order

President Walker called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

A. Remote Attendance

There was no remote attendance requested.

II. Accept Agenda

COMMISSIONER CUNNINGHAM MADE A MOTION WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER DELCOMYN TO ACCEPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. ALL SAID "AYE," MOTION CARRIED.

III. Public Comment

There were no comments from members of the public.

IV. Discussion

A. Kickapoo Rail Trail Transportation Analysis

Director Bartlett introduced the Kickapoo Rail Trail Transportation connectivity study analysis, put together by the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission. Gabe Lewis reviewed the draft report, which includes project overview, existing conditions, network analysis, public involvement, facility types, alternative analysis, and preferred alternatives. Board, staff, and guests discussed the alternatives, funding ideas, community interest, and overall process for next steps.

B. Weaver Park Trailhead

Staff presented preliminary plans for the Weaver Park Trailhead, including parking, bike racks, signage, fencing, restrooms, landscaping, budget, future expansion, timeline, fundraising and donor opportunities, and programming possibilities.

V. Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Delcomyn commented on strong partnerships with UPD and local agencies and stakeholders to move projects forward.

Board and staff discussed scheduling for a strategic planning retreat.

VI. Adjourn

President Walker adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.

Michael W. Walker, President

Timothy A. Bartlett, Secretary

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Date Approved: April 10, 2018