



**Regular Meeting of the Parks Commission  
City of University City  
March 26, 2013  
Centennial Commons, 7210 Olive Boulevard**

Vice President Ed Mass called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm. Other members present were:

William Fields  
Steve Goldstein  
Kim Jones  
Linda Peoples

Rich Wilson, Director of Public Works and Parks  
Lynda Euell-Taylor, Deputy Director of Recreation  
James Crowe, City Forester

Excused Absence: Alberta Garth

**Deposition of Minutes from February 26, 2013**

Mr. Goldstein moved to approve the minutes of February 26, 2013, Mr. Field seconded. Vote taken, all approved.

**Citizens' Comments not on the Agenda** – None

**Discussion: Park Trees – James Crowe, City Forester**

Mr. Crowe presented and discussed the annual forestry plan developed by the Urban Forestry Commission

**Department Reports:**

**Public Works and Parks Updates**

Mr. Wilson reported:

- Lewis Park - City received \$4,000 in grant funds (with a \$1,000 match from the Park Foundation) towards its redevelopment
- Millar Park – designs will be available in the near future.
- University City in Bloom – received \$20,000 in additional funding from the City for fiscal year 13-14; PW-Parks employee has been appointed as their staff liaison.
- Lights for Majerus Park are indicated in the Parks Master Plan; Mr. Wilson proposes following the schedule of the existing plan.

- **Community Development/Recreation Division**

Ms. Euell-Taylor reported:

Staff is working towards updating and/or enhancing Special Events policy. A draft will be presented at a future meeting

- A second National Kids to Parks Day is planned for Saturday, May 18 at Millar Park.
- 2013 Spring/Summer Recreation Guides are scheduled for resident home delivery by or before April 12.
- March/April issue of Centennial Commons News is now available.
- Twelve (12) pieces of replacement cardio equipment has been purchased and installed in the Centennial Commons cardio fitness area.

**Council Liaison Report - none**

## **Individual Park Report**

- Mr. Fields – nothing to report
- Ms. Peoples – nothing to report
- Ms. Jones – wooden barricades surrounding Heman parking lot are in disrepair; potholes throughout park entrance drive; has it ever been considered to pave/stripe park parking lots.
- Mr. Goldstein – schedule for future repairing of Kaufman Park tennis courts
- Mr. Mass – nothing to report

## **Old Business**

Update Parks Master Plan - Mr. Wilson gave an overview of the Parks Master Plan and proposed a subcommittee be established to discuss and develop mechanisms to rank priorities. Mr. Mass suggested a review of the master plan and would recommend a subcommittee be formed. Mr. Wilson recommended once the master plan criteria is established by the subcommittee, the commission would then involve residents to review. Park Master Plan subcommittee members: Mr. Goldstein, Ms. Jones and Mr. Mass. Mr. Goldstein will chair.

## **News Business**

Mr. Goldstein agreed to join the Ruth Park Golf Course subcommittee. Mr. Mass will chair and asked this committee be included on monthly agendas.

Mr. Mass indicated due to scheduling conflicts, Ms. St. Clair has resigned from the Park Commission. Per the by-laws, Mr. Mass assumes the office of President and nominated Mr. Goldstein to the office of Vice President. Mr. Field seconded the nomination. A vote will be taken at the April meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Ms. Peoples moved to adjourn. Mr. Field seconded. All in favor - the meeting ended at 7:54 pm.