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**CITY OF SOUTH LAKE TAHOE  
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION  
Wednesday, July 21, 2021 8:00 a.m.  
Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20  
Commissioners and the public may participate In Person or  
via Zoom. Meeting (Instructions to participate are below)**

**Parks and Recreation Commissioners:**

Greg Bergner  
Jerry Bindel - Chair  
Pete Fink – Co-Chair  
David Gregorich  
David Hamilton  
Kira Smith  
Dan Thrift

**Public Participation**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- a. Recommended action for regular meeting of June 16, 2021

**V. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

**VI. Staff Updates: Lauren Thomaselli, Parks and Recreation Director**

**VII. COMMISSIONER ASSIGNMENTS/SUB-COMMITTEES:**

- a. Mid-Town Revitalization – Commissioner Gregorich, Chair
- b. Bijou Area Plan – Commissioner Thrift, Chair
- c. Recreation and Equitable Access – Commissioner Smith, Chair
- d. Bike Mobility and Connectivity – Commissioner Fink, Chair
- e. Advocacy efforts – ALL

**NEXT MEETING:**

- a. Next meeting August 18, 2021 Discuss in person meeting option and desired location.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Decisions of the Parks and Recreation Commission may be appealed to the City Council by anyone adversely affected by such decision. This appeal shall be filed with the City Clerk within five (5) business days from the date of the decision and should include a fee of \$300.

**Minutes of Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting**  
**City of South Lake Tahoe**  
**June 16, 2021 8:00 AM**  
**Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 AM

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Commissioners – Bergner, Bindel, Fink, Gregorich, Hamilton, Smith, Thrift

Absent: Commissioners – NONE

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Commissioner Hamilton to approve the agenda, second by Commissioner Bergner, motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Commissioner Gregorich, second by Commissioner Fink to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of May 19, 2021. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** NONE

**STAFF UPDATES:** Lauren Thomaselli, Parks and Recreation Director - Update on Parks and Recreation provided including: Recreation and Swim Complex operational updates and program expansion beginning June 21<sup>st</sup>; proposed projects for American Rescue Plan Act funding including discussion to take place during the next Community Conversations on June 30<sup>th</sup> and public survey; Special Event Coordinator position hiring status; Special events update including July Parks Make Life Better Events, Live at Lakeview, Outerbike, CUFA, Disc Golf Events; Youth Ambassador program; solar trash compactors; campground restrooms and operations update including hosts and staffing; trail survey open until mid-July available at tahoetrailsplan.org; Regan Beach improvements and success of operations changes; updated dog leash park signs in production; meeting with Duane Trevethan with South Lake Tahoe BMX to discuss starting platform and gate repairs. Commissioners asked for additional information on solar trash compactors including branding through the Take Care Tahoe Fund, Ambassador program, surge plan, Sustainable Recreation land managers meetings, Lake Tahoe beach app and consortium.

**COMMISSIONER ASSIGNMENTS/SUB-COMMITTEES:**

1. Mid-Town Revitalization – Commissioner Gregorich, Chair – Summary provided by Commissioner Gregorich on 56 Acre Master Plan process including timeline and lease agreement. Commissioner Bindel provided update on Rec Center status including building costs, design team meetings, and location in 56 acres. Discussion on ceremony for champions plaza brick instillation in the fall. The sub-committee plans to meet before August City Council meeting.
2. Bijou Area Plan – Commissioner Thrift, Chair – Commissioners discussed approach to Bijou Park Master Plan and Bijou Area Master Plan and how best to advise City Council at August 17<sup>th</sup> budget meeting. The next step for this plan is the Community Conversations on June 30<sup>th</sup> and upcoming community survey. Survey results will be compiled and shared August 17<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.
3. Recreation and Equitable Access – Commissioner Smith, Chair – Commissioner Smith asked for clarification on Ski Run Park plan and how the sub-committee can be involved. Lauren Thomaselli will extend invitation to a member of the sub-committee to attend the Ski Run Park meetings moving forward. Lauren provided update on past meeting including community

requested needs and geographic mapping of possible park locations. Commissioner Thrift recommended partnering with developers of affordable housing to include parks in future housing developments.

4. Bike Mobility and Connectivity – Commissioner Fink, Chair – Update provided on bike trail projects including: Greenway bike bridge over Trout Creek construction is underway; the agreement with Caltrans for improvements from Viking Way to the Y is moving forward; El Dorado County will begin work on refurbishing a dirt walkway on Elks Club which could open the door for additional project funding; the City is moving forward on repairs to the connections of Upper Truckee towards Barton. Commissioner Gregorich stated he is working on a September ribbon cutting ceremony for the Trout Creek bridge and looking for name recognition candidates. Commissioner Thrift asked about safety signage on the bike path close to disc golf course regarding flying discs. Lauren will meet with James to create signs and install at recommended location of the bike trail.
5. Advocacy – All Commissioners – Commissioners Thrift discussed having a regular appointment on the radio with Howie Nave and monthly articles in the newspapers. Lauren recommended promoting Parks Make Life Better month next. Commissioner Gregorich recommends all participate in Community Conversations and survey for American Rescue Plan Act funds. Commissioner Thrift will write an article for the next months new release.

**NEXT MEETING:**

- a. Next meeting July 21, 2021 at 8:00 AM. Discuss in person meeting option and desired location. Commissioners decided to move forward with hybrid meeting in July if possible.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Adjournment – 9:48 AM