



PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho
Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 5:30 PM

Mission:

The Meridian Parks & Recreation Commission is a volunteer citizens' group that is created and empowered to advise the City on issues relating to park facilities and recreation programs of the City. Their mission is to gather input from staff and other qualified personnel on issues relating to the creation and design of public parks and open spaces; to listen to public input; and to provide advice and recommendations on parks and recreation related matters to the Mayor and City Council.

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Agenda

VIRTUAL MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

Limited seating is available at City Hall. Please consider joining the meeting virtually:

<https://us02webzoom.us/j/86371163974>

Or join by phone: 1-669-900-6833

Webinar ID: 863 7116 3974

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

___ Dom Gelsomino, President

___ Jo Greer, Vice President

___ Michelle Jensen

___ John Nesmith

___ Keith Bevan

___ Creg Steele

___ Jennifer Bobo

___ Jessica West

___ Camden Hyde

___ Brad Hoaglund, City Council Ex-Officio

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. August 12, 2020 Regular Meeting

Dom Gelsomino, MPRC President ~ 2 minutes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. **Farwell to Commissioner Michelle Jensen**
Dom Gelsomino, MPRC President ~ 3 minutes
3. **Welcome New Youth Commissioner Camden Hyde**
Dom Gelsomino, MPRC President ~ 3 minutes
4. **Commissioner Reappointment/Appointments**
Steve Siddoway, MPR Director ~ 5 minutes
5. **November Meeting**
Steve Siddoway, MPR Director ~ 5 minutes
6. **Upcoming Events**
Shelly Houston, MPR Marketing Coordinator ~ 5 minutes

OLD BUSINESS ~ NONE

NEW BUSINESS

7. **MPR Commissioner Creg Steele Recognition**
Steve Siddoway, MPR Director ~ 5 minutes
8. **MPR Department Forestry Update**
Matthew Perkins, City Arborist ~ 30 minutes
9. **MPR Department Pathways Construction Update**
Kim Warren, MPR Pathways Project Manager ~ 30 minutes

WORKSHOP ~ NONE

STAFF REPORTS

10. **MPR Staff** ~ 20 minutes

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING ~ TBD

2020 All-Commission Goals:

1. Support development of a connected pathway system across the City of Meridian, with the Five Mile Creek Pathway and the Rail-With-Trail Pathway as the top priorities.
2. Encourage coordination with the City of Eagle to connect to the Boise River Greenbelt and with neighboring communities for additional regional connections of our pathway systems.
3. Support design and construction of Discovery Park Phase 2.
4. Participate in the design and programming of a new Community Center on the Civic Block.
5. Engage other task forces, commissions, entities, and agencies through workshops and other outreach for partnership opportunities.
6. Pursue improved tools and opportunities to engage citizens and stakeholders.

7. Continue to foster greater Commission involvement/presence in community events.
8. Discuss progress on Goals and Objectives in the MPR Master Plan.
9. Hold workshops during Commission meetings to address current issues.
10. Participate in the partnership with the Meridian Arts Commission to add theming and identity reinforcing art in Meridian parks and along pathways.
11. Participate in the design of a parking lot expansion at Heroes Park.