

**Leisure Services Commission Minutes**  
**Thursday, Oct. 17, 2019 7:00 pm**  
**Exchange Building**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carver, Johnson, Solheim, Winter  
MEMBERS ABSENT: Cashman, Neuendorf, Pins  
COUNCIL PRESENT: Birgen, Mayor Soash  
STAFF PRESENT: Riordan  
VISITORS: None

SUMMARY OF FORMAL ACTION: Vice Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Motion: To approve Aug, 15, 2019 minutes as presented.

11-19 Moved: Cashman Secinded: Pins  
Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent: 3

**Regular Business**

1. Report to Council

The Commission looked through the slide presentation that was presented by staff. Solheim suggested a photo and years of service of the Leisure Services Staff that included Parks, Vegetation Management and Cemetery Staff. Other things to include were new Leisure Services staff, Tab Ray's retirement, dog park sidewalk, walkability tour, etc. Neuendorf will present to Council at the Study Session Oct. 28.

2. Candlelight Walk

Riordan stated that there would be an organizational meeting at City Hall on Oct. 29 at 6:00 pm. Johnson who has been involved with the Candlelight Walk for many years explained to the rest of the Commission about the process of setup/takedown and things that need to be done during the walk. Cory Petersen in the Parks Department will be able to help again this year.

3. W Advisory Board Proposal

Riordan provided the W agreement for Commission Members. He stated that it had been before the Commission March 21, 2019, had been voted on, but there was a line added that needed to be discussed with the Commission before it went to Council. The line consisted of "In addition, at the request of the City Council, but no more than once per calendar year, the College will provide the same overview report noted above to the City Council."

Motion: To approve The W Agreement including the new line as presented

12-19 Moved: Solheim Secinded: Winter  
Yes: 4 No: 0 Absent 3

**Director's Report:**

- Riordan updated the Commission on the Youth Ball Diamonds. He stated that the Task Force is ready to present to Council on Oct. 28. Solheim mentioned that he had heard from a number of citizens who were pleased with the speed that the task force was moving and looking forward to updates. Carver asked about the difference in the layouts of the proposed ball diamonds by the Soccer Fields and Champions Ridge. Riordan explained that the proposed layout of Champions

Ridge included 3 quads of tiered diamonds (one for youth baseball, one for youth softball, and one for adult softball). The proposed fields by the Soccer Complex would be Youth only fields and include a Miracle League Diamond for the youth who have disabilities.

**Chairperson Report:**

- None

**Reports and Communications:**

- The attendees walked around the Exchange Building. General consensus was that the Commission liked the way it had turned out. Riordan told the Commission that there were still a few things that needed to be completed and pointed out some painting and other things that needed attention.
- Some on the Commission wondered if indoor batting cages at the new Ball Diamond complex would violate the agreement with the W. Riordan did not think so as it would not be anything that would be open to the public, it could be used during the winter for hitting practices, etc. with coaches.

**Next Meeting:**

Nov. 21, 2019

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Garret Riordan  
Commission Secretary  
Leisure Services Director