

**City of Sammamish
Parks & Recreation Commission
Meeting Summary
October 24, 2007**

Commissioners Present: Hank Klein, Mary Doerrer, Pauline Cantor, Steve Wright, Richard Johnson, Randy Jackson

Staff Present: Jessi Richardson, Michael Shiosaki, Kamuron Gurol, Janie Marie

Call to Order: 6:38 p.m.

Public Comment: Linda Gusbrecht, Beaver Lake Park neighbor – commented on the off-leash dog area at Beaver Lake Park and is concerned that the old growth cedar grove will be affected by the construction of the fence for the off-leash area. She would like the fence placed farther away from the tree line. Staff agreed to follow-up with Ms. Gusbrecht.

Town Center Plan Review of Parks Elements - Guest: Kamuron Gurol, Director of Community Development

Kamuron provided an overview of the ‘big picture’ elements of the Sammamish Town Center Plan. Planning Commission has asked for feedback from the Park Commission regarding the Parks and Open Space element of the Comprehensive Plan. The Final Environmental Impact Statement is available for review. Planning Commission is using a phased review process from broad to specific. Three alternatives have been identified: Alternative #1 is heavily commercial/residential; #2 is at the other end of spectrum with 1,000 housing units; #3 includes 2,000-2,500 housing units. These alternatives were analyzed, along with doing nothing and keeping the zoning currently in place. Comments were taken in early 07. Council adopted the preferred alternative which was a hybrid that included all three elements. The final EIS evaluated the preferred alternative. Public comments are being recorded at each Planning Commission meeting and a formal public hearing will take place in December. The Park Commission may provide comments at any time. The Parks Department hopes to focus resources on trail development and connectivity rather than acquiring large parcels for park development.

Hearing - Soaring Eagle Park Potential 30 acre Transfer

The public hearing on the land transfer is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

Calendar

Planning Commission Meeting: Thursday, Nov 1 at 6:30 pm

Next Commission Meeting: Wednesday, Nov 14 at 6:30 pm

Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.