



Twin Falls Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee Minutes

Tuesday, April 19, 2022, 12:00 PM

SPECIAL MEETING

City Council Overflow Room CH-116
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Bill Brulotte, Bryan Wright, Dave Dickerson, Eric Smallwood, Daragh Maccabee, Jan Mittlieder, Chris Scholes, Angela Heider, Kyli Gough, Sherry Murray, Alan Horner, Craig Hawkins

1) Call Meeting to Order/Confirmation of Quorum

Wendy Davis called the meeting to order at 12:13 p.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present: Bill Brulotte, Eric Smallwood, Daragh Maccabee (online), Jan Mittlieder, Angela Heider (phone call), Sherry Murray, Alan Horner.

Members Absent: Bryan Wright, Dave Dickerson, Chris Scholes, Kyli Gough, Craig Hawkins.

Staff Present: Wendy Davis, Parks and Recreation Director; Elois Joseph, Parks Administrative Assistant.

2) General Public Input

3) Items of Consideration

- a) Request to approve the meeting minutes from the March 15, 2022 Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

Item tabled for a future meeting. No action was taken on this item.

Wendy Davis gave a brief recap on the March 15, 2022, meeting.

- b) Continue Discussion of Committee's Findings and Recommendation to City Council Regarding a Recreation Center

Wendy Davis presented the request.

Discussion ensued regarding securing a location before the final design and request for funding is initiated.

The need to define feasibility of the Recreation Center was mentioned – using the existing Feasibility Study to gauge whether the Recreation Center would work in this community. The need for the Recreation Center to be self-supporting was discussed.

The proposal to make a recommendation to Council by determining the feasibility of the Recreation Center in the City of Twin Falls was mentioned.

Discussion ensued regarding using existing land that the City owns for the Recreation Center. Concerns regarding the population growth causing a need for a Recreation Center was mentioned.

The challenges brought on by the COVID pandemic were mentioned. The priorities of the City of Twin Falls due to the population growth and needs that come with growth were mentioned as a challenge to allocating priority status for funding the Recreation Center at this time. Focusing on existing City owned property was emphasized. Concerns about the feasibility of the project considering these challenges were expressed.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the City residents still supported a Recreation Center.

Concerns regarding City Council support were expressed.

Wendy clarified that the position of the City Council at the meeting where this item was presented was in terms of funding availability for the property purchase versus support of the project itself.

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of having funds subsidized for the operation and overall cost for this project.

The commission discussed City staff creating and to scheduling an informative presentation for City Council.

A recommendation to City Council through a presentation to gauge support of the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee pursuing the Recreation Center project and the steps to pursue the Council's decision was discussed.

MOTION: Sherry Murray moved to approve the request for the city staff to prepare a presentation for City Council that the Recreation Center Ad Hoc Committee will review at a future meeting before the presentation was completed. Eric Smallwood seconded the motion. Roll call vote determined all present voted in favor of the motion. Approved 6 to 0.

4) Upcoming Meetings

5) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elois Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Elois Joseph, Recording Secretary

