

Session 11-06, a Regular Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was called to order by Acting Chair Archibald at 5:40 p.m. on July 21, 2011 at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers located at 491 E. Pioneer Avenue, Homer, Alaska.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS CUMMING, ARCHIBALD, LILLIBRIDGE, BRANN, HARRALD,
AND BREMICKER

STAFF: PARKS MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR ANGIE OTTESON
RECREATION SPECIALIST MIKE ILLG
DEPUTY CITY CLERK I RENEE KRAUSE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

LILLIBRIDGE/ARCHIBALD – MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES *(Minutes are approved during Regular Meetings.)*

A. Meeting Minutes for the July 21, 2011 Regular Meeting

CUMMING/LILLIBRIDGE -MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

There was no discussion.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Ms. Lindianne Sarno, city resident, commented on the transient camping along city trails. Ms. Sarno stated that she has personally camped along trails when she travelled by bicycle to Homer. She stated that Homer has the reputation that people can find work here. The commission should take into account that when people arrive in Homer they are sincerely looking for work. She believes the city should offer a dignified way for people who come to Homer to make a change in their lives and are looking for work to be able to camp whether they are backpacking, on bicycle or have a car. These people are called homeless but are really nomads and are here for good purposes. Ms. Sarno further commented that being called homeless puts a negative connotation to these persons.

VISITORS

There were no visitors scheduled.

RECONSIDERATION

There were no items scheduled for reconsideration.

STAFF AND COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS/BOROUGH REPORTS

A. Spit Parks and Recreation Committee – Commissioner Lillibridge

Commissioner Lillibridge reported that the committee will meet on August 26, 2011 and is actively seeking additional members from the public. Ms. Otteson opined that she thought her schedule was flexible enough for her to attend the scheduled meeting.

Commissioner Lillibridge inquired if the Commission as a whole had any preferences for a specific park the committee should focus on. Commissioner Harrald commented that was the responsibility of the committee and that formation of the committee was to address parks and recreation on the spit as a whole. Commissioner Cumming noted that the Commission did set Mariner Park as a priority for the CIP.

She noted that there were a number of people who commented on the Spit Comprehensive Plan and is hoping some of those individuals could be encouraged to be a member on the committee.

There was no further discussion.

B. Karen Hornaday Park Committee – Commissioner Archibald
1. Synopsis of July 26, 2011 Meeting

Commissioner Archibald reported on the worksession that the committee held at the park and discussion focused on the entrance road condition and relocation. As many people there there were that many opinions. Commissioner Lillibridge passed around some photos taken of the area.

They did view the areas where drainage issues are currently happening. It was noted that drainage vaults are installed but are too high to effectively drain accumulated water. These are located west of the red shed near the playground. Commissioners inquired what a drainage vault was. Commissioner Archibald explained the structure and purpose.

There was discussion that work will be starting in a few weeks on the drainage improvements and Commissioner Archibald requested to view the request for proposal document before it was advertised. It was discussed on the impacts to the existing swale. He noted that this area is in desperate need of improvement. He noted that a visit to the area with a local contractor who opined that the dirt work could be accomplished and topsoil brought in for approximately \$5000.00. This would use existing materials in the area with the topsoil the only new materials provided. Commissioner Cumming recited specifics on the proposed improvements recommended by the contractor. Commissioner Archibald noted another alternative for drainage improvements. He has spoken to Mr. Meyer who told him to get back with him in a few days.

Discussion evolved on the drainage issues. There was clarification that the bids were to be submitted on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 and the work was to be completed by September 5-15, 2011 for the drainage. Ms. Otteson was not sure whether this work was going to be done in house or whether a request for bid would be issued.

It was noted that nothing has been done on the ball fields and the commission was to receive a written list from the Little League on a priority listing of improvements.

A discussion evolved on the following topics:

- funding for the improvements to the ball fields
- drainage improvements for "Lake Hornaday" area
- special issues regarding seeding and time constraints
- boundaries for the project and drainage swale
- Using monies from the legislative grant outside of the monies recommended by the Commission to City Council.
- Some drainage improvement work will be done with the grant monies but not included in the recommendation to City Council by the Commission.

Comments from Mr. Illg regarding expenditures for the improvements to the drainage issues in the park and they must be improved before anything else can be accomplished.

There was additional detailed discussion on the drainage problems and locations of these drainage problems.

Commissioner Harrald recited the original priorities and recommendations of the commission. She wanted to know where this issue came up. Commissioner Archibald noted that this issue came up during the Committee meeting and was very important in alleviated some major drainage problems.

Chair Bremicker stated that maybe a memorandum was required

Commissioner Lillibridge read into the record the recommendation from the park committee:

Dear Honorable Parks and Recreation Commission Members

The members of the Karen Hornaday Park Committee are writing to strongly express that drainage work in Karen Hornaday Park be started immediately and completed by October 2011.

The Homer Playground Project timeline calls for a new playground to be built in the park by community volunteers in summer 2012. Community fundraising and community-based playground design are already underway. Loss of momentum would be disastrous to this project.

In addition, drainage issues pose a threat to ball players and other users of the park. And the quality of the park is adversely affected by poor drainage, which also threatens completion of Phase 1 of the Karen Hornaday Park Master Plan.

Commissioner Harrald expressed that the Commission agreed to have the engineering report done prior to any work was completed so that no monies would be wasted. She strongly urged that the Commission follow what they recommended in the earlier meetings. She acknowledged the idea of getting this problem fixed but wanted to wave a flag of caution.

Chair Bremicker agreed that a good point was raised and requested additional comments to that effect.

There was further discussion on getting these improvements implemented to address Lake Hornaday, having additional work completed before the preliminary engineering was not in the original recommendation of expending funds.

Commissioner Cumming requested clarification on the right process from the Clerk.

CUMMING/ARCHIBALD – MOVED THAT THE CITY OF HOMER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE AREA COMMONLY CALLED "LAKE HORNADAY" BETWEEN SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER AND COMPLETE HYDROSEEDING AS NEEDED IN THAT AREA.

Commissioner Harrald asked if the funding should be addressed in the motion. Commissioner Archibald stated that the purpose of this motion was to get the work started and completed in order to aid the progress of the Playground group. Commissioner Harrald reiterated the original intent of the commission with the Preliminary engineering. Commissioner Lillibridge requested additional clarification regarding what issue this motion addressed. Commissioner Cumming explained that if needed she would be in favor of voting this motion down to specifically address the preliminary engineering issues, because she was told by Mr. Meyer that he would not be able to address the preliminary engineering until November and that will not work in the schedule of things. Chair Bremicker called for the vote.

VOTE. YES. BREMICKER, CUMMING, ARCHIBALD, LILLIBRIDGE

VOTE. NO. HARRALD.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Archibald continued with his report regarding the additional area to be included in the playground area. It is currently segmented by the concrete barriers and designated as a Day Use area. The committee kicked around a few ideas and there is an historical aspect to the building and it is not known if it would be in the way of the playground improvements. It has not been determined if the shed is structurally sound.

Ms. Deb Cox, representing the HoPP and a member of the Karen Hornaday Park Committee, learning a lot and here to provide an update on what HoPP is doing. They do have a lot of momentum, they have hired Play By Design, a design build firm. She expressed that the whole effort has been volunteer. They have received donations too. The designer will be here the second weekend in September to present the draft design on September 10th at the park 10 am to 3:00 pm. They are getting input from kids on what they would like in the park. She stated that they would like to keep the slope and incorporate it into the design. They want Karen Hornaday to be an awesome park. She elaborated more the goals of HoPP. There are a few awesome playgrounds that have been built by this company in the state. In response to the a question from Commissioner Lillibridge that a recommendation or support from the commission would be greatly appreciated since any delay on Phase I Master Plan activities would delay the efforts of HoPP.

Commissioner Harrald related that a number of people have approached her complementing the efforts already being done to the playground.

Chair Bremicker interrupted Commissioner Harrald stating the urgency for Mr. Illg to return to work and he had a report to be given.

Commissioner Harrald inquired if incorporating the Day Use Area into the playground she stated that the Commission has approved the Master Plan and she is in favor of having an area with picnic tables where parents can socialize and inquired if the group wanted the Commissioners suggestions.

Chair Bremicker inquired on what the Master Plan stated for the area. Commissioner Lillibridge responded regarding a discussion and determination that it was part of the master plan to have a day use area.

Commissioner Cumming expressed concern that they still had a number of items on the agenda and it was almost seven p.m. Chair Bremicker acknowledged her concern regarding the time.

Commissioner Archibald expressed his opinion on the area and read from the master plan that it was not designated so it appeared to be negotiable.

Further discussion and clarification on the necessity of preliminary engineering for the benefit of HoPP ensued by the Commissioners.

Ms. Cox explained that they did not want to step on toes over the proposed day use area.

At this point there were several commissioners speaking at once and the Clerk was unable to transcribe clearly comments, discussion or opinions by individual commissioners for the record.

Commissioner Lillibridge expressed strongly that she wanted the recommendation forwarded to the City administration, Mayor and City Council.

Commissioner Cumming inquired if the HoPP group has wanted to include a water feature in the design. Ms. Cox responded that the group did want to design a water feature into the Park. She did state that they group has been hesitant to work with the City and not get anything done.

LILLIBRIDGE/ARCHIBALD - MOVED TO FORWARD THE RECOMMENDATION TO MAYOR HORNADAY, CITY COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER REQUESTING DRAINAGE WORK TO BE STARTED IMMEDIATELY.

ARCHIBALD/LILLIBRIDGE – MOVED TO FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THE MOTION BY DEFINING DRAINAGE AS PRE-ENGINEERING SURVEY.

There was further discussion and clarification on the intent of the motion.

Deputy City Clerk requested the Commissioners to turn off their mics when they were done speaking. She clarified that the Committee has submitted a recommendation/request for support to the Commission to forward to the City Council. If the Commission does not approve of the concept/content of the recommendation they can remand it back to the Committee for revisions. In response to an inquiry from Commissioner Cumming regarding changes to the recommendation Ms. Krause stated the differences between a resolution and a recommendation/memorandum to council. The Commission is making changes to this recommendation that go outside the intent of the committee. Commissioner Harrald summarized by stating Council has the right to amend a resolution and ignore a recommendation. Ms. Krause confirmed for Commissioner Harrald that the Commission did not need to forward this recommendation from the Committee. The Commission can make a recommendation that is inclusive of the committee recommendation or parts thereof.

The motion to approve the recommendation from the committee was withdrawn.

LILLIBRIDGE/HARRALD – MOVED TO SUBMIT A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMISSION TO CITY ADMINISTRATION, MAYOR HORNADAY AND CITY COUNCIL STRONGLY EXPRESSING THE URGENCY REQUIRED FOR PRE-ENGINEERING TO BE STARTED IMMEDIATELY AND COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 2011. THE DELAY OF THE PRE-ENGINEERING THREATENS THE COMPLETION OF PHASE I ELEMENTS OF THE KAREN HORNADAY HILLSIDE PARK MASTER PLAN APPROVED BY COUNCIL IN ORDINANCE 11- 22. A DELAY WOULD EFFECT THE FOLLOWING ISSUES AND USER GROUPS:

- SAFETY
- THE COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER EFFORTS CURRENTLY EXPENDED BY MEMBERS OF THE GROUP HoPP
- LITTLE LEAGUE
- THE FRIENDS OF WOODARD CREEK

Discussion ensued on the benefit and urgency of including the list further for discussion. Due to the complexity and multiple changes of the motion as presented the Clerk requested input from the maker of the motion and second for clarity. The clerk read the motion back to the commission. Commissioner Cumming voiced concern with the pre-engineering delaying the drainage work on "Lake Hornaday". She further stated that she had concern with a delay in taking care of the drainage vaults if they. Commissioner Harrald reiterated that the commission previously recommended that the pre-engineering be completed prior to any work being done to alleviate the possibility of performing unnecessary work and expense. Commissioner Lillibridge opined that it will all be taken care of and this just reinforces the recommendations to get it done.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

There was no further discussion.

- C. Kachemak Drive Path Committee – Commissioner Harrald
1. Synopsis of the June 17, 2011 Meeting
 2. Synopsis if Surveys Received as of July 13, 2011
 3. Survey received as of July 1, 2011
 4. Recommendations to the Commission
 5. Memorandum dated July 14, 2011 Discussion on Recommendations to Council from the Committee

Commissioner Harrald summarized the meetings. She noted that the work has stated on the Water Sewer Project and comments have been made regarding how that looks perfect for a bike path. She noted that later in the Agenda is the revised draft resolution. The committee reviewed and made some suggestions regarding property use addressing any concerns from property owners that the path would just go through their property without input from them. The committee reviewed where they were headed and determined there is a lot of options open to them. She noted the items and tasks the various members are tackling. She recommended the commission read the notes and they could answer questions.

It was noted that the resolution will be presented to council during the September 12, 2011 regular council meeting. It was noted that the next Committee meeting was scheduled for September 8, 2011.

Commissioner Cumming requested clarification on Council meeting schedules. Chair Bremicker requested clarification on the next Committee Meeting. There was a brief discussion the work being done by Herndon Construction where they are installing the water and sewer line. The Commissioners agreed that it is clear now and many have commented that it shows this would be the perfect time for installing a bike trail. Commissioner Lillibridge inquired if as a Commission they should forward a recommendation of support for construction of the trail during the construction of the sewer and water line. Commissioner Harrald explained how and why the Committee was created and urged the commissioners and others to talk to Council and City Administration and they need to locate one of them that will support them. Chair Bremicker appreciated all the hard work that has been expended and the results of the survey and that everyday someone asks about when the trail will be done. Commissioner Cumming related a conversation with an engineer on the complexities of constructing portions of the water and sewer line especially through the designated wetlands. She also received support from Mrs. Herndon and clarification on the project Storm Water Protection Plan. The discussion evolved on the actual wetlands compared to a continuation of shoulder and how the wetlands were so designated.

There was a brief discussion in contacting and sending support for the trail to the City Council and attending council meetings.

This was pulled at the last commission meeting by Commissioner Cumming to address some additional issues. This was to be presented as a recommendation to go to City Council. Chair Bremicker read the recommendation.

The Kachemak Drive Path Committee of the homer parks and recreation advisory commission recommends that the commission approve the following and send it on to the homer city council for the next council meeting which relates to the mud bay segment going from the base of the spit to airport beach access road:

AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION WORKING WITH APPOINTED CITY ADVISORS TO ESTABLISH THE FIRST PORTION OF THE KACHEMAK DRIVE CORRIDOR, WHICH IN THE NEAR FUTURE WOULD EXIST AS A LEVEL THREE PEDESTRIAN TRAIL PARALLELING KACHEMAK DRIVE STARTING FROM THE BASE OF THE SPIT BICYCLE TRAIL PROCEEDING ALONG KACHEMAK DRIVE AT

THE TOW OF THE ROAD BANK AND THEN CHANGING TO THE TOE OF THE BLUFF AND GOING APPROXIMATELY ½ MILE AND ENDING AT THE AIRPORT BEACH ACCESS ROAD.

ARCHIBALD/HARRALD – MOVED TO RECOMMEND FORWARDING THIS RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL.

Commissioner Harrald gave a brief history on the work that has been done on this recommendation. This was strongly supported by the committee. Commissioner Cumming stated her reasons for the revisions.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

D. Parks & Campgrounds – Angie Otteson

Ms. Otteson stated Budget talks are starting and she is hoping to get her two part time positions re-instated. She noted that the Port & Harbor will be assuming the maintenance of the spit restrooms. That is in discussion phase only now. Commissioner Harrald inquired if support from the Commission would assist in getting those positions. Ms. Otteson agreed and especially after the draft budget is issued. She noted the camping as slowed down and Commissioner Brann has logs that will be used to replace the decayed ones on the Shelter at the Fishing Hole. She is requesting a vault toilet at Mariner Park. She did confirm that there is an ordinance in place that does prohibit camping along trails in the city limits.

There was a brief discussion on what type of support the commission could offer and Ms. Otteson will bring recommendations to the September meeting. Ms. Otteson responded that the revenue was approximately \$175,000 from camp fees in relation to what is appropriated for maintenance. She stated the total Budget is about \$380,000. So the ratio is about half. Commissioner Cumming asked for input on applying for a grant from the Soil & Water Conservation for Karen Hornaday Park. She elaborated on the previous grant application in 2010. This grant was not offered in 2011 but will be available in 2012. Ms. Otteson recommended September and could be included in the Budget talks. Ms. Otteson stated she would look further into that grant. The Commissioners thanked Ms. Otteson for all her hard work and that they have been helpful in getting things done.

There was no further discussion.

E. Community Schools & Recreation Report – Mike Illg

Mr. Illg apologized to Commissioner Harrald and Ms. Cox and stated that the group is doing a wonderful job. He reported on a pending issue that has surfaced between the installation of a Disc Golf Course and the nearby residents. He stated that until the issues were resolved that this was on hold.

Mr. Illg departed the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

There was no discussion.

F. Staff Report – Renee Krause

Ms. Krause stated that there was a request earlier regarding Park Day the arrangements were as noted in her report.

A discussion held by the Commissioners determined that there has been no advertising or outreach and that the ball has been dropped on this. There was the best intention but not the best planning. The commissioners agreed that it would be best to cancel this event and take better preparation for the event next year.

Notice will be sent to Mr. Illg and on the website that the event has been canceled.

HARRALD/BREMICKER – MOVED TO CANCEL PARK DAY THIS YEAR AND ADDRESS THE EVENT PROPERLY NEXT REGULAR MEETING FOR SUMMER 2012 AND NOTIFY THE COMMISSIONERS IF IT IS UNABLE TO BE CANCELED.

Discussion on including on the users and establish a date at the next regular meeting.

VOTE. YES. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion carried.

There was no further discussion.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

No public hearings were scheduled.

PENDING BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Recommendation to Forward to Council the Revised Recommendations submitted by the Kachemak Drive Path Committee
 - 1. Revised Draft Resolution

Chair Bremicker read the resolution into the record and requested a motion to approve.

LILLIBRIDGE/CUMMING – SO MOVED.

Discussion ensued on adding another whereas to address motorists as a courtesy, defining “active transportation.” Deputy City Clerk Krause informed the Commissioners that they can make changes but if they make any substantial changes such as adding another whereas will require additional review by the City Attorney which can postpone presenting to City Council for approval. She further added that the language of “active transportation” found in another similar resolution passed in another state where the situation was similar and nothing was done until a death occurred. Further discussion on inserting verbiage related to the flow of traffic on the road.

CUMMING/BREMICKER - MOVED TO AMEND LINE 17 AND INSERT AFTER NON-MOTORIZED, “IT IS DESIREABLE TO HAVE AN UNINTERRUPTED FLOW OF MOTORIZED TRAFFIC.

Commissioner Harrald opined that the purpose of the resolution was to increase the safety for all persons on the road and that the Committee focused on addressing the safety issue with traffic going around cyclists and pedestrians. This concern is a new focus. Chair Bremicker agreed that the Committee was focused on taking the bikes off the road. Commissioner Lillibridge opined that if this is amended it defeats the purpose of the resolution. It was noted that the motorized drivers will benefit from this resolution and very little consideration was expressed in this resolution to increase acceptance. Commissioner Lillibridge asked if they changed the order within the whereas would be acceptable. Commissioner Cumming wanted to have this as a separate whereas inserted before the Now therefore. The Clerk stated that with the proposed support from members of the Council it is unlikely not to be passed but resolutions normally contain four whereas's. Further comments were offered on the appropriateness of having the proposed amendment in the resolution and that consideration was given within the resolution as a whole to the drivers on the road. The clerk read the proposed separate whereas and pointed out that the statement was incomplete. She recommended the Commissioners consider why they wrote the resolution in the first

place; the cars already have the road. Commissioner Cumming clarified that her amendment was to address the issue of courtesy not safety. Commissioner Lillibridge called for the vote. The clerk read the amended paragraph.

VOTE. NO. NON-OBJECTION. UNANIMOUS CONSENT.

Motion failed.

Commissioner Cumming proposed another amendment:

CUMMING/ - WHEREAS, IT IS DESIREABLE TO PROMOTE AN UNINTERRUPTED FLOW OF MOTORIZED TRAFFIC.

The motion failed for lack of a second.

Commissioner Archibald offered another amendment but after further consideration pulled it from consideration.

VOTE. YES. LILLIBRIDGE, ARCHIBALD, BREMICKER, HARRALD.

VOTE. NO. CUMMING.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Harrald just realized she overlooked the resolution on Mud Bay portion during the Committee Report. This must be addressed at this meeting.

Commissioner Lillibridge requested ending the meeting due to the late hour.

- B. Budget 2012 – Discussion on Advocating for Appropriations for Parks and Recreational Events, Needs and Programs for 2012

This was postponed to the September meeting by consensus of the commission due to the late hour.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Transient Camping Along Trail – A discussion on How to Discourage persons Camping Along City Trails.

Chair Bremicker requested a motion to postpone this item in expediency of time. He noted that Commissioner Brann via email stated he would be okay with a postponement to the September meeting.

The Commissioners agreed by consensus to postpone this item to the September 15, 2011 regular Meeting.

- B. Campground Hosts – A Discussion on Having Campground Hosts for Karen Hornaday Park

Chair Bremicker again requested a motion to postpone this item in expediency of time.

The Commissioners agreed by consensus to postpone this item to the September 15, 2011 regular Meeting.

INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

- A. Resolution 11-076, Amending the Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Bylaws to Establish Monthly Meetings with the Exception of December.
- B. Ordinance 11-29(A), Amending HCC Chapter 1.74 Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission Section 1.74.030, Proceedings of the Commission, Amending Frequency to Monthly with the Exception of December
- C. Revised Parks and Recreation Bylaws
- D. Revised HCC Chapter 1.74 Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
- E. Excerpt from City Manager's Report at Council Meeting on July 25, 2011 Re: Baycrest Hill Ski Trail and Diamond Creek Properties Land Use Plan
- F. Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission Annual Calendar

There was no discussion on the informational materials.

COMMENTS OF THE AUDIENCE

There were no audience comments.

COMMENTS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBER *(if one is assigned)*

None.

COMMENTS OF STAFF MEMBERS

Ms. Krause noted that she did not want to add more to the Commissions plate but September is when they have a fall park and beach walk through and recommended a worksession prior to the next meeting. Chair Bremicker recommended visiting Bishops Beach. Discussion on having a walk through earlier in the month ensued and having the proper advertising too. The commissioners said meeting at 5:15 p.m. Bishops Beach on September 1, 2011, Thursday.

There was no further discussion.

COMMENTS OF THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Lillibridge commented that she will be absent for the September 15, 2011. She inquired if they were actively looking for another commissioner.

There was a brief discussion on the efforts to recruit a new member to fill the vacancy.

Chair Cumming commented that it has been a very intense meeting but that this group is incredible and that they will have end results even though they have very intense conversations and is feeling good about it or will in 30 minutes.

Commissioner Harrald commented that this is a very dynamic group and she was glad that they canceled park day and will hold the event next year with verve and planning; she apologized for being such a stickler with the resolution but that the committee worked really hard to make the resolution for the bike path but she could not support the changes since it was not the purpose of that particular resolution.

Commissioner Archibald will not be at the next meeting he may be out protecting the pristine waters of Prince William Sound but will try to call in to participate.

Commissioner Lillibridge commented that this was the longest meeting so far since she has been on the commission; she wanted to thank everyone for their dedication to the individual committees. She was

particularly appreciative of canceling park day too. She wanted to express appreciation for Commissioner Archibald acting as Chair for the Karen Hornaday Park Committee. She noted that during the meetings they have had some sparky conversations and interesting discussions. She thinks that all the time spent is very valuable. She wanted to thank the commissioners for hanging in with getting something to Council. She did have additional pictures on a water feature and gardens and inquired if they can be introduced and included in the record. The clerk can include them for permanent record.

COMMENTS OF THE CHAIR

Chair Bremicker commented that the committee is the way to address and work on things but it does mean listening to reports and having more time during the meetings to address. He apologized for not always keeping things in order.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Commission Chair Bremicker adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m. The next regular meeting is **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011** at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall Cowles Council Chambers.

RENEE KRAUSE, CMC, DEPUTY CITY CLERK I

Approved: _____