

**CITY COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
July 18, 2023**

ATTENDEES: Council members Arsanto, Rose, Burbank, Tremblay, Anderson and Smith.

Also in attendance were Mayor Burkett, City Administrator Brunell, Director of Parks and Recreation Snodgrass, Public Works Director Banks, Police Records Clerk Burkett, and Deputy City Clerk Clark.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Foothills Rails to Trails Pavilion Update and Draft MOU:

Shayla Miles, Executive Director, of the Foothills Rails to Trails Coalition spoke to Council and updated them on the proposed Foothills Trail Pavilion. On March 7, 2023, the Council expressed their desire to relocate "The Doc Tait Pavilion" near the capital project which is near the restrooms and the upcoming parking lot. Ms. Miles expressed that the planning study that the coalition did, came back with 80% of citizens that did the survey were excited and would donate to this cause. The next process is formalizing the Memorandum of Understanding that would require the coalition to construct the pavilion within two years and ensures that Council has review and final input on the final design, and after constructed, formalizes the agreement for the coalition to gift the pavilion to the City. The City will be responsible for ongoing maintenance and operations.

Parks Recreation and Open Spaces (PROS) Plan Introduction:

Director of Parks and Recreation Snodgrass shared a PowerPoint presentation for the PROS Plan that will be an element of the comprehensive plan. At a prior Council meeting, City Council approved a contract with Framework Consulting to complete work on the PROS plan and 2024 Comprehensive Plan. As part of the PROS plan you can see the park planning including naming the parks, existing parks, and Council can plan for the future of the parks. Updating the PROS Plan will also be the first step in becoming eligible for funding through the Recreation Conservation Office (RCO). Ms. Snodgrass gave an overview of key projects and goals, a project schedule and map, and preliminary focus areas.

Director of Parks and Recreation Snodgrass wanted to just update Council on the fountain and that it is a water hazard. The proposal is to turn that into a planter with drain rock and keep the statue in the middle of it. This would be less of a hazard and a maintainable function for the budget. Beautify Buckley will be on Sept. 9th and Council agrees that this should be a priority.

With nothing further, the Study Session was adjourned at 6:53 PM.


Courtney Brunell
City Administrator


Mayor

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