



PARK TOWN HALL – AGENDA

January 29, 2011 10:00 am
Gene Friend Recreation Center, SOMA

The purpose of this meeting is to engage in a public discussion of park issues outside of a decision-making forum, such as a Recreation and Park Commission Meeting. All comments made during the meeting, or submitted to NPC by Friday, February 4th, will be included in the meeting minutes. A copy of the meeting minutes will be available on NPC's website or hardcopy (by request).

10:00 am Welcoming Remarks from Neighborhood Parks Council

Meredith Thomas, NPC Executive Director

How will this meeting work and how can you make sure your thoughts are captured?

10:05 am Opening Remarks from the Recreation and Parks Commission

Mark Buell, Commission President

10:10 am Opening Remarks from the Recreation and Parks Department

Phil Ginsburg, General Manager

10:15 am Prioritization of Topics for Discussion

The following list of 9 topics for small group discussion was created from the suggestions made by park users who responded to the NPC Park User Survey. We will be breaking out into 4 to 6 groups based on the interests of those in attendance.

- Recreation
- Budget
- Park/Land Acquisition
- Safety
- Natural Areas
- Outreach and Community Engagement
- Communication
- Strategic Planning (Finance and Operations)
- Strategic Planning (Capital and Park Master Planning)

10:20 am Breakout Groups

Attendees will break into small groups to discuss one of the topics above. Each small group will be joined by a representative from the Recreation and Park Department or Commission

11:00 am Report back from breakout groups

A representative from each breakout group will report back key ideas to the whole group. This can include: questions raised, specific questions or projects, etc.

11:40 am Closing Remarks

Mark Buell, Commission President

11:50 am Next Steps

Meredith Thomas, NPC Executive Director

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MEETING GROUND RULES

We treat each other with respect, even when we disagree.

We stay on topic.

We intend to develop personal relationships to enhance trust and open communication.

We value constructive feedback. We will avoid being defensive and give feedback in a constructive manner.

We emphasize open and honest communication - there are no hidden agendas.

We de-personalize discussion of issues - no attacks on people.

One person talks at a time; there are no side discussions.

We turn off cell phones.

We arrive on time.

We end on time.