May 20, 2015
6:00 PM
Covington City Hall

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm.
ROLL CALL Vice Chair Bryan Higgins, Steve Pand, Conni Elliott, Troy McIntyre, George Tomalik Lisa Knapton
EXCUSED Chair Laura Morrissey
UNEXCUSED NA
CITY STAFF PRESENT Angie Feser, Rachel Bahl
APPROVAL OF AGENDA The Agenda was approved as submitted.
APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA The March meeting minutes were approved as submitted.
CITIZEN COMMENTS NA
CONTINUED BUSINESS There was no continued business.

NEW BUSINESS
1. Aquatic Annual Report – Rachel Bahl gave her state of the Aquatic Center report, updating the CM on the operations and programming activity at the Center and a little bit of history of the pool ownership and programming. The activities have been very successful and more are being added, and attendance continues to track towards 100,000 participants.
2. Aquatic Center Remodel – Angie brought the floor plans for the new multi-purpose room that will be added to the front section of the Aquatic Center. She demonstrated indoor and outdoor changes to accommodate the 400+ sf. room that will be used for parties and group rental.
3. Joint Council Meeting (June 9) Topic(s) – The meeting will be focused on the slate of projects (current and near future), as the Council begins to change their focus to Parks-related issues. The CM identified some topics, including PR funding, PrePAC expectations; potential Parks bond measure, town center vision, Jenkins Creek opening/development/maintenance.
4. Resident/Non-Resident Recreation Fees – The CM had asked for the proportion of resident participation in the recreation programming. There is a 60% non-resident participation in Recreation programming, not including the Aquatic Center. The recreation participation is similar to Aquatics participation. The PROS Plan update will include discussion about different methodologies for fee structures.

STAFF REPORT
• PrePAC is in the recruitment phase. If the PrePAC suggests a voter approved levy for parks funding, it would be likely for August 2016 ballot measure. Transportation issues and relocating
City Hall are current high cost concerns that will be included in the PrePAC agenda.

- **PROS Plan** open house was Wednesday, May 13 from 4pm-8pm. Offering activities for the kids increased the time that the 20 adults could spend at the open house. 2000 surveys will be mailed this week, hoping for a return rate of 300. There will be some funding questions on the survey to get an early idea of what we can expect.

- **Skate Park Grant/Community Partnership**—The grant requirement is for a community partner who contributes 25% of the renovation/project budget.

- **Tri City Meeting** will feature a report on Parks & Recreation on May 27. Scott and Greg Brown will be working on the reports.

- **Sister City Proposal** – There is a delegation from Tatsuo who will be in the Seattle area, and there has been discussion around a Covington/Tatsuo Sister City program, including a student or cultural exchange. CM Pand remembered a program that has a fee to participate, from an earlier time that Covington considered the proposition. Regan is talking to other cities with a similar program.

- **June Parks Meeting** – We will be reviewing the CIP. The meeting will start at City Hall at 6pm, with a parks tour following the CIP review.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- The CM look forward to meeting with the Council.
- The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, June 17 at 6pm (City Hall).

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 PM. Respectfully submitted,

*Conni Elliott*
Secretary, Parks and Recreation Commission