

AT A JOINT WORK SESSION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, HELD ON THE SIXTH DAY OF JANUARY, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY THREE AT 3:00 P. M. IN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BOARD ROOM, 101C MOUNTS BAY ROAD, JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

1. ROLL CALL

Planning Commissioners

Alexander C. Kuras, Chairman  
Wallace Davis, Jr.  
John F. Hagee  
Martin Garrett  
Victoria Gussman  
Willafay McKenna

Parks and Recreation Commission

Joseph S. Mastaler, Jr., Chairman  
M. Joy Archer  
Charles Glazener  
James Corsey  
Helen L. Hamilton

Also present

O. Marvin Sowers, Jr., Director of Planning  
Needham Cheely, Director of Parks and Recreation  
Donald Davis, Principal Planner  
Darrell E. Gray, Parks and Recreation Facilities Coordinator  
Jeffrey J. Mihelich, Planner  
Clayton Ashby, Sr. Management Assistant

2. DISCUSSION - PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

Mr. Cheely briefly discussed the development of the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan and its purpose to meet the needs of the citizens of James City County. Mr. Cheely emphasized that the Master Plan was subject to adjustment and modification with the intent to meet the goals and strategies of the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Kuras complimented the Parks and Recreation Commission and staff on the preparation of a well written and ambitious document.

The following was discussed:

1. Public golf course.
  - a. Is there a need for affordable golf in James City County.
  - b. Should there be a reciprocal agreement for a joint facility with the City of Williamsburg and York County?
  - c. Primary concern to meet the needs of residents and not as a golf destination.
  - d. Possible need for economic feasibility study.
2. Lower County Community Park. New recreation facilities in the lower end of the County should compliment but not duplicate facilities planned for the James River Elementary School.
3. Improvements to Upper County Park facilities. Enhancements should be made to facilities at Norge and Toano Schools.
4. Should needs be prioritized which would be an aid in the composition of the Capital Improvements Program?
5. Noise impacts from an amphitheater at the Recreation Center for passive type activities.
6. An inventory of privately owned recreation facilities within the County.

The following changes were suggested to the Draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan:


1. Page 4-2. Section 4.1.3: Include the development of a comprehensive inventory of privately owned recreation facilities maintained within the County.
2. Page 4-4. Paragraph 1: Change all reference to the Lower County Community Park to additional lower county park facilities.
3. Page 4-4. Paragraph 8. Change all reference to Water Access Park to Water Front Park.
4. Page 4-6. Section 4.2.1: Include the development of a joint facility use agreement with York County.
5. Page 4-9. Paragraph 2: Lower County Trail: James River Elementary to Colonial Parkway (to include parking lot and picnic area at Government Center). Delete all location specific references.
6. Page 4-13. Figure 4.1: Make corridor for Lower County Trail a large shaded area that covers the potential alignments without predetermining routing.
7. Page 5-4. Paragraph 1: Facilities provided according to these proffers must be open to all residents of the development to use without additional user fees, except for homeowners association fees, so as to ensure that a baseline level of recreation facilities is accessible to all.


Mr. Sowers stated that a public information meeting would be held at the Planning Commission meeting on January 12, 1993.

Upon a motion by Ms. McKenna the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan was recommended for approval by unanimous voice vote.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the joint work session of the Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation Commission was adjourned at 4:15 p. m.

  
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Alexander C. Kuras, Chairman

  
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O. Marvin Sowers, Jr., Secretary