

**CITY OF BELLEVUE
PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD
SPECIAL RETREAT MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday
June 17, 2026
6:00 p.m.

Robinswood House

BOARDMEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Clima, Vice-Chair Valverde; Boardmembers Chianglin, Chou, Hobe, Kronoff

BOARDMEMBERS ABSENT: Boardmember Drever

PARKS STAFF PRESENT: Shelley McVein, Camron Parker, Meredith Petit, Mariam Sarwary, Wyatt Thompson, Ryan Walker

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

Chair Clima called the meeting to order at 6:51 p.m. A quorum was present.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Vice-Chair Valverde and second by Boardmember Kronoff to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

3. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Meredith Petit introduced herself to the Boardmembers

4. **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:** Boardmembers introduced themselves, their background and their favorite park.

5. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

A. **2027-2032 Budget Process Overview**

Camron Parker, Assistant Director, Wyatt Thompson, Park Planning and Development Manager, and Ryan Walker, Senior Planner gave an overview of the 2027-2032 budget process, policy and planning framework, Capital Improvement Program, as well as an overview of the Parks and Community Services Board's role in the process and the structure for creating a CIP budget recommendation letter for the City Council. Data points and findings of the 2022 Parks & Open Space System Plan were reviewed.

Wyatt Thompson reviewed the Capital Budget Proposals for 2027-2032 that were submitted by the department.

The board discussed and identified possible themes and ideas for the content of their recommendation letter. Those included:

- Accessibility should be a priority. Ensure all people in Bellevue have access to the same quality of life through our parks and community services, have access to water safety and include data which shows how improvements have impacted users.
- Parks should be connected and easy to reach
- Focus on walkability
- Parks as essential public infrastructure that supports health, mobility, climate resilience, community connections
- Growing with Bellevue – as Bellevue grows, parks must grow with it
- The voice of the community/community outreach
- Public/Private Partnerships

Boardmembers were encouraged to come to the next Board meeting prepared to review a draft letter that will spotlight budget recommendations identified by the Board.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held July 15, 2026.

At 8:10 p.m., Chair Clima declared the meeting adjourned.