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Other

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2.2. Advisory Committee on Accessibility - Playground Subcommittee meeting April 10th Meeting Minutes
Motion to Adopt the meeting minutes as written
Motedioned by Scottie Taylor, seconded by Karen Downey
Final Resolution: Motion Passes
Yes: Unanimous

3. Committee Member Introductions

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Joined Online - Nate Besio - Chair & representative of the Vermont Center for Independent Living
Joined Online - John Thomas (He/Him) - Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Joined Online - Karen Downey (She/Her) - Resident of Burlington and Adjunct Faculty Instructor UVM Occupation Therapy Doctoral Program
Joined Online - Lisa Black(She/Her) - Nominee for the committee, disabled physicians assistant, a board-certified patient advocate, licensed ADA coordinator
Joined in Person - Scottie Taylor (They/Them) - Nominee for the committee and Burlington Resident

City Employees

Joined in Person - Tim Williams (He/Him) - Staff support for the committee
Joined in Person - Ashley Parker (She/Her) - Capital Programs Director
Joined in Person - Katherine Schad (She/Her) - Chief Administrative Officer and ADA Coordinator
Joined Online - Sophie Sauv  (She/ Her) - Burlington Parks Recreation and Waterfront Parks Comprehensive Planner

4. Public Forum

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Brian Lowe - Burlington Resident and member of the Parks Foundation
- Brian Addressed the committee sharing the work that the Parks Foundation is doing in efforts of fundraising and universal design for Burlington parks.

Melanie Jannery(She/Her) - Burlington Resident of the Old North End
- Melanine shared her experience of trying to get an accessible parking space or handicap space placed on her residential street and was surprised the process took more than 6 months. She asked the committee to look into or review the process for how and where accessible parking spaces are located in the city.

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Sophie Sauvé shared some information about how the parks foundation and the parks' committee is approaching universal design. The committee discussed how they could support this goal a project as well as more broadly share those universal design principles so that they do not exclusively live within parks only. The committee put forward the idea of reviewing the draft policy at a future meeting.

7. Follow up Discussion on BPRW Design by Subcommittee

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Sophie Sauvé and the Subcommittee reported back on the conversations that were had in the subcommittee meeting as it pertains to accessibility and the proposed plan for Pomeroy Park.

8. Discuss filling final 2 positions required for committee and next steps

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The committee discussed the final two potential seats to be filled on the slate of proposed committee members to be submitted to the HR committee for consideration before being submitted to council and the mayor for appointment. The two current open seats are for a member of the Burlington Community, and one city staff position.

9. Other Committee Business

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No other committee business

10. Adjournment

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Subject **10.1. Motion to adjourn**

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Category 10. Adjournment

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Recommended Action

10.1. Motion to adjourn

Motion to Adjourn
Moted by Katherine Schad, seconded by Ashley Parker
Final Resolution: Motion Passes
Yes: Unanimous

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