

**TOPPENISH CITY COUNCIL**  
**Study Session Minutes**  
**February 3, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Belton called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Loren Belton and Councilmembers, Zachary Dorr, Clara Jiménez, Mark Oaks, Randy Taylor, and Blaine Thorington.

Absent: Councilmember Derald Ortloff.

Staff Present: City Manager William C. Murphy (CM Murphy), Parks and Recreation Director James Cole (PRD Cole), Community Development Director William Rathbone, and Executive Assistant/Deputy City Clerk Heidi Riojas.

Councilmember Jiménez moved, seconded by Councilmember Taylor to excuse Councilmember Ortloff from the February 3, 2014 Study Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATION BY JAMES COLE REGARDING A PROPOSED GRANT  
APPLICATION TO THE STATE RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE  
FOR FUNDING FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAM.**

Parks and Recreation Director Cole (PRD Cole) reported that on October 28, 2013 the City updated its Comprehensive Park Plan. Adoption of the Plan provides the City eligibility to apply for funding from the State Recreation Conservation Office (RCO). The City received written notification November 18, 2013 from the RCO that the plan was approved.

With the aid of agenda materials, PRD Cole provided Council with photographs of Pioneer Park identifying the various areas in the most need for the proposed improvements. The proposed improvements include an additional gazebo near flag plaza or the Visitor Center, installing shade areas for the playground equipment, constructing small gazebos and barbeque areas near the skate park, installation of small playground equipment near skate park, refurbish the restrooms, and make repairs to the basketball court.

PRD Cole stated that the RCO grant is awarded July 2015 and requires a 50% match. The City will be applying for grants from different organizations that will be used toward the City's match. PRD Cole reported that the RCO has staff available to assist with writing the RCO grant.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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LOREN BELTON, MAYOR

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HEIDI RIOJAS, CMC  
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CITY CLERK