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SEEKING CITY OF SPOKANE PARK BOARD MEMBER

One vacancy in late spring/early summer is anticipated

The Mayor's Office is presently accepting applications for an anticipated vacancy on the City of Spokane Park Board.

The role of the Park Board is to set policy and provide strategic direction to the Parks and Recreation Department staff to maximize and manage recreational opportunities, parks and horticulture programs, maintenance and operation of park land and facilities, golf, and entertainment activities within available funding.

Members: The board is comprised of 10 appointed members and one member of the Spokane City Council who serves as a liaison.

Term of Membership: Five years with an option to be reappointed for an additional 5 year term.

Qualifications: Must be a resident of the City of Spokane. Ideal candidates are active in community organizations and have a broad knowledge of the recreational needs and interests of the City's residents. Along with being active in the community, candidates should have some management experience to analyze staff recommendations and make decisions involving budgetary needs and concerns, park and horticultural maintenance, commercial attractions, golf operations and recreational programs.

Meetings: 1:30 p.m. every month on the second Thursday of the month, at City Council Chambers, City Hall, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.

Additional time required: Five to seven hours per month to attend and participate in Park Board committee and sub-committee meetings.

Candidates will be interviewed by current Park Board members, with a recommendation then made from the Board to the Mayor.

Positions are open until filled. **Citizens with disabilities are encouraged to apply.** Park Board applications are available in the Mayor's Office at 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., 7th floor, or visit the City of Spokane Website at www.spokanecity.org/government/bcc/.

About Spokane Parks and Recreation

City of Spokane Parks and Recreation is responsible for the professional management and prudent caretaking of more than 4,100 acres of developed parks and conservation land. The Golf Division maintains and operates four championship municipal golf courses, including Indian Canyon, Downriver, Esmeralda and the Creek at Qualchan. Park Operations has responsibility for the maintenance of all park land and park facilities in the City of Spokane including Riverfront Park, Manito Park, Gaiser Conservatory and the many city-wide gardens, Finch Arboretum and the Urban Forestry Program. The Recreation/Entertainment Division offers classes, special events, athletic leagues and activities for youth, teens, adults, seniors and persons with physical and mental disabilities. It also operates Riverfront Park attractions, activities and events including the Spokane Falls SkyRide, the Loeff Carrousel and IMAX Theatre, and provides support for community centers, senior centers, the Northeast Youth Center, Corbin Art Center and outdoor swimming pools. For more information please visit www.spokaneparks.org.

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