

Hood River Valley Parks and Recreation District Special Work Session Tuesday, February 6th, 2024, at 5:00 pm **Hood River Aquatic Center**

In Attendance:

Board: Anna Cavaleri, Mike Howard, Christy Christopher, Nan Noteboom

Staff: Mark Hickok, Marcie Wily, Kelsey Barnes

President Noteboom called the special meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

1. Board Discussion on Bond and Levy Ballot Language

With the help of Hickok and Wily, the HRVPRD board members reviewed and finalize the language for the Bond & Levy proposal that will be on the May 2024 ballot, including the title, question, and summary. The ballot language is limited to a certain number of words per item. Capital items included in the summary included design and construction of new pool and community center; development of Westside Park; acquiring and preserving park land (Parkdale Park); making trail improvements and connections; park improvements; and site improvements, demolition, etc. The levy summary listed supporting annual operating costs for new and existing facilities; restoring natural areas; providing recreation opportunities; and reducing barriers to access through outreach and scholarships.

Ballot language will be reviewed by legal counsel for any final revisions. Two resolutions will be drafted for the next board meeting: one to approve the capital bond and ballot language, and the other to approve the operation levy and ballot language.

Christopher motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm; Howard seconded. All approved.

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