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- Council will have a retreat next week to get to know the new Councilmembers and discuss future visions and priorities. One of Councilmember Robertson's priorities is an aquatic facility. Councilmember Robertson would like the Parks Boards support/assistance when the time is appropriate.
- The East Main and Wilburton Land Use issues will be presented to Council in the near future.
- There has been growing desire from the public to start the Bel-Red Subarea planning process.

Chair Van Hollebeke inquired if there will be a more detailed update regarding the aquatic facility. This information will be presented to Council in March. Councilmember Robertson requested that courtesy copies of any aquatic facility materials presented to Council be also sent to Parks Boardmembers.

***Alteration in meeting agenda:***

**Item 10 Discussion/Action Items**

A. Recognition of Outgoing Boardmember Jared Nieuwenhuis

Councilmember Robinson read a Commendation for Mr. Nieuwenhuis to thank him for serving on the Parks Board. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Foran presented Mr. Nieuwenhuis with a plaque and framed picture as a token of appreciation. In addition, Boardmembers expressed their appreciation to Mr. Nieuwenhuis.

7. **BOARD COMMUNICATION:**

Boardmember Trescases provided the following report:

- Visited Garden d'Lights.
- Enjoyed the Downtown Park Ice Rink.
- Attended the Sound Cities Association Dinner where an inspirational speaker talked about the importance of sharing the great things about a city to constituents.

Boardmember Deng provided the following report:

- Visited Garden d'Lights.
- Enjoyed a trip to California during the holidays and saw a similar playground to Inspiration Playground.
- Attended the Bellevue Boys & Girls Club Main Club Open House Sampler for adult programs. The event was well attended.

Boardmember Kumar provided the following report:

- Attended the various holiday events in Bellevue.
- Expressed appreciation to City staff for plowing and cleaning the snow throughout the City, particularly on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.









































































