

2011 Executive Committee Report  
Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board  
Annual Meeting

TO: Denver Parks and Recreation  
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The 2011 fiscal year for Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was very active. The board provided advice to Denver Parks and Recreation Staff and Denver City Council on a wide range of policy, governance and Park and Recreation center usage topics.

The executive committee annual report will focus on the following: the Admissions Based Events Policy and Fees, the Recreation Center Tiered Fees, and the Game Plan Value Committees.

The Admissions Based Events fee were discussed and presented to Denver City Council in 2011. The board approved the fees as presented by staff. During the Denver City Council Land Use committee meeting it was recommended that Denver Parks and Recreation staff respond back to the board in October 2011 the impact of Admissions Based Events in 2011.

The Recreation Center Tiered Fees policy was a departure from the incremental increases experienced sometimes year over year within DPR system. The policy change was recommended by the Recreation Center Task Force and presented to the board by Florence Navarro, DPRAB member and Dody Erickson. The DPRAB approved the new tiered fee policy as presented by Denver Parks and Recreation.

During the presentation to Denver City Council Land Use Committee, DPR staff presented using CPI (Consumer Price Index) as an index for future possible increases to tiered fees. Denver City Council approved adding this index to the previously vetted Recreation Center Tiered Fees policy. The DPRAB will discuss CPI in more details within fiscal year 2012.

In 2011, the Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board focused on engaging the 'values' discussed in the game plan. The value committees: engagement, sound economics, equity and sustainability committed to meeting on a regular basis. The DPRAB requested that DPR staff during their presentations to the board focus on how they utilized the values within the game plan to root the processes within their department.

In 2012, the Denver Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will increase its focus on the values within the game plan. We will focus especially on engagement and how DPR can increase their collaboration with DPRAB and the community at large.