



Public Administration Department Parks and Recreation Division

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Dear Community Partner:

Thank you for your interest in proposing an improvement project for City property. We recognize that working closely with the community is an important way we can fulfill our responsibility to develop long-term strategies, plans and improvements that benefit the greatest number of constituents possible and effectively use limited resources.

Each year there are numerous requests for projects on City property. To better respond to the requests, the City has developed a system that will result in better communications, tracking and processing of project proposals. It establishes Parks and Recreation as the City entity that will: (1) accept and review all submitted parks related Project Proposal Forms; (2) conduct an internal review to determine compatibility with all parks planning documents, industry best practices, and standards set by the Division, (3) pending preliminary approval by parks review staff, forward to appropriate city staff in other divisions, (4) if approved, facilitate the process to project completion. Once your project proposal request is received, staff will initiate the review process, with the intent to provide a response within sixty (60) days.

The intent of this process is to expedite decision making, properly evaluate proposals against existing plans, standards, and uses; clarify the approval process, reduce confusion and miscommunication, and provide a central point of contact to respond to questions and concerns. At any point in the process, Parks and Recreation can be contacted to respond to questions or concerns.

In past years, this process has seen a number of projects completed for the betterment of our community, including installation of park benches, playfield renovations and community beautification projects. Proposals may be submitted by individuals and community organizations, as well as City staff.

Please note that acquiring funds for a project through CDBG, a DNR grant, fundraising, donations or other means does not guarantee project acceptability. Any project on City property must also receive recommendation and approval by the appropriate City officials. It is strongly recommended that City approval should occur in advance of, or at least concurrent with, pursuing funding.

If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Schoonover at (218) 730-4325.

Sincerely,

William Roche
Parks and Recreation Manager
City of Duluth
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Use this form to propose a City of Duluth improvement project on park property. This form is to be used by external community groups, organizations and individuals, as well as internally generated requests. You or your organization will receive a response to the project proposal request within sixty (60) days of submission.

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Date of Application:

Name:

Organization:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Park Location:

E-mail:

Primary Phone:

Secondary Phone:

IS YOUR PROJECT RELATED TO PUBLIC -ARTS- -MEMORIALS- -MONUMENTS- IF SO, YOUR PROPOSAL WILL BE SHARED WITH THE DULUTH PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION FOR REVIEW.

PROJECT PROPOSAL

Use additional sheets if more space is needed.

PROJECT LOCATION

Describe as best as possible the location of the proposed project. Give the park name, location within park, and GPS coordinates. If the project is City-wide, please state "City-wide."

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Describe the proposed project in as much detail as possible. Why is the project needed and necessary? What do you propose doing? Maps, sketches, diagrams, and/or schematic drawings are required so those reviewing the proposal have a better understanding of your project. These may include location, sizes, wording, colors, etc. Please attach any additional information about this project.

Attached Not Applicable

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

Describe the benefit of the proposed project. Is it a safety issue? Will it provide cost savings to the City? Is it a functional improvement? Does it provide aesthetic benefit to the park?



PROJECT COST

Describe the approximate cost to complete the project. This can be a "guesstimate." This is only considered to be a rough guideline.

POTENTIAL SOURCE OF FUNDING

Describe potential funding sources for the project.

NEIGHBOR SUPPORT

Does this project have the support of neighbors living nearby?

Yes No Uncertain Not Applicable

Comments:

ENERGY USE

Will this project change the use of any energy type listed below?

Yes No Uncertain Not Applicable

If yes, check all energy types where use is expected to change.

ELECTRICITY (kWh) GAS (Therms) OIL (gallons) STEAM (Pounds) WATER and SEWER (CCF)

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

The City of Duluth considers our long-term strategies, Master Plans, Accessibility Plan and Capital Improvement list, as well as legal requirements, in evaluating proposals. Please review the considerations below and add any comments you have.

CONSIDERATION (A): Project is compatible with Park Master Plan, systems plans, Strategic Plans, etc.

COMMENT (A):

CONSIDERATION (B): Project is compliant with ADA Accessibility Plans.

COMMENT (B):



CONSIDERATION (C): Project is compatible with surrounding and adjoining uses.

COMMENT (C):

CONSIDERATION (D): Project will meet standards for materials and construction practices.

COMMENT (D):

CONSIDERATION (E): Project complies with zoning code and land uses.

COMMENT (E):

CONSIDERATION (F): Project does or does not require a permit.

COMMENT (F):

CONSIDERATION (G): Increases cost to maintain or operate. *(Note: If this is the case, and the project is approved, it may need to be incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan and be approved by City Council.)*

COMMENT (G):

SUBMIT COMPLETED FORMS to:

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CITY OF DULUTH – PARKS AND RECREATION PROJECT PROPOSAL FORM (cont'd/add'l information)

