



# PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA

Wednesday – September 10, 2014 -- 5:00 p.m.



**MEETING LOCATION:  
Central Hillside Center  
12 E 4<sup>th</sup> St**

- I. Call Meeting to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of August 13 minutes
- IV. Presentations
  - a. Chambers Grove Park Improvements – Tari Rayala (informational) [District 5 – Tom Albright]
  - b. Recreation Committee Grant Recommendations for \$16,000 in Awards – Jon Welles (action requested)
  - c. Morgan Park Mini-Master Plan - Kathy Bergen (action requested) [District 5 – Tom Albright]
  - d. Request to change the future land use designation from Recreational to Traditional Neighborhood and to sell the park property at Jay St and 40<sup>th</sup> Ave E for a housing development - Suzanne Kelley, City Planner (action requested) [District 1 – Eric Viken]
- V. Commission Committees – meeting schedules will be posted here in the future
  - a. Parks and Facilities – meeting date: TBA  
Chair - Joel Braun – Jon Welles, Ed Hall, Michael Schraepfer, John Schmidt [Dale Sellner]
  - b. Administrative (E-Board) – meeting date: Friday, September 26 at noon at Parks office  
Chair – Ed Hall – Eric Viken, Tom Albright, [Kathy Bergen]
  - c. Trails and Bikeways – meeting date: TBA  
Chair – Tom Albright - Eric Viken, Andy Holak, Tiersa Dodge [Judy Gibbs], [Art Johnston]
    - \* Update on Duluth Traverse Trail
    - \* Update on the Development of an Implementation Plan for the Ordinance Amending Section 35-6 of the Duluth City Code related to Recreational Trails and Paths
  - d. Recreation Programming (youth and adult) – meeting date: week of September 1  
Chair - Jon Welles – Andy Holak, Erik Torch, Amanda Crosby [Pamela Page]
- VI. Commissioner & Liaison Reports
- VII. New Business
  - a. Scenic Hwy 61 grant received by City Engineering Division – how to build upon this grant with additional funds to build the Brighton Beach Trail Connection (Mini-Master Plan approved by Parks Commission and City Council in 2012) [District 1 - Eric Viken]
  - b. Central Hillside Park Improvements – community meeting held on August 28, 2014 [District 3 - John Schmidt]

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- VIII. Old Business
  - a. Update: Revisions to Chester Mini-Master Plan [District 2 – Jon Welles]
  - b. Update: Revisions to Lower Chester Mini-Master Plan [District 3 - John Schmidt]
  - c. Update: RFP for Golf Courses – due to Purchasing on August 22 [District 1- Eric Viken and District 4 – Tiersa Dodge]
  - d. Wade Stadium renovations to begin August 25 [District 4 – Tiersa Dodge]
  - e. Wade/Wheeler Mini-Master Plan RFP [District 4 – Tiersa Dodge]
  - f. Lincoln Park Small Area Study Advisory Committee meeting on August 27 [District 4 – Tiersa Dodge]
  - g. Master Planning Process for the Zoo and Fairmont Park [District 5 – Tom Albright]
  - h. Park Point Small Area Plan [District 3 – John Schmidt and Mike Schraepfer]
  - i. Revisions to Memorial Mini-Master Plan [District 5 – Tom Albright]
  - j. Update on Parks Commission motion (8/13/2014) regarding “Arson, vandalism, and trashing of our park system”
  - k. Timeframe for plans for new alignment for the Cross City Trail – Judy Gibbs [District 4 – Tiersa Dodge and District 5 – Tom Albright]
  
- IX. Division Manager’s Report
  - a. Orientation for New Members and Resource Book for all members
  - b. Observation Dog Park – revisions [District 3 – John Schmidt]
  - c. Relationship of Trails and Bikeways Committee with larger City Task Force
  - d. Lakewalk Task Force formed by City Council on August 25 [District 2 – Jon Welles]
  - e. St Louis River Corridor Visioning Process [District 5 – Tom Albright]
    - Tourism Activity Hub/Nodes: Indian Point Campground, Zoo, and Spirit Mountain
    - Grand Ave regional parks: Wade/Wheeler, Fairmont/Zoo, Memorial, Gary New Duluth, and Chambers Grove
    - Connectivity: trails, bikeways, water access
  - f. Trail and Bikeway Quarterly Update – Judy Gibbs
  
- X. Public Comment
  
- XI. Adjournment
  
- XII. Next meeting - Wednesday, October 8 at 5 pm at Central Hillside Center
  - a. Chester Mini-Master Plan approval

**E-Board Meetings**

Fridays  
12 noon - City Hall  
September 26  
October 24  
November 21  
December 19