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1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Welcome New RPAC members

- Tawah Crawford
- Mercy Matthews

2. OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESPONSE

Provides an opportunity for the public to address the Commission on items which are not on the agenda. Public Comment will be limited to 15 minutes (if no one is in attendance for Public Comment, the regular meeting may begin), and it may not be used to make personal attacks, to air personality grievances, to make political endorsements or for political campaign purposes. Individuals should limit their comments to three minutes. Commissioners will not enter into a dialogue with citizens. Questions from the Commission will be for clarification only. Public Comment will not be used as a time for problem solving or reacting to the comments made, but rather for hearing the citizen for informational purposes only.

3. APPROVAL OF October 18, 2023 AGENDA

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM September 20, 2023 MEETING

5. ACTION ITEMS

N/A

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

1. RECREATION PROGRAMMING SUMMER RECAP

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. WRITTEN REPORTS

1. PROGRAM AND EVENTS UPDATE
2. PARK PROJECTS UPDATE
3. DIRECTORS REPORT

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. OPEN FORUM – QUESTION AND ANSWERS

10. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CITY COUNCIL UPDATE
2. KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT RPAC MEETING
 - NOVEMBER 15TH
 - DECEMBER – NO MEETING
 - JANUARY 17TH - ELECTIONS
3. KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

**Wednesday, September 20, 2023
Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission
Minutes**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL - The Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission meeting was held at the City Hall Conf Rm A203 and was called to order by Chairperson Nolen at 6:09 P.M.**

Commission Members present:

Mark Nolen, At-large (Chair)
Dwain Erickson, West (Vice Chair)
Joe Gomez, At-large
Deborah Lande, Central
Taylor Murray, East
Terry Parks, At, Large
Judy Purcell, Central
Kellina Quigley, At-large

Councilmember XP Lee

Commission Members absent:

Latrina Caldwell, At-large
Miriam Osammor, East

Brooklyn Park Staff present:

Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Marcus Hill, Parks and Facilities Manager
Jeanine Machan, Administrative Assistant

2. OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESPONSE

Three Rivers Figure Skating President Sarah Fercho, 10857 Jersey Drive N, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of keeping Rink 1
Andrea Thompson, 8655 Riverview Lane, Brooklyn Park, spoke in favor of keeping Rink 1

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A Motion was made to Approve the September 20, 2023 agenda by Commissioner Lande and second by, Commissioner Gomez
Motion unanimously approved.**

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**A Motion was made to Approve the August 16, 2023 minutes by Commissioner Purcell and second by, Commissioner Parks
Motion unanimously approved.**

5. ACTION ITEMS

N/A

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

1. TEEN CENTER

Director Tullberg introduced Parks and Facilities Manager Hill, who presented a PowerPoint (attached) presentation on the progress of the design stage of the Teen Center. Commissioners were asked to vote on three different building designs and amenities that are being considered for both the interior and exterior of the building.

Comments and Questions

- Commissioner Parks asked where the funding for the Teen Center was coming from? Director Tullberg provided the funding so far: \$2M from the 2018 Park Bond, \$500,000 from Federal funding, also there is a proposal to be put forth for \$4M in State Bonding in 2024.
- Commissioner Nolen asked for clarification of what the demo would be. Manager Hill said demolition would be only what is Recreation and Parks facility.
- Commissioner Lande of the green community stickers what was the percentage of kids versus parents? Manager Hill stated that at the community event he was focused on getting the youth voice.
- Councilmember Lee asked the square footage of options 2 and 3? Manager Hill stated that staff would have the total square footage and pricing by the following Friday of the meeting and would get back to RPAC.
- Commissioner Purcell asked what is a ninja warrior? Manager Hill stated that is an obstacle course that works on several different things such as cardio, strength, flexibility in an indoor environment.
- Commissioner Lande commented that Xfinity will provide technical equipment.
- Commissioner Lande asked how was Workforce an add in? Manager Hill stated that through engagement with the youth, staff was hearing two things: 1) access to food and 2) access to money. Providing a space for Workforce at the teen center to provide assistance to youth on resumes, coaching for interviews and how to get a job to provide answers to #2) access to money. Director Tullberg stated that the Community Development department has a program called BrookLynk that needs space, so providing the Work Force space at the teen center is appropriate to be where the teens are.
- Commissioner Lande commented that some of the things on the board might not be teen focus such as a splash pad, what is the balance of teen and pre-teen? Manager Hill stated that it is a teen center however there is a broader community to serve. Also, there are occasions that teens will bring younger siblings.
- Commissioner Murray asked if all three presented plans have space for Work Force and if the current staff is prepared and qualified to help with mental health resources and a new art studio? Manager Hill confirmed that all three plans included a space for Work Force. He also stated that currently on staff there is an Intervention and Prevention specialist at Zanewood. Currently the space is not private. There is also a staff member who is programming for the arts, however there is not enough space, so park buildings and other locations are used.
- Commissioner Gomez commented it is commendable what the staff has put forward but at the end of the day it is still about the budget and the \$12M was too much to spend on a Teen Center. Director Tullberg stated that the numbers presented are only estimates. Once the designs are quoted out staff will then take another look at what the community wants and needs.
- Commissioner Parks commented that Brooklyn Park is the 6th largest city in Minnesota and there is no local public transportation. He stated that on his side of town there are teens that cannot get to the teen center location due to the lack of public transportation. Manager Hill said staff is looking for options to serve through Rec-on-the-Go, possible pick-up spots for teens with vans/buses, also buses bringing students from school directly to the teen center.
- Councilmember Lee stated that it is awesome that the staff is working on different options for the funding. He stated that Council will help with making contacts for funding.

7. OLD BUSINESS

1. 4.4_8.28.23 RFCA 2023 Playground Replacement (O&M) - CC AUGUST 28TH
2. 8.1 Age-Friendly Update - CC AUGUST 28TH
3. C.2 Next Steps Central Fire Station, CAC, Senior Center - CC SEPTEMBER 5TH
 - A. CAC IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE – City Council Work Session 9/5

Director Tullberg provided a summary of each item brought before the City Council.

Comments / Questions

- Chairperson Nolan spoke about CAC Improvements redesign project. Highlights are:
 - He has been receiving many emails.
 - In 2018 the Park Bond community engagement resulted in an understanding that the CAC additions would be done without subtractions to what is existing.
 - Concerned that RPAC did not receive prior notice of new design.
 - Concerned that the City Council was having a vote at the August Work Session.
 - Concerned that communication on social media was pushing an agenda.
 - Not in favor of eliminating an ice rink.
 - Concerned about the use of demographics in the discussion of the ice rink.
 - Concerned that we are not offering other sports on ice other than ice skating and hockey.
 - Concerned there were no community events prior to design.
 - Asked that staff go back to beginning of the process.
 - Acknowledged that we need basketball and pickleball.

Director Tullberg asked Chairperson Nolan where he heard there was a vote other than on social media? He stated that there is a lot of misinformation on social media and that there was never an imminent vote coming by the City Council to eliminate an ice rink. The project was presented to RPAC in November 2022. The project is not fully funded. If the City Council is not willing to fund the additions to the CAC the project will not move forward except for the improvement to the entrances which was the 2018 Park Bond referendum. Director Tullberg stated that staff has engaged with the interested parties of Three Rivers Figure Skating and the Youth Hockey Associations and will continue to engage and share information.

- Commissioner Parks stated that there has been a lot of information on social media. Director Tullberg stated that the information regarding the vote was misinformation. Commissioner Parks stated that he does not want to see the rink go either but is surprised that it takes 5 high schools to make a team.
- Commissioner Purcell asked if broomball is played on the ice rinks? Director Tullberg stated that there is no broomball, and it is certainly an option. Director Tullberg commented that his history in ice rink is 25 years as an ice arena manager. Ice time crunch for youth hockey is mainly weeknight evenings. Monday – Thursday between 5 – 10 pm is the highest demand. The ice at the CAC has become a secondary location since Champlin has a home rink ice and Maple Grove is about to add a third sheet of ice. Three Rivers Figure Skating and Totino Grace Hockey are the primary users of ice at the CAC.
- Guest Monica Dillenburg mentioned that Three Rivers Figure Skating uses ice in the morning hours and that Rogers is looking for ice. Director Tullberg confirmed that Three Rivers Figure Skating uses 581 hours of morning ice time free of charge. Director Tullberg stated that Rogers proposal would want first priority on rink 1. They would take all the primary hours on rink 1. This would not help Totino Grace, Maple Grove or Osseo hockey.
- Guest Dillenburg asked who are the target customers for the proposed basketball courts? Director Tullberg stated BBPA, pick up basketball, pickleball, Park Center Traveling basketball, AAU and volleyball and tournaments.
- Commissioner Murray asked if there was a timeline when a decision is to be made? Director Tullberg stated there is not. It will take 3 – 4 weeks to gather the information the City Council requested.
- Commissioner Lande asked if there was a timeline around the \$5M State Funding that was awarded to the CAC project? Director Tullberg stated there is a timeline around when the funds are to be used. One of the questions from the Council was if the language could be amended and he stated that working with Senator Hoffman it was determined that it could be possible to amend the language around using the funds for redevelopment of rink 1 and extend the timeline.

- Commissioner Lande requested that other options be proposed for the redesign of the CAC. Director Tullberg stated that is being explored.

8. WRITTEN REPORTS

1. PROGRAM AND EVENTS UPDATE
2. PARK PROJECTS UPDATE
3. DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Tullberg highlighted the following events:

- October 7 – Fall on the Farm
- October 14 – Latino Fest
- Hire of Huy Nguyen – Sports Program Supervisor

Comments / Questions

Commissioner Erickson asked about the Farm being closed? Director Tullberg stated the Farm is currently closed for construction of trails and installation of interpretive signage.

Chairperson Nolen stated he likes the new marketing communications method of one email blast that has everything.

Commissioner Lande suggested adding links to the communication blasts.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. OPEN FORUM – QUESTION AND ANSWERS

- Commissioner Purcell asked for the photo on the RPAC website to be updated to the current commission.
- Guest Dillenburg asked when the Edinburgh Golf Course would close for the season?
 - Director Tullberg responded that it is all weather dependent. Director Tullberg stated that the 2023 season as it stands right now and if the weather cooperates for golf, Edinburgh will surpass the record-breaking year of 2021.
- Commissioner Purcell asked what the commission was supposed to do with the Age-Friendly information included in the packet? Director Tullberg stated that the “Old Business” is basically a report back on what was shared at City Council.
- Commissioner Gomez asked how Brookland Golf Course was performing? Director Tullberg stated that it is doing well. Commissioner Gomez stated he played it about 10 times this year.
- Commissioner Erickson asked about The Brooklyn at Edinburgh. Director Tullberg stated they are doing well during golf season but struggling in the off-season.

10. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CITY COUNCIL UPDATE – Councilmember XP Lee

Councilmember Lee thanked everyone for their participation in the discussion.

2. KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT RPAC MEETING

- NOVEMBER 15th – BUDGET
- DECEMBER – NO MEETING
- JANUARY 17TH – ELECTIONS CHAIRPERSON / VICE CHAIR

3. KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Commissioner Erickson to close the meeting, second by Commissioner Lande.

Motion unanimously approved.

Adjourned by Chairperson Nolen at 7:44 P.M.

Submitted respectfully,
Jeanine Machan
Secretary

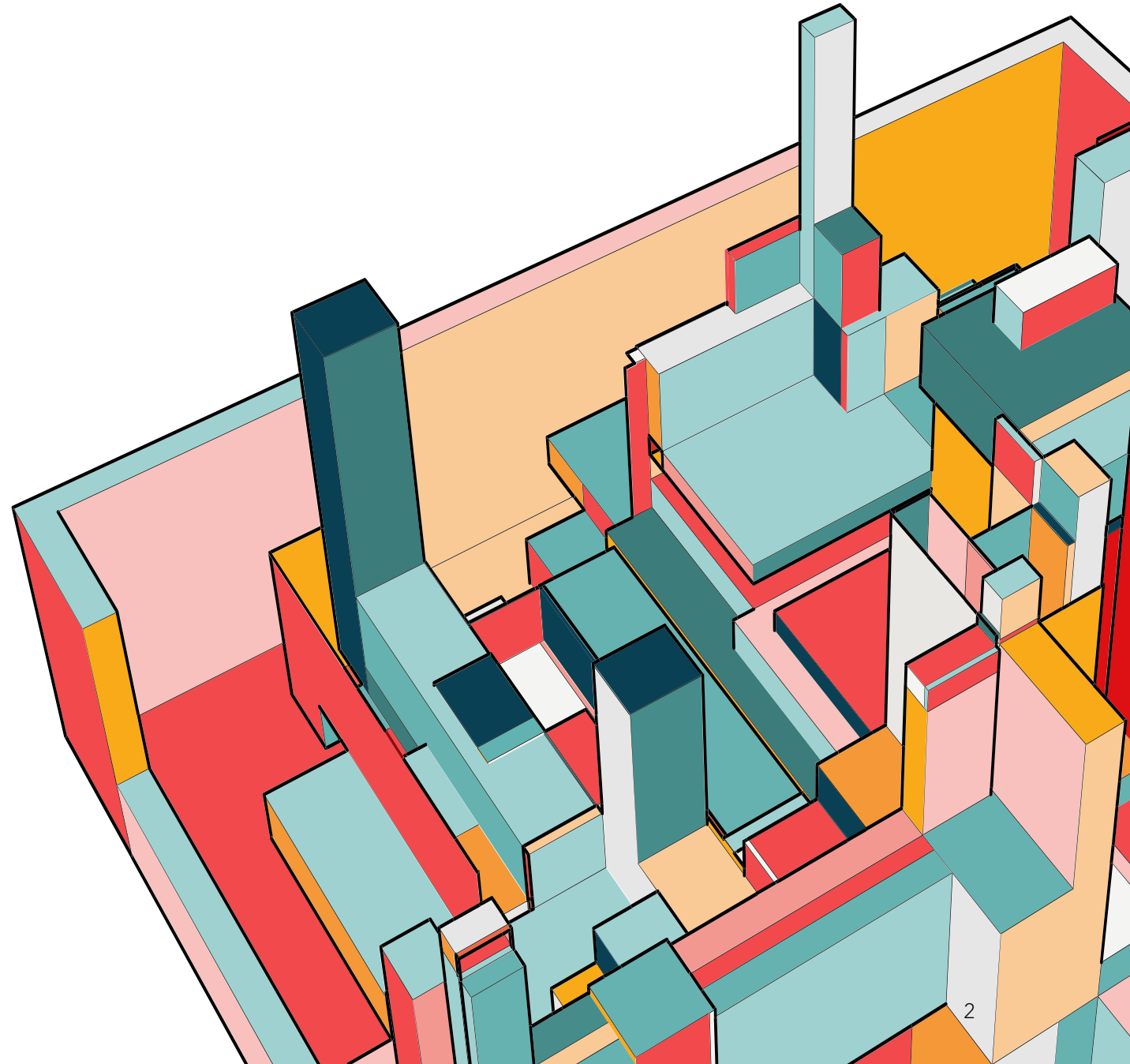


TEEN CENTER

Project update

WHY ZANEWOOD?

- *Number of young people in the area
- *Income of families in the area
- *Bus Line accessible
- *Proximity of schools in the area
- *Old Building/Need New Program space
- *Staffing



NUMBER OF YOUTH IN THE AREA

Village Creek 839

Hartkopf 1,959

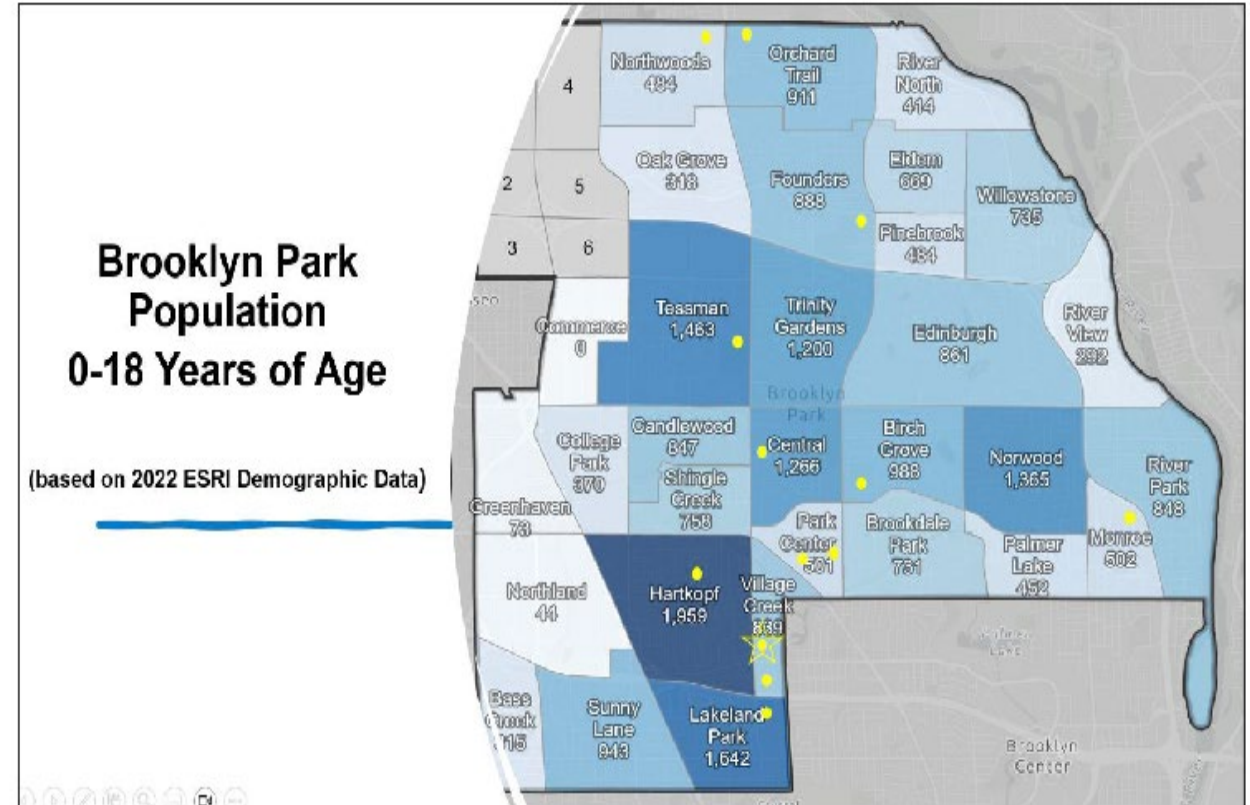
Lakeland 1,642

Sunny Lane 943

Park Center 501

Shingle Creek 758

Central 1,266



MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Village Creek \$38,538

Hartkopf \$67,124

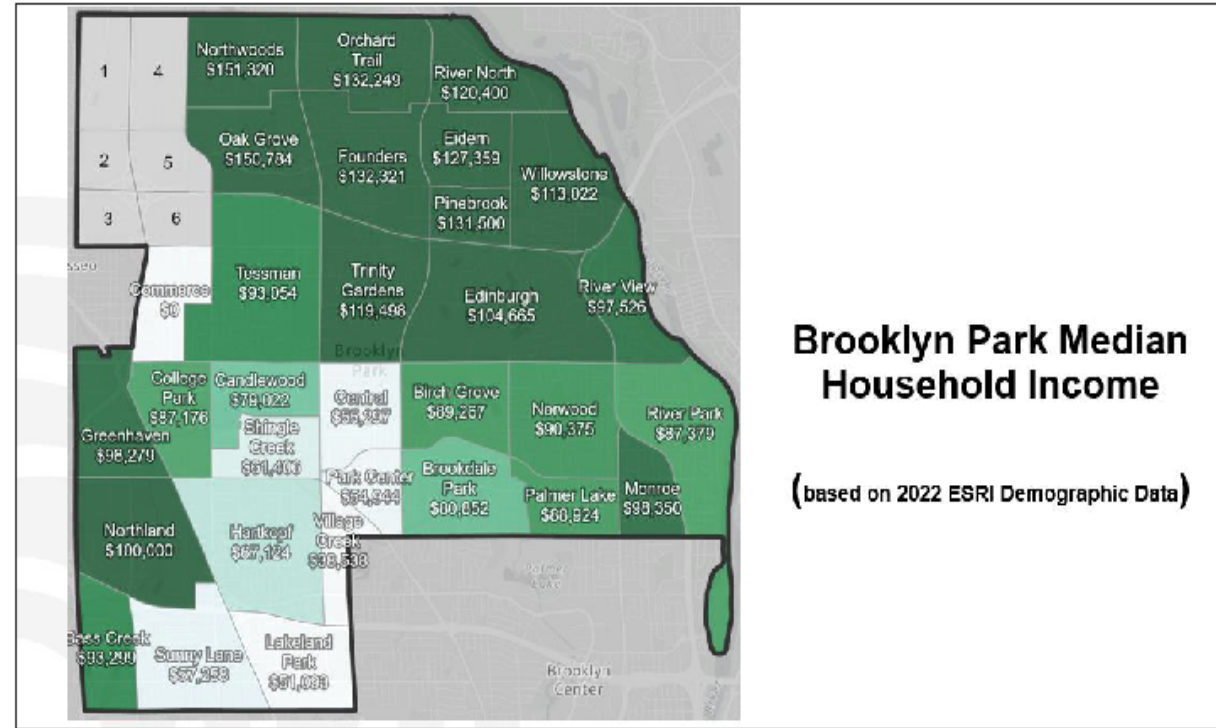
Lakeland \$51,639

Sunny Lane \$57,258

Park Center \$54,544

Shingle Creek \$61,406

Central \$55,937



PROJECT TIMELINE

Phase 1

Site walkthrough

Field observations

Stakeholder survey

Community engagement sessions

Pre-design report

3 preliminary design options

Phase 2

Cost estimation of 3 design options

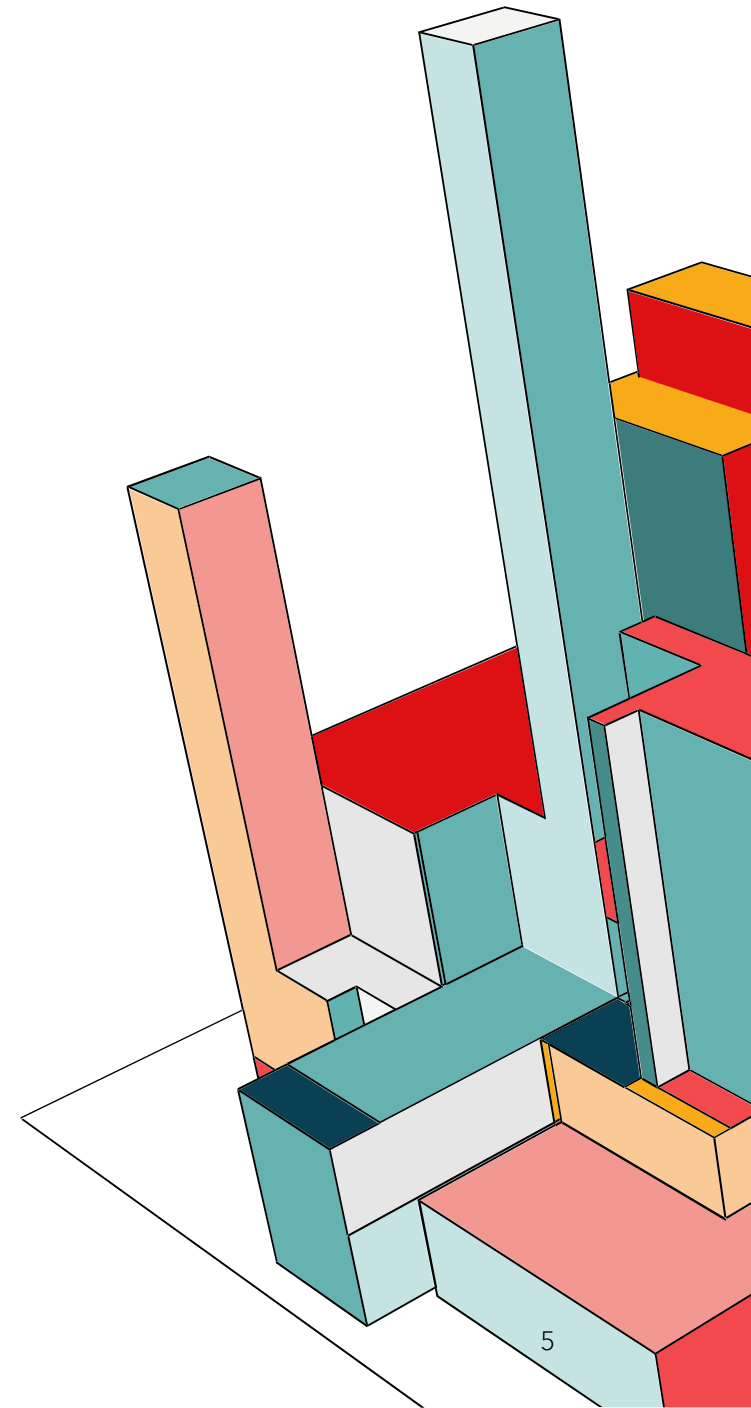
Design Charrette with City staff

Design Charrette with Youth and community

Choose 1 option

Pricing of 1 option

Townhall



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PHOTOS



Back 2 School BBQ



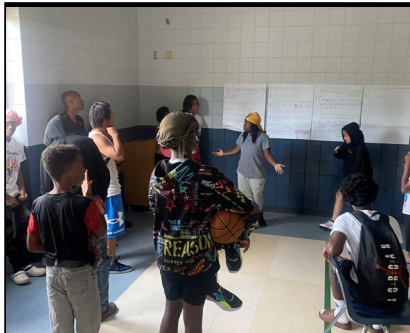
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Youthprise Community engagement



Youthprise Youth led community engagement



Youthprise Youth Led Community engagement



Youthprise and Design by Melo engagement



RPAC engagement session



City Council Engagement

DESIGN OPTIONS

Option 1

Expand Teen Center on top of Existing building.

Option 2

Demolish and build new teen center.

Option 3

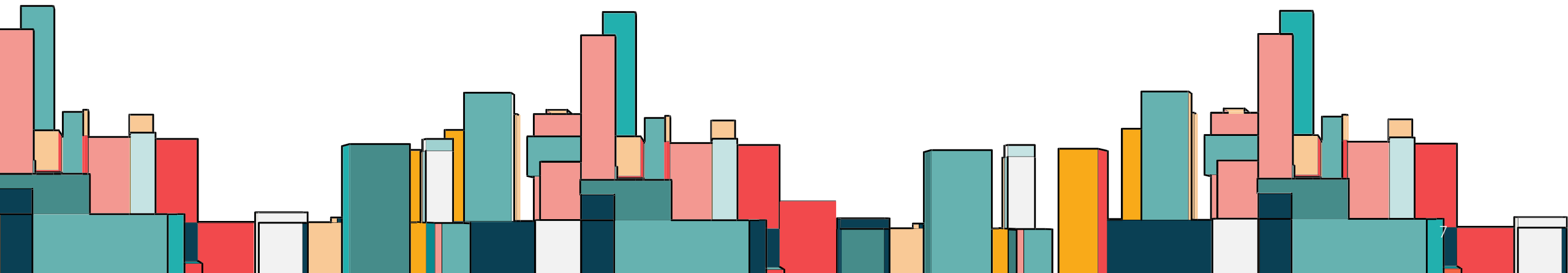
Renovate existing building and build brand new center next to existing.

Pricing

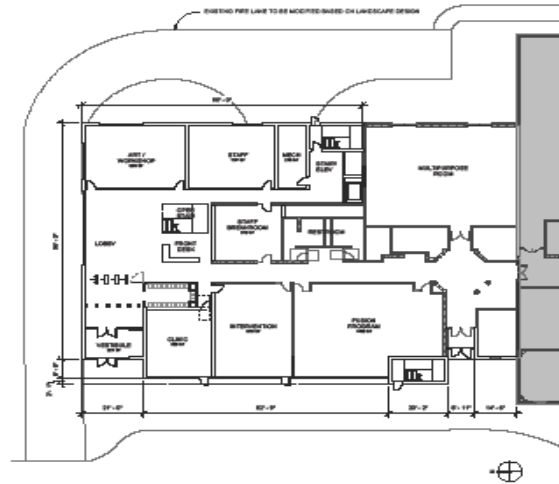
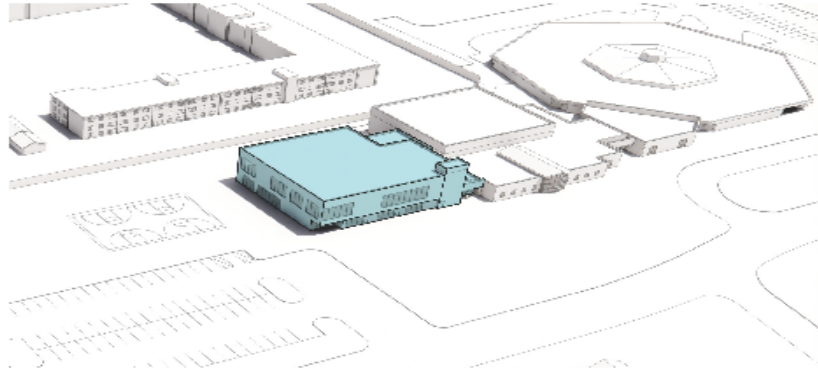
Option 1: Estimated \$5 million

Option 2: Estimated \$8 million

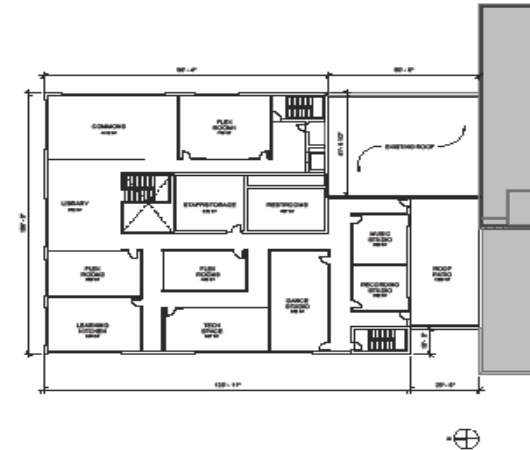
Option 3: Estimated \$12 million



OPTION 1

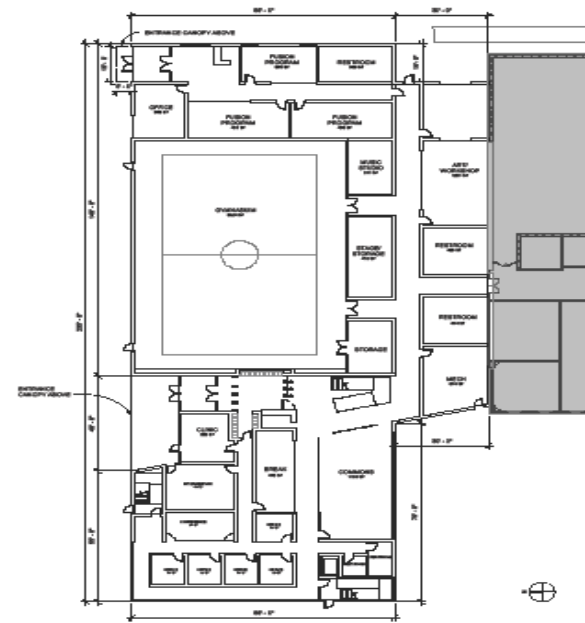
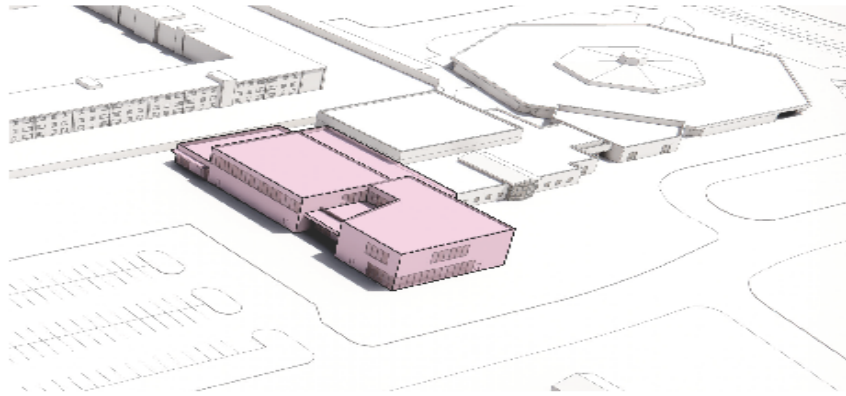


First Floor Plan

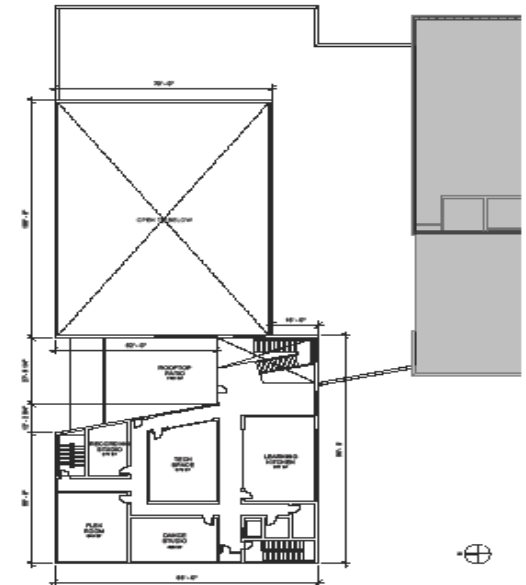


Second Floor Plan

OPTION 2

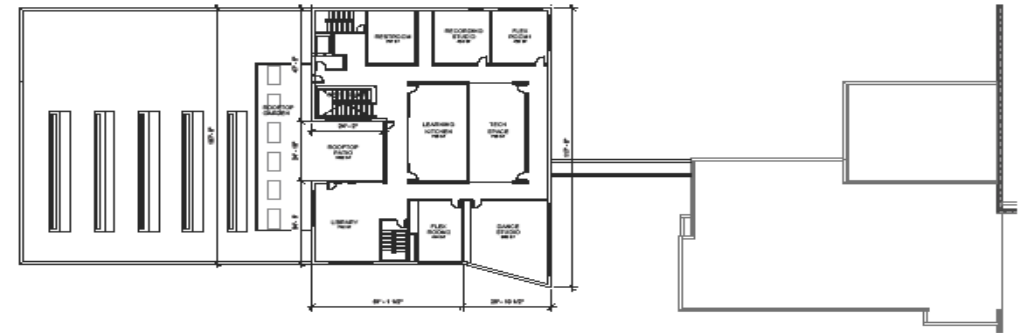
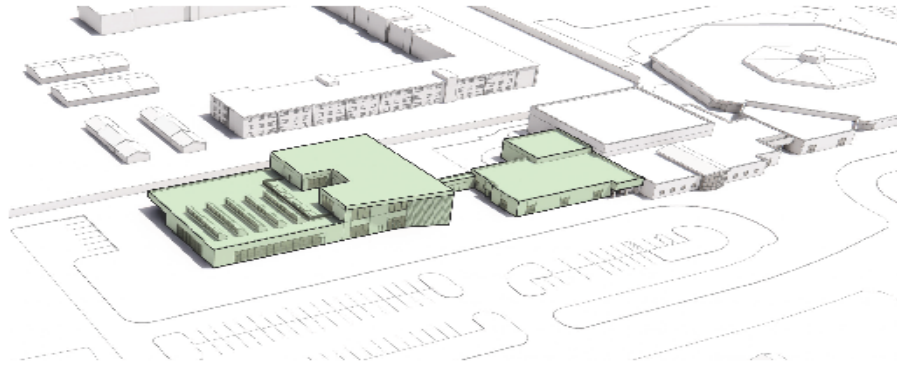


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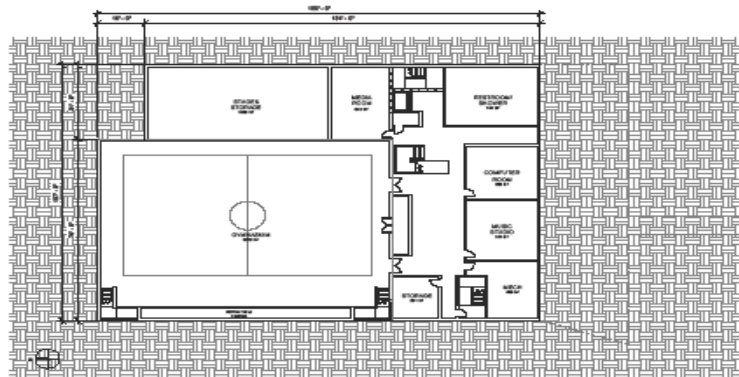


Second Floor Plan

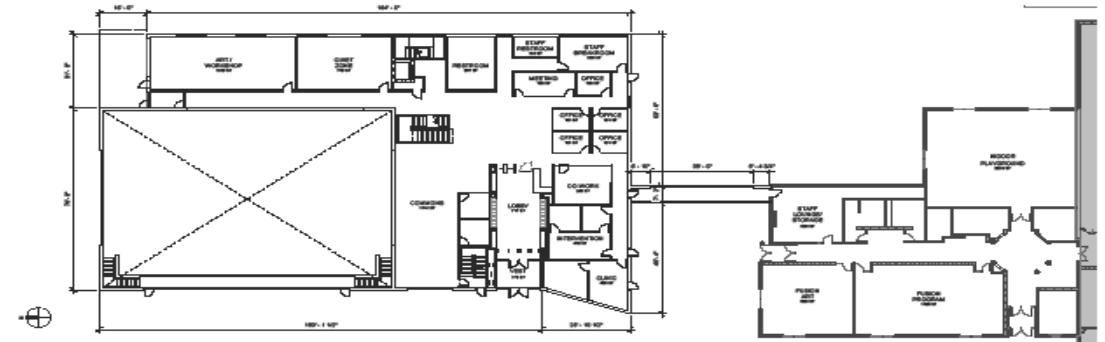
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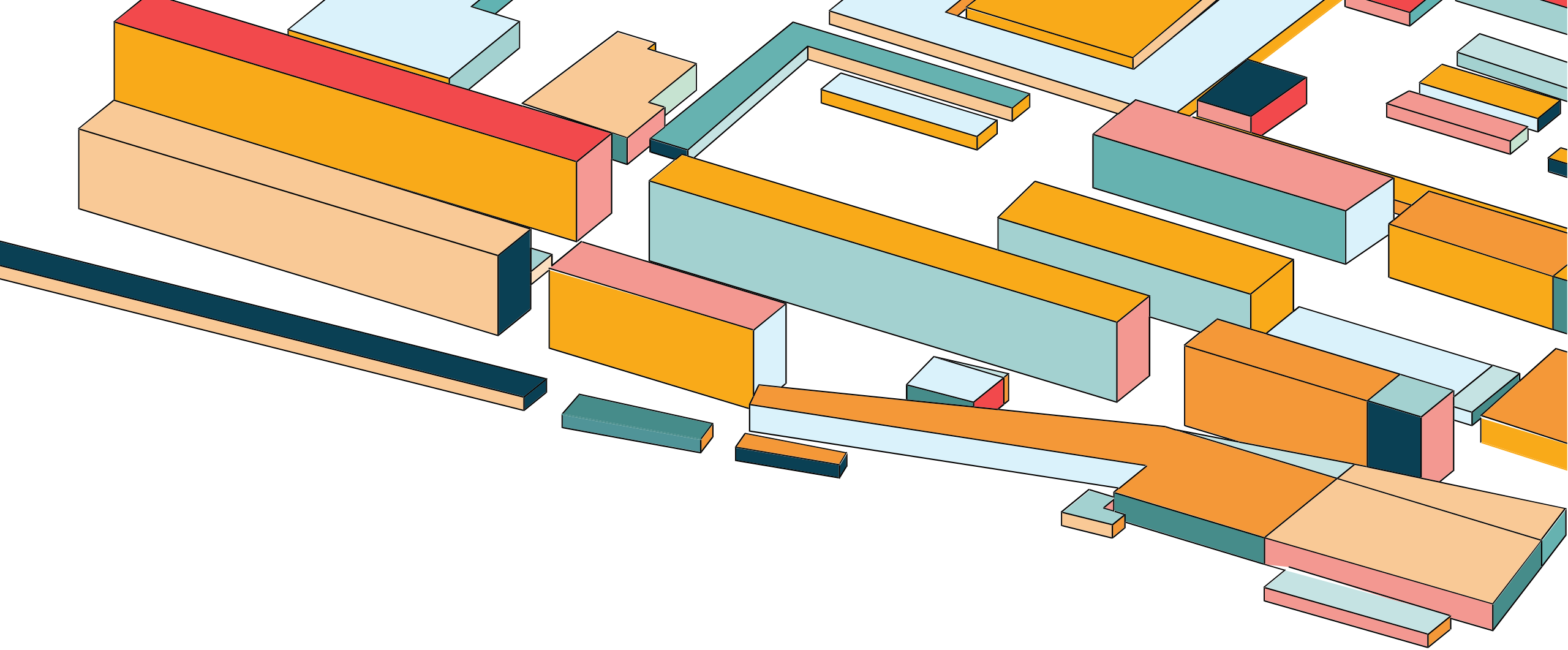
Second Floor Plan



Basement Floor Plan



First Floor Plan



TEEN CENTER PROGRAM OVERVIEW

NEW SPACE AND PROGRAMS



Recreation Space

Splash Pad
Indoor Playground
Music Studio
Art Studios
Learning Kitchen
Health and Wellness
Tech Studio



Intervention space

Resources to help
youth and families
Housing/Shelter
Clothes
Food
Mental Health
Resources



Workforce Space

Brooklyn
Headquarters
Interview space
Resume Writing
Job coaching
Job Training
Job Placement

NEXT STEPS

Phase 2

- Narrowing the options down to 1 option to move forward with.
- Designing each space within the Teen Center with city staff and youth.
- Pricing of the option
- Funding strategies

Funding Sources and Sponsors

- Complete Marketing/Pitch deck
- Develop funding sources
- Sponsorship events
- State and Federal requests

THANK YOU

Any more questions?

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	6.1	Meeting Date:	October 18, 2023
Agenda Section:	General Information - Presentations	Presented By:	Jen Gillard, Recreation Programs Manager Pam McBride, Youth Services Manager
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Review of 2023 Summer Programming		

Overview:

In order to help frame the priority work of the department for 2024, it is important to reflect and assess the relevance and our ability to meet stated outcomes for the programs and services provided by the Department.

Staff have completed a post-season analysis of current programs and services, as a way to assess if we are reaching our stated goals.

Recreation Programs Manager Gillard and Youth Services Manager McBride will present a summary of the year 2023 findings and considerations for change in 2024. Staff will also be seeking input from the Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

NA

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

NA

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	7.0	Meeting Date:	October 18, 2023
Agenda Section:	Old Business	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Past City Council Agenda Items and Community Engagement		

Overview:

7.1 4.3 RFCA Authorizing Application for HC Youth Activities Grant – CC Meeting October 9th, 2023

7.2 4.4 Approve Edinburgh CEP Budget Amendment for Equipment Purchase – CC Meeting October 9th, 2023

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

NA

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

NA

Attachments:

7.1 4.3 RFCA Authorizing Application for HC Youth Activities Grant

7.1A 4.3A RESOLUTION Authorizing Application for HC Youth Activities Grant

7.2 4.4 Approve Edinburgh CEP Budget Amendment for Equipment Purchase

7.2A 4.4A Resolution Approve Edinburgh CEP Amendment for Equipment Purchase

7.2B 4.4B Budget Amendment Financial Analysis - Oct 9 Edinburgh Reel Grinders

City of Brooklyn Park Request for Council Action

Agenda Item:	4.3	Meeting Date:	October 9, 2023
Agenda Section:	Consent	Originating Department:	Recreation and Parks
Resolution:	X	Prepared By:	Brad Tullberg, Recreation and Parks Director
Ordinance:	N/A		
Attachments:	1	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Recreation and Parks Director
Item:	Authorize Application for Grant Funding through Hennepin Youth Activities Grant		

City Manager's Proposed Action:

MOTION _____, SECOND _____, TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2023-____ TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE HENNEPIN YOUTH ACTIVITIES FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM.

Overview:

The Twins Ballpark sales tax, approved by the Minnesota Legislature in 2006, funds the Hennepin Youth Sports Program. State legislation authorizing the construction of Target Field allows Hennepin County to use a portion of the 0.15% sales tax surcharge to grant over \$2 million dollars each year to Hennepin County communities to assist with youth activities.

Hennepin County is currently soliciting applications for the Youth Sports Facilities Grant. The purpose of the facility grants is to allow municipalities, park districts, watershed districts and school districts to create, expand or improve athletic and recreational facilities to enhance opportunities for youth participation. Grant funds are meant to be the last funds for a project; therefore, funding is not meant to be used for fundraising purposes or as seed money for new projects. Grant funding may not be used for programming, operations, or maintenance of any facility. Grants between \$100,000 to \$300,000 are available. Grant awards will be paid to grant recipients through a cost-reimbursement contract. The awards are paid as reimbursement after the Local Government Unit (LGU) submits documentation of project activity expenses.

Staff have reviewed grant requirements and agree to be bound by Hennepin County Grant Agreement and are prepared to be the fiscal agent for the award, to disburse the funds, and ensure the funds are used as listed in the application.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

Staff recommend authorization to submit application for the Hennepin Youth Sports Facilities Grant to support the renovation and expansion of Zanewood Recreation Center.

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

Staff is requesting up to \$300,000 in Hennepin Youth Sports Facilities Grant funds to be used to support the renovation and expansion of the Zanewood Recreation Center.

Attachments:

4.3A RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION #2023-

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING
THROUGH THE HENNEPIN YOUTH ACTIVITIES GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners, via the Hennepin Youth Activities Grants, provides for capital funds to assist local government units of Hennepin County for the development of sports or recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, The City of Brooklyn Park (local government unit, hereinafter LGU) desires to develop the renovation and expansion of the Zanewood Recreation Center (hereinafter PROJECT).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK:

- I. The estimate of the total cost of developing PROJECT shall be \$4,500,000 plus site excavation, concrete and asphalt trails costs. The LGU is requesting \$ 300,000 from the Hennepin Youth Activities Grants and will assume responsibility for providing matching funds of \$ 4,200,000.
- II. The City of Brooklyn Park is the owner of the property where the PROJECT is located. The City of Brooklyn Park will own the property where PROJECT is located for at least the functional life of the facility, which is estimated to be 25 years. The PROJECT may not be converted to a non-public or non-recreational uses within this time period without the approval of Hennepin County.
- III. The City of Brooklyn Park agrees to assume one hundred (100) percent of operational and maintenance costs for PROJECT. The City of Brooklyn Park will operate PROJECT for its intended purpose as stated in the PROJECT application for the functional life of the facility.
- IV. LGU agrees to enter into necessary and required agreements with Hennepin County for the specific purpose of developing PROJECT and managing its long-term operation.
- V. That the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute the application for the Hennepin Youth Activities Grants program.

City of Brooklyn Park Request for Council Action

Agenda Item:	4.4	Meeting Date:	October 9, 2023
Agenda Section:	Consent	Originating Department:	Recreation & Parks
Resolution:	X	Prepared By:	Dolly Lee, Assistant Finance Director Brad Tullberg, Recreation & Parks Director
Ordinance:	N/A		
Attachments:	2	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg
Item:	Approve a 2023 CEP Budget Amendment for Edinburgh USA Equipment purchase		

City Manager's Proposed Action:

MOTION _____, SECOND _____, TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2023-_____ TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH MTI DISTRIBUTING TO PURCHASE FOLEY REEL GRINDER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 AND TO AMEND THE 2023 RECREATION ENTERPRISE FUND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT BUDGET AND 2023-27 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PLAN TO MAKE THE PURCHASE.

Overview:

The replacement of the 2007 Toro Multi Sprayer for chemical applications at Edinburgh and Brookland Golf Courses in the Recreation and Parks Department was originally included in the 2021-2025 Capital Equipment Plan (CEP) as item #6123 and planned for replacement in 2023 for \$100,000. In 2023 staff have found a solution expected to extend the life of the sprayer.

During the 2023 golf season, staff have experienced several issues with the 1996 Foley Reel Grinder that is used to maintain the cutting surfaces for equipment that maintains the golf course. The reel grinder slides have become warped and need to be replaced. Staff are having difficulty finding replacement parts due to the age of the unit. Reel grinders are critical to the operation and maintenance of a golf course. Any time these units are down for repair or are not functioning properly it significantly impacts the conditions of the course.

Staff have worked with vendors to get quotes for the replacement of the reel grinders. They are:

MTI Distributing	\$ 87,855 plus tax
Midwest Turf and Irrigation	\$ 91,871 plus tax
Reinders	\$ 94,489 plus tax

Staff would like to amend the 2023 CEP budget to re-allocate funds budgeted for the Toro Sprayer replacement to be utilized for the replacement of the Foley Reel Grinder. The purchase amount will be less than the \$100,000 budgeted from the Recreation Enterprise fund for the Sprayer purchase in 2023.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider: N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

The 2023 cost of the Foley Reel Grinder would not exceed the \$100,000 budgeted for the Sprayer. The cost of the Reel Grinder can be accommodated in the amended 2023 Recreation Enterprise Fund.

Attachments:

4.xA RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION #2023-

AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH MTI DISTRIBUTING TO PURCHASE FOLEY REEL GRINDER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 AND TO AMEND THE 2023 RECREATION ENTERPRISE FUND EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT BUDGET AND 2023-27 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT PLAN TO MAKE THE PURCHASE.

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WHEREAS, during the 2023 golf season, staff have experienced several issues with the 1996 Foley Reel Grinder that are used to maintain the cutting surfaces for equipment to maintain the golf course; and

WHEREAS, staff are having difficulty finding replacement parts due to the age of the unit. Reel grinders are critical to the operation and maintenance of a golf course. Any time these units are down for repair or are not functioning properly significantly impacts the conditions of the course; and

WHEREAS, staff have worked with vendors to get quotes for the replacement of the reel grinders. The quotes received were MTI Distributing \$ 87,855 plus tax, Midwest Turf and Irrigation \$ 91,871 plus tax, Reinders \$ 94,489 plus tax; and

WHEREAS, staff would like to amend the 2023 CEP budget to re-allocate funds budgeted for the Toro Sprayer replacement to be utilized for the replacement of the Foley Reel Grinder; and

WHEREAS, the purchase amount will be less than the \$100,000 budgeted from the Recreation Enterprise fund for the Sprayer purchase in 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Brooklyn Park to authorize staff to enter into a purchase agreement with MTI Distributing to purchase Foley Reel Grinder in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and to amend the 2023 Recreation Enterprise Fund equipment replacement budget and 2023-27 capital equipment plan to make the purchase.

Changes to the PROJECT Budget (<i>Only complete this section if this is a CIP/CEP/Grant</i>)					
Financing Changes					
Project Number	Funding Source	Description	Current Budget	Changes	Amended Budget
6123	R.E. - Rec. Enterprise	Sprayer	\$ 100,000.00	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ -
6108	R.E. - Rec. Enterprise	Reel Grinders	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
					\$ -
		Total	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Spending Changes					
Project Number	Expense Category	Description	Current Budget	Changes	Amended Budget
6123	Capital Equipment	Sprayer	\$ 100,000.00	\$ (100,000.00)	\$ -
6108	Capital Equipment	Reel Grinders	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
					\$ -
		Total	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00

City of Brooklyn Park Financial Analysis



City Council Meeting Date: 10/9/2023

RFCA Title: Approve a 2023 CEP Budget Amendment for Edinburgh USA Equipment Purchase

Agenda Section/Number: 4.4

Fiscal Analysis/Explanation for Budget Amendment:

Replace Capital Equipment Project #6123 Sprayer with Project #6108 Reel Grinders. Financial impact to adopted budget and capital equipment budget is net zero and the funding source for the new project #6108 Reel Grinders remains the same as project #6123 Sprayer.

7.2B 4.4B Budget Amendment Financial Analysis - Oct 9 Edinburgh Reel Grinders

Changes to the GENERAL LEDGER Budget

Financing Changes

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Revenue Classification</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
					\$ -
Total			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Spending Changes

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Expense Classification</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
					\$ -
Total			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Changes to the PROJECT Budget (*Only complete this section if this is a CIP/CEP/Grant*)

Financing Changes

<u>Project Number</u>	<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Current Budget</u>	<u>Changes</u>	<u>Amended Budget</u>
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					\$ -
Total			\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission			
Agenda Item:	8.1	Meeting Date:	October 18, 2023
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Pam McBride, Youth Services Manager; Jen Gillard, Recreation Manager
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Program and Events Update		

OCTOBER 2023

- 6 Movie on the Barn at Eidem Farm
- 7 Fall on the Farm at Eidem Farm
- 9 Kids Paint workshop at Eidem Farm
- 10 Good in the Hood food distribution at Zanewood
- 14 LatinoFest at CAC
- 19 Fall Festival Family Craft Day at Zanewood
- 20 Apple Orchard – Sunrise River Farm Field Trip 10:30- 3:00pm leaving from Zanewood
- 22 Pumpkin Bingo & Indoor Movie at the CAC
- 27 Ghostly Gala at CAC
- 28 Spooktacular at Zanewood

November 2023

- 4 Nov-Dec swimming lessons begin
- 9 Honoring Veterans Luncheon at CAC
- 30 Holidays in Duluth Day Trip

December 2023

- 2 Hmong New Year at CAC
- 3 Christmas on the Farm at Historic Eidem Farm
- 4 Brooklyns Community Band Holiday Concert 7 pm at CAC
- 12 Honky Tonk Holiday Day Trip to MN Masonic Heritage Center / Ives Theater
- 14 Holiday Luncheon at CAC

Weekly drop-in activities for adults 50+ at the CAC Monday-Friday

Wednesday weekly Tech Support for Seniors at the CAC

Weekly Fitness classes at the CAC Mon/Tues/Wed – additional classes to begin September on Tues/Fri

Weekly drop-in activities for youth and teens at Zanewood Recreation Center Monday-Friday

Program and Event Updates:

Brooklyn Park Youth Outreach Team and Intervention Services

The Brooklyn Park Youth Outreach Team works M-F from 5:00-9:00 pm each day in the community connecting young people to resources, redirecting negative energy, sharing positive activities, and working in partnership with police to maintain a safe and healthy community.

Intervention Team is increasing access of Intervention Services with a form that is accessible through a QR code to providers and people supporting young people. This form is used to connect and provide essential services.



Perfect Hues Young Girls group- ages, 13-15 years old, Every Wednesday, 4:30-6:30pm at Zanewood
Young Men's group- ages 16- 18-year-old, every Monday, 4:30- 6:30pm at Zanewood Recreation Center

Adult Fitness

Fall sessions of adult fitness classes are in full swing at the Community Activity Center including regularly scheduled Monday & Wednesday morning fitness classes, Monday evening afro-beats dance, and Tuesday evening yoga. This fall a new adult fitness instructor has begun teaching classes on Tuesday and Friday mornings. The new classes include Silver Strength & Core, Silver sneakers Classic, and Silver Sneakers dance/Zumba.

Adults on the Move

The October – December Adults on the Move Guide is available at www.brooklynpark.org/adults. (See attachment 8.1A) The guide features luncheons, trips, lifelong learning opportunities, community programs, fitness classes, resources, and weekly activities. The guide is available online and mailed to about 500 people.

Age-Friendly Communities

Through a grant from Hennepin County, staff are working to host listening sessions with two community groups serving BIPOC elders in Brooklyn Park. The goal is to listen to community wants and needs and to gain insight on gaps and barriers to participation in programs and services in Recreation & Parks. The grant provides funding to secure two community liaisons to facilitate engagement events, incentives for participants, food/beverages, and interpretation services. Sessions are to be held Thursday, October 19 at Brooks Landing Apartments and Wednesday, October 25 at Creekside Gables Senior Living.

Foot Care is a new monthly service offered at the Community Activity Center and going very well. 'The Foot Nurse,' Katie Sikel, is a RN that travels to multiple community centers around the metro area offering this service to seniors. Foot care during aging becomes more important because maintaining healthy feet promotes a healthy lifestyle, comfort, mobility, and independence. Foot Care is available on Tues, Oct 24, Tues, Nov 28, and Fri, Dec 29, appointments are made directly with Katie at 651-829-3944.

Luncheons

Staff from the Recreation and Parks Department partnered with the cities of Brooklyn Center, Crystal, Golden Valley, New Hope, and Robbinsdale for the 4th Annual Oktoberfest Luncheon on Thursday, September 21 at Edinburgh Golf Course. 120 guests enjoyed an afternoon filled with music, food, and fun.

Upcoming luncheons are Thursday, November 9 – Honoring Veteran's and Thursday, December 14 – Holiday Luncheon with a performance by CODA.

Day Trips

September 20 a group traveled to Harmony MN for the day to visit an Amish community and enjoyed lunch at the Branding Post in Preston MN.

Upcoming trips are November 30 – Holidays in Duluth and December 12 – Honky Tonk Holiday performance at the Ives Auditorium in the MN Masonic Heritage Center.

Weekly Adult Social Groups

Weekly social activity groups continue to renew 2023 yearly membership, with 172 people enrolled in one or more weekly activities. Members have access to 14 activity groups per week. Social activity groups include:

several art/craft groups, cribbage, bingo, poker, Mah Jongh, 65 Rummy, 500 Cards, Dominoes, Scrabble, and a Book Club.

Events

Movies in Brooklyn Park

The first showing at Village Creek Park on September 20 from 7-9pm had roughly 30 people in attendance. Puss in Boots at the Farm on October 6 from 7-9pm had about 20 people in attendance. Weather was very cool and windy. Adams Family 2 is planned for October 22 from 1-3pm at the CAC. Pumpkin Bingo will take place prior to the movie on October 22.

LatinoFest

To celebrate our vibrant Latino community, the City of Brooklyn Park in partnership with CAPI and Pueblos de Lucha y Esperanza is hosting LatinoFest at the CAC on Saturday, October 14 from 5-7pm. The event features performances, free food, and a culturally specific community resource fair.

Spooktacular

The annual Spooktacular Trick or Treat trail will host Brooklyn Park youth at Zanewood Recreation Center on Saturday, October 28, 2 – 5 pm. This event typically has over 1,000 people attend.

Farmers Market

October 11 was the last day of the farmer's market. The overall attendance total for this season is 6,123+. The market this year features about 20 vendors with products such as produce, candles, wood crafts, honey, baked goods, hair and skin care, and coffee. 2023 is the first year the farmers market is being held at the North Hennepin Community College parking lot on Broadway. The market has had an increase in attendance compared to last year's numbers when the market was held in the old Brooklyn Park library parking lot.

Concert in the Courtyard

Concerts in the Courtyard take place every Wednesday, August 2 – September 20 from 6-7pm after the Farmers Market at North Hennepin Community College Courtyard. The average attendance this season was 30 attendees for each concert. However, the concert with Mixed Precipitation and Salsa Del Soul drew in 100+ attendees.

Aquatics

Fall aquatics programs kicked-off the week of September 9 with nearly 300 participants and 180 families enrolled in September-October swim programs between Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday. Offerings include group, private & paired lessons, adaptive aquatics classes, adult lessons, aqua teen classes, and our new Women & Girls Only swim class. Programs are held at the Jackson Middle School pool and the Brooklyn Middle School pool. Fall session one of swim will run through October 31, with the November-December session kicking-off the week of November 4. Winter programming is also on the horizon as we prepare for an additional evening of programming to strengthen our offerings and provide increased access to Water Safety.

Adaptive Recreation/ Inclusion Services:

Fall Adaptive recreation programs will include adaptive aquatics and fitness classes, as well as Reach for Resources programs, including Snacks & Cinema, Non- Competitive Soccer at Park Center High School, and Geocaching & S'mores at the Historic Eidem Farm.

On October 27, Recreation and Parks will partner with Reach for Resources to host the annual Ghostly Gala at the CAC. This event has been an important social gathering for people with disabilities and their families and friends for 15 years. Participants come in costume to dance, play games, have food, and make social connections with each other.

Dance

Dance instructors hosted Bring A Friend to Dance Week September 25-28. Friends and family of currently enrolled dancers were invited to join a day of dance for free. Participants got a chance to experience a full class from warm-ups, technique and beginning choreography for this year's routine. Monday September 25 was also Homecoming Alumni Dance Day for Adult Dance with a great turnout of more than 45 attendees.

Youth Sports

Fall youth sports and gymnastics classes are underway at Crestview Elementary School and Park Center Senior High School. Classes for toddlers and preschoolers are hosted at the CAC on Saturday mornings.

Adult Sports

Pickleball is just about ready to transition to their indoor space here at the Community Center. We are welcoming them back here M-F starting October 16. Recreational & Advanced pickleball players are welcome. The cost for players will remain \$3 per session, players also can utilize their Medicare supplement benefit program here for pickleball daily passes. Indoor pickleball is set to run at the CAC through April 2024.

Historic Eidem Farm

Construction of the accessible pathways was completed during the week of October 2 and interpretive signage is currently being installed. New trails around the community gardens and into the prairie grassland are in the process of being installed. Staff are planning for enhanced garden spaces that will be used for education beginning in 2024.

On October 7 from 9 am-12 pm the Farm hosted a free Fall on the Farm experience with 100 visitors. The free Fall on the Farm experience included touring the first floor of the farmhouse, making caramel apples slices, saying hi to the farm animals, walking the storybook trail, trying fresh apple cider from the cider-press, visiting the secret garden & nature play area and coloring sheets in the schoolhouse. From 12-2pm we hosted the Fall on the Farm paid experience. The paid experience includes all the previously listed activities plus picking a pumpkin from the patch, painting a pumpkin, going on a hayride and sitting by the bonfire and roasting marshmallows.

Open Gate hours continue through October 30, with Storytime on Tuesdays at 10:30am. So far in October there have been 202 visitors during Open Gate Hours. The Farm continues to host Reach for Resources events and hosted a Teen Explorer bonfire on October 10, and plan to host a hayride and bonfire on October 12.

Zanewood Programming

Zanewood Recreation Center offers recreation and youth development programs in a safe and positive environment for kids and teens. Zanewood also offers Outreach, community service, and youth mentoring opportunities delivered by committed and competent community partners.

Zanewood Programs for Grades 6-12

Teen Zone: Free, drop-in program, M-F from 2-8:00pm

ZW Teen open gym: Hoop IT UP! Monday & Wednesdays from 6-8pm

Zanewood Meals program: Free, M-F from 2-5:00pm

TKO Drumline: Practices Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 6-8pm; performance schedule varies

Music Studio: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm- free

Chess Club- September 5- December 19- Monday's and Friday's 4-6:00

Young Adult programming

Young Adult Open gym-Wednesday from 7:00- 9:00. \$3 BP resident/ \$5 non-resident

Youth Entrepreneurship Program- ages 16- 24 Phase 1: August 23-September 27; Phase 2: October 11-November 15th

Arts and Engagement

"The Wood" podcast launched January 23rd. Please view at brooklynpark.org NEW podcast coming soon.

The Art of Henna class- Tuesdays, September 5- October 24, 5-7:00pm at Norwood Park, Ages 16+

Sewing 101 at Lakeland Park Wednesdays September 20- November 8, 6-8:00pm

Fall Festival Family Craft Day- at Zanewood Rec Center- October 19th from 5:30pm-7:30pm

Citywide Photo contest: Our people, Our Places, Our BP community winner chosen and display in November

Cricut class – Wednesdays, September 20- October 25th 5:00-7:00pm-adults, Thursdays-TEENS 4:00- 6:00pm starting September 21st

Mental Health and Wellness Retreat: December 26- 28th, ages 5-24 years old, programming in age groups, 10am- 3pm

K- 5th grade programming

Fusion Sites: September 12- December 19, ages 5-12- Fall Sites 2023

Zanewood Recreation Center - 7100 Zane Ave North. 4:00- 6:00pm

Rec on the Go: September 12- December 19, ages 5-12- Fall Sites 2023

- Huntington Apartments- 5805 73rd Avenue North Tuesday/ Thursday- 3-6pm
 - Thursday partnership with Three Rivers Park District through November
- Autumn Ridge Apts –8516 63rd Ave North- Wednesdays, 4-6pm

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider: N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues: N/A

Attachments:

8.1A ADULTS ON THE MOVE

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS GUIDE FOR ADULTS 50+



TRIPS • CLASSES • ACTIVITIES • AND FITNESS

Contact Kelly at kelly.becker@brooklynpark.org or call 763-493-8254 for more information

Luncheons

Enjoy a lunch and a music performance at the Community Activity Center. Lunch catered by Lynde's. Must pre-register one week prior to the event, no registration at the door.

Honoring Veteran's

Enjoy an afternoon to honoring veterans and their service. Menu: Roast turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans almondine, salad and bread.

Entertainment: TBD

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Thurs	Nov 9	11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	\$18	143003.72

Holiday Luncheon

Menu: Wild rice stuffed chicken breast with bordelaise sauce, served with red potatoes, salad, and dinner roll.

Music of CODA

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Thurs	Dec 14	11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	\$18	143003.73

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Para asistencia, llame al 763-424-8000 y solicite un intérprete.
 Yog xav tau kev pab, thov hu rau 763-424-8000 lawv mam li nrhiav ib tus neeg txhais lus rau koj.
 For reasonable accommodations or alternative formats please contact
 Josie Shardlow at 763-493-8388 or josie.shardlow@brooklynpark.org.

Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center

5600 85th Ave N | 763-493-8333 | www.brooklynpark.org/registration

Brooklyn Park
 Recreation & Parks



TRIPS, PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

www.brooklynpark.org/adults

Holiday Season in Duluth Blackwoods, Glensheen Manor, Bentleyville

Celebrate the Holiday season with a trip to Duluth! Arrive at Blackwoods Restaurant for a made-from scratch lunch. At registration, choose from Chicken Pot Pie or Home-style Meatloaf. Tour the Glensheen Mansion decorated for the Holiday Season. The self-guided tour allows guests to view the family living & workspaces showcasing original interiors & Congdon family history. End the day at Bayfront Park to experience "Bentleyville Tour of Lights." Walk through the remarkable display with millions of lights, trees, music, & firepits. There is complimentary hot cocoa, coffee, popcorn, & cookies. Relax on the way home & purchase treats at Tobies in Hinckley. *Register by November 6.*

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Thur	Nov 30	10 AM - 9:45 PM	\$98	#141011.71

DAY TRIPS FOR ADULTS

Adults on the Move day trips are for people who enjoy getting away for the day, visiting fun locations and eating at wonderful restaurants!

Motor coach buses depart and return to the Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center. An escort accompanies all trips. Return times are approximate.

Registration deadline dates listed are on a space-permitting basis. Refunds given only if the cancelation is before the register by date, the trip is canceled, or a substitute can be found to take your place.

Honky Tonk Holiday - Ives Auditorium

Arrive at the 80-acre Minnesota Masonic Heritage Center campus to a lunch buffet: cranberry roast chicken, cheesy potatoes, green beans, winter salad, dinner roll, and the best assorted dessert options! After lunch move to the elegant jewelbox Gideon S Lives Auditorium for a performance "Tis the season for a hootenanny!" Celebrate the most wonderful time of the year with this funny, heartwarming musical extravaganza. Whether you enjoy a good old-fashioned country holiday song or you like contemporary holiday tunes with a Nashville twist, you won't want to miss out on Honky Tonk Holiday! *Register by November 13.*

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Tues	Dec 12	11 AM - 3:45 PM	\$86	#141012.71

TO REGISTER FOR TRIPS:

- Pick up flyers and/or register at the Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center.
- Payment must accompany registration. Trips do not qualify for fee assistance.
- When registering for someone else, have correct spelling of their name, correct address, phone, date of birth, email and an emergency contact.
- Payments may be made by check payable to the City of Brooklyn Park, or call 763-493-8333 to register with Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover.
- View all trips and register online at the website: www.brooklynpark.org/registration

WATCH FOR MORE FALL TRIPS TO COME!

Travel Talk Thursday, January 18 at 10AM

Join us to learn more about our fantastic group travel opportunities with local partner, Landmark Tours!

We'll gather in the Senior Lounge of the Activity Center. Space is limited. **RSVP: Kelly Becker 763-493-8254 or kelly.becker@brooklynpark.org**

Call for a free Catalog: 612-230-2040 or stop by the Activity Center to pick one up.



ALL TRIPS INCLUDE

- Roundtrip Airfare from MSP / Airport Greeting
- Quality Accommodations in Great Locations
- Professional Tour Manager & Local Guides
- Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- Must-See Attractions
- Many Quality Meals

Florida Keys

Miami, Everglades Nat'l Park



Hawaii

4 Island Cruise & Tour



Egypt

Nile River Cruise



Arizona Escape

Saguaro Nat'l Park, Tucson, Scottsdale



Washington, D.C.

Cherry Blossoms



Portugal

Douro River Cruise



Cape Cod

Martha's Vineyard, Nantucket



Canadian Rockies

Banff, Lake Louise, Yoho Nat'l Park



Alaska Land & Sea

aboard Celebrity Millenium



Minnesota Based * Family Owned

For a complete list of tours visit www.GoWithLandmark.com



Technology Support
by Senior Community Services

Much of technology is meant to simplify and more effectively manage daily life. But each device has different options and settings, which can be difficult to understand. It is also important to select the right security settings to protect your personal information. Bring your device (cellular phone, tablet, or laptop) for a free one-hour in-person support appointment in the Senior Lounge. Support includes: basic device overview, settings, troubleshooting, texting, voicemail, email, video calls, app stores, streaming services, and more!

Senior Community Services (SCS) is offering technology support as part of the HOME program*. The goal for this service is to help you: stay connected to loved ones in your community, take advantage of your entertainment options, find helpful and useful features, manage your online security and safety. If you have questions about the HOME program, contact: 952-746-4046 or email: home@seniorcommunity.org | seniorcommunity.org

*Register for your 1-hour tech support appointment at the Community Activity Center Senior Lounge with Brooklyn Park Recreation & Parks.

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Wed	Oct 4, 11, 18, 25	9, 10 or 11 AM	Free	144006.74 .75 .76 .77
Wed	Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	9, 10 or 11 AM	Free	144006.78 .79 .80 .81 .82
Wed	Dec 6, 13, 20, 27	9, 10 or 11 AM	Free	144006.83 .84 .85 .86

Medicare 101
Learn the A, B, C & D of Medicare
Understand your Medicare options during a Medicare 101 educational webinar hosted by Guy Milbert, AAA Long-Term Care & Health Specialist. *Register 2 business days prior to the presentation.* Online Zoom meeting link will be emailed to you.

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Tues	Oct 10	9:30 AM	Free	144002.72
Tues	Nov 7	6 PM	Free	144002.73
Wed	Dec 13	1:30 PM	Free	144002.74

Senior Housing Options with Choice Connection
Learn about the four-step process that allows Choice Connection to personalize the search to meet the individual senior care service needs of you and your loved ones. Senior Care Advisors are knowledgeable about the local senior housing options in the area and will provide you with advice and information so that you can make the most informed decision possible for Assisted Living, Alzheimer’s Care and Memory Care, Independent Living, Nursing Homes, Residential Care, and Retirement Housing. Please RSVP for this free workshop!
Location: Community Activity Center

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Thurs	Dec 7	1–2 PM	Free	144003.72

Life-Long Learning @ NHCC
Brooklyn Park Recreation & Parks is excited to partner with North Hennepin Community College to bring life-long learning community classes to the NHCC campus. These classes will be open to adult community members and taught by NHCC faculty. Classes in the planning phase include Watercolor Painting, Ceramics, and Creative Writing. Please watch for more information at: www.brooklynpark.org/adults and on social media.

LIFELONG LEARNING CLASSES PRESENTATIONS AND EVENTS

Planning Your Move Workshop
Whether you’re thinking of selling this fall, or later in the year, it’s never too early to start thinking about one of your biggest investments and what changes it will mean for your future when you decide to sell your home. This housing workshop brings in experts to teach you about the selling process and how we help with a seamless transition. You will hear from local Realtor, SRES Renee Miller of Keller Williams Classic Realty, as she touches on understanding home values, timing your move, market statistics in the area, and how realtors market your home to get you top dollar. We’ll also learn about resources to help you downsize and declutter in preparation for your move from Kim Green, Senior Move Manager, Soft Landing Transitions. This class is guaranteed to get you inspired and start you on the path to your next step. Please RSVP for this free workshop!

Location: Community Activity Center

DAY	DATE	TIME	FEE	ACTIVITY #
Thurs	Oct 26	10–11:30 AM	Free	144001.71



TECHNOLOGY EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Take control of technology and make it work for you with help from Senior Community Services! Presentations take place at the Community Activity Center. Register at least 2 days prior to class date.

To Stream or Not to Stream...
The weather is changing as you get ready to spend more time indoors have you thought of “cutting the cord” on cable or satellite service or wondering what people mean when they say “streaming TV”, we provide guidance and explanations. We’ll cover smart TVs and streaming services like Netflix and Hulu, including costs. We also provide tips for choosing the right option(s).
Thursday | November 2 | 1 pm | FREE | #144005.71

Who’s Alexa and How Can She Help Me?
Who is Alexa? Should you add this technology to your Holiday Wish List? We’ll introduce Alexa, share her resume, and provide guidance to decide if “hiring” her as an in-home assistant is the right choice for you.
Thursday | December 7 | 10 am | FREE | #144005.72

SELF-CARE
NEW! FOOT CARE

Healthy feet enable you to maintain mobility and independence. Maintaining healthy feet will promote a healthy lifestyle and prevent falls, ulcers and even amputations. Regular foot care is important for increased comfort and improved overall well-being. The Foot Nurse will be hosting monthly Foot Clinics at the Brooklyn Park Community Center.

Services include: Foot assessment, Trim Toenails, Manage Fungal or Ingrown Nails, Reduce Corns/Calluses, Foot massage. Fee \$55. Call (651) 829-3944 to schedule.

www.TheFootNurse.net

Katie is now taking appointments for Tuesday, October 24, Tuesday, November 28, Friday, December 29.

Offerings in partnership with Brooklyn Park – Register with the offering organization:

55+ Driver Discount Course

The Driver Discount Program is a state approved accident prevention/insurance discount class that is open to the public; pre-registration is required. A MN Highway Safety & Research Center certified instructor teaches this class. Participants will be provided the latest information in regards to driver and traffic safety, new vehicle technology and updates with traffic laws. This class has something for everyone! Persons age 55 and older who complete the course qualify for a 10% discount on their auto insurance premiums for three years. First time participants must complete the initial eight hours of training and a four-hour refresher class every three years to maintain the 10% discount. For more information or to register, visit www.driverdiscountprogram.com or call 1-888-234-1294.

Class Location: Community Activity Center

4-HOUR REFRESHER COURSE				FEE
Mon	Oct 16	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM		\$24
Mon	Nov 6	8:30AM - 12:30 PM		\$24
Mon	Nov 20	12:30 - 4:30 PM		\$24
Mon	Dec 4	8:30AM-12:30 PM		\$24
Mon	Dec 11	12:30-4:30 PM		\$24
Mon	Jan 22	8:30AM-12:30 PM		\$24
8-HOUR FIRST TIME COURSE				FEE
M & T	Oct 23 & 24	12:30-4:30 PM		\$28



Roadwise Driver Course

Driver improvement courses for seniors. AAA's new RoadWise driver course can help you keep your skills fresh, get the most out of your vehicle and receive an insurance discount. No tests; course completion is required to initiate the 3-year auto insurance discount and become a better driver. You will receive a certificate to turn into your insurance company at the completion of class.

Registration Information:

4-hour Course: AAA Members, \$21; Non-members, \$26
8-hour Course: AAA Members, \$25; Non-members, \$30

AAA membership information call: 952-927-2602.
Driver Course Register at: 952-927-2602

Class Location: Community Activity Center

4-HOUR REFRESHER COURSE				FEE
Tues	Nov 14	12-4 PM		\$21/\$26

Safety Day for Older Adults

November 8, 10 AM - 2 PM

FREE

St. Alphonsus Church 7025 Halifax Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center are teaming up to provide a Safety Day for Older Adults at St Alphonsus. We will cover topics including personal and home safety, scams, fall prevention, Smart911, and HeartSafe and Opioid/Narcan® discussion (optional, from 2-3pm). Lunch will be provided!

Registration is required (register by November 1st) To register please go to the following link: <https://forms.office.com/g/zybdY3LbiY>

Presented by: Brooklyn Park Police & Fire Departments and Brooklyn Center Police & Fire Department

Questions? Julia Brysky julia.brysky@brooklynpark.org or 763-493-8383

Community Band Holiday Concert

December 5, 7 PM

Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center

Enjoy an evening of Holiday music performed by the Brooklyn Community Band. This is a free community concert; registration is not required.



INDOOR PICKLEBALL

October – May: \$3/ time or book of 10: \$30

Community Activity Center, Armory Gym

Recreational Players:

Mon and Wed....11 AM – 2:30 PM; Tue and Thurs....8 – 11 AM

Advanced Players:

Mon and Wed....8 – 11 AM; Tue and Thurs....11 AM – 2:30 PM

Competitive Play on Fridays: 8 AM – 2:30 PM

For canceled dates and more call 763-493-8333

CREATIVE CHAOS

Scrapbooking-crafting-cardmaking-quilting!

JANUARY 12,13,14

FRI: 3PM-10PM, SAT: 8AM-10PM, SUN: 8AM-6PM

Bring whatever you need to scrap, craft, paint, quilt, bead (or more!)—and spread it all out on your own 8-ft table for the weekend!

Light refreshments provided

\$70/person/all 3 days

Call 763-493-8333 for details and/or to register...

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Community Activity Center, 5600 85th Ave N

FEE ASSISTANCE

Did you know the City of Brooklyn Park provides fee assistance* to help residents access our programs and services?

Assistance is available to Brooklyn Park residents of all ages—including older adults! Whether you're interested in fitness, weekly activity groups, luncheons or speakers, we're ready to help; you may be able to receive up to 75 percent off program fees.

*Some restrictions do apply. Trips do not qualify for fee assistance.

Find out what you qualify for and learn how to access fee assistance:

www.brooklynpark.org/feeassistance or call 763-493-8333.



ADULT FITNESS

Fitness participants must pre-register for a class session. Class sessions are pro-rated starting mid-season. Classes do fill up. Health insurance reimbursement programs (OnePass, SilverSneakers, Silver&Fit, RenewActive or \$35/ mo) can be used for daytime classes only. All participants must complete the yearly membership renewal form.

DAYTIME ACTIVE OLDER ADULT CLASSES

Bring a water bottle and wear tennis shoes for class. Classes are held inside the Community Activity Center.

Senior Fitness Intensity Levels:

1–Passive 2–Moderate 3–Active 4–Brisk 5–High Intensity

SilverSneakers® Yoga

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Get ready to move through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support is offered so you can perform a variety of seated and standing postures designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation will promote stress reduction and mental clarity. This class is suitable for nearly every fitness level. Instructor: Stephanie.

No class on Nov 22.

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Mon	Sept 11–Dec 18	10–10:45AM	M/\$97.50	149003.71
Wed	Sept 13–Dec 20	10–10:45AM	M/\$97.50	149003.72

Cardio Strength

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A heart-healthy cardio strength class to energize your active lifestyle using low- and medium-impact movements to built cardiovascular fitness and resistance training exercises to build full-body strength and endurance. Instructor: Stephanie.

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Mon	Sept 11–Dec 18	9–9:45AM	M/\$97.50	149008.71

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Zumba Gold®

Zumba Gold is perfect for active older adults who are looking for dance fitness that recreates the original Zumba moves at a lower impact. This music-based class uses easy-to-follow choreography that focuses on response time, balance, and agility. Come ready to sweat and have fun! This class will build your cardiovascular fitness when you're not looking! It's exercise in disguise! Instructor: Stephanie.

No class on Nov 22.

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Wed	Sept 13–Dec 20	9–9:45 AM	M/\$97.50	149007.71



Connect with us on our Facebook page
[Facebook.com/BPRecreationandParks](https://www.facebook.com/BPRecreationandParks)

SilverSneakers® Classic

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If you want to increase your mobility and general health and wellness, this class is for you! This class will focus on strengthening muscles and increasing range of movement for daily life activities through the use of handheld weights, elastic tubing with handles and a silver sneakers ball. A chair will be used for seating exercises and standing support. Instructor: Jenilee

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Tues	Sept 12–Dec 19	10–10:50AM	M/\$97.50	149002.71

Silver Strength & Core

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This class offers a moderate intensity workout, designed to increase muscular strength, endurance, function, and cardiorespiratory health. This dynamic workout will include upper and lower body strength combinations and core strengthening exercises to support lower back health. Instructor: Jenilee.

No class on Oct. 13

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Tues	Sept 12–Dec 19	9–9:50 AM	M/\$97.50	149001.71
Fri	Sept 15–Dec 15	9–9:50 AM	M/\$97.50	149001.72

SilverSneakers® Zumba

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Dance

Come join a class that doesn't even feel like exercise! Have fun while working out! Participants will enjoy an interval style dance party that combines high and low intensity moves and focuses on balance, range of motion, coordination, and endurance. Instructor: Jenilee.

No class on Oct. 13

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Fri	Sept 15–Dec 15	10–10:50 AM	M/\$97.50	149005.71

EVENING FITNESS CLASSES

Ways to participate:

- SilverSneakers/ Silver & Fit/RenewActive — No fee for daytime fitness classes
- Register for the class session(s) you choose to attend
- Daytime Fitness Monthly Pass: \$35/month
- Daytime Class Drop-In Pass: \$70/10 classes
- Evening Class Drop-In Pass: \$100/10 classes
- Single class drop-in: \$7 daytime; \$10 evening

Registration:

Participants must register at the front office or on-line prior to participating, complete payment as required, enrollment and (annual) waiver.

- Please check in on the attendance sheet at each class.

Hatha Yoga

Learn to use breath to de-stress and focus your mind while stretching and strengthening your whole body. Each class includes balancing, stretching, chest and hip opening, ab strengthening and a peaceful final rest. Designed for the beginner to intermediate student; individual poses are presented with deliberate cues and modifications to ensure a safe, fun, challenging, yet achievable class for all. Please dress lightly in non-baggy clothes, must bring a personal yoga mat, yoga block, sweat towel and water bottle to class. Instructor:

Julie T. Fees: 5 PM class health insurance membership / BP Resident / Non-BP Resident

Community Activity Center

DAY	DATES	TIME	MEMBERSHIP (M) OR FEE	ACTIVITY #
Tues	Nov 7–Dec 19	5–5:45 PM	M/\$63/77	149102.73
Tues	Nov 7–Dec 19	6–7 PM	M/\$63/77	149102.74

See page 11 for Health Benefits information

WAYS TO REGISTER
FOR PROGRAMS:

OVER THE PHONE: 763-493-8333
IN PERSON: Community Activity Center, 5600 85th Ave N
ONLINE: www.brooklynpark.org/registration

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS / RESOURCES FOR OLDER ADULTS AND CAREGIVERS

Brooklyn Community Band

The Brooklyn Community Band has been playing for audiences in the northwest suburbs for over 50 years. A fun, dedicated group of adults rehearse on Monday evenings and play 12-14 concerts each year. Most performances are in the summer months during outdoor concerts, a holiday series and outreach with local senior facilities. All instruments are welcomed, no auditions required. Annual membership fee is \$45/year. For more information contact Director David Mantini: brooklyncommunityband@gmail.com

Presentations by the Alzheimer’s Association of Minnesota

The Alzheimer’s Association of MN & ND offers a variety of presentations to assist anyone caring for someone with Memory Loss and to learn more about Alzheimer’s and Dementia. All presentations will be held online through a virtual presentation. Register with the Alzheimer’s Association at alz.org/crf or call 1-800-272-3900 and a link will be emailed to you to join the presentation.

Classes by North Memorial Health and Maple Grove Hospital

These classes are FREE and will be offered virtually. If you would like more information and to register call 763-581-5580 or visit www.northmemorial.com/events (pre-registration is required). Topics may include: *How to Write a Health Care Directive, Living Well with Chronic Pain.*

Brooklyn Park Library

Visit the Brooklyn Park Library for DVDs, your next good read, or to use a computer, fax machine, or printer. All are welcome! Library cards are free and we are now fine free. Find current information on library hours, programs, and services at www.hclib.org/brooklynpark

Hennepin County Library – Brooklyn Park
8500 W. Broadway Ave.
Hours: Sun 12–5PM, Mon–Thurs 9AM–8PM, Fri–Sat 9AM–5PM

College Classes for 65+ at \$20/credit

Go to NHCC at www.nhcc.edu/apply or Henn Tech www.hennepintech.edu/getstarted for more info.

Senior Community Resources

Trellis — Twin Cities Area Agency on Aging:
trellisconnects.org

Senior LinkAge Line — 1-800-333-2433 or online at:
www.minnesotahelp.info

Senior Community Services: 952-541-1019
seniorcommunity.org
HOME (Household & Outside Maintenance)
Chores and tech support: 952-746-4046
Senior Outreach Caregiver Services: 612-770-7005
CareNextion: 612-770-7005 www.carenextion.org
Medicare Partners 952-767-0665

Vision Loss Resources — Supporting people in the Twin Cities with vision loss: 612-871-2222
www.visionlossresources.org

Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Resources:
www.fasttrackermn.org

Alzheimer’s & Dementia Support: www.alz.org/mnnd
24/7 Helpline: 1-800-272-3900

Amramp: accessibility solution; (rent or buy) stairlifts, wheelchair ramps 1-888-715-7598 www.amramp.com

Foot Care: 651-829-3944 *See page 5*

CEAP (Community Emergency Assistance Programs):
763-566-9600 www.ceap.org

Services for Older Adults: <https://helpolderadultsmn.org>

Transportation:
Metro Mobility: 651-602-1111
Transit Link: 651-602-5465

Second Harvest Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors: 651-484-8241 <https://www.2harvest.org>
Through the Nutrition Assistance Program for Seniors (NAPS), Second Harvest Heartland provides monthly, shelf-stable food boxes to seniors 60 and older who meet certain income requirements. We distribute these boxes out of our new Brooklyn Park location, where we supplement with fresh produce, and offer delivery within 10 miles of our location! To learn more, please contact 651-484-8241, email naps@2harvest.org or stop by our Brooklyn Park location during open hours. We are located at 7101 Winnetka Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55428, and are open Mondays and Fridays 9 AM – 1 PM, and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 AM – 4 PM. No appointment needed.

Use your Medicare Supplement Health Benefits at the Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center!

Membership is good for all Daytime Fitness classes (see more on the adult fitness page) plus use of the CAC Fitness Room and walking track

Simply complete your membership paperwork at the CAC front desk — and enjoy the benefits!



WEEKLY ADULT ACTIVITIES

All are welcome...join anytime!

Are you looking to learn a new skill, meet new people or join others who have the same interests and passions as you? Adults 50+ are invited to participate in a variety of weekly social activities at the Community Activity Center. Stop by the CAC on the day/time the activity meets to learn about the group, meet others and join in the activity!* \$12 resident / \$18 non-resident yearly activities membership fee can be paid at the CAC front desk (fee covers all activities listed below and is paid each calendar year**). Join new activities throughout the year! Contact Kelly at 763-493-8254 or email kelly.becker@brooklynpark.org for more information.

Community Activity Center (CAC), 5600 85th Avenue N, Brooklyn Park, MN

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
HANDCRAFTS 9:30 – 11:45 AM; Sr Lounge	QUILTING 8:30 – 11:30 AM; Grand 1	TECH SUPPORT Details on pg 4; Sr Lounge	MAH JONGG 9 – 11:30 AM; Sr Lounge	
CRIBBAGE 12:30 – 4 PM; Sr Lounge	KNITTING 10 – 11:30 AM; Sr Lounge	POKER 12:30 – 4 PM; Sr Lounge	65 RUMMY and SCRABBLE 12:30 – 3:30 PM; Sr Lounge	500 CARD CLUB 12:30 – 4 PM; Sr Lounge
BOOK CLUB 1:30 – 3 PM (3 RD Mon); Grand 1	MAH JONGG 12:30 – 3:30 PM; Sr Lounge		MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES 1 – 3 PM (1 ST Thurs); Sr Lounge	
MAH JONGG 5:30 – 7:30 PM; Sr Lounge	BINGO 12:30 – 3 PM; Grand 1 \$1 per card / 8 games	*ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR WEEKLY ACTIVITY GROUPS **DO NOT ARRIVE MORE THAN 10 MINUTES PRIOR TO SCHEDULED START TIME! All groups are expected to tidy up at the end of each scheduled activity/time		

BOOK CLUB

Meets 3rd Monday of each month, 1:30–3 PM

October 16 – The Exiles by Christina Baker Kline

November 20 – Beartown by Fredrik Backman

December – Holiday Gathering

January 15, 2024 – The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb

Golden Needles Quilting Group is seeking more volunteer quilters on Tuesday mornings to help make quilts for the Brooklyn Park community.

If You Can Tie A Knot, You Can Help Make A Quilt!

Quilts are donated to the community through the Brooklyn Park Police Department and St Therese at Oxbow Lake. Quilts are completed by the quilting group at the CAC, all materials provided.

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission

Agenda Item:	8.2	Meeting Date:	October 18, 2023
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Marcus Hill, Facilities and Parks Manager Greg Hoag, Parks & Building Maintenance Manager
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Park Project Updates		

Overview:

1. MISSISSIPPI GATEWAY REGIONAL PARK / ENVIRONMENTAL NATURE AREA

Funding Source(s): OSLAD Fund

Project Update:

Development of the Brooklyn Park side of the park includes expansion of the off-leash dog area, relocation of the archery range, addition of a large picnic shelter and restroom facilities along with an expanded parking area is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2023.

The project was advertised for bid beginning February 16, 2023, with bids due on March 16, 2023. Project contracts were awarded by Three Rivers Park District on March 30, 2023. Construction began on April 17, 2023. Staff have been working on the project implementation so that it will be phased in to allow the dog park to be used throughout most of the project. Construction will continue in 2024 and 2025 and a re-grand opening will be held in 2026.

New Update

Construction of the maintenance facility is moving along quickly. The foundation work for the Gateway Center is underway so the building can be enclosed before winter. Construction has started on the reservation shelter on the west unit.

2. HOMETOWN BALLFIELD at Noble Sports Park

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Project

Project Update: The Hometown Ballfield project was approved at the July 11, 2022 City Council meeting. The city has approved and processed purchase orders to Upper Midwest Athletic Construction (UMAC) and SAAFE. UMAC will prepare all site work except bleachers and press box. SAAFE will construct the bleachers and the press box.

Construction is substantially complete with a few punch list items remaining. Turf in the batting cages was installed October 2, 2023. A grand re-opening event will be held in Spring 2024 in partnership with BPAA and the city of Brooklyn Park.

3. EAB UPDATE

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: Work will continue in 2023. The city received the 2023-2024 Healthy Tree Canopy Grant from Hennepin County for \$50,000. This Grant will continue to assist in the removal and re-planting of trees.

4. NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Project & Heritage Fund

Project Update: Staff continues reviewing priorities of the Natural Resource Management Plan. A Five-Year Priority Implementation Plan has been developed by working with Stantec. Work will continue in 2023 in key park areas.

5. COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

(2023 planning, 2024-2025 construction)

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Projects

- **COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER**

Project Overview: The plan is to improve the entrance to the facility, create an accessible customer service desk, update bathrooms, and create a welcoming and inviting community center for all customers.

Staff worked with the JLG/292 Design Group to evaluate the possibility of converting one ice arena into three basketball courts. A final concept design was provided to staff in January and refined in February. JLG/292 Design Group provided cost estimates in the range of \$12 - \$15 million for the improvements to the CAC including improved entrances, informal gathering space, relocated office space, improved parking and possible Arena conversion to gym space. The City of Brooklyn Park was awarded \$5 million in state bonding funds during the 2023 Legislative Session to support the improvements to the Community Activity Center.

Project Update: The CAC Improvements project was discussed at the September 5th City Council work session along with the Central Fire Station and Senior Center. The City Council asked for more information about the ice arena operations, as well as other options for a gym facility at the Community Activity Center. Staff will be gathering this information to share with City Council at a future date. Staff have engaged with JLG Architects to develop a concept and provide cost estimates to add gym space that could accommodate three basketball courts, or three volleyball courts or nine pickleball courts as opposed to converting rink one to gym space.

- **SENIOR CENTER (2023 planning, 2024-2025 construction)**

Project Overview: This improvement would add dedicated space for senior programming and adult fitness space. Final design and components will be developed when a final location is determined. The Senior Center is being considered with the CAC improvements and Fire Station projects. If a new Central Fire station is constructed on the site of the former Hennepin County Library, the current Central Fire Station could be remodeled into a new space dedicated to fitness and social activities for older adults.

Project Update: The project took a small step forward after the September 5th City Council work session. The City Council gave direction to go ahead and start the process of planning for a new Central Fire Station, which could lead to the repurposing of the current Central Fire Station to be used as a Senior Center.

6. TEEN CENTER (2022-23 planning, 2023-2024 construction)

Project Overview: The Zanewood Recreation Center has been a popular hub for youth services and recreation activities. The programming happening in the space has outgrown the facility and additional program space is needed. Staff will work with a design consultant (Design by Melo) to determine if new space should be constructed, existing space should be renovated, or a combination of both.

Project Update: Zanewood staff have been meeting bi-weekly to discuss the mission, vision, goals, and amenities of the new Youth and Teen Recreation Center. The Zanewood staff met with the Communications Manager to develop a strategic communication plan to inform the public about the project along pictures, and social media campaigns. Staff are currently in phase 1 of the project. Phase

1 includes: staff interviews, program observations, facility assessments, community engagement strategic planning meetings, and first design concepts. The plan is to engage with the residents at different summer programming and our large-scale community events. Juneteenth was the first event of our community engagement phase of the project. Staff were able to gather survey data on the amenities that the residents of Brooklyn Park would like to see in a new building. Youthprise led 2 community engagement sessions for families at Zanewood Recreation and also led 3 youth community engagement sessions for teens. This information was helpful to inform the initial concepts and helped generate youth and community voice into the initial designs.

Design by Melo is currently working with staff on preliminary concepts and engaging other departments into these designs such as: EDA (workforce development), Police, and Fire. Staff want to engage with all partners into the initial concepts to gather input from everyone who will be involved in the new Teen Center.

Staff and Design by Melo submitted 3 conceptual design options for pricing. The pricing will help determine which option that staff will move forward with to start the second phase of designing each space within the Teen Center. Staff met with Brooklyn Park Police Chief Bruley and with Workforce development talking about lobby space and what a potential workforce development space would look like in the Teen center.

Staff are working on grant applications for a Best Buy Teen Tech Center grant and Hennepin Youth Activities Grant for facilities to help fund various portions of the planned facility.

7. HISTORIC EIDEM FARM INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Projects

Project Update: Staff have engaged with Bluestem Heritage Group to help develop the design and signage language for each individual sign and kiosk. The design work for the signs and the kiosk is complete. We have received the Interpretive signage and posts and are ready for installation. The site work has officially started with concrete slab being poured and footings have been poured for the new kiosk and entrance into the farm. The paths will be filled with a new material that will make the trails accessible. Staff also plan to repaint the parking lot lines with new handicap parking spots.

8. TRAILS, WAYFINDING AND LIGHTING

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Projects

Project Update: Staff in Recreation & Parks have partnered with Community Development staff to implement the first phase of the Trails Wayfinding Plan developed by AVIA Design. The Wayfinding Project will provide signage and direction and key intersections and points of interest along the trails in Brooklyn Park.

9. PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: The replacement of Edinbrook, Sunny Acres & Lakeland Parks playgrounds was approved by City Council on December 12, 2022. Installation at all three parks is complete. Tessman Brooklyn Acres playgrounds are currently being re-painted to help extend their useful life. On August 28th City Council approved the City Park playground replacement project. Installation will be delayed until 2024 depending on the timing of equipment availability.

10. HISTORIC EIDEM FARM VISITOR CENTER (2022 planning, 2023-24 construction)

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Projects

Project Update: No new update at this time.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider: N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues: N/A

Attachments:

CITY OF BROOKLYN PARK RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item:	8.3	Meeting Date:	October 18, 2023
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Directors Report		

Overview:

1. Staffing

The Recreation and Parks Department has welcomed two new staff in the past month:

- Huy Nguyen joined the Recreation & Parks Department on September 18th. Huy is the Recreation Program Supervisor in charge of dome, youth and adult sports, and field reservations. He previously worked for the City of Richfield, the City of Minneapolis, Army Corps of Engineers, and Department of Natural Resources.
- Wildjy Sunel joined the Recreation & Parks Department on September 26th. Wildjy is the Program Assistant II for the front desk at Zanewood Recreation Center. Wildjy is a recent graduate of Minnesota State University – Mankato and is a former Recreation & Parks Department BrookLynk intern.

2. Teen Center Grant Applications

Staff are working to secure additional funding sources to assist with the renovation and expansion of Zanewood Recreation Center. There are two grant opportunities for which applications are due in the coming weeks.

- Best Buy Teen Tech Center Grant** - Staff are pursuing this grant opportunity to help fund construction of space for a Teen Tech Center. The Grant provides funds for construction, furniture, technology (3D printers, virtual reality, computers, music studio, etc.) and support for training of staff to implement programming. It requires a minimum of 1300 square feet of space to be dedicated to a Teen Tech Center. This grant is due October 20th.
- Hennepin Youth Activities Facilities Grant** – The Hennepin Youth Activities Facilities Grants are supported by the sales tax that was added when Target Field was built. The grants allow municipalities to create, expand, or improve athletic and recreational facilities. Currently the Zanewood Recreation Center gym is owned and scheduled by Osseo Area Schools. A dedicated space to allow for open gym making Zanewood programming the priority would support the success of the renovated and expanded facility.

3. CAC Improvements Update

Staff have been working to compile information to be shared back to the City Council. In addition, staff have engaged with JLG Architects to concept plan and provide cost estimates for the option of adding gym space instead of converting rink one to gym space. JLG Architects, formerly 292 Design Group, has completed the previous aquatics feasibility study and concept level planning for the conversion of rink one to gym space.

4. Fire Station & Former Hennepin County Library

At the October 9th City Council meeting, the Council approved the demolition of the former Hennepin County Library. Staff will gather quotes and present them to the City Council for approval at a future meeting. The location is expected to be the site of a new Central Fire Station.

5. 2024 Budget Update

The Recreation and Parks department submitted their preliminary budget with some inflationary adjustments to supplies and seasonal salaries. The City Council approved a maximum levy of 11.99 percent for 2024 at the September 25th City Council meeting. Directors will provide department level budgets for 2024 at the November 6th work session.

The Recreation & Parks department made the following requests that **are** currently in the budget:

- Add FT Events Specialist to support Festival of Nations (\$111,219)
- Increase supplies expenses to support expanded events (\$50,000)
- Increase Rentals expenses to support events (+25,766)

The Recreation & Parks department made the following requests that **are not** currently in the budget:

- Increase Farm Specialist from .75 to 1.0 FTE (\$17,606)
- Add Youth and Adult Sports Specialist .75 FTE (\$80,240)

Attachments: