

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission

6:00 PM

Community Activity Center Grand Rm 1

A G E N D A

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1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Introduction: TAWAH CRAWFORD

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 November 15, 2023 AGENDA

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM October 18, 2023 MEETING

5. ACTION ITEMS

N/A

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

1. 2018 PARK BOND REINVESTMENT PROJECTS UPDATE
2. 2024-25 BUDGET UPDATE

7. OLD BUSINESS

- 7.1 Adult Use Cannabis - CC, October 30, 2023 Work Session

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
 - DECEMBER – NO MEETING
 - JANUARY 17TH - ELECTIONS
3. KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

**Wednesday, October 18, 2023
Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission
Minutes**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL - The Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission meeting was held at the Community Activity Center and was called to order by Vice Chairperson Erickson at 6:01 P.M.**
- Commissioner Mercy Matthews was introduced and took the oath of office.

Commission Members present:

Dwain Erickson, West (Vice Chair)
Latrina Caldwell, At-large
Joe Gomez, At-large
Mercy Matthews, West
Taylor Murray, East
Miriam Osammor, East
Judy Purcell, Central
Kellina Quigley, At-large

Youth Liaisons:

Aria Reickard

Councilmember XP Lee

Commission Members absent:

Mark Nolen, At-large (Chair)
Tawah Crawford, At-large
Deborah Lande, Central
Terry Parks, At-large
Klarissa Yu – Youth Liaison

Brooklyn Park Staff present:

Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Jen Gillard, Recreation Manager
Greg Hoag, Parks and Buildings Maintenance Manager
Pam McBride, Youth Services Manager
Jeanine Machan, Administrative Assistant

2. OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESPONSE

Reva Chamblis, 3108 94th Ave N, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of CAC court conversion.
Tekoa Cochran, 7344 Zenith Ave N, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of CAC court conversion.
Collette Guyott-Hempel, 9277 Trinity Gardens, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of equal facilities as well as additional facilities for swimming, basketball pickleball.
Cynthia Hill, 9000 Telford Crossing, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of CAC court conversion.
Tony Reed, 8860 Jersey Ave N, Brooklyn Park spoke in favor of CAC court conversion.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion was made to Approve the October 18,2023 agenda by Commissioner Gomez and second by Commissioner Murray.
Motion unanimously approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made to Approve the September 20,2023 minutes by Commissioner Purcell and second by Commissioner Gomez.
Motion unanimously approved.

5. ACTION ITEMS

N/A

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

1. RECREATION PROGRAMMING SUMMER RECAP

Director Tullberg introduced Recreation Services Manager Jen Gillard and Youth Services Manager Pam McBride. They provided a PowerPoint presentation (attached) of the summer 2023 recreation programming recap.

Questions/Comments

- Commissioner Gomez stated he was glad Latino Fest was a success.
- Vice-Chair Erickson asked about the issue staff had with the pool construction, when construction is complete does it open up more programming opportunities with the additional venue? Manager Gillard stated that the city was not going to pick up any additional venues but is planning on adding additional programming nights and extend Saturday hours at the usual locations.
- Commissioner Gomez stated that the MN Twins was the best attended of the Family Fun Day/Field Trips. Manager McBride stated that the kids love the Twins.
- Commissioner Murray asked what was an example of a day trip? Manager Gillard gave examples of Spam Museum, cranberry fields in Wisconsin, theater trips, wineries, and Glensheen Mansion in Duluth.
- Commissioner Osammor asked what is preventing taking the kids on field trips? YMCA has a program for day trips. Manager Gillard responded that it is expensive and complicated to take kids on field trips. We already have a highly subsidized summer camp program paying the camp staff what they are worth. To take all of the summer camp would require 8 – 9 buses with campers and staff at approximately \$250/hour plus admission to any location. Because the YMCA is such a large organization, they have the ability to offset the cost of some of their programs.
- Commissioner Gomez commented that he appreciates all the work done by the staff for programming and asked about the basketball camp ages. Manager Gillard responded it is 5 -7 and 7 – 12. The Park Center Basketball Coach sets up the program and enlists his high school team to help. It is a contract program that we run with him. Gomez stated that he likes the mentorship with the high school students and would like to see more of this with other sports such as baseball.
- Vice-Chair Erickson noted the number of participants in the tennis program and would like to see this expand, possibly using the same type of program of partnering with the high school. Manager Gillard stated that the city's summer tennis coach is the Park Center tennis coach. Staff is looking to grow this program by possibly getting pro staff or partnering with other cities tennis programs with contacts. Erickson stated it is hard to have all the programs to be "great".
- Commissioner Osammor asked which parks does the Rec-on-the-Go? Manager McBride stated that she would have to confirm exactly which ones, but that ROTG is at parks that do not have buildings. Manager Gillard stated that the Communications staff is working on better ways to get the word out about these kinds of programming. Osammor asked about the Health-on-the-Go locations? Manager Gillard stated HOTG is run by the Community Engagement Department. Osammor stated she didn't know that we had a HOTG until she saw it at the Brooklyn Center Health Fair.
- Councilmember Lee stated that HOTG is in partnership with Brooklyn Center.
- Commissioner Osammor stated that she used to look forward to Tater Daze parade with the marching bands and asked what staff is doing to bring it back? Manager Gillard stated that there are many challenges, one being the marching band community has changed. The Champlin Park band is going to festivals, parades and competitions that have prizes and awards, so they are not interested in parades such as Tater Daze. The Osseo, Park Center, Maple Grove bands went away. They are starting to bring those programs back. Staff are working to see if they will attend as well as when it is scheduled to see if other dates or times of day might work better.

- Commissioner Murray asked if last year it was scheduled during a large band competition that might have kept bands away. Manager Gillard stated that she would have to check but that if Tater Daze was moved to the original weekend it used to be, it would fall on Juneteenth.
- Commissioner Osammor asked about the BIPOC community and stated that in her West Africa community the seniors live with family and asked if staff have a way of talking to them? Manager Gillard stated that staff originally started to work with ACER. Unfortunately, there were staffing changes at ACER so that option fell apart. Next staff was working with St. Alphonsus Pan-African network. The strategy is trying to find people where they are. Staff are looking for community liaisons that can help contact the different cultural communities.
- Youth Liaison Reickard asked if the Rec-On-The-Go was free and a sign-up based program? Manager McBride stated that it is a free program, and it is a sign-up through RecTrac. Reickard stated that she knows a couple of kids in her neighborhood that are bored a lot during the summer.
- Vice-Chair Erickson stated that it sounds like at just about all the parks there is something going on in the summer, and asked if there were any parks that do not have events or programming. Director Tullberg stated that yes, with the 60 parks, there is some that are not host for any events and are still "just neighborhood" parks.
- Commissioner Osammor stated that at the Back-to-School BBQ there is no place to park and long lines and asked if staff has considered 2 different locations to accommodate the crowd? Commissioner Gomez asked if everything, food and backpacks, at the BTSB was donated. Manager Gillard stated that Honored 2 Help works to get all the donations and the Rec and Park staff provide the logistics. Director Tullberg stated that in our park system we lack the space to hold such an event, that has the parking and infrastructure. One of the components of the CAC redesign is to create the space for such an event.

7. OLD BUSINESS

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

Director Tullberg gave an overview of the business taken to City Council.

8. WRITTEN REPORTS

1. PROGRAM AND EVENTS UPDATE

2. PARK PROJECTS UPDATE

Manager Hoag stated that the City Council approved the EAB grant through Hennepin County. There is still a DNR grant that is a possibility.

Also a portion of the Jefferson Highway Trail mill and overlay will take place in the next two weeks.

3. DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Tullberg highlighted the Teen Center grant requests.

Also, the City Council approved the demo of the old library which is the future site of the new fire station.

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. OPEN FORUM – QUESTION AND ANSWERS

Commissioner Purcell asked if City Council had acted on the recommendation from RPAC on Cannabis?

Director Tullberg stated the City Council has discussed Cannabis a couple of times and it is on the agenda again October 30 Work Session. The RPAC recommendation has been presented to the Council. There is also discussion with the City Attorney around the sale as people are setting up shops in the parks. The fine is low which does not deter the action of selling in the parks. At the upcoming Work Session there will be experts on Cannabis to give information and answer questions from the Council.

Councilmember Lee stated it is the number one public safety concern before the Council.

10. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CITY COUNCIL UPDATE –

Councilmember XP Lee highlighted

- the bike ride taken by some of the directors and city council on the ped trails to observe the lanes and discuss future plans. Director Tullberg stated the ride was an opportunity for members of city council to see the differences in the ped trails; on street bike lanes, 10 ft bituminous and sidewalk trails. The Hartkopf neighborhood is an area that the city is concentrating on for “Safe Routes to School” grants since it generally does not have sidewalks and the kids are often walking on streets to get to school. Lee added that the ped trails work is also being considered as connections to the Blue Line.
- The development moratorium is coming to an end and City Council is looking for ways to develop the northwest quadrant of the city. Director Tullberg stated that there will be the need for at least 1 or possibly 2 parks in the area.

Vice-chair Erickson asked if the development in the area will happen regardless of the Blue Line.

Councilmember Lee stated that it will likely, however, it will be more favorable if the Blue Line comes through. The market is tougher for building mixed use properties but with the Blue Line would make it more enticing to developers.

2. KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT RPAC MEETING

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

3. KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Commissioner Gomez to close the meeting, second by Commissioner Osammor.

Motion unanimously approved.

Adjourned by Vice Chairperson Erickson at 8:17 P.M.

Submitted respectfully,
Jeanine Machan
Secretary

Attachment

4.1 6.1 Summer Programs and Services Update 2023

Summer 2023

Programs, Events, & Services Report

October 18, 2023

Jen Gillard
Recreation Services Manager

Pam McBride
Youth Services Manager

<i>Program Areas & Ages</i>	0-3	3-5	6-12	13-18	19-55	55+
Adaptive Rec/Inclusion						
Adult Social groups/Trips/ Luncheons/Classes						
Adult Sports						
Aquatics						
Arts & Engagement						
Summer Camp						
Dance						
Eidem Farm						
Events						
Fitness						
Fusion						
Family Fun Days & Field Trips						
Gymnastics & Youth Sports						
Prevention, Intervention, & Outreach						
Rec on the Go						
Teen Programs						

Aquatics

Swim lessons offered year-round for parent-tot through adult at Brooklyn Middle School and Jackson Community Pool.

Highlights:

- Lessons are popular!
 - Most slots fill in first 2 hours on registration days.
- Swim Assessment Days
 - Standard offering before each session
- MN Youth Water Safety Grant
 - Completed the grant cycle this summer
 - Will begin to offer family lessons and have created new outreach relationships with partners
- Women and girls only lessons
 - Popular option. Will be expanding to offer additional time slots due to demand.
- Staff Development
 - Certifications and training provided for all staff to remove barrier to employment
 - Aquatics Specialist will get LGI certification this fall



Challenges:

- Construction at Jackson Pool through the summer
 - Had to move lessons to Maple Grove and Brooklyn Middle with short notice
 - Shifted offerings to work with pool availability

Summer 2023 Participation

Enrollments 536

Contact Hours 5035.8

Adaptive Recreation & Inclusion Services

Highlights

- Adaptive Rec Fridays with Courage Kenny
 - Twins Event in 2023 at Northwoods
- Adaptive Aquatics
 - Important weekly gathering for the teen participants and their parents
- All Abilities Resource Fair
 - Taking the lead from Osseo SEAC group. Families loved it!
- ADA facility assessments
 - Close to completing assessments
 - Beginning work on larger projects to increase accessibility

Challenges/Opportunities

- Our Dance Place
 - Pilot partnership. Good idea, but not right partner for us
- Neighboring Communities
 - Working through adaptive recreation consortium to support others in maintaining ADA compliance and encouraging increased services



Summer 2023 Adaptive Rec Program

Participation

Enrollments 100

Contact Hours 246

Summer 2023 Inclusion Services

Participation

Enrollments 91

Contact Hours 9,733

Adult & Senior Programs

Clubs – Events - Groups - Classes

Weekly Clubs and Social Groups at CAC

- Handcrafts
- Book Club
- 65 Rummy
- Cribbage
- 500 Card Club
- Dominos
- Poker
- Bingo
- MahJongg
- Knitting
- Golden Needles Quilting
- Scrabble

Summer 2023 Participation

Clubs/Social Groups

171 enrollments

Day Trips/Classes

133 enrollments

745.25 contact hours



Highlights:

- Outreach to BIPOC Elders
 - Working with consultant through the summer
 - Sessions scheduled at Brooks Landing 10/19 & Creekside Gables 10/25
 - Asking about interests and barriers to participation
 - Creating programming based on what we learn
 - Schedule additional sessions with more groups in 2024
- Day trips have been slow since returning. Registration is picking up again.

Adult Sports

Softball Leagues

- Offered summer and fall
- 28 teams



Pickleball

- May-September: at Norwood
 - Outdoor play is managed by players
 - Always busy!

Leagues

- Working on adding adult basketball league this winter at CAC

Arts & Engagement



Summer Arts Programs

- Beginning Digital Photography
- Sewing

Enrollments: 17

Contact Hours: 131

Citywide Re-beautification Survey- 1,311!

Analyzed data in summer 2023-- Arts and wellness opportunities for direction and interested activities

○Years lived in BP

60% - 10 plus years in BP, 35% 1-9 years in BP

○Community member background

67.8 %- White, 42.2% BIPOC

○Ages

55+-41.4%, **25- 45y-** 53.7%,

17-24y-14.8%, **16 under-** 11%

HIGHLIGHTS

- Young people will respond if you go to them
- Residents 25 and older most engaged
- Use multiple media and outreach tools to reach BIPOC community
- Space for public art, murals, interactive activities in public spaces
- Arts and wellness connects

K-5 hands on, drawing, performance

Teens frequent and available

Adults apparel and building skills for lives and businesses

Family with child -care in conjunction.

Summer Camp

Mon-Thurs, June 20-Aug 10 with Bonus Week
Aug 14-18

- Camp: ages 5-12
- Teens Outdoors: ages 13-15
- Leader in Training: workforce development program for ages 13-15

Locations

- CAC, Northwoods, Willowstone, Norwood

Highlights for 2023

- New staff advisory committee for planning
- Arts & Multi-Culture Fair
- Piloted the addition of Americorp volunteers
- Piloting Winter Camp in December

Challenges

- Staffing
 - old enough, hiring timelines, increased training needs, recruiting
- Fees
 - Balancing raising fees enough to cover more costs of operation
- Shared facility use
 - can be tough to share park spaces (bathrooms, and busy evening and weekend use)



2023 Participation

Enrollments 408

Contact Hours 46,557



Historic
Eidem Farm



Highlights

- Open Gate Hours 5 days/week all summer **1913 visits**
 - Adjusted the hours based on 2022 use
 - Added weekly themes to encourage repeat and extended visits
- Events and programs
 - Spring on the Farm
 - Kids Concerts
 - Story Times – weekly beginning in July
 - Preschool Nature Camp and Critter Camp
 - **Enrollments: 74**
 - **Contact hours: 1020**
- Displays and exhibits
 - House clean up nearly complete
 - New 1st floor exhibit area
 - Admissions building hands on
- Kiosk and Signage
 - New welcome kiosk
 - Interpretive signage throughout the site
- Pathways
 - Accessible pathways throughout site
 - Inside/outside fence
- Gardens
 - Prepping for 2024 garden education
 - Pollinator gardens and education
- Tours and rentals
 - Creating new tour and rental packages to launch in 2024

Brooklyn Park Dance

Classes for pre-K to adult offered during the school year.
Intro classes for ages 3-7 offered in the summer.

Highlights

- Studio Dance program will turn 50 this school year
- Opened school year registration in June
- Summer Intro Classes offered in July prior to registration for the school year
 - Enrollments: 18
 - Contact Hours: 54

Challenges

- School facility use
 - Flooring
 - Increase in no dates
 - Getting a recital permit on time and for preferred date/location
 - Building supervision





Highlights

- Celebrate Brooklyn Park Tater Daze Parade & Community Market
 - Recruiting for parade units is challenging
 - Parade as a representation and celebration of cultures in BP
 - Staff working on plan to enhance gathering at end of parade
- Arts Festival
 - Attendance low for sellers and buyers
 - Increased competition as other regional markets come back to pre-covid levels
 - Strategic changes (end of parade, fall date, etc)
- Juneteenth (hosted by REDI Division in 2022-2023)
- Summer Splash
- Brooklyn Park Night Out
- Back to School BBQ
 - Very popular event! Keeping up with community need is challenging for us and our partner
- Farmers Market (July-October)
 - New location at NHCC has been great! Attendance up each week.
 - **Total attendance: 6452**
- Concerts
 - Still inconsistent. Not sure if it is the location or not.
 - Was better attended at CAC.
- All Abilities Resource Fair - For people with disabilities
- Living Well Resource Fair - For older adults
 - Keep this in the fall during Medicare enrollment time

Still to come in 2023:

- Latino Fest (10/14)
- Spooktacular
- Ghostly Gala
- Hmong New Year
- Movies in the Park

Family Fun Days & Field Trips

- **Stages Theatre Musical Performance-June 15**
 - 57 Participants, 3 staff
- **MN Twins vs. Chicago White Sox – July 23**
 - 74 participants, 4 staff
- **Walker Art Center- August 5**
 - 21 participants, 3 staff
- **Minnesota Zoo September 7**
 - 50 participants, 5 staff



Fitness

Classes for older adults

- Offered Mon, Tues, Wed, & Friday mornings at CAC
- Healthcare reimbursement programs or private pay
 - Silver Sneakers, Silver and Fit, Renew Active, and One Pass

Evening Classes

- Yoga on Tuesday evenings
- Afrobeats on Monday evenings
 - Youth and adult class options

Challenges

- Facility spaces are not ideal for fitness (carpet, size, storage etc)
- Balancing facility use across programs/other use
- Finding instructors to teach new or innovative classes is difficult
- BIPOC elders – traditional fitness model isn't best fit (shoes, clothing, music, etc.). Finding a new way forward.



**2023 Summer
Participation**

Enrollments 322

Contact Hours 2,292

K-5 Programming

- Rec on the Go & Summer Fusion

- Offered Mon-Thurs
- 9 Parks and 7 Apartment complexes
- At Zanewood Recreation Center
- Food provided every day

HIGHLIGHTS

- Summer Swim safe week with Brooklyn Park swimming
- Water week
- Slime competition

2023 Summer Participation

Enrollments 172

Contact Hours 2,760



Gymnastics & Youth Sports

Highlights

- Enrollments have been steady, but there is room for growth!
- New Recreation Supervisor on board!
- Outdoor field use is easy! Lots of parks and fields to choose from.

Challenges

- Facility use this summer and fall
 - finding consistent gym space in the schools
 - dirty rooms/construction at PCHS in summer and fall
 - managing shared use with HS athletics
 - Saturdays – can't get the gym every week at CAC due to Guard or events. We take what we can get.



Summer 2023 Participation

Gymnastics

Enrollments 186

Contact Hours 1330

Tennis Classes

Enrollments 20

Contact Hours 330

Sports Classes (ages 2-10)

Enrollments 250

Contact Hours 999

Basketball Camps (with PCHS)

Enrollments 116

Contact Hours 2532

Skating Lessons

Enrollments 67

Contact Hours 469

Prevention, Intervention, & Outreach

PREVENTION & INTERVENTION

- 31 youth supported through case management
- 17 of 30 are completing goals from intake
- 75% success rate of youth in crisis to move to vulnerable to thriving

SUPPORT GROUPS

- Young men's group
- Young women's group
- Young adults group

Outreach numbers

1,023 in community outreach

4,330 connections at Park Center High School



Teen Programs

Zanewood Recreation Center

- Summer Drop in programming- Monday-Friday 2:00- 9:00pm

Program Highlights

- Golf camp with Edinburgh Golf
- Friday field trips (Golf, conservatory, Dunwoody, bowling, zoo, etc.)
- Open studio and podcast
- Basketball mini clinic
- Field day week
- Zanewood Studio- theme song design



Facilitated Conversation

What stands out to you about what you heard today?

What are things that are exciting to hear?

What is concerning in the challenges shared today?

Do you have recommendations for staff based on what you heard today?

What do you see as a next step to support this work and address the challenges?

Thank you!

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	6.1	Meeting Date:	November 15, 2023
Agenda Section:	General Information - Presentations	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation & Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Park Bond Reinvestment Projects Update		

Overview:

In 2018, 63% of Brooklyn Park voters supported a \$26M re-investment in the park system. Several projects completed to date include:

- Brooklyn Park Sports Dome
- Eidem Farm Interpretive Signage
- Expansion of Northwoods and Willowstone Park buildings
- Addition of Central and River Park Kitchen buildings
- Redevelopment of Hartkopf, Lakeland and Norwood Parks
- Brookdale Park Trail connection
- Sunny Lane Park Trail connection
- Wayfinding Plan development
- Noble Sports Park Baseball Field

Director Tullberg & Parks and Facilities Manager Hill will give an update on the status of projects currently in the planning phase:

- Youth & Teen Recreation Center
- Community Activity Center improvements
- Senior Center

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	6.2	Meeting Date:	November 15, 2023
Agenda Section:	General Information - Presentations	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation & Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	2024 Department Budget Update		

Overview:

Director Tullberg will give an update on the 2024 Recreation & Parks Budget process including proposed Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects for 2024.

Budget Funds and Definitions:

The Recreation and Parks Department uses three different types of budget funds for operations:

- A. **General Fund** – This represents funding via current year revenue collections of the General Fund, which supports operations and capital outlay expenditures. Revenue sources include annual property tax levies, state aid payments, and various program, permit and license fees.
- B. **Special Revenue Funds** – Special Revenue Funds consist of funds generated from fees collected from users of the Ice Arena and Brookland Golf Park. Funds collected are expected to pay for general operations and maintenance of the facility but rely on levy support for capital improvements.
- C. **Recreation Enterprise Fund** – Recreation Enterprise Funds consist of funds generated from fees collected from users of the Edinburgh USA Golf Course and the Brooklyn Park Sports Dome. These funds are utilized for operations, capital improvements and debt retirement expenditures for the facility.

In addition, there are two primary asset replacement funds:

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a planning tool based upon long-range physical planning and financial projections that forecasts the city's capital needs over a five-year period based on city-adopted long-range plans, goals and policies. The CIP includes detailed descriptions of every capital project the city anticipates initiating during the five-year period. The CIP is updated annually to ensure consistency and the reflection of changing demands and patterns in cost and financial resources.

Capital Equipment Plan (CEP)

The Capital Equipment Plan is a flexible plan based upon long range planning and financial projections, which schedules the major capital equipment replacement and additions that may be incurred by the city over the next five years. Flexibility of the Capital Equipment Plan is established through annual review, and revision if necessary. The annual review assures that the program will become a continuing part of the budgetary process and that it will be consistent with changing demands as well as changing patterns in cost and financial resources.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	7.0	Meeting Date:	November 15, 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:

The following attachments were presented at City Council Meetings held since our last RPAC meeting.

7.1 Adult Use Cannabis - CC, October 30, 2023 Work Session

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

NA

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

NA

Attachments:

7.1 C.1 Adult Use Cannabis

City of Brooklyn Park Council Work Session

Meeting Date:	October 30, 2023	Originating Department:	Community Development
Agenda Item:	C.1	Prepared By:	Jason Newby, Inspections & Environmental Health Manager
Agenda Section:	Discussion Items/ General Action Items	Presented By:	Jason Newby Keith Jullie, Rental & Business Licensing Manager
Item:	Adult Use Cannabis		

Summary:

This work session agenda item is for industry experts to present to the Mayor and City Council and answer questions on adult use cannabis.

Invited Guest Speakers:

Hennepin County Public Health

- Cassandra Stepan, Public Health Promotion Supervisor
- Duane Hudson, Environmental health Program Manager
Public Safety
- Officer Todd Kloss, City of Plymouth Police Department
Addiction and Toxicology
- Dr. Robert “Cole” Pueringer, Hospitalist Services Toxicology
- Dr. Realmuto, University of Minnesota

Attachments: N/A

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission			
Agenda Item:	8.1	Meeting Date:	November 15, 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		

November 2023

- 4 Nov-Dec swimming lessons begin
- 30 Holidays in Duluth Day Trip

December 2023

- 2 Hmong New Year at CAC
- 3 Christmas on the Farm at Historic Eidem Farm
- 4 Brooklyn's 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
Young Adult program (ages 18- 24) with Twin Cities Rise- November 14-March 30th- Tuesday's 4:00-7:00pm – meet at Zanewood, different locations to follow

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 hosted a listening session at Creekside Gables Senior Living on Wednesday, October 25. Through the listen session, staff learned about community wants and needs, gained insight on gaps and barriers to participation in programs and services in Recreation & Parks, and learned of other challenges residents have that the City can help to address. The grant provided funding to facilitate the engagement event, incentives for participants, and lunch from MamaTi's African Kitchen.

Luncheons

The next luncheon is Thursday, December 14 – Holiday Luncheon with a performance by CODA.

Day Trips

The upcoming Holidays in Duluth trip on November 30 is sold-out with 50 attending!

December 12 is a 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 176 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

Fun was had by all at Pumpkin Bingo and Adams Family 2 on October 22 at the CAC Armory Gym. Families look forward to this event each year.

LatinoFest

Over 140 community members joined together to celebrate our vibrant Latino community. The City of Brooklyn Park in partnership with CAPI and Pueblos de Lucha y Esperanza hosted LatinoFest at the CAC on Saturday, October 14 from 5-7pm. The event featured performances and dinner from Tacos El Paraiso. Attendees had very positive feedback for this first event.

Spooktacular

The annual Spooktacular Trick or Treat trail was hosted on the very chilly Saturday, October 28, 2-5 pm with Spooktacular successful and fun for Brooklyn Park youth at Zanewood Recreation Center. The event hosted over 1,300 people.

Hmong New Year

The Cities of Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn Center, MN Zej Zog, HAP, and Osseo Area Schools look forward to hosting the 3rd Annual Hmong New Year event on Saturday, December 2, 5 – 9 pm at the Community Activity Center. The evening will feature food from Lucky Pearl Café, 2+ hours of cultural performances from Hmong students and local artists, as well as a cultural resource fair and market! Tickets are available for \$5.

Brooklyn Community Band

Enjoy an evening of Holiday music performed by the Brooklyn Community Band. This is a free concert featuring community members at the Community Activity Center on Monday, December 4 at 7 pm.

Aquatics

The second fall aquatics session kicked-off the week of November 4 with nearly 225 participants and 152 families enrolled in November - December 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.

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 partnered 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.

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.

Adult basketball registration is now available and open online. We have just started marketing at the end of October. Equipment, rules, and referees are in place. We will need teams to register.

Historic Eidem Farm

New program in November:

Sunset and S'mores Hike on Thursday, November 16, 4-5:30 pm

Geocaching and S'mores on Saturday, November 18, 10 am – noon

An Eidem Farm Christmas will welcome guests on Sunday, December 3, 12-3 pm. Activities will include: Carolers, seasonal activities and crafts, cookie decorating, storybook trail, hayrides, and a small holiday market.

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 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

Zanewood at the Sports Dome- Fridays- November 17- April 15th- Friday's 5:30- 6:30pm

Young Adult programming

Young Adult Open gym-Wednesday from 8:00- 10:00pm. \$3 BP resident/ \$5 non-resident

Youth Entrepreneurship Program- ages 16- 24 Phase 2: October 11-November 15th

Arts and Engagement

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

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

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

8.1B HMONG NEW YEAR FLYER

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 Veterans

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 build 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.



**SATURDAY
DEC 2
5-9 PM**

BROOKLYNS HMONG NEW YEAR

Nyob Zoo Xyoo Tshiab! Celebrate Hmong New Year at the Brooklyn Park Community Activity Center (5600 85th Ave N). This event features food from Lucky Pearl Cafe, a local Hmong owned restaurant and 2+ hours of cultural performances from Hmong students and local artists.

Tickets: \$5.00 each

Available only in advance.

**To purchase tickets call 763-493-8333 or
purchase online using QR Code or link
bit.ly/BrooklynshNY23-24**



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For accommodations or alternative formats please contact Josie Shardlow at 763-493-8388 or josie.shardlow@brooklynpark.org.

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission

Agenda Item:	8.2	Meeting Date:	November 15, 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. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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 have gathered 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 (2024 planning, 2025-2026 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 is planned to be remodeled into a new space dedicated to fitness and social activities for older adults.

Project Update: No New Update

5. **TEEN CENTER (2023 planning, 2024-25 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 and communications developed a strategic communication plan to inform the public about the project along with pictures, and social media campaigns. Staff engaged with the residents at different summer programming and large-scale community events. Staff gathered 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 helped inform the development of the initial concepts to include 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 have submitted 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

Staff has agreed to move forward with the option of renovating the existing Zanewood building for Kindergarten and 5th grade programming and build a brand new Teen Center next to the existing building. Staff spent several weeks designing a floor plan that we will submit for pricing to determine the next steps of the project. Best Buy Tech has reviewed our grant submission and has set up an onsite visit to Zanewood Recreation center on November 17th.

6. 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. This project has been advertised for bid. The City Council will consider award of the project in December or January.

7. PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: 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.

8. TRAIL REHABILITATION

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: As part of the trail rehabilitation project the trail on the west side of Jefferson Highway is getting rehabilitated. This project started on October 30th and is expected to be complete in approximately three weeks.

9. 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.

2023 COMPLETED PROJECTS:

- Noble Sports Park Baseball Field
- Historic Eidem Farm Kiosk, Trails and Interpretive Signage
- Northwoods Baseball Complex backstop replacement
- Central Park Horseshoe Court replacement
- Edinbrook Park Playground Replacement
- Sunny Acres Park Playground Replacement
- Lakeland Park Playground Replacement

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:	November 15, 2023
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Directors Report		

Overview:

1. Teen Center Grant Capital Investment Committee Presentation

City of Brooklyn Park staff and the mayor are meeting with the Minnesota House of Representatives Capital Investment Committee at the Anoka-Ramsey Community College on November 14th to provide an overview of request for state bonding fund for the Central Fire Station construction and the renovation and expansion of Zanewood Recreation Center.

2. Best Buy Teen Tech Center Grant

Staff submitted an application for a grant opportunity to help fund the construction of 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. The Best Buy team will be visiting Zanewood on November 17th to gather more information about the project and see the space.

3. Public Safety Grant

Recreation and Parks, Administration and Police collaborated to submit a grant focused on reducing youth violence. The grant would provide additional staff and programs that would expand current youth intervention combined with a more focused approach on young people who are trending toward or who are starting to participate in violent activities.

4. 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 provided department level budgets for 2024 and 2025 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: