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1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL INTRODUCTION/SWEARING IN OF NEW COMMISSIONERS

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 April 16, 2025 AGENDA

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM March 19, 2025

5. ACTION ITEMS

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

6.1 SPECIAL USE FACILITIES

6.2 COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. WRITTEN REPORTS

8.1 PROGRAM AND EVENTS UPDATE

8.2 PARK PROJECTS UPDATE

8.3 DIRECTORS REPORT

8.4 RECENT CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

OPEN FORUM – QUESTION AND ANSWERS

10. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.1 CITY COUNCIL UPDATE – Councilmember Page

10.2 CAC TASKFORCE UPDATE – Commissioner Parks

10.3 KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT RPAC MEETING

- MAY 21 - ANNUAL DEER HUNT, DESTINATION SPORTS CITY

10.4 KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

- APRIL 17TH – COPS AND TEENS

11. ADJOURNMENT

**Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission
Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL - The Recreation & Parks Advisory Commission meeting was held at Operations and Maintenance Building B and was called to order by Chairperson Purcell at 6:04 PM

Commission Members present:

Judy Purcell Chairperson
Joshua Uloth Vicechair
Emily Arias, At-large
Latrina Caldwell, At-large
Doug Crandall, At-large
Dwain Erickson, West
Taylor Murray, East
Miriam Osammor, East
Terry Parks, At-large
Kellina Quigley, At-large
Jenkins Vangehn, Central

Absent:

Mercy Matthews, West
Aria Reickard, Youth Liaison
Klarissa Yu, Youth Liaison
Councilmember Page

Brooklyn Park Staff present:

Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Greg Hoag, Parks and Buildings Maintenance Manager
Chris Sullivan, Field Supervisor – Parks
Akihito Jacobs, Lead Public Service and Arborist - Parks
Jeanine Machan, Administrative Assistant

2. OPEN FORUM-PUBLIC COMMENT AND RESPONSE

N/A

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A Motion was made to approve the March 19th agenda by Commissioner Caldwell and second by Commissioner Crandall.

Motion unanimously approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made to Approve February 19, 2025 minutes by Commissioner Uloth and second by Commissioner Caldwell.

Motion unanimously approved.

5. ACTION ITEMS

NA

6. GENERAL INFORMATION - PRESENTATIONS

6.1 O&M OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

Parks and Buildings Maintenance Manager Greg Hoag provided a PowerPoint presentation (attached 4.1) on the City's Operations and Maintenance.

Questions / Comments

Vice-Chair Uloth asked if the city was reimbursed for maintaining the county road streetscapes? Manager Hoag responded they do not. The county helps with building costs but once they are done, they become the city's responsibility to maintain.

Commissioner Crandall asked what effect did the 2024 Presidential election have on the city-wide projects? Manager Hoag stated that at this point it is still unknown. Director Tullberg stated that grants have been

suspended but working with Senator Klobuchar's office, they are being gone through. Looking at the future, many dollars that come from the state are funded by the federal government, so it is still to be seen what effect it will have.

Vice-Chair Uloth asked what Fleet Maintenance was on the staff chart? Manager Hoag stated it is the mechanics. They will also backfill for anyone on vacation or out sick.

Commissioner Erickson asked if there was still a buddy tree process used? Manager Hoag stated that it not commonly done now.

Chairperson Purcell stated she would be interested in buying a tree for the city to plant.

Vice-Chair Uloth asked about the Emerald Ash 2014 vs 2017? Manager Hoag stated that staff knew the Emerald Ash Borer was coming and started keeping stats, however, it was first found in the city in 2017.

Commissioner Caldwell asked if the city was looking at ways to help the residents with ash tree removal? Manager Hoag stated that it is being considered. City Council will have to decide if there is a way to fund.

Commissioner Erickson asked if the grinding of trees eliminates the insect? Manager Hoag stated the equipment the city uses grinds the wood down enough that the insect does not survive.

Commissioner Crandall asked if other cities were also taking these kinds of steps? Manager Hoag confirmed yes, especially the 7 counties around the city.

Chairperson Purcell asked if based on the widespread infestation if staff felt the policy was throwing good money after bad to treat if the trees will eventually have to be cut. Manager Hoag stated the information provided is that the trees can be treated forever. However, there is a statistical loss.

Secretary Machan asked if there was any truth to the news that the treatments are having an impact on birds that eat the sap of trees or bugs that have been treated? Arborist Jacobs stated that it is possible as with any animals that consume other animals that have been exposed to chemicals.

Commissioner Crandall asked if the chemicals can get into the ground water. Arborist Jacobs said no.

Commissioner Murray asked if the spray-painted orange X means the tree is tagged to be cut? Manager Hoag confirmed yes.

Commissioner Parks stated that the state is not working on the emerald ash problem next to the city property. Manager Hoag stated that both the state and county are working on the issue as well, however you need to remember the magnitude of the problem.

6.2 NORTHWEST AREA PARK

Director Tullberg provided a PowerPoint presentation (attached 4.2) overview and history of the discussion around the Northwest Area Park.

Questions / Comments:

Commissioner Crandall asked if there would be apartment buildings in this area north of Hwy 610, south of 101 and west of 169? Director Tullberg stated housing is part of the discussion and development of the area. Commissioner Crandall stated that he had heard Maple Grove was in the news stating they don't want residential growth near the boundary. Director Tullberg responded they have developed Maple Grove at the boundary area and feel they can dictate Brooklyn Park. He stated Mayor Winston has made it clear that the city will not be dictated to.

Commissioner Erickson asked if there would be a parking ramp at the end of the light rail? Director Tullberg stated that there will be a significant surface lot as well as a ramp.

Commissioner Crandall asked if our taxes would go down? Director Tullberg stated that in theory.

Director Tullberg asked if the original vision was still relevant or if there would be any changes the commissioners would like to see?

Commissioner Crandall -suggested a water slide into the pond.

Commissioner Parks stated that a water tower needed to be a priority before all the building begins.

Commissioner Crandall stated that he agreed the water tower is a priority.

Vice-chair Uloth asked about the status of the proposal for ingenious people that Cheryl Avina presented to the commission? Director Tullberg stated that part of this park would be a recognition of the ingenious people.

Vice-chair Uloth asked if we should build out the park before the area is developed? Director Tullberg agreed that is the question, is the timing now, are the plans relevant, how important is the light rail and should we wait for it?

Vice-chair Uloth asked if the development of only part of the park was an option? Director Tullberg stated that he is looking for those thoughts from the Commission.

Commissioner Parks stated that Met Council needs the land and that they should not get it for cheap.

Chairperson Purcell stated that the amplified sound should be considered in this area as there has been great demand for it. She agreed that certain areas of the park should be developed but that some of the designs are frosting on the cake.

Commissioner Erickson commented that the development of the park should satisfy the residents, not people outside of Brooklyn Park.

Commissioner Parks stated that at the same time we want a destination park.

Vice-chair Uloth said that it might not be possible in this park.

Commissioner Crandall asked if there were any other parks in the area. Director Tullberg stated that on the trail Oak Grove would be the next closest park.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 3B.2 RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION 2024 YEAR-IN-REVIEW AND 2025 WORK PLAN

8. WRITTEN REPORTS

8.1 PROGRAM AND EVENTS UPDATE

8.2 PARK PROJECTS UPDATE

8.3 DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Tullberg shared the movie regarding the Teen Center for the Cops and Teens and highlighted the following:

- Anti-violence game night at Zanewood.
- April 17 – Cops and Teens basketball at Zanewood
- \$500M grant that was received from Minnesota Department of Education Grant

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Director Tullberg provided information regarding the change in the State Statue regarding remote meeting procedures. After some discussion, the consensus was that RPAC would continue to meet in person.

10. VERBAL REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.1 CITY COUNCIL UPDATE – Councilmember Page

No report

10.2 CAC TASKFORCE UPDATE – Commissioner Parks

Commissioner Parks and Commissioner Murray are both on the taskforce.

Commissioner Parks reported they have met 3 times. Members have reviewed the design layout and noted the entrance will be on the west end of the building. Keeping the ice rinks. Adding 3 basketball courts on the east end. There is a shortfall of \$9.4M. A bill was introduced by State Representative Hiltley as a bonding bill for \$9.5M. The group is working on sending out letters to all the representatives asking for support. There is a toolkit on the city website to help residents reach out to their representatives.

The task force will meet every 3 weeks.

10.3 KEY TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AT THE NEXT RPAC MEETING

- APRIL – INTRO OF NEW COMMISSIONERS, SPECIAL USE FACILITIES, COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES

Director Tullberg stated that he and Manager Hoag would not be in attendance at the April meeting.

10. KEY DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

- APRIL 2 COMMISSIONERS ORIENTATION
- APRIL 7 Groundbreaking at Zanewood
- APRIL 23 – Three Rivers Park District – State of the Parks

11. ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Vice-Chair Uloth to close the meeting, second by Commissioner Crandell.

Motion unanimously approved.

Adjourned by Chairperson Purcell at 7:58 PM

Submitted respectfully,
Jeanine Machan

Secretary

Attachments:

4.1 3.19.25 RPAC Annual Presentation

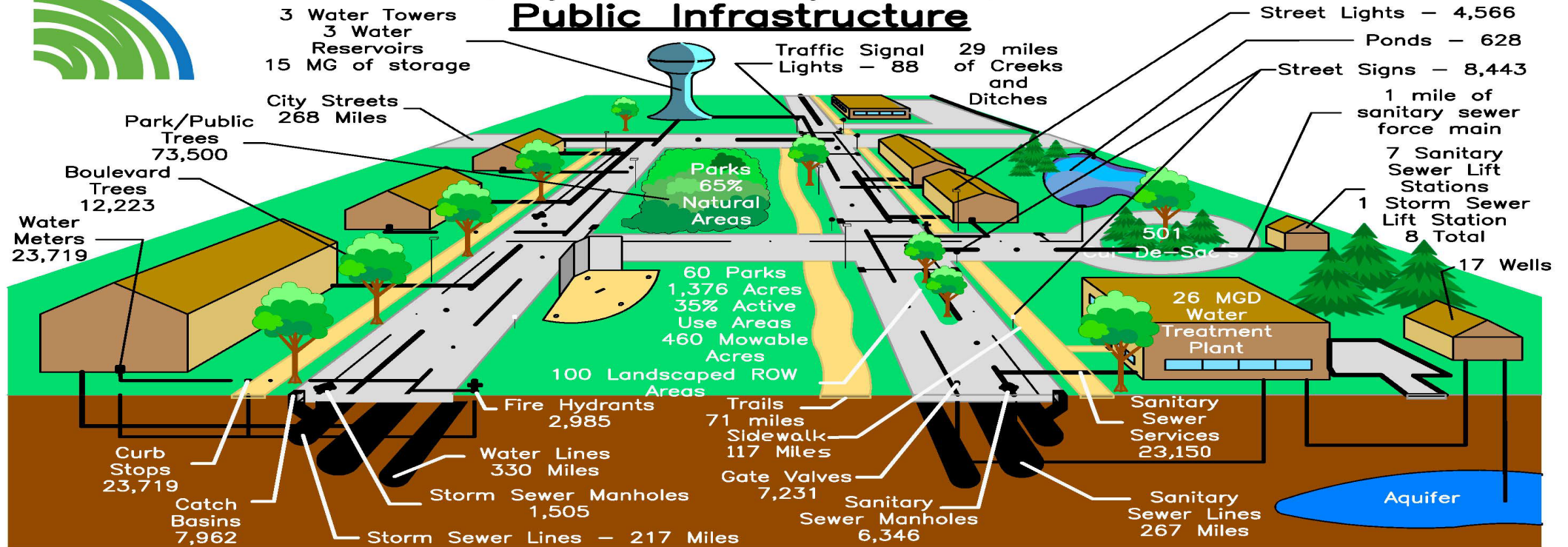
4.2 NW Area Park 3.19.25

2025 Park Maintenance Annual Review

March 19, 2025



City of Brooklyn Park Public Infrastructure



Other City Facilities

- City Hall
- Police Facilities (2)
- Fire Stations (4)
- Maintenance Facility
 - Park-Building Maintenance
 - Street-Fleet Maintenance
 - Public Utilities
- Vehicles/Equipment Fleet
 - 429 Units
- Community Activity Center
 - Activity/Senior Center
 - Ice Arenas (2)
 - National Guard Armory
- Edinburgh Golf Course
 - Club House
- Executive 9 Golf Course

Estimated Total Value

Over One Billion Dollars

-Park Facilities

- 1 Historical Farm (12 bldgs)
- 3 Athletic Complexes
- 10 Activity Buildings/Warming House
- 7 Bathroom Buildings
- 28 Picnic Shelters
- 40 Playground Equipment Sets
- 25 Tennis/Pickleball Courts
- 20 Basketball Courts
- 28 Soccer/Football fields
- 37 Baseball/Softball fields
- 15 Outdoor Ice Rinks
- 44 Parking Lots
- 12 Storage Buildings
- 3 Kitchen Buildings

Fast Facts

about the community

Population:

86,478 Minnesota's 6th Largest City

Area:

27 square miles

Transportation:



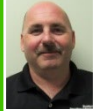


- Convenient access to I-94, MN-610, US-169, MN-252, and County 81
- International Airport 18 miles away
- Crystal Airport 1 mile away

9/5/2024

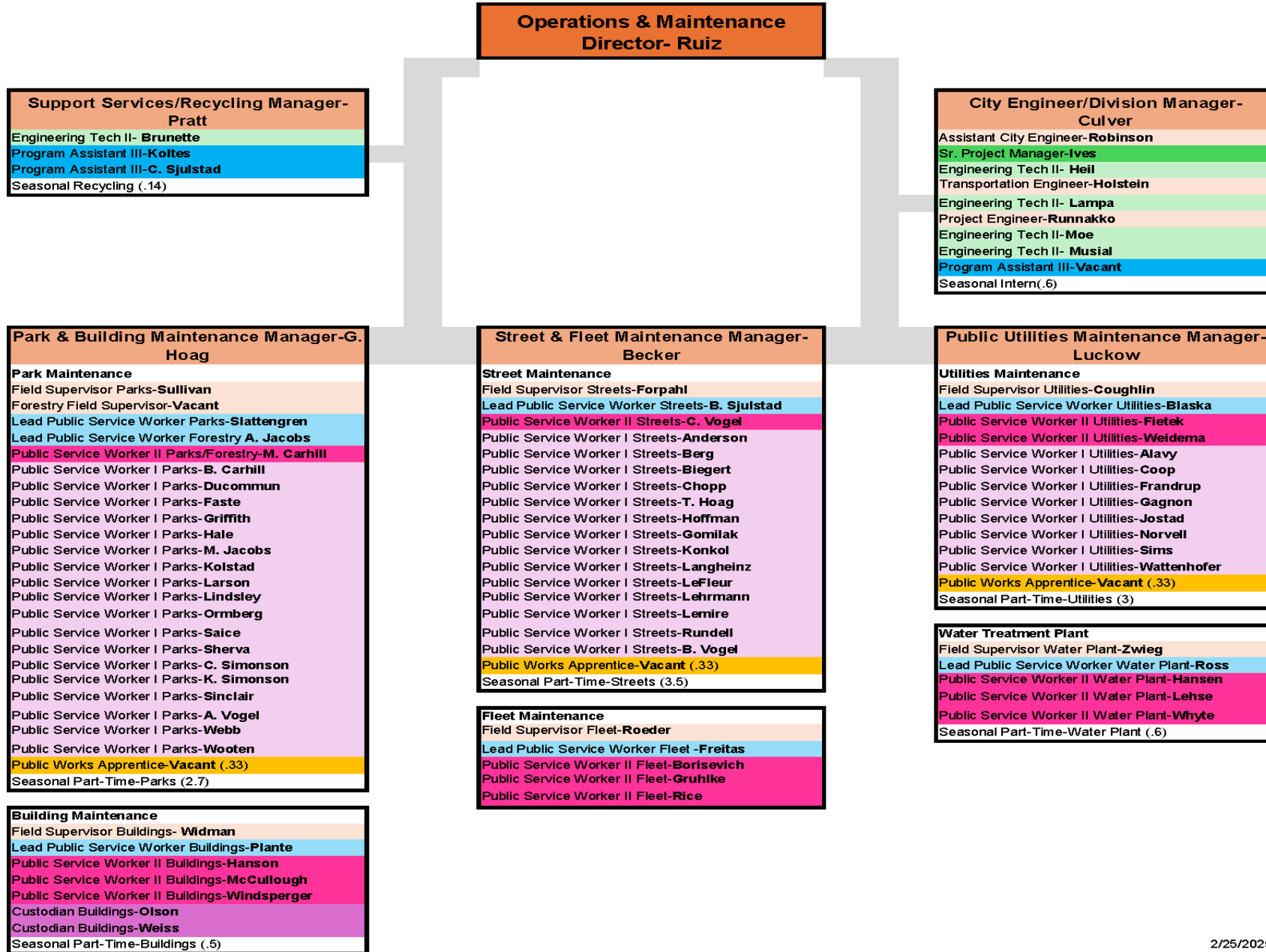
O&M Department Org Chart



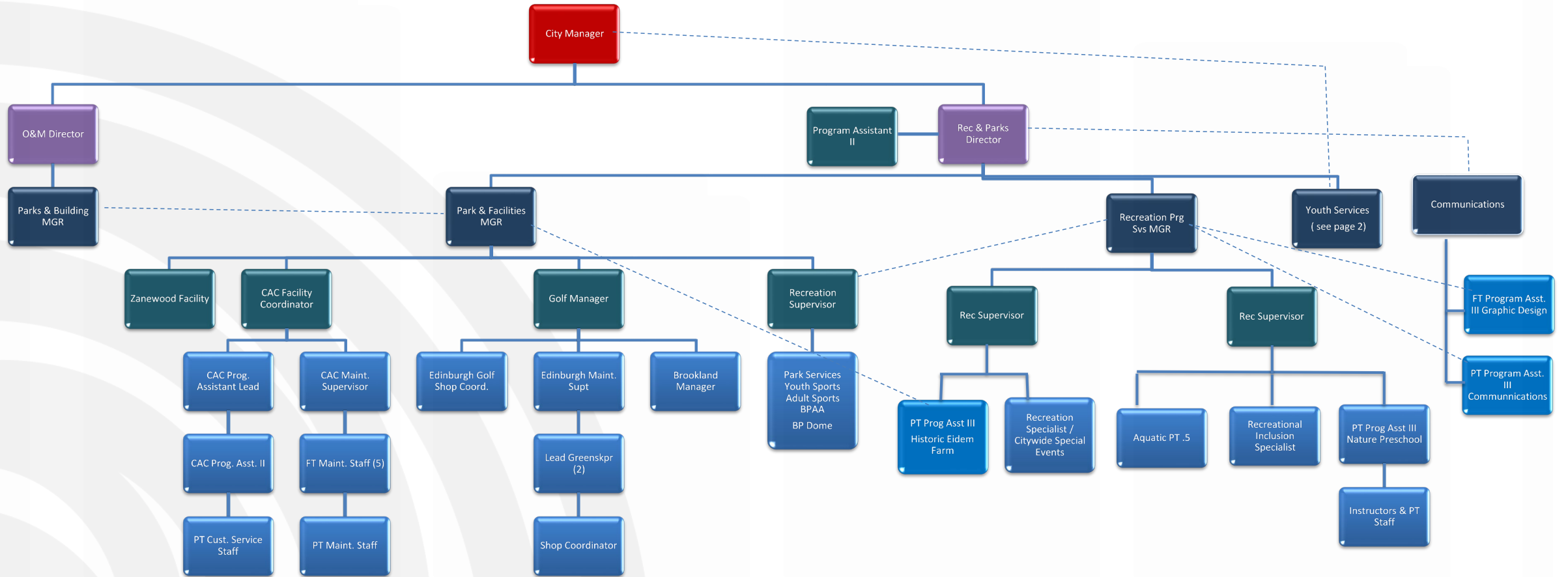
Dan Ruiz
Director

 <p>Tim Pratt Support Services/ Recycling</p>	 <p>Marc Culver Engineering</p>	 <p>Greg Hoag Park-Building Maintenance</p>	 <p>Mark Becker Street/Fleet</p>	 <p>Rick Luckow Public Utilities</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance divisions reception, admin and technical support • CIP/CEP production coordination with Finance • Curbside recycling, yard waste, special drop offs, curbside cleanup • Hennepin Recycling Group administration • GIS/mapping for department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transportation planning and MnDot/Hennepin County Project Coord. • Public/private improvement projects mgmt./inspection • Municipal State Aid program Administration • Traffic engineering • Development plan reviews • Right-of-way permits • Public infrastructure asset management • Small cell network mgmt. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Park general grounds/ structures maintenance • Sport Parks maintenance • Park facilities construction improvements • Forestry program, natural resource mgmt and Emerald Ash Borer plan • Street median landscape maintenance • City Hall, Police, Fire and Maintenance facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street and sidewalk maintenance • Street resurfacing program • Street and sidewalk snow and ice control • Street/signal lights maintenance • Storm sewer/ditches/ponds maintenance • Traffic striping and symbol marking • CEP vehicle/equip. purchase and coordination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water regulatory agencies required reports • Water treatment plant and wells maintenance and improvements • Water towers and reservoirs maintenance/improvements • Water distribution system maintenance • Sanitary sewer collection system/lift stations maintenance

Operations & Maintenance Department- (110)



Brooklyn Park Recreation & Parks Organizational Chart



**Park
Maintenance
Historic
Staffing**

YEAR	FT STAFF	SEASONAL STAFF
1997	21	10
1998-2002	19	8
2003-2004	17	8
2005-2007	18	9
2008-2010	19	9
2011	19	10
2012-2014	19	9
2015-2017	20	10.5
2018-2019	21	10.5
2020 (COVID)	21	8
2021-2022	20	10
2023	21	8
2024	21	8
2025	22.33	8

Core Services

Park Maintenance Division

- General Park Maintenance
- Recreation Program Support (Athletic Fields)
- Park Buildings & Structures
- Forestry & Natural Resources
- Streetscape





General Park Maintenance



- Turf & Landscaping
- Trails & Parking Lots
- Refuse Collection
- Graffiti & Vandalism
- Special Events Support
- Outdoor Skating Rinks



Recreation Program Support

Athletic Fields





Park Buildings & Structures

- Activity, Bathroom, Storage Building and Picnic Shelter Repair and Maintenance
- Playground Equipment
- Play Courts
- Historical Farm Operations Support

Forestry & Natural Resources

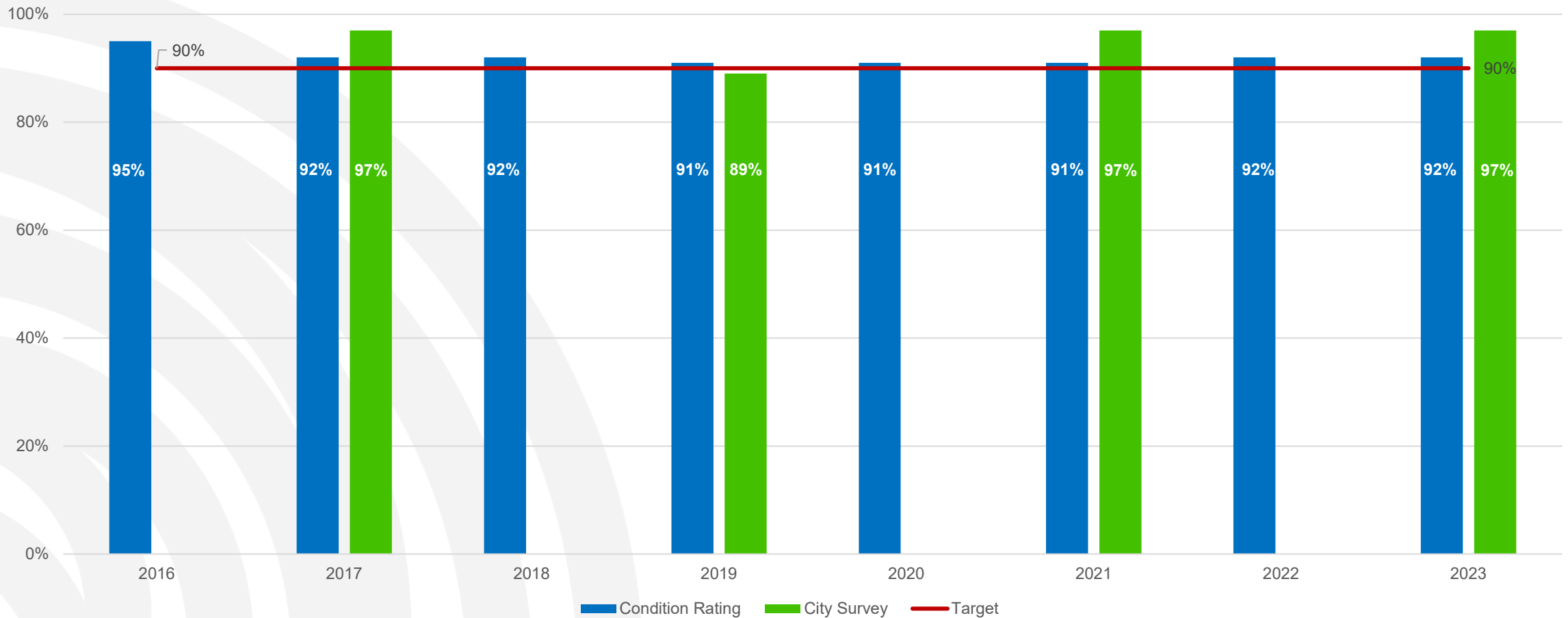




Streetscape

Key Metrics For Essential Services

Park Facilities Ratings (% Good)



Snow & Ice Control

- Streets-532 Lane Miles (17 Routes)
- Cul-de-Sac-503 (14 Routes)
- Sidewalks-80 Miles (5 Routes)
- Trails 55 Miles, 53 Parking Lots (12 Routes)
- Average 20 Events/ Year
 - 2022-2023 Season 35 Events
 - 2023-2024 Season 10 Events



Snow & Ice Control Equipment



Tandem Dump	7
Single Dump	13
Front End Loader	5
Skid Loader/Tool Cat	5
1 Ton	17
Pick Up	4
Polar-Trac/Ventrac (Sweeper)	4
MT Sidewalk Plow	5
Large Tractor Blower	2
Medium Tractor Blower/Sweeper	2
Small Tractor Blower	2
Walk Behind Snowblowers	8
Total Equipment	74

Snow Event Staffing



Streets	17
Fleet	4
Parks	19
Buildings	5
Utilities	12
WTP	3
Golf	4
CAC	2
Managers	6
Total	72

Core Essential Services

- **Street-Fleet Maintenance Division**

- Street Maintenance
- Snow and ice control
- Signs and striping
- Storm sewer
- Street and signal light
- Equipment maintenance



Core Essential Services

• Water Utility

- Water plant operations Wells
- Water distribution
- Meter services
- Hydrant maintenance
- Service repairs
- Locates (GSOC)

• Sanitary Sewer Utility

- Sanitary sewer collection
- Sewer cleaning and inspection
- Lift stations
- Locates (GSOC)





Core Essential Services

- **Support
Services/Recycling**

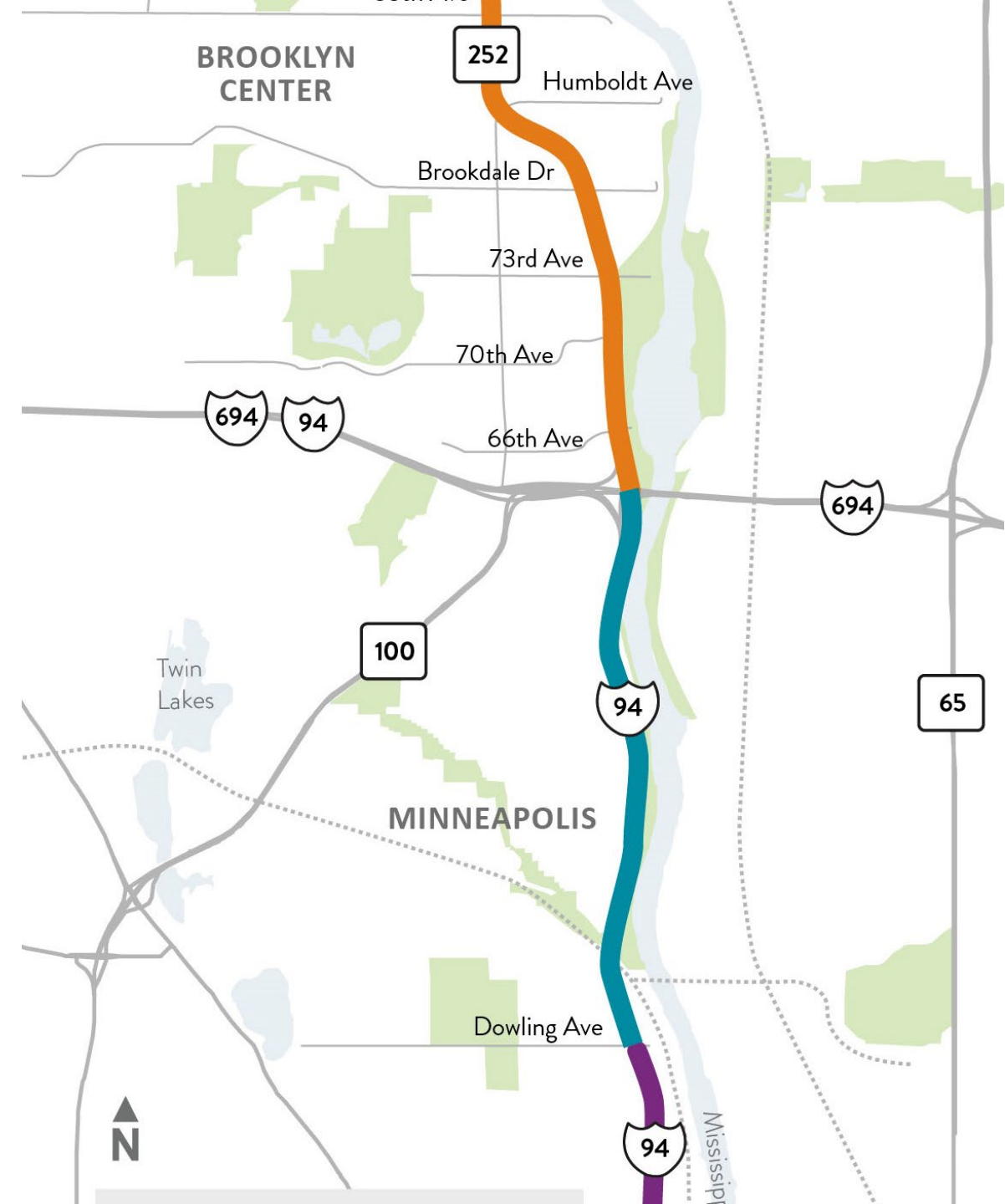
- Reception/admin support
- GIS mapping
- Curbside recycling
- Yard waste drop off
- Hennepin Recycling Group (HRG) administration
- Clean up events



Core Essential Services

- **Engineering**

- Street-Utilities construction/reconstruction project management/inspection
- State and county project coordination
- Development plan review
- Permits
- Traffic engineering
- Water resources



Emerald Ash Borer



Non-native Insect

Discovered in Detroit, Michigan/Windsor,
Ontario area in 2002

First Discovered in Minnesota (St. Paul and
Houston County), in May 2009

First Discovered in Brooklyn Park in August
2017 (Private tree across the street from
Edinburgh USA)



How it Starts



What We are Seeing

Current Public Ash Tree Inventory

<u>Year</u>	<u>Ash Trees In Inventory</u>
2010	3201
2011	3369
2012	3537
2013	3714
2014	3900
2015	4095
2016	4299
2017	4317
2018	4725
2019	5002
2020	4980
2021	4585
2022	4416
2023	4396
2024	3834
2025	3463

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What we are Doing

Public Ash Tree Removal

Year	Public Ash Tree Removals
2014	10
2015	17
2016	26
2017	110
2018	116
2019	291
2020	297
2021	364
2022	262
2023	361
2024	569
2025 (As of 1/31/25)	62
Total	2485

Tree Planting

Year	Trees Planted on City Property	Tree Sale Trees Planted on Private Property
2014	37	131
2015	48	119
2016	47	122
2017	78	105
2018	102	44
2019	111	100
2020	364	138
2021	499	140
2022	347	165
2023	189	163
2024	196	162
Total	2018	1389



New Trees

Ash Tree Treatment Program

Treatments Completed on a 2-year cycle

Year	Public Trees Treated*	Private	Total Treated
2014	5		5
2015	206		206
2016	142		142
2017	208		208
2018	502		502
2019	1462	604	2066
2020	1554	523	2077
2021	1480	697	2177
2022	1429	700	2129
2023	1240	1007	2247
2024	1317	763	2080
Total	9545	4294	11592

Treatment Partnership With Rainbow Tree Care

Average Tree Size 19.2 DBH

City Trees (2023-2025)

- \$4.05/DBH
- Average Cost/ Tree \$73.71
- \$5.50-\$6.00/ DBH Open Market
- Average Cost/ Tree \$104.65

Private Trees (2023)

- \$7.25/DBH
- Average Cost Per Tree \$131.95
- \$11.00-\$12.00/ DBH Open Market
- Average Cost/ Tree \$195.65

<https://www.rainbowtreecare.com/emerald-ash-borer/city-partnerships/brooklyn-park/>

Grants

Year	Granting Agency	Grant Amount	Received to Date
2018/2019	Hennepin County	\$33,462.30	\$33,388.42
2019/2020	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	\$49,549.58
2019/2020	DNR	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
2020/2021	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
2021-2024	DNR Bonding	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
2021/2022	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	\$49,897.85
2022/2023	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
2019/2022	DNR	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
2023/2024	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	
2023-2027	DNR Bonding	\$498,840.00	
2024/2025	Hennepin County	\$50,000.00	
	Total	\$982,302.30	\$382,835.85

Questions?



Northwest Area Park

Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission

March 19, 2025

NW Area Park

3/19/2025



Signature Event Area Task Force

- Formed in Fall 2015
- Identified vision and goals for the park
- Conducted site visits of signature parks in metro area
- Evaluated 19 different sites within city
- Identified 33 acre open space site (Oak Grove Site)
- Hired a consultant to assist with Concept Design
- Worked with multiple stakeholder groups (city staff, LRT, Hennepin County, Three Rivers) to refine the Concept Plan

Signature Event Area Task Force

Consensus Workshop — September 15, 2015

OVER-ARCHING QUESTION: *What are the Experiences and Elements of a Unique, Flexible and Accommodating Signature Event Area?*

SUSTAINABILITY

- Income center, not cost center
- Space that functions 24/7/365
- Design for year-round use & events
- Partnerships

1000+ SHELTER

- Expandability
- Large shelters that flow out to green space
- Multiple large picnic pavilions (500+)
- Gathering spaces for different sized groups

ART INTEGRATED INTO DESIGN/AMENITIES

- Outdoor Art
- Public Art
- Natural amenities (green)
 - Trees
 - Flowers
 - Grass
 - Water
- Water feature - natural or otherwise
- Representative of the diversity of our community

ONE OF A KIND

- Unique
- Something no one else has done
- Trendy
- Signature element or brand
- Inviting and interesting from the outside
- Programming that attracts local and regional community

ACCESSIBLE FACILITY / INFRASTRUCTURE

(infrastructure)

- Good Parking
- Well lit, safety, bathroom amenities
- Nice building/event space
- Walkways (brick paths, year round)
- Ice Rink
- Large parking lot/parking ramp
- Underground parking
- Ample bathrooms that are clean and have mothers' room (not port-a-potty)
- Food and beverage vendors
- Paths and interesting walkways

STAGE FOR PERFORMANCES

- Large music band shell
- Main focus - amphitheater
- Central stage for performances
- A place you can play very loud music/sounds

LARGE, BIG MULTI-PURPOSE SPACE

- Flexible use space; layout easy to navigate
- Large area that would accommodate thousands of people
- Holds 5,000 people
- Signature Structure
- Lots of useable green space
- Arbor / Wedding space

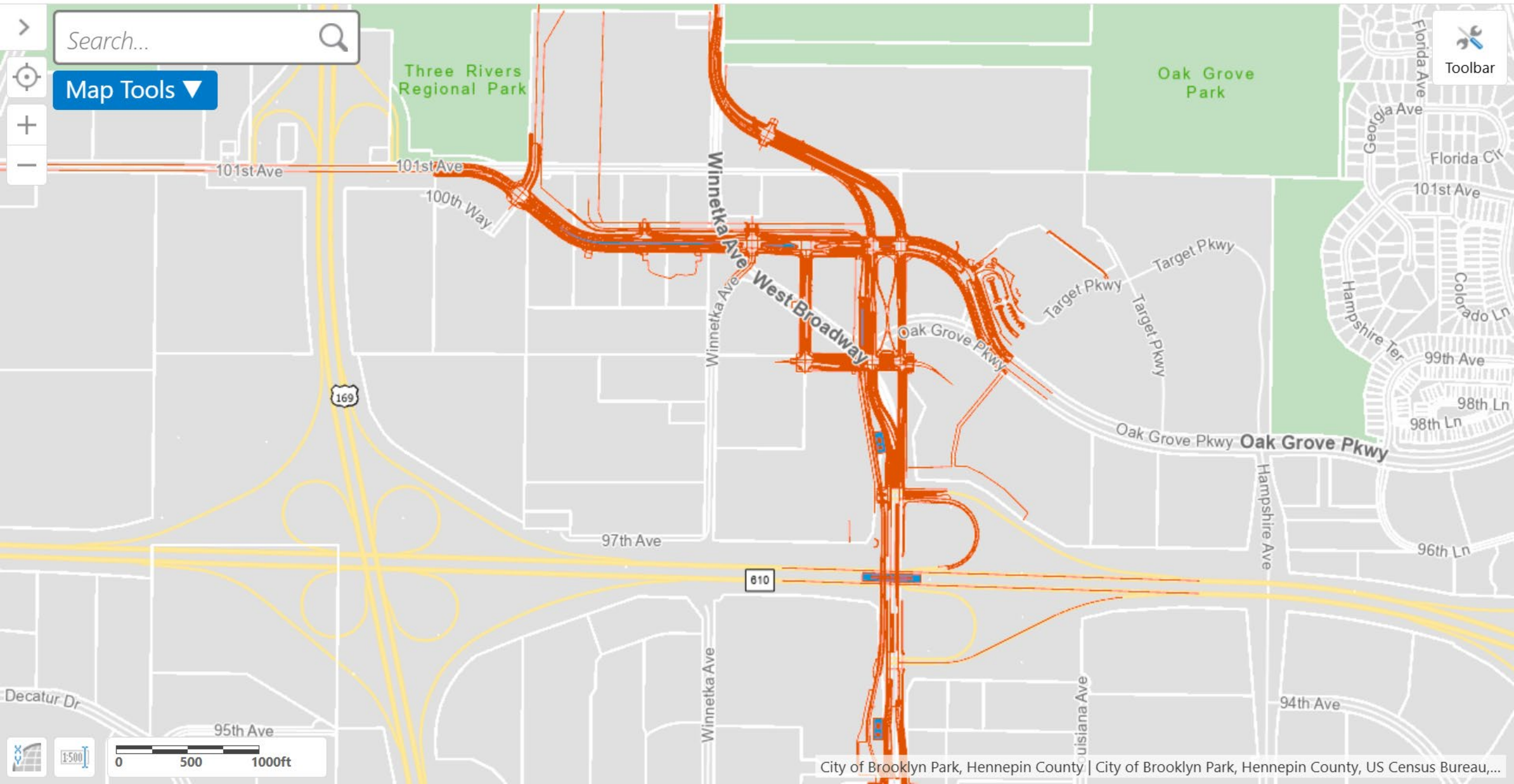
SIMPLE INTERACTIVE FUN SPACE

- Simple fun
- Water element that allows interactive play
- Family oriented

POTENTIAL CHALLENGES

- Funding/Sustainability
- Community Needs vs. Regional Destination
- Addressing Inequities (Disparities)
- Determining Best Locations (NIMBY)





1. Main Park Entrance
2. Roundabout/Art
3. Bus Parking (parallel)
4. Parking
5. 300 Person Pavilion
6. Play Area
7. Great Lawn
8. Small Pavilion
9. Service/Parking Court
10. Performance Stage
11. Prefunction Green
12. Stormwater Pond
13. Water Tower
14. Park Maintenance Shed
15. Play Area
16. Frog Pond
17. Guest Center
18. Small Picnic Shelter
19. 500 Person Pavilion
20. Large Plaza
21. Memorial Gardens
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23. "Grass Pave" Parking
24. Berm
25. Rush Creek Trail Connection
26. Operations & Maintenance Facility
27. MCES Sanitary Interceptor

Note: Pavilions will include restrooms

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VISION PLAN

SIGNATURE EVENT PARK | BROOKLYN PARK, MINNESOTA

JUNE 2016









VIEW OF AMPHITHEATER
SIGNATURE EVENT PARK | BROOKLYN PARK, MINNESOTA

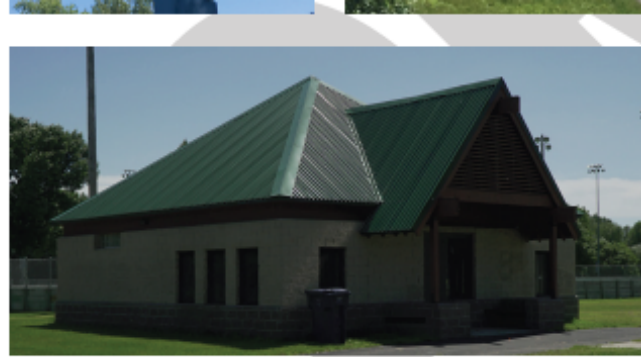
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URBAN DESIGN ASSOCIATES

Park System Planning

- Develop Community Engagement Plan integrated with the Parks System Planning effort
- Included in Park Bond Referendum projects to address amplified sound and large picnicking area
- Delayed until LRT closer to reality



Park reinvestment **\$13,100,000**

- Redevelop and develop large neighborhood parks, including, but not limited to Lakeland, Hartkopf and Norwood parks.
- Renovate park buildings used for recreation programs, including, but not limited to Willowstone, Monroe and Northwoods parks.
- Add kitchen facilities at River and Central park shelters.
- Construct large capacity picnic shelter(s) within the park system.

www.brooklynpark.org/parkbond

SIGNATURE EVENT AREA (S.E.A.) PARK

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SIGNATURE EVENT AREA (S.E.A.) PARK- Concept B

GOAL

Create a Signature Event Area Park (SEA) which can serve the needs of a wide variety of user groups, activities, and programming.

CONNECTION TO EMERGING THEMES

- Introduce new and expanded Special Use Facilities- aquatics, performance, and multi-purpose event open space
- Provide Interconnected Trail System and Connections to surrounding trail systems
- Provide Safety/Conveniences for Park Users – large group picnicking, shade, etc.

BIG MOVES

- Remove performance stage and aquatics feature.
- New cricket pitch venue
- Expanded multi-purpose lawn spaces and picnic areas with support amenities.
- Performance stage to be incorporated into the proposed Performing Art Center at NHCC
- Aquatic facility to be incorporated into expansion of the CAC Campus

1. Main Park Entrance
2. Roundabout/Art
3. Bus Parking (parallel)
4. Parking
5. 300 Person Pavilion
6. Play Area
7. Great Lawn
8. Small Pavilion
9. Service/Parking Court
10. Performance Stage
11. Prefunction Green
12. Stormwater Pond
13. Water Tower
14. Park Maintenance Shed
15. Play Area
16. Frog Pond
17. Guest Center
18. Small Picnic Shelter
19. 500 Person Pavilion
20. Large Plaza
21. Memorial Gardens
22. Wind Break
23. "Grass Pave" Parking
24. Berm
25. Rush Creek Trail Connection
26. Operations & Maintenance Facility
27. MCES Sanitary Interceptor

Note: Pavilions will include restrooms

0 100 200 400 FEET

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SIGNATURE EVENT AREA (S.E.A.) PARK- Concept C

GOAL

Create a Signature Event Area Park (SEA) which can serve the needs of a wide variety of user groups, activities, and programming.

CONNECTION TO EMERGING THEMES

- Introduce new and expanded Special Use Facilities- aquatics, performance, and multi-purpose event open space
- Provide Interconnected Trail System and Connections to surrounding trail systems
- Provide Safety/Conveniences for Park Users – large group picnicking, shade, etc.

BIG MOVES

- Remove performance stage
- Aquatic facility to be included with assumption that no aquatic facility to be added to CAC
- Aquatic facility to include zero depth entry, water spray feature with support facilities and playground area
- Aquatic facility to incorporate ability to transition to outdoor winter destination area (skating)

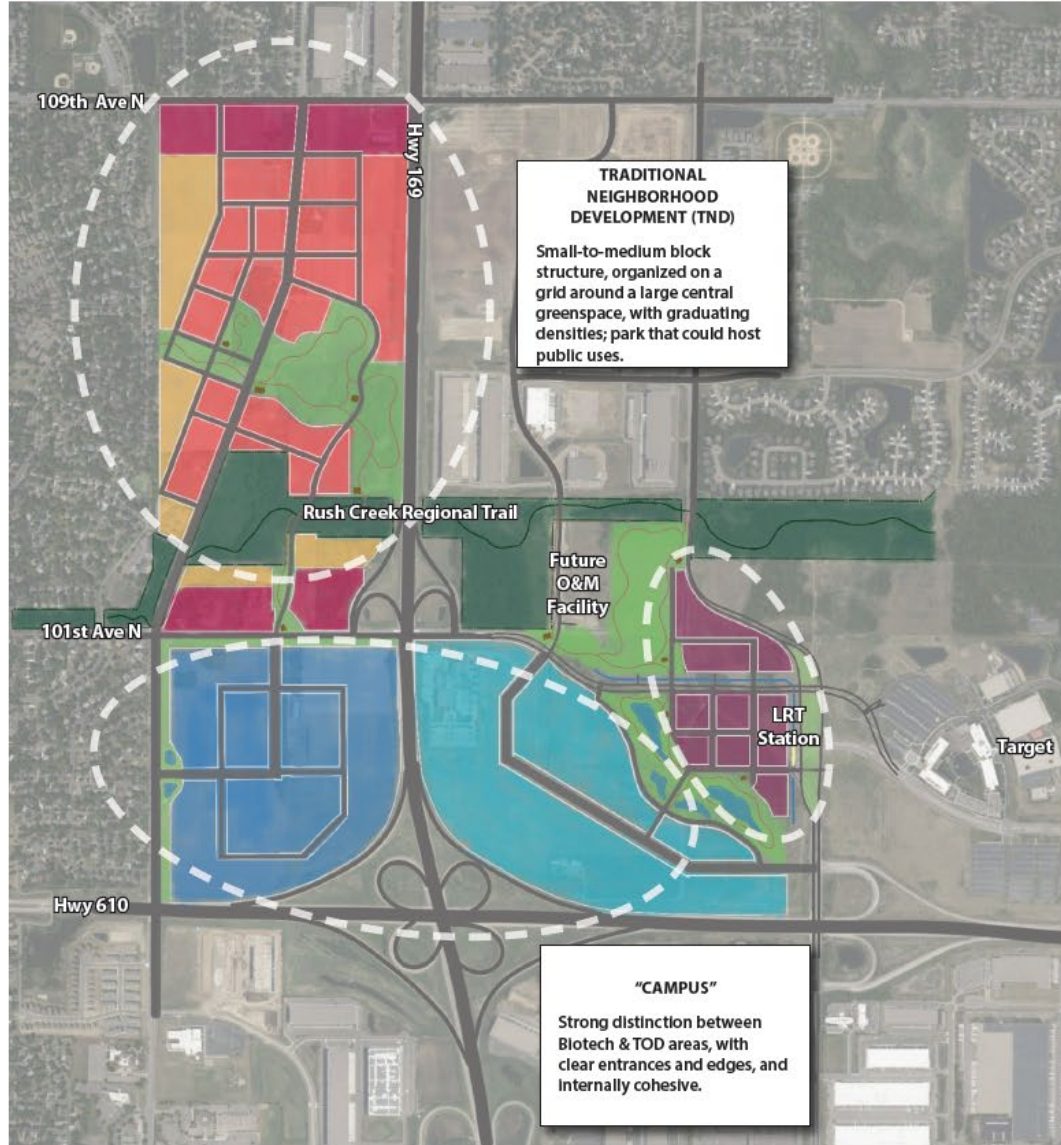


Whitewater Rafting Center

- Charlotte, NC
- Montgomery, AL
- Oklahoma City, OK
- Proposal brought forward in 2018
- City would donate land & invest +/- \$20M
- Stalled due to lack of funding



SCENARIO PACKAGE #1



YIELDS:

USES	UNITS / SQ FT
Low/Med Density	200 - 300 Units
Med/High Density	975 - 1300 Units
Transit Oriented Development	1,000 - 1,500 Units/ 200,000 - 300,000 Sq Ft
Commercial	400,000 - 500,000 Sq Ft
Biotech Research & Office	1,250,000- 1,350,000 Sq Ft
Biotech Production & Manufacturing	1,250,000- 1,350,000 Sq Ft

TRADITIONAL NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT



Lenox Village TND | Nashville, TN

CAMPUS

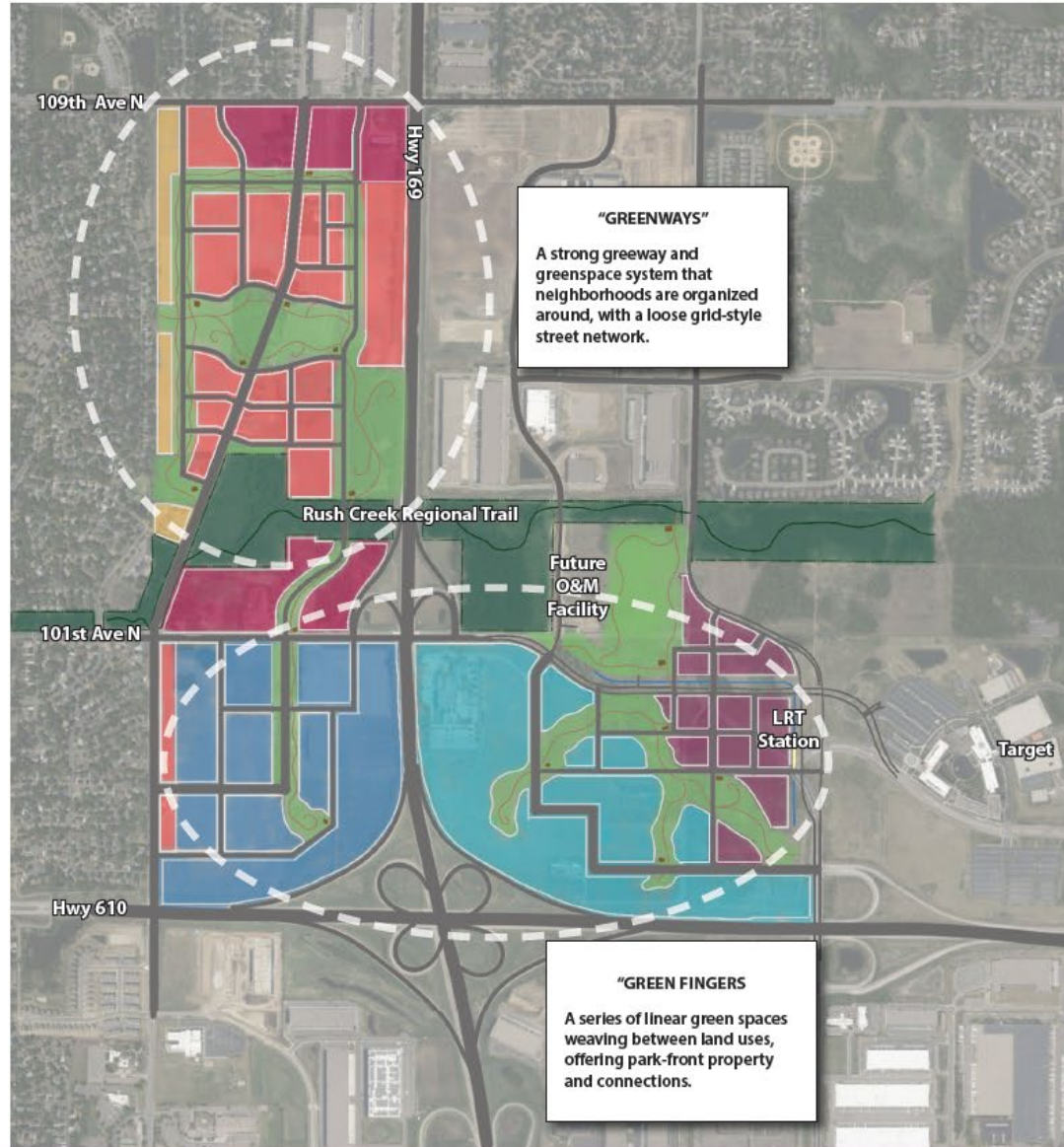


General Mills Campus | Golden Valley, MN



Bethel University Campus | Arden Hills, MN

SCENARIO PACKAGE #2



YIELDS:

USES	UNITS / SQ FT
Low/Med Density	80 - 120 Units
Med/High Density	975 - 1,300 Units
Transit Oriented Development	1,200 - 1,800 Units/ 200,000 - 300,000 Sq Ft
Commercial	900,000 - 1,000,000 Sq Ft
Biotech Research & Office	2,150,000 - 2,250,000 Sq Ft
Biotech Production & Manufacturing	2,050,000 - 2,150,000 Sq Ft

Greenways



Neighborhood greenway trail and amenities

Green Fingers

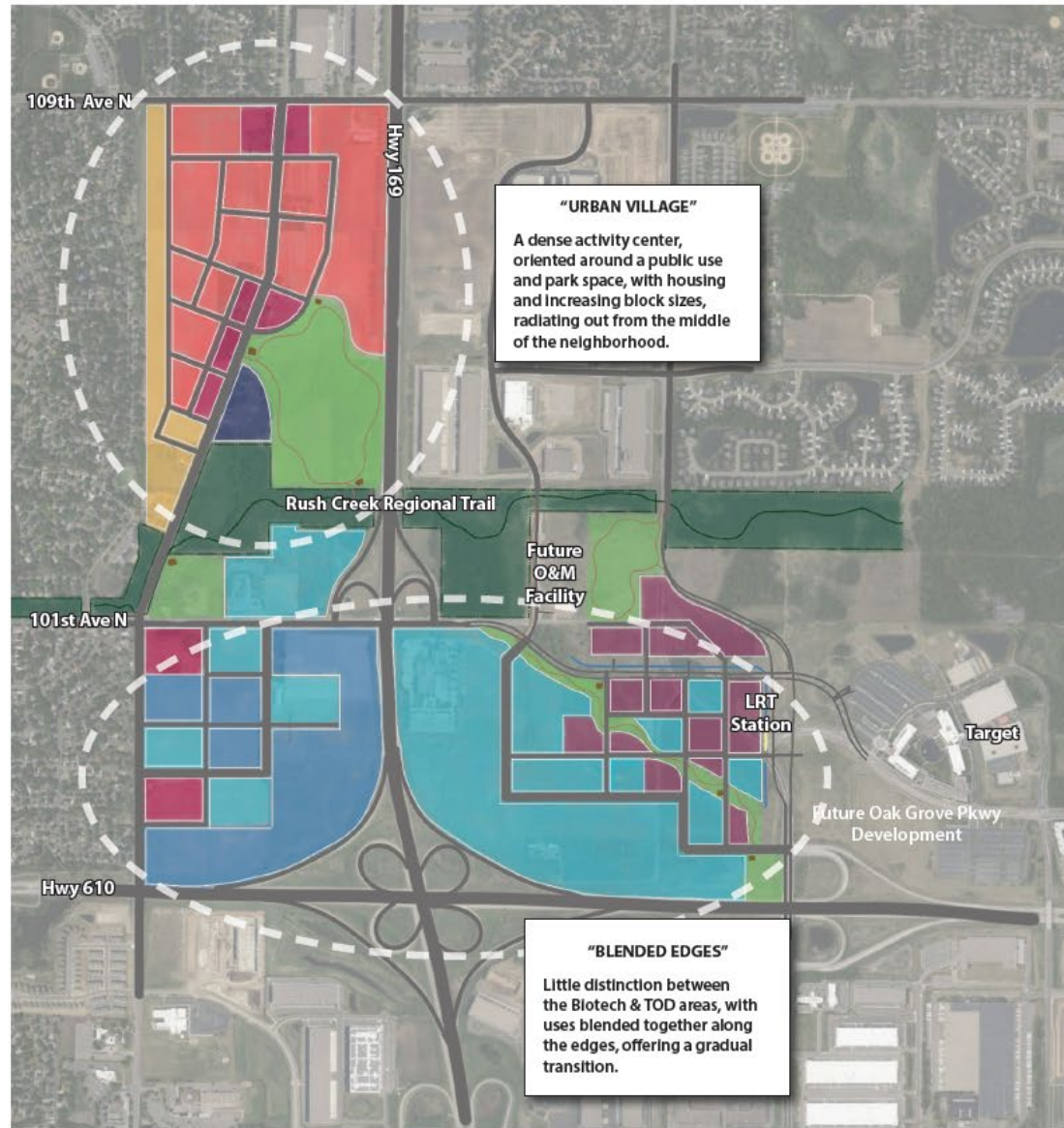


Urban Stormwater and amenity area



Naturalized stormwater and trail amenities

SCENARIO PACKAGE #3



YIELDS:

USES

- Low/Med Density
- Med/High Density
- Transit Oriented Development
- Commercial
- Biotech Research & Office
- Biotech Production & Manufacturing
- Public / Institutional

UNITS / SQ FT

- 150 - 250 units
- 1,200 - 1,600 Units
- 1,200 - 1,800 Units /
200,000 - 300,000 Sq Ft
- 200,000 - 300,000 Sq Ft
- 2,900,000 - 3,000,000 Sq Ft
- 750,000 - 850,000 Sq Ft
- 25,000 - 75,000 Sq Ft

URBAN VILLAGE



Urban Village Concept | San Antonio, TX
Photo Credit: City of Antonio

BLENDED EDGES



Boston Scientific, Land O' Lakes, and surrounding area | Arden Hills, MN

Next Steps

- Community Development actively planning for NW Area development
- Is the vision for NW Area Park still relevant?
- Are there new items to think about?
 - (space to commemorate indigenous people)
- What additional information would you like to see?

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	6.1	Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025
Agenda Section:	General Information – Presentations	Presented By:	Marcus Hill, Manager of Parks and Facilities
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	PARKS AND FACILITIES UPDATE		

Overview:

Marcus Hill, Parks and Facilities Manager will present a review of the work of the Parks and Facilities Division during the past year and a discussion about the work planned in the year ahead. Parks & Facilities Manager Hill will provide a PowerPoint presentation at the meeting.

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

NA

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

NA

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	6.2	Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025
16 Agenda Section:	Presentations	Presented By:	Kelly Becker, Recreation Supervisor
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Community Resources		

Overview:

Kelly Becker, Recreation Supervisor, will present information on the community resource page and other resources available to residents 55+ living in Brooklyn Park.

In 2019 staff identified that each department was working off individual resource lists to serve residents. Through age-friendly department workplan discussions it was determined that a cross-department resource list was needed to better serve residents. Recreation & Parks staff began collecting resources from each department as a part of the Age-Friendly Brooklyn Park community work. The goal was to develop a resource list that could be used internally and shared with the community. When the pandemic hit in the spring of 2020, this resource list was well used and very valuable to city staff while assisting residents.

In 2022 staff identified that the resource list needed to be modified due to many organizations changing services during and after the pandemic. Staff in Recreation & Parks and GIS launched a Community Resources interactive website and GIS map based off the 8-domains of livability and focused on resources in Brooklyn Park and surrounding area in 2023.

<https://www.brooklynpark.org/community-resources/>

Recreation & Parks is partnering with other City departments and several organizations to provide lifelong learning educational opportunities, services, and resources to residents.

A few of the community resources Recreation & Parks partners with:

- Senior Community Services: <https://seniorcommunity.org/>
- Alzheimer's Association of MN-ND: <https://www.alz.org/mnnd>
- AARP MN: <https://states.aarp.org/minnesota/>
- Home Health Care, Senior Living, Foot Care, North Memorial, Home Services

Other resources residents are referred to but not maintained by the City:

- Minnesota Help: <https://www.minnesotahelp.info/>
- Senior Linkage Line: <https://mn.gov/senior-linkage-line/>
- Disability Hub MN: <https://disabilityhubmn.org/>
- Veteran's Linkage Line: <https://minnesotaveteran.org>

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

N/A

Attachments:

April – June Adults on the Move Guide – Resources featured on pages 14-15.

<https://www.brooklynpark.org/adults/> - click View Program & Activity Guide

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission			
Agenda Item:	8.1	Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Pam McBride, Youth Services Manager; Jen Gillard, Recreation Manager
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Program and Events Update		

April 2025

- 11 Movie Night at the Dome
- 17 Cops & Teens Basketball Tournament

May 2025

- 3-4 Dance Recitals at Osseo HS
- 3 Movie Night at the Ballpark
- 5 Little Farmer Nature Preschool Drop-off
- 10 Art in the Park
- 17 Spring on the Farm
- 19 Farm Open Gate Hours Begin
- 30 Goat Yoga
- 31 Tater Daze Parade
- 31 Community Gathering

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

Wednesday 2nd & 4th monthly Tech Support for Seniors at the CAC

Weekly Fitness classes at the CAC Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri

Weekly drop-in activities for youth and teens at Zanewood Recreation Center Monday-Friday 2-8pm

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.



Young Women's group- ages, 14-17 years old, Every Friday 4:00- 6:00pm at Zanewood

Young Men's group- ages 16- 18-year-old, every Monday, 4:30- 6:30pm at Zanewood

Adult Fitness

2025 Spring Adult Fitness classes are underway at the Community Activity Center. Scheduled classes included Monday-Friday offerings. Staff have designed and implemented an updated check-in processing system which will allow for more accurate tracking and reporting of fitness (and pickleball) participation within Brooklyn Park. The few month reporting tracking showed significantly higher attendance numbers, signaling that this new check-in process is working as desired. The last day of the indoor pickleball session will be Friday, April 18th. Pickleball players have additional summer league opportunities available at Norwood courts.

Adults on the Move

The redesigned April - June Adults on the Move Guide is available at www.brooklynpark.org/adults/ 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 850 people.

- Outreach
Staff have been working with Senior Community Services to bring free Technology Help to residents in senior living communities. Starting in April Tech Help will be offered bi-monthly at Creekside Gables, Urbana Place, and Saint Therese. Tech Help will still be offered at the CAC every other week.
- Outreach
Fire and Recreation staff are presenting a "Timely Topic" at Saint Therese on Wednesday, April 30.
- Lifelong Learning
New educational classes with the Alzheimer's Association and AARP Minnesota
- Trips
April 10 trip to SkyRock Farms in Medina, May 14 a day in Historic Northfield.
- Weekly Adult Social Groups
Weekly social activity group members are renewing their 2025 yearly membership. Participants are 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. The yearly fee is an affordable \$16/residents and \$22/non-residents for all programs throughout the year.

Events

In partnership with Edinburgh and Brookland, the Events team is hosting a Golf Movie in the Dome on April 11. The event features golf activities and culminates with a showing of Space Jam: A New Legacy.

In May, the Celebrate Brooklyn Park series hosts four events starting with a Movie Night at the Ballpark on May 3. Catch a game before the show! BPAA and Park Center partnered to bring two games to the field ahead of a showing of 'The Rookie' to celebrate the house league opening weekend.

On May 10, Art in the Park offers a day of creativity and outdoor fun, featuring make-and-take art activities along the trail in Central Park.

The 61st annual Tater Daze Parade takes place on Saturday, May 31 from 10-11a.m. along 101st, Regent, and Oak Grove Pkwy. Following the parade, folks are invited to the Community Activity Center lawn for the 2nd annual Community Gathering. NW Food Truck Festival is joining the event this year, bringing 10 diverse food truck options to Lion's Way. On the main stage, catch cover bands A Hard Day's Night (The Beatles tribute band) and Belladivas (funk & soul) as well as community performances from TKO Drumline and Away Runakuna.

Aquatics

Spring Aquatics classes began the week of April 5. April-May swim offerings include an additional evening of lessons (Thursday) where we again hope to continue to grow offerings available to our community through

Youth-Adult swim classes: Adult, Women & Girls Only Swim, Adaptive Aquatics, Teen classes. Registration for Summer (June-August) aquatics will open on Thursday, May 29th at 10AM.

Adaptive Recreation/ Inclusion Services:

Spring Adaptive Recreation programs began the first week of April and include fitness, art, and aquatics offerings. Reach for Resources partnership adaptive recreation programs continue in Brooklyn Park and include a variety of offerings at the CAC and Historic Eidem Farm. Inclusion Services have continued in many programs this spring including K5 Fusion, ice skating, dance, youth sports, and more. Planning for summer adaptive recreation programs and inclusion supports is underway, including wrapping up hiring for a team of Inclusion Specialists.

Youth Sports

Pee Wee Soccer and Youth soccer at Edinbrook is completely full and starts on April 8th. Both classes are taking place at Edinbrook Elementary and Palmer Lake on Tuesdays

Lil Tykes and Tiny tots Spring 1 has ended on Saturday mornings at the Community Activity Center. Next sessions will start in the summer.

Tobler Gymnastics Spring programming has begun on April 1 for Youth ages 3 to 14 at Park Center Highschool. Registration numbers are high and over 100 registrants. Classes will go until May 28.

Adult Sports

Adult Softball registration is almost full. We have 15 out of 16 max teams registered. Registration will close April 17th. Opening day for the league will take place on May 9 at Noble fields.

Historic Eidem Farm

March Maple Syruping at the Farm programs have wrapped up for the season, with over 70 participants joining farm staff to experience the process of collecting sap from maple trees and turning it into syrup.

Little Farmers Nature Preschool Drop-off continues into April, with 8 people currently registered. During this program preschoolers will get the chance to explore the Banyard, play in the garden, and enjoy an active morning using all 4 senses to experience the farm.

Spring on the Farm is happening Saturday, May 17, from 11 am. – 3 pm and will include a performance from the Jolly Pops as well as the opportunity to plant vegetables and flowers in the gardens, greet the new baby animals, explore the grounds, taste a cooking demo on the woodfire stove and play yard games.

Critter Camp and Nature Preschool Camp are filling up fast, with session 1 & 2 of Critter Camp completely full.

Open Gate Hours begin on May 19 where the Farm will be open for free exploration, story time, and drop-in activities!

- Monday - Wednesday 10am-2pm
- Thursday, 10am-7pm
- Saturday 10am-2pm

Brooklyn Park Dance

2025 Dance Recital Theme is Into the Wild and will take place on May 3 & 4 at Osseo Senior High School.

Summer Camp

Summer Camp registration is going well with a few age groups at select camps full and others trending in the right direction. Summer camp hiring is complete with 21 new seasonal hires and 41 returning staff.

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 and Fridays from 6-8pm

ZW Open Volleyball: Sundays- 8:30am- noon.

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

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

Chess Club- September 12- December 20 on Mondays and Friday's 4-6:00

Zanewood Music Studio- Tuesdays and Thursdays 4-6:00pm

Convince Us! Debate Club- Tuesdays/ Fridays 6:00- 8:00pm

Aura Beauty Class- Fridays 5:00- 6:30pm

Young Adult programming

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

Arts, Wellness & Engagement Programming

Winner's Row Citywide Photo Contest unveiling April 23 and Ice Cream social- April 23, 4:00- 6:00pm Village Creek Park

2025 Citywide Photo Contest- April 25- July 11- submit photo online. www.brooklynpark.org

Citywide Re-beautification Survey- Give insight in Public Art and classes- starting April 25

K- 5 grade programming

Fusion Sites: 4:00- 6:00pm, Monday- Thursday at Zanewood Recreation Center - 7100 Zane Ave North.

➤ Session 4 January 6- June 5

➤ Spring Break 3/24- 3/28, includes Olympic Day, Field Trip, Arts and Crafts and BBQ

Rec on the Go- restarting in June

Ages: K-5

Rec on the Go is a FREE program that brings recreation opportunities to youth, K–5th grade, all-over Brooklyn Park. Kids must be 5 years old by June 1, 2024 and entering kindergarten to participate.

Activities will include group games, team-building challenges, sports, arts and crafts, and science. Meals and snack will be provided

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider: N/A

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues: N/A

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission

Agenda Item:	8.2	Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025
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.

Construction began on April 17, 2023. Construction of the maintenance facility is complete. The work on the Gateway Center is substantially complete. Construction is complete on the reservation shelter, playground, archery range and parking lots on the west unit. Once the restoration of the work areas is complete, the park will open to the public.

Construction of the underpass on West River Road has also been completed.

2. EAB UPDATE

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: Work on two Hennepin County Grants and a Grant from the DNR will continue in 2025.

3. NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

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

Project Update: Staff continue 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 2025 in key park areas.

**4. COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS
(2025 planning, 2025-2026 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 options for creating a multi-court gymnasium. A final concept design was provided to staff and JLG/292 Design Group provided cost estimates in the range of \$20 million for the improvements to the CAC including improved entrances

and corridors, relocated office space, improved parking, enhanced outdoor event space and the addition of multi-court 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. This language was amended in the 2024 legislative session to remove language about the conversion of rink one. The city will seek an additional \$9.5M in funding during the 2025 legislative process.

Project Update: City Council approved a Task Force of Brooklyn Park residents to assist with the planning and community engagement for the Community Activity Center Improvements at the January 6th City Council meeting. The Task Force will focus on working with Recreation & Parks Department staff and a consultant to help further develop the concept vision for the addition of a multicourt gymnasium, entrance and corridor improvements, and exterior events space at the CAC. The Task Force will also serve as a community engagement resource to share information about the importance of the project with the community and legislators leading up to a 2025 MN State Legislature bonding request. The Task Force held meetings January 14, February 11, and March 4.

- **SENIOR CENTER (2025 planning, 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 the final location is determined. The Senior Center is being considered with the CAC improvements and Fire Station projects. A new Central Fire station is planned to be constructed on the site of the former Hennepin County Library. The plan is to then remodel the current Central Fire Station into a new space dedicated to fitness and social activities for older adults.

Project Update: No New Update

5. **TEEN CENTER (2023-24 planning, 2025 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 the design consultant (Design by Melo) to develop plans to renovate the existing space for K-5 programming and create new space in the form of an addition for teen and young adult programming.

Project Update:

The groundbreaking ceremony for the Teen Center project took place April 7th at Zanewood Recreation Center. We had a great turn out, had a number of different media outlets in attendance as well as members of the community, Osseo Area Schools District, Elected officials, city staff, and program partners. Donlar construction has officially began by setting up the site with safety fencing, removed and excavated the outdoor basketball court, and starting to work on utilities of the space. The plan is to open our doors late fall of 2025.

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 and second 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. The project was awarded to SignArt and installation is in progress.

7. **PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENT**

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: Staff is finalizing the playgrounds for replacement in 2025.

8. TRAIL REHABILITATION

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: Trinity Gardens Park trails are programmed for 2025.

9. HISTORIC EIDEM FARM VISITOR CENTER (TDB planning, TBD construction)

Funding Source(s): Park Bond Reinvestment Projects

Project Update: Staff are preparing for an application for the DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant to help fund construction of building including a picnic shelter with restrooms and indoor program space. The application was submitted on March 31, 2025. A decision on funding is expected in July 2025.

10. PARKING LOT REHABILITATION

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: As part of the 2025 Street Rehabilitation project there are several parking lots scheduled for rehabilitation.

11. TENNIS COURT REHABILITATION

Funding Source(s): Heritage Fund

Project Update: Bass Creek Park tennis court is scheduled for rehabilitation in 2025.

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:	April 16, 2025
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Directors Report		

Overview:

1. Zanewood Groundbreaking

A groundbreaking ceremony was held at Zanewood Recreation Center on Monday April 7th. It was well attended with representatives from various city departments and other partners on the project. Thank you to the RPAC commissioners that were in attendance.

2. Mayor State of the City

Mayor Hollies Winston hosted the State of the City event at Edinburgh USA on Tuesday April 8th. The Mayor shared the priorities of the City Council and the work being done with our legislators.

3. RPAC Opening

Commissioner Matthews has resigned her position on the Recreation and Parks Advisory Commission. Her vacancy will be filled through the typical city process. There are currently no applications to consider so if you know anyone that may be interested, please let them know to watch the city website for more information.

4. Reminder

Director Tullberg will not be at the April RPAC meeting due to a conflict with the City Council Priority Setting meeting between Council Members and Directors being held the same evening.

Attachments:

City of Brooklyn Park RECREATION AND PARKS ADVISORY COMMISSION			
Agenda Item	8.4	Meeting Date:	April 16, 2025
Agenda Section:	Written Reports	Presented By:	Brad Tullberg, Director of Recreation and Parks
Recreation & Parks Director Proposed Action	Recent City Council Agenda Items and Community Engagement		

Overview:

8.4.1 4.3 RFCA AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR MN DNR OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT
- CC March 24th

Primary Issues/Alternatives to Consider:

NA

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

NA

Attachments:

8.4.1 4.3 RFCA AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR MN DNR OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT
- CC March 24th

8.4.1A 4.3A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR MN DNR OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT

City of Brooklyn Park Request for Council Action

Agenda Item:	4.3	Meeting Date:	March 24, 2025
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
Item:	Authorize Application for Grant Funding through MN DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant		

City Manager's Proposed Action:

MOTION _____, SECOND _____, TO WAIVE THE READING AND ADOPT RESOLUTION #2025-____ TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE MN DNR OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT FOR HISTORIC EIDEM FARM.

Overview:

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Outdoor Recreation Grant Program assists local governments in acquiring parkland and developing or redeveloping outdoor recreation facilities in local and community parks throughout the state. There are two sources of funding for the Outdoor Recreation Grant Program: federal and state funds. Federal funds come from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), provided by the National Park Service (NPS). Federal funding available for FY 2026 has not yet been allocated but should be at least \$2.5 million for the Outdoor Recreation Grant Program and the Natural and Scenic Areas Grant Program. Grants are reimbursed up to 50 percent of the total eligible costs. The maximum grant award is \$350,000 (for a total project of \$700,000).

As part of the 2018 Park Bond Referendum, a program support building with bathrooms was identified as a priority project for Historic Eidem Farm. The proposed project will add an indoor program space with bathrooms, picnic shelter, accessible raised garden beds and an accessible trail.

Staff have reviewed grant requirements and agree to be bound by MN DNR Outdoor Recreation 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 MN DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant to support the addition of a program building with bathrooms, picnic shelter, accessible raised community garden plots and accessible trail.

Budgetary/Fiscal Issues:

Staff is requesting up to \$350,000 in MN DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant funds to be used to support the addition of a program building with bathrooms, picnic shelter, accessible raised community garden plots and accessible trail.

Attachments:

4.3A RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION #2025-

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH
THE MN DNR OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT FOR HISTORIC EIDEM FARM

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Outdoor Recreation Grant Program assists local governments in acquiring parkland and developing or redeveloping outdoor recreation facilities in local and community parks throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, The City of Brooklyn Park desires to develop indoor program space with bathrooms, picnic shelter, accessible raised garden beds and an accessible trail at Historic Eidem Farm;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Brooklyn Park act as legal sponsor for the project contained in the Outdoor Recreation Grant application to be submitted on March 31, 2025 and that the Recreation and Parks Director is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Natural Resources for funding of this project on behalf of the City of Brooklyn Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the applicant maintains an adequate Conflict of Interest Policy and, throughout the term of the contract, will monitor and report any actual or potential conflicts of interest to the State, upon discovery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Brooklyn Park has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and it has the financial capability to meet the match requirement (if any) and ensure adequate construction, operation, maintenance and replacement of the proposed project for its design life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Brooklyn Park has not incurred any development costs and has not entered into a written purchase agreement to acquire the property described in the Cost Breakdown section on this application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Brooklyn Park has or will acquire fee title or permanent easement over all the land described in the boundary map or recreational site plan included in the application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon approval of its application by the State, the City of Brooklyn Park may enter into an agreement with the State for the above-referenced project, and that the City of Brooklyn Park certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the grant agreement including dedicating the park property for uses consistent with the funding grant program into perpetuity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the city manager is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant.

I CERTIFY THAT the above resolution was adopted by the Brooklyn Park City Council on March 24, 2025.

SIGNED:

WITNESSED:

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Title) (Date)

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