

Parks and Trees Committee - February 8, 2023, 6 pm

Agenda:

Location

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91746576398>

Meeting id: (enter manually if issue with link): 917 4657 6398 **Mobile** 1-346-248-7799, (id 917 4657 6398)

Committee Members: (highlighted in attendance)

Laura Savidge, (Co-Chair), Sarah Martin, (Co-Chair)

Jaime Davis, Judy Hyde, Kailee Noland, Linda Heinen, Linda Thornburg, Matt Lero, Russell McCorkle, Kate Raglow, Council Liaison, Tom Madigan, Council Liaison alt

Facilitator: Anthony Marshall, Parks and Recreation Superintendent

Daniel VandenBos – public works (optional)

Consent Agenda :

- Total available funds for expenditure: \$2,973.56
- Approve minutes from January

Guests:

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Discussion/updates/new items:

- Major Goal for this year- Master plan update (finding out who is working on).
 - Possible Disc Golf course, new playground equipment in 2024.
 - Allocation from the Rocks- 395K- (likely plus 80K originally targeted)
 - Special meeting happened to discuss further on the 19th
 - Most likely will receive, can start planning
 - Community Forum to gain ideas to start- discuss questions for ideas
 - Next steps
- Traffic Garden event- Bike Parade
 - With Bike Walk KC
 - Have group brainstorm for event- Sarah and Laura to add on to ideas from fall

Public Comment/ Concerns:

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Completed in last month:

- R Park playground fence keep getting torn down, city working on a more sturdy fence along with signage being installed.
 - AB Creative purchased a sturdy fence installed

Open Action Items

Cooper Creek:

- updates- **Judy/Laura**
 - signage, placement, other
- Play equipment update

Juniper:

- Exploring Grant- **Laura**
 - Tito's Vodka grant for community gardens- Let Laura know if you'd like to help

Nall Park:

- Sewer work has impacted the trail- any updates (no longer getting response from Urban Trails)-
 - Ask PW if it's a safety issue as far as the sewer work portion
 - KS Heavy is going to fix it with sod, grass, adding signage to stay on the trail
 - and then for future maintenance if there's another non-profit trail group that will work with us., Anthony did get ahold of someone
- A Federal Land and Water Conservation grant for contribution of costs to the Nall Park- possibly for inclusive play.
 - **Laura** investigating the grant to start
 - Welcome other ideas
- Bike racks for the Park- Sustainability purchased to place in the park- hasn't chosen the location yet
 - Decided to place in concrete for now- **Anthony**?

R Park:

- R Park- Phase III- **Anthony**
 - Musical element see if it can be dampened- from manufacturer- **Anthony**
 - Yes it can be, but we'd have to do ourselves
 - Clean-up/issues to address
 - Bollards – look for less expensive option?
 - Estimate for resurface the basketball court as not included in Phase III- **Anthony**- will have an estimate and way to resurface for next meeting (is heavily sloped)
 - 52K to resurface?
 - Traffic Garden revamp
 - Sample signs ordered?
 - Meeting in R Park, smaller group
 - Posts 5.5 ft and signs from 36 to 24

- R Park- "Mighty Bike" Sculpture- **Matt/Laura**
- R Park- Wildflower Meadow Subcommittee- Jaime
- Anthony recovered area on 2/2
- R Park- Ash disposal- how we handle safely
- Johnson County Waste Services- takes ash disposal?
- Bucket?- how do citizens dispose of
- Message on the marquee, even if it's just "enjoy the park"/update bulletin
- Calendar sent
- R Park- Idea for tree markers w/ QR codes- next discussion
- General signage subgroup to be scheduled
 - Schedule sub-group

Sweaney:

- Utility board update- Daniel/Anthony
 - Donnie and Utility Company need to work on together
 - Anthony- Challenge with getting ahold of the utility department- need to follow up with further for an update
 - Next step have them mark where we can dig- city has to cover costs, planning on using Wood

All Parks/Trees:

- City website- make ability to rent Pavilion/shelters easier/easier to find?- any updates?
- Midtown signs on consolidated signage, For Cooper Creek, Nall and R Park- Laura
 - subgroup
- Missing Bench from R Park- replacement in storage?
 - Order a black one

Other Parks (no agenda items listed):

- Carpenter, Granada, any updates from group?

Adjourn

Next Regular Parks Meeting Wednesday, March 8, 6pm