

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**  
**July 5, 2022**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Dr. Michelle Steele, Dr. Sharon Gentry, Mr. Jeff Haynes, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Ms. Macy Amos was present to represent Metro Legal. Mr. George Anderson and Mr. Crews Johnston were not present.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Michelle Steele.

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JUNE 7, 2022, APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mr. Jeff Haynes, and seconded by Dr. Sharon Gentry, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held Tuesday, June 7, 2022, as presented.

**V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

None Present

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

**VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

**BOARD APPROVES JULY 2022 CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion of Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes, and seconded by Mr. Haynes, the July 2022 Consent Agenda was approved.

**07-22-01**

**AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL**

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| • Iglesia Oasis de Amor                                     | Coleman Park         | Mon., July 4, 2022      |
| • Movie Nights in the Park                                  | McCabe Park          | July 7,14, 21, 28, 2022 |
| • Back to School Event                                      | Mill Ridge Park      | Sat., July 22-23, 2022  |
| • My Brother's Keeper Nashville Youth Summit                | Watkins Park         | Sat., July 23, 2022     |
| • Fit Factory Field Day                                     | Fannie Mae Dees Park | Sat., July 30, 2022     |
| • The Black Gala Community Social                           | East Park            | Sat., July 30, 2022     |
| • Southeast Community Day                                   | Southeast Park       | Sat., July 30, 2022     |
| • Biomedical Informatics Students Gathering                 | Centennial Park      | Mon., August 1, 2022    |
| • 40 <sup>th</sup> Annual That Ross Collier Sound fest 2022 | Fannie Mae Dees Park | Sat., August 13, 2022   |
| • Javvon Jones  | Hadley Park          | Sat., August 13, 2022   |
| • Project Return Field Day                                  | Richland Park        | Sun., August 14, 2022   |
| • Friends of Shelby Ice Cream Social                        | Shelby Park          | Sat., August 20, 2022   |
| • We Are Family Picnic                                      | Percy Warner Park    | Sat., August 27, 2023   |
| • BA Boot Camp After-Hours Event                            | Centennial Park      | Thur., August 30, 2023  |
| • 10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Labor Day Parade & Celebration    | Cumberland Park      | Sat., September 3, 2023 |

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)**

**FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

- TCYPAA Field Day Shelby Park Sat., July 23, 2022
- Back to School Backpack Drive Hadley Park Sat., July 30, 2022
- Radio Direccion Anniversary Richland Park Fri., August 19, 2022

**AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

- Roscoe Rescues Volleyball Tournament 2022 Centennial Park Sun., July 9, 2022
- One World Health Field Day Cleveland Park Thur., July 28, 2022
- Zeta's Annual Food Truck Festival Hermitage Park Sat., August 13, 2022
- TTS Picnic Percy Warner Park Sat., August 20, 2022
- YLD Race Judicata Edwin Warner Park Sat., Sept. 10, 2022
- Golden Pheasant Triathlon Shelby Park Sun., Sept. 18, 2022
- Greater Nashville Heart Walk Fannie Mae Dees Park Sat., October 1, 2022
- 2022 Nashville Walk-n-Roll Edwin Warner Park Sun., October 2, 2022
- Music City Pickle Paw Classic Centennial Sportsplex October 14-16, 2022
- Puppy Up Nashville Edwin Warner Park Sun., October 30, 2022
- Nashville Walk-n-Roll Centennial Park Sun., October 30, 2022

**AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL**

- Pearl High School Reunion Centennial Art Center Courtyard August 12-13, 2022
- Boat Christening Cumberland Park September 20-22, 2022

**AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

- Fridays by the River Shelby Park Sept., 16, 23, 30 & Oct., 7, 14, & 21, 2022
- Taste of Bellevue Bellevue Community Center Sun., Sept. 18, 2022
- Picnic for the Parks Fort Negley Park Sat. Sept. 24, 2022
- Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Public Square Park Fri., April 14-15, 2023

**ALCOHOL**

- Bass Berry & Sims Centennial Celebration Centennial Park September 8-9, 2022

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

**07-22-02**

**BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT FROM METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AGENCY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE II DEVELOPMENT OF KOSSIE GARDNER, SR. PARK.**

Upon motion of Mr. Haynes, seconded by Ms. Scott-Barnes, and discussion an in-kind grant of \$1,500,000 from Metropolitan Development and Housing Authority was accepted. There is no required match or other obligation by Parks associated with this in-kind grant.

**IX. NEW BUSSINESS (cont'd)**

**07-22-03**

**BOARD APPROVES THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR THE TAP OPRY MILLS 17-22 GRANT FOR THE OPRY MILLS CONNECTOR PROJECT FOR THE STONE RIVERS GREENWAY EXTENSION.**

Upon motion of Dr. Gentry, seconded by Mr. Haynes, and discussion the contract amendment for the TAP Opry Mills 17-22 grant for the Opry Mills Connector Project for the Stone Rivers Greenway extension was approved.

**07-22-04**

**BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST TO APPROVE AN EASEMENT ON LOWE'S PROPERTY THAT IS ADJACENT TO BROOKMEADE PARK.**

Board defers request of an easement on Lowe's property that is adjacent to Brookmeade Park to allow for installation of fencing to the Acquisition Committee of the Parks Board as per park policy 3000.25 Acquisition and Disposition of Park Property.

**VIII. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**THE FRIENDS OF MILL RIDGE PARK PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD**

Mr. Darrell Hawks, Executive Director of the Friends of Mill Ridge Park, provided an annual update to the Parks Board. Mr. Hawks highlighted the fiscal year 2021 financials, the parks programming, community partnerships, and the ongoing special projects occurring at Mill Ridge Park during his presentation.

**THE FRIENDS OF WOODMONT PARK PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD**

No representative present to give an annual update.

**IX. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – Tim Netsch**

1<sup>st</sup> + Gay – Park Redevelopment

- Design proposal solicited

Aaittifama Archeological – Phase One

- Construction pricing underway by Friends

Bordeaux Gardens – Playground & Shelter

- Participatory Budgeting project
- Equipment selection, pricing and design proposal solicitation underway

Centennial – Children’s Memory Garden

- Construction underway
- Est. construction complete: Fall 2022

Centennial – Phase Three/Pavilion

- Design underway
- Est. design complete: Summer 2022

Clinton Fisk - Playground & Site Improvements

- Construction underway
- Est. construction complete: Summer 2022

Fort Negley - Master Plan

- Master plan underway
- Est. plan complete: Summer 2021

Fort Negley – Stonework Repair

- Construction underway
- Est. construction complete: Fall 2022

Hartman – Playground & Restrooms

- Participatory Budgeting project
- Est. playground complete: Late 2022
- Restroom design proposal solicited

Mill Ridge - Phase One

- Construction underway
- Est. construction complete: Fall 2022

Old Hickory - Community Center Design

- Design underway
- Est. design complete: Winter 2022/23

Ravenwood – Phase One

- Construction underway
- Est. construction complete: Winter 2022/23

Sevier – Sunnyside Mansion Restoration

- Construction contract negotiations underway

Shelby – Davidson St. Streambank Stabilization

- Design underway
- Est. design complete: Summer 2023

Trinity Hills/Habitat – Design

- Design proposals solicited

Tusculum Road – Master Plan

- Design purchase order in process

Two Rivers – Mansion Events Center

- Design proposal solicited

Warner - De-pave & Picnic Shelters

- Demolition complete
- Construction starts by Friends this summer

Warner – Woolwine Entrance Improvements

- Intersection right-of-way assessment by NDOT underway
- Internal Park road cost estimate complete

Wharf – Master Plan

- Master plan underway
- Est. plan complete: Summer 2022

COMPLETED IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS

Bellevue – Playground sunshades

Elmington - Tennis courts refurb

Hadley – Pavilion

Madison Station – Schematic Design

Warner – Traffic counts

## **X. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – Cindy Harrison**

### **Metro-funded greenway projects**

#### **Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway**

- Master planning, community input and policy phase underway
- 4 Miles
- Master plan completion: Fall 2022

#### **440 Greenway Sevier Park to Brown's Creek Park**

- Planning and design phase
- 1 Mile
- Design completion Winter 2022

#### **440 Greenway Park Plaza to Centennial Park**

- Planning and design phase
- 0.2 Miles
- Design completion Winter 2022

#### **Opry Mills Connector**

- Design and permitting phase
- 1 Mile
- Completion Summer 2022

#### **Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park**

- Property acquisition phase – transfer from MWS
- 1 Mile
- Acquisition completion: Summer 2022

#### **Browns Creek Greenway and Park- Fair Park Phase 2**

- Design phase (managed by Fair Board)
- 0.5 Miles
- Completion date: TBD

#### **Trinity Hills / Habitat Park and Greenway**

- Property acquisition, community engagement and design phase
- Miles – TBD

#### **Cumberland River Greenway at Wharf Park**

##### **Master Planning Phase**

- 0.5 Miles
- Completion: spring 2022

### **Privately funded greenway projects**

#### **Stones River Greenway Hickory Hill Connector at Ravenwood Park**

- 0.5 Miles
- Complete

#### **Stones River and Whites Creek Greenway Trailhead Upgrades**

- Greenways for Nashville
- Design phase

#### **Gulch Greenway & Trailhead at Asurion**

- Construction Phase
- Completion Date: June 2022
- 0.25 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

#### **Cumberland River Greenway (CRG) at Modera Germantown**

- Construction phase
- 0.07 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

#### **CRG Metro Center Levee**

- Trailhead rehab project
- Completion Fall 2022
- Perpetual maintenance

#### **CRG at First Horizon Park**

- New trail segment construction phase
- 0.08 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

#### **CRG at Peabody Union**

- Construction phase

**X. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – Cindy Harrison (cont'd)**

- 0.2 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG at River North**

- Design phase
- Maintenance

**CRG at Oracle**

- Miles TBD
- Planning phase
- Maintenance

**CRG at Magdeburg Greenway/ Morgan Park**

- Rezoning phase
- Adjacent greenspace improvement
- Maintenance

**CRG at Stockyard**

- Rezoning phase
- Trail reconstruction & upgrades
- Perpetual maintenance

**Harpeth River Greenway Bellevue/Hwy 70**

- Rezoning phase
- Miles TBD

**Stones River near Percy Priest Dam**

- Miles TBD
- Design phase

**Centennial Park connector at West End Ave**

- Miles TBD
- Rezoning phase

**Paige's Branch Greenway**

- 0.06 Miles
- Planning Phase

**Greenway easement and open space acquisitions**

**Capital -funded property acquisitions**

**88 Hermitage (Wharf Park Downtown)**

- 3.1 Acres
- Council approval in process

**Tusculum Road property**

- 10 Acres

- Complete

**Public/Private-funded property acquisitions**

**Lockeland Springs Park addition**

- 4 Acres
- Fundraising phase

**Habitat/Trinity Park**

- 6 Acres
- In process

**Privately funded greenway easements and property acquisitions**

- CRG Modera Germantown – in process
- CRG (Peabody Union) – in process
- CRG 2<sup>nd</sup> and VanBuren- in planning
- CRG Opry Mills Connector – easement from Opry Mills Mall in Council approval process
- Century Farms- in planning
- Rail with Greenway (Union Brick)- in process
- Addition to Fisk Park- in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Bellevue – in planning
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**Property transfers and licenses from outside agencies**

**440 Greenway Sevier Park to Browns Creek Park**

- TDOT Excess Land License in process

**Opry Mills Connector**

- TDOT Excess Land License- Council approval in process

**XI. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – Jackie Jones**

- 5: 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park.
- 7: Movie Night in The Park – Sylvan Park Community Group, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. McCabe Center.
- 9: Big Band Dances, 7:00 p.m., Centennial Event Shelter.  
Richland Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
FNP: Fossil Finders, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fort Negley.  
Summer Reading Fest, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Bellevue Park.  
Bordeaux Hills Community Reunion, 1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Bordeaux Hills Park.  
Music City Jerk Festival, 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park.  
Summer Reading Fest, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Southeast Park.  
Roscoe Rescues Volleyball Tournament, 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 14: Movie Night in the Park, Sylvan Park Community Group, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., McCabe Center.
- 15: Full Moon Pickin’ Party, 5:30 – 10:30, Percy Warner Park.  
Tales at Twilight, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.  
Outside Cinema – Friends of Mill Ridge Park, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park.
- 16: Big Band Dances, 7:00 p.m., Centennial Event Shelter.  
Cornelia Fort Pickin’ Party, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Cornelia Fort.  
Richland Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
Whites Creek High School 20th Class Reunion, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Hartman Park.  
Chef Throwdown Fundraiser, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Musicians Corner.  
Nations Benefits Employee Picnic, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Two Rivers Park.
- 17: Friendship Church in the Park, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Mercedes – Benz of Music City Company Picnic, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Jazz on the Cumberland, 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.
- 19: 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park.  
Outside Cinema – Friends of Mill Ridge Park, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park.
- 20: National Puzzlers League Picnic, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park Event Shelter.  
Aimbridge Hospitality Field Day, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., East Park.
- 21: Movie Night in The Park – Sylvan Park Community Group, 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., McCabe Center.

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- 22: Back to School Event – TIRRC, Conexion Americas, and Noticias, 9:00 – 1:00, Mill Ridge Park.  
Tales at Twilight, 7:00 – 8:00, Cumberland Park.
- 23: Big Band Dances, 7:00 p.m., Centennial Event Shelter.  
National Women Touched by Addiction Walk, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Public Square Park.  
TCYPAA Field Day, 3:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Shelby Park.  
Back to School Celebration, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Southeast Park.  
Richland Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
Summer Reading Fest, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Bellevue Park.  
For The People Community Event, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Heartside Food Company Picnic, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Coleman Park.  
My Brother’s Keeper Youth Summit, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Watkins Park.  
Music City Brewer’s Fest, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park.
- 24: Rolling Hills Church Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
Nashville Peacemakers Community Picnic, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Precision Plumbing Picnic, Centennial Park Event Shelter.
- 26: 12 South Farmers Market, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Sevier Park.  
HCA Healthcare Lunch, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Centennial Event Shelter.
- 27: Fox Point Church – Youth Trip, 3:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park Event Shelter.
- 28: Movie Night in The Park, 5:30p.m. – 9:30 p.m., McCabe Community Center.
- 29: Tales at Twilight, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.
- 30: Private Event, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Centennial Park Sunken Garden.  
Big Band Dances, 7:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Richland Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
Music City Jubilee Festival, 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park.  
1st Annual Community BBQ – Hosted by Jackson Entrepreneurs, 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Hadley.  
Southeast Community Day, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Southeast Park.
- 31: Back to School Backpack Drive, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Back to School Bash, 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Coleman Park.

## **XII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

Ms. Odom announced:

- Fiscal Year 2023 Operating Budget passed on June 21, 2022.
- Ms. Odom expressed a very special thank you to all our advocates, Parks Board members, city leaders, internal folks, and friends of the community. She reported that, City leaders know how important parks are to the city and therefore, they advocated for the Parks Department. Thank you for your continuous support for our department, and community.
- The Parks teammates enjoyed the fireworks display at Nashboro last night. Ms. Odom was excited to offer this opportunity to the parks teammates to celebrate Independence Day for the fireworks display and hopes to be able to offer this opportunity in 2023.
- The Point of Sales system has been upgraded, which will allow the system to operate more efficiently. We look forward to implementing online reservations soon, we have been pursuing this for some time now, and are very excited about implementing the system.
- Big Band Dances continue to be extremely popular at Centennial Park. They averaged over 1300 participants per event in the month of June. Big Band Dances are held every third Saturday night at 7:00 p.m. at Centennial Park and run through August 27, 2022. If you have not had the opportunity to partake, please do, find some time to go check it out, it's fun.
- Ms. Odom and Ms. Amos attended the June 17, 2022, Tennessee Historical Commission meeting for the petition to rename Hadley Park and the petition to relocate the Private Confederate Monument. The focus of that meeting was basically notification of waivers, the Commission provided a list of names/organizations they felt should be notified regarding the waivers. Metro Board of Parks Recreation is to notify the organizations in writing of the waivers before the next meeting in September.
- The FY23 Operating budget did pass and as a result Parks received forty-three new positions across the department. We are very thankful and will be working with our partners, internal Human Resources and downtown to fill these positions. Ms. Odom stated that we are still in a situation where it is difficult and challenging to fill position, but we are working very hard to do that. Filling positions helps us become a much more efficient department, so we are working very hard to do that. Ms. Odom stated that she looks forward to providing and update to the Parks Board soon.

**XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/OPEN ITEMS**

Election of Chair and other officers for which vacancies exists.

**With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Monique Horton Odom, Director

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Dr. Michelle Steele, Vice-Chairperson