

**METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**  
**AUGUST 2, 2022**

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Mr. George Anderson, Mr. Pete DeLay, Mr. Jeff Haynes, Mr. Crews Johnston, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Ms. Macy Amos was present to represent Metro Legal. Dr. Sharon Gentry and Dr. Michelle Steele were not present.

Director Monique Horton Odom announced that because there was not a Parks Board Chair or Vice-Chair present, the Parks Board would need to elect a Chair Pro Tem for the purposes of presiding during the August 5, 2022, Parks Board meeting, and that Mr. George Anderson had agreed to serve in that capacity. Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Haynes, and discussion the board elected Mr. George Anderson to preside as Chair Pro Tem for the August 5, 2022, Parks Board Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. George Anderson.

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JULY 5, 2022, APPROVED**

Upon motion of Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes with the proposed correction to note Mark Bradfield rather than Tim Netsch as the presenter of the Capital Projects Update, and seconded by Mr. Crews Johnston, the minutes of the July 5, 2022, Parks Board meeting were approved with corrections.

**V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS**

Councilmember Sharon Hurt was in attendance in support of agenda item number 08-22-04.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

**VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

**BOARD APPROVES AUGUST 2022 CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion of Mr. Jeff Haynes, and seconded by Mr. Johnston, the August 2022 Consent Agenda was approved. Ms. Scott-Barnes commented that there was an event on the Consent Agenda that reflected a date before the Parks Board approved the Consent Agenda. She further expressed that events reflected on the Consent Agenda should not occur prior to Parks Board approval. Director Odom agreed.

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

**08-22-01**

**AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL**

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| • Biomedical Informatics Student Gathering     | Centennial Park Event Shelter | Mon., August 1, 2022  |
| • Nashville SC-IMPACR Soccer Back to School    | ES Rose Park                  | Sat., August 6, 2022  |
| • Teresa Beech                                 | Two Rivers Park               | Sat., August 13, 2022 |
| • Outside Cinema                               | Mill Ridge Park               | Fri., August 19, 2022 |
| • Xfinity Experience                           | Walk of Fame Park             | August 20 - 21, 2022  |
| • PO Shen LOH                                  | Edwin Warner Park             | Tue., August 23, 2022 |
| • Outside Cinema                               | Mill Ridge Park               | Fri., August 26, 2022 |
| • End of Summer Back to School Drive           | Hartman Park                  | Sun., Sept. 4, 2022   |
| • Valarie Bean                                 | Hadley Park                   | Sat., Sept. 10, 2022  |
| • Caterpillar Financial United Way 5k & 1 Mile | Centennial Park Bandshell     | Fri., Sept. 16, 2022  |
| • Belvins Rogers Wedding                       | Centennial Sunken Gardens     | Sat., June 10, 2023   |
| • Ray Webster                                  | Sevier Park                   | Sat., June 17, 2023   |
| • Music City Freedom Festival                  | Hadley Park                   | June 17-18, 2023      |
| • Juneteenth 5k and 10k Fun Run                | Shelby Park                   | Tue., June 19, 2023   |
| • Music City Jerk Chicken Festival             | Walk of Fame Park             | Sat., July 1, 2023    |

**AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

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| • Ride with Rho Psi                  | Shelby Park             | Thur., October 6, 2022 |
| • Get Your Rear in Gear              | Richland Creek Greenway | Sat., March 4, 2023    |
| • Music City Mutt Strutt 5K & 1 Mile | Shelby Park             | Tue., May 23, 2023     |

**FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

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| • Nashville ONS Vendor Fair | The Parthenon | Thru., August 25, 2022 |
| • Eat to Live 5K            | Shelby Park   | Sat., October 1, 2022  |
| • Cupids Chase 5K           | Shelby Park   | Thru., Feb 23, 2023    |

**AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL APPROVAL**

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| • Black Gala Social                         | East Park                    | Sat., August 27, 2022  |
| • 2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Starry Night Event | Centennial Art Center        | Sat., Sept. 10, 2022   |
| • Community Picnic                          | Walk of Fame Park            | Sat., Sept. 17, 2022   |
| • Wedding Reception of Turner & Nikrant     | Centennial Art Center        | Sat., Sept. 17, 2022   |
| • Wedding Ceremony & Reception              | Centennial Art Center        | Sat., October 15, 2022 |
| • Wedding Ceremony & Reception              | Centennial Art Center        | Sat., October 29, 2022 |
| • Music City Madness                        | Riverfront Park              | March 11-18, 2023      |
| • Baswell Wedding                           | Edwin Warner Park-Ridgefield | Sat., April 22, 2023   |
| • Music City Head Race                      | East Bank Landing            | October 28-29, 2023    |

**AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL**

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| • Pro Wakeboard Tour | Riverfront Park | September 24-25, 2022 |
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**VIII. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

**08-22-05**

**BOARD ACCEPTS GRANT FROM THE NASHVILLE CONVENTION AND VISITORS CORP IN SUPPORT OF THE MUSEUM FEASIBILITY STUDY AS PART OF THE FORT NEGLEY MASTER PLAN.**

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. DeLay, and discussion a grant of \$25,000 from The Nashville Convention and Visitors Corp in support of the Museum Feasibility Study as part of the Fort Negley Master was accepted. The Parks Department will match the grant (50%). The matching funds have been approved and will come from the existing fund being used for the Fort Negley Masterplan.

**08-22-06**

**BOARD REVIEWS ANNUAL MONITORING FACILITY USAGE REPORT FOR E.S. ROSE PARK SPORTS COMPLEX.**

John Holmes, Metro Parks Assistant Director of Revenue Producing Facilities, provided an overview of the Annual Monitoring Facility Usage Report for E.S. Rose Park Sports Complex.

**08-22-07**

**NOMINATION OF PARKS BOARD CHAIR AND OTHER OFFICERS FOR WHICH VACANCIES EXIST AS PER SECTION 1000.4 OF METRO PARKS POLICY MANUAL.**

Upon motion, second, and discussion the board unanimously, approved the nominations of Dr. Michelle Steele as Chair, and Mr. George Anderson as Vice-Chair.

The election of officers will be conducted at the September 2022 Parks Board meeting.

**IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**THE FRIENDS OF SHELBY PARK AND BOTTOMS PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD.**

Ms. Rebecca Ratz, Executive Director of the Friends of Shelby Park and Bottoms, provided an annual update to the Parks Board. Ms. Ratz highlighted the environmental programs, park improvements, community outreach, and the ongoing current initiatives at Shelby Park and Bottoms during her presentation.

**IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (cont'd)**

**THE FRIENDS OF FORT NEGLEY PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD.**

Mr. Chris Cotton, Executive Director of the Friends of Fort Negley, provided an annual update of activity. Mr. Cotton thanked Director Odom, the Parks staff, and Parks Board for their support. He also thanked Tim Netsch for the leadership role he has taken on with the Fort Negley Master Plan Project. Mr. Cotton stated that it's been an honor hosting the community presentations and that he is looking forward to fundraising for the Master Plan. Mr. Cotton highlighted the success of the new lecture series called the "Underground Railroad", the annual spring 2023 fundraiser, and the continuous efforts of fossil finding.

**X. 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

**XI. 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 complete
- Final TDOT Excess Land License going through Metro Council approval permitting phase
- 1 Mile
- Project out to bid Fall 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

**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
- Under construction

**Gulch Greenway & Trailhead at Asurion**

- Construction complete
- Asurion’s mural complete
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony August 4, 2022
- 0.25 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

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

- Construction phase
- 0.07 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG Modera at The Nations**

- Rezoning Phase
- 0.12 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG Metro Center Levee Trailhead**

- Trailhead rehab project
- Under construction
- Completion Fall 2022
- New trailhead kiosk and graphics, reduction of impervious surfaces, new landscape installation, new gateway sculpture and lighting
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG at First Horizon Park**

- New trail segment construction phase
- 0.08 Miles
- New landscaping and lighting
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG at Peabody Union**

- Construction phase
- 0.2 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

**CRG at River North**

- Design phase
- Maintenance

**XI. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – CINDY HARRISON (cont'd)**

**CRG at Oracle**

- Miles TBD
- Planning phase
- Maintenance

**CRG at Magdeburg Greenway/ Morgan Park**

- Rezoning phase
- Adjacent greenspace improvement
- Maintenance

**CRG at Stockyard 900 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North**

- Rezoning phase
- Trail reconstruction & upgrades
- Perpetual maintenance

**Harpeth River Greenway Ariza Bellevue**

- 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
- Complete

**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) – approved by Council
- CRG 2<sup>nd</sup> and VanBuren- in planning

- CRG Opry Mills Connector – easement from Opry Mills Mall approved by Council
- Century Farms- in planning
- Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway (Union Brick)- in process
- Addition to Fisk Park- in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Bellevue –Ariza Bellevue multi-family development in rezoning process
- Proposed 21 acres new park space, greenway extension via tunnel under CSX rail line to existing greenway pedestrian bridge, new vehicular bridge with access to Park property donated by Dorothy Kate and Thomas Frist Foundation
- Community engagement underway by developer and Metro Planning

**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



**XII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES**

- 2: Night Out Against Crime, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., East Park.  
Old Hickory Night Out Against Crime, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Old Hickory Field.  
Night Out Against Crime, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Southeast Park.  
Night Out Against Crime, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Public Square Park.  
West Nashville Night Out Against Crime, Bellevue Park.  
Momentum Telecom Summit, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 5: Tales at Twilight, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.  
Litton Back to School Block Party, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Litton Park.  
We Luv the Kids Bash, 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Private Event, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Music City Grand Prix, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.  
Music City Grand Prix, 9:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m., Riverfront Park.
- 6: Big Band Dances, 7:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Silence the Violence, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Jackson Street Church Picnic, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Watkins Park.  
National MPS Society, 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Centennial Park.  
Back to School Bash, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Southeast Park.  
Richland Farmers Market, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Richland Park.
- 7: Back to School Block Party Celebration, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Elizabeth Park.  
Movie in the Park, 4:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Back to School Summer Jam, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Cleveland Park.  
Private Event, 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 9: Bass, Berry, and Sims 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 6:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 12: Full Moon Pickin Party, 5:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m., Percy Warner Park.
- 13: FNP: Fossil Finders – RSVP to [Fortnegley@nashville.gov](mailto:Fortnegley@nashville.gov), 10:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fort Negley.  
Riverwood Church 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Litton Park.  
The Nashville Black Market, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Ross Collier Sound Fest, 2:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Fannie Mae Dees Park.  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Food Truck Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hermitage Park.  
Afrobeat Festival, 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.
- 14: Project Return Picnic, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Richland Park.
- 19: Outside Cinema, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park.  
Belmont Pharmacy Picnic, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park.

**XII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES (cont'd)**

- 20: Handmade Nashville Summer Night Market, 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Bellevue Park.  
Private Event, Cornelia Fort.  
Friends of Shelby Ice Cream Social, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Shelby Park.
- 21: Jazz on the Cumberland, 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.  
MC Car & Bike Show, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
McCabe Little League Community Day, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., McCabe Park.
- 27: Parthenon Event, Simone Willabus, 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Parthenon.  
615 Hadley Bully Camp – Car & motorcycle Show, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Black Gala Social, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., East Park.  
Rise Up Antioch Fundraising Festival, 6:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Mill Creek Park.  
Bethel World Outreach Church Picnic, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park.
- 28: Community Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Rolling Hills Church Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., Richland Park.  
Latin Festival, 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Coleman Park.  
CVS Health Fit Club of Tennessee Picnic, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 30: HCA Picnic, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Centennial Park.
- 1: Musicians Corner – September Showdown Series, 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Musicians Corner.  
Live on the Green Music Festival, 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., Public Square Park.
- 2: Festival of African American Arts & Entertainment, 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Walk of Fame Park.
- 3: KOOL FUN FEST, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Pearl Cohn High School Reunion Class of 1970, 6:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Parthenon, 4:30 p.m. – 12:00 p.m., Parthenon.  
Run for the Rhinos 5K, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Shelby Park.  
Private Event, 6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Labor Day Celebration – Nashville Labor Council, 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Cumberland Park.  
The Hillman Picnic, 12:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., East Park.  
Titans 5K, 5:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., East Bank Landing.  
Private Event, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Percy Warner Park.
- 4: Help to Moms Community Baby Shower, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park.  
Music City Gospel Fest, 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., Hadley Park.  
Back to School Bash, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Hartman Park.  
Love and Soul on the River, 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Riverfront Park.
- 5: MASNA – Labor Day Picnic, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Centennial Park.

**XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR**

Director Odom announced:

- Director Odom expressed a very special thank you to all our Parks teammates who welcomed Parks Board members to their facilities during our recent site visit tour. Director Odom stated that it's always great to get a firsthand view about the programming that's happening in the parks system and the community engagement. Director Odom stated that for the board members that were unable to join us, we will be planning another tour in the next few months and hope that you all will be able to join us.
- Metro Parks will be ending our Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Boys and Girls Club of Middle Tennessee at Cleveland Community Center at the end of upcoming school year. Our staff have meet with the Boys and Girls Club representatives and we feel it is in the best interest of the community for us to resume operations at the center. With our growing Disabilities Program, Cultural Arts, Senior Adults and After School Program, we have the ability to offer the Cleveland Park neighborhood services that are consistent with our other community centers, and we look forward to resuming those operations next year. In the interest of our appreciation for the great work that the Boys and Girls Club has done, we have been generous with the transition time.
- The final hearing date has been set for the petition to the Tennessee Historical Commission to remove the Private Confederate Monument from Centennial Park. The date is February 17, 2023, at a location TBD.
- Director Odom thanked Mr. David Ewing for being her tour guide on the African American Walking History Tour at Centennial Park last month. Director Odom stated that she learned quite a lot and appreciated the staff at the Parthenon for their enthusiasm and knowledge of history and thanked the staff at the Centennial Arts Center for their hospitality. Director Odom thanked Vera Roberts, the staff, and volunteers at Warner Nature Center for their hospitality in hosting her visit with them last week during the Pen Pals Program. Director Odom stated that it's always exciting to get out and see young people enjoying our facilities and learning about nature.
- Director Odom announced that Assistant Director of Consolidated Maintenance Rick Taylor will be retiring very soon after 30 years of service at Metro. We wish him well in his chapters to come.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The Parks Board agreed to move the September 6, 2022, Parks Board meeting to September 13, 2022.

**REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Presentation on the Nashville Parks and Greenways Master Plan (Plan to Play).
- Acknowledgment of service to the Parks Board for Ms. Tari Hughes.

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

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Monique Horton Odom, Director

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Mr. George Anderson, Chair Pro Tem