

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 10, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 12:00 pm in the Centennial Park Boardroom, 2565 Park Plaza, Nashville, TN. Board members present were: Dr. Michelle Steele, Mr. George Anderson, Ms. Christiane Buggs, Mr. Pete DeLay, Mr. Jeff Haynes, Mr. Crews Johnston, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Ms. Macy Amos was present to represent Metro Legal.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD DECEMBER 6, 2022, APPROVED

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, and seconded by Mr. DeLay, the Board approved the minutes of the board meeting held December 6, 2022, as presented.

V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

12-22-01

BOARD APPROVES WEST NASHVILLE SPORTS LEAGUES REQUEST TO RENEW 2023 PERMIT OF FACILITY USE AT WARNER PARK BASEBALL FIELDS.

Upon motion of Mr. DeLay, seconded by Ms. Scott-Barnes, discussion, and having met all obligations of the 2022 annual permit, the West Nashville Sports League's request to renew the annual Permit of Facility Use for the Baseball and Softball fields and adjacent area at Warner Park for 2023, was approved with revisions to section F of the permit by omitting the phrase "youth activities".

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD APPROVES JANUARY 2023 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, and seconded by Mr. Anderson, the January 2023 Consent Agenda was approved.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

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| • Shelby Recreation Open House | Shelby Park | Sat., March 25, 2023 |
| • Walk for Victory | Centennial Park | Sat., April 1, 2023 |
| • Food for the Soul Festival | Hadley Park | April 22-23, 2023 |
| • Cat and Kara's Wedding | Shelby Park | Sat., Nov. 18, 2023 |

VII. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- Girls on the Run 5K Two Rivers Park Sat., May 6, 2023
- ASF National Walk Fannie Mae Dees Park Sat., May 20, 2023
- Hike for Safe Haven Percy Warner Park Creek Cross Country Field Sat., Nov. 4, 2023
- Music City 4th of July 5K Rose Park Fri., July 7, 2023

FUNDRAISING APPROVAL

- St. Ann Boosterthon Fun Run Richland Park Fri., April 21, 2023

AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL

- Nashville SC Season Kick Off Party Walk of Fame Park Sat., Feb. 18, 2023
- CMA Fest Riverfront Park, Walk of Fame Park, & Cumberland Park June 8-11, 2023
- Wedding Reception Edwin Warner Park Ridge Field Sat., June 3, 2023

ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING

- Colors of Shelby Art Show Shelby Bottoms Nature Center April 12-16, 2023

AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL, AND FUNDRAISING

- Soul and Spirits 2023 Percy Warner Park Golf Course Pavilion Thru., March 30, 2023
- Fridays by the River Shelby Park April 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5, & 12, 2023
- Nashville Earth Day Festival Centennial Park April 22-23, 2023
- Full Moon Pickin' Parties Warner Park 4/29, 5/4, 5/26, 6/23, 7/21, 7/22, 8/11, 9/7, 9/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/05, & 11/12, 2023
- Music City Hot Chicken Festival East Park Tue., July 4, 2023
- Full Belly Friends of Shelby 5K Shelby Park Sat., Nov. 25, 2023

01-23-02

BOARD APPROVES FRIENDS OF WARNER PARK REQUEST TO HOLD THE FOLLOWING 2023 FUNDRAISING EVENTS IN WARNER PARK, WAIVED THE USAGE FEES AND GRANTED PERMISSION TO REMAIN IN THE PARK AFTER 11:00 P.M. FOR THE EVENING EVENTS.

Ms. Jenny Hannon, President of Friends of Warner Park, requests for permission to hold the following 2023 fundraising events listed below in Warner Park, was approved. FOWP request for permission to waive the usage fees and permission to remain in the park after 11:00 p.m. for evening events, were also approved. Park Police will be present at each event.

The Shelter Dinner

Saturday, April 29 at Picnic Shelters in Edwin and Percy Warner Park. Each shelter will have a host and guests will enjoy dinner in their reserved shelters. Alcohol will be served. Event run time approximately 4:00-9:00pm.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)

Spring Luncheon

Thursday, May 4 at the Warner Park Nature Center. Event run time approximately 11:00am – 2:00pm. Alcohol will be served, and amplified sound will be used.

Full Moon Pickin' Parties

May 26, June 23, July 21-22, August 11, September 15 at the Warner Park Equestrian Center. Event run times approximately 5:00-10:00pm. Alcohol will be served, and amplified sound will be used.

The Hummingbird Happy Hour

Thursday, September 7 at the Warner Park Nature Center. Event run time approximately 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Alcohol will be served, and amplified sound will be used.

Sunday in the Park

ONE of the following TBD dates: October 22, October 29, November 5, or November 12 in Ridge Field. Event run time approximately 11am-3pm. Alcohol will be served, and amplified sound will be used. Event date will be determined in April 2023 after the Titan's schedule is released.

Harpeth Hills Flying Monkey Marathon

Sunday, November 19 at the Vaughn's Creek Cross Country Course in Percy Warner Park. Event run time approximately 7:00am – 3:00pm. Alcohol will be served, and amplified sound will be used.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

01-23-03

BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND DONATION OF 1 TEQ SMART TEQBALL TABLE FROM TEQBALL USA LLC VALUED AT \$4,000.

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. Johnston, and discussion an in-kind donation of 1 Teq Smart Teqball table from Teqball USA LLC valued at \$4,000, was accepted. This donation will contribute to the successful development of teqball at Sevier Park Regional Community Center. There is no required match or other obligation by Parks associated with this donation.

01-23-04

BOARD ACCEPTS IN-KIND GRANT OF \$12,355.33 FROM THE TENNESSEE TITANS (TENNESSEE FOOTBALL INC.) TO LAUNCH A TITANS NFL FLAG LEAGUE TO BE PLAYED IN THE SPRING OF 2023.

Upon motion of Mr. DeLay, seconded by Mr. Johnston, and discussion an in-kind grant of \$12,355.33 from the Tennessee Titans (Tennessee Football Inc.) to launch a Titans NFL Flag League to be played in the spring of 2023, was accepted. The funding will be used for registration fees and scholarships for children participating in the Titans NFL Flag League. There is no required match or other obligation by Parks associated with this grant.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

01-23-05

BOARD DEFERS A DONATION FROM THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS OF A 7.81 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 7156 HIGHWAY 100, PARCEL #14300001500, INTENDED AS AN ADDITION TO EDWIN WARNER PARK, TO THE ACQUISITION COMMITTEE.

The Friends of Warner Parks' donation of a 7.81-acre parcel of land located at 7156 Highway 100, Parcel #14300001500, as an addition to Edwin Warner Park, was deferred to the Acquisition Committee.

01-23-06

BOARD DEFERS A DONATION FROM THE FRIENDS OF WARNER PARKS OF A 0.53 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 7166 HIGHWAY 100, PARCEL #14300001800, INTENDED AS AN ADDITION TO EDWIN WARNER PARK, TO THE ACQUISITION COMMITTEE.

The Friends of Warner Parks' donation of a 0.53-acre parcel of land located at 7166 Highway 100, Parcel #14300001800, as an addition to Edwin Warner Park, was deferred to the Acquisition Committee.

IX. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

NASHVILLE PARKS FOUNDATION PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD.

Ms. Louise Bryan, President of the Nashville Parks Foundation, provided an annual update to the Parks Board. Ms. Bryan highlighted the 2022 achievements, goals for working toward enhancing Parks and Recreations in every Nashville Neighborhood, 2023 budget and funding sources, and the Nashville Parks Foundations 2023 program opportunities during her presentation.

NPF 2022 Financials have been requested per Park Policy 3000.31 (THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF NOT FOR PROFIT FRIENDS OR SUPPORT GROUPS).

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X. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – TIM NETSCH

1st + Gay – Park Redevelopment

- Design underway
- Public meeting: Jan. 12
- Est. design complete: Summer 2023

Aaittifama Archeological – Phase One

- Project cancelled

Bordeaux Gardens – Playground & Shelter

- Participatory Budgeting project
- Construction purchase order underway
- Est completion: Summer 2023

Centennial – Phase Three/Pavilion

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

Clinton Fisk – Phase Two Construction

- Final installations underway
- Est. complete: Winter 2022/23

Fort Negley – Stonework Repair

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

Hartman – Playground & Restrooms

- Participatory Budgeting project
- Est. playground complete: Winter 2022/23
- Restroom construction bid requisitioned

Kossie Gardner, Sr. – Phase Two

- Construction award by MDHA underway
- Est. completion: Summer 2023

Mill Ridge - Phase One

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

Old Hickory - Community Center Design

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

Ravenwood – Phase One

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

Sevier – Sunnyside Mansion Restoration

- Construction underway
- Est. complete: Fall 2023

Shelby – Davidson St. Streambank Stabilization

- Design underway
- Est. complete: Summer 2023

Trinity Hills/Habitat – Design

- Paused for Habitat for Humanity coordination

Tusculum Road – Master Plan

- Underway
- Est. complete: Spring 2023

Two Rivers – Mansion Events Center

- Design underway
- Est. design complete: Fall 2023

Warner - De-pave & Picnic Shelters

- Demolition complete
- Construction permitting underway by Friends

Warner – Woolwine Entrance Improvements

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

Wharf – Master Plan

- Master plan underway
- Final public meeting: Jan. 10

COMPLETED IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS

Centennial – Children’s Memory Garden

Clinton Fisk - Phase One

Elmington - Tennis courts refurb

Fort Negley - Master Plan

Green Hills – Shade Structure

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
- Currently meeting with Cheatham County Rail Authority and adjacent property owners and preparing draft for final public meeting

440 Greenway Sevier Park to Brown’s Creek Park

- Planning and design phase
- 1 Mile
- Community meeting scheduled for January 31st at Sevier Park Community Center.
- Preparing Excess Land final documentation
- Complete construction documents in Spring 2023

440 Greenway Park Plaza to Existing Interior Trails Centennial Park

- Planning and design phase
- 0.2 Miles
- Design completion Spring 2023

Ft. Negley Greenway to Browns Creek Greenway Study

- Procuring Design Services

Opry Mills Connector

- Design complete
- TDOT is requiring NEPA update
- 1 Mile
- Project out to bid Spring 2023

Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park

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

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

- Feasibility study to connect at railroad level to Ascend in progress

Page’s Branch Greenway

- Potential greenway easement/segment with development of new Juvenile Justice Center on Brick Church Pike in cooperation with Metro General Services Dept.
- Planning phase

Privately funded greenway projects

Richland Creek Greenway -White Bridge Trailhead to St. Thomas Hospital

- New extension will be part of Harding Town development

Richland Creek Greenway – Belle Meade Plaza

- Proposed greenway trail as part of proposed redevelopment
- Rezoning phase

Stones River and Whites Creek Greenway Trailhead Upgrades

- Greenways for Nashville
- Complete

Cumberland River Greenway – Pennington Bend

- Pennington Mills – 11 Acre Development
- The Bend – Northgate 220 Acre Development

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 Winter 2023
- New trailhead kiosk and graphics, reduction of impervious surfaces, new landscape installation, new gateway sculpture and lighting
- Perpetual maintenance

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

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
- Received Stormwater Variance approval in September 2022

CRG at Oracle

- Miles TBD
- Planning phase
- Maintenance
- Pedestrian Bridge

CRG at Stockyard 900 1st Avenue North

- Design of Greenway upgrades under staff review
- Participation agreement has been approved by Park Board and includes construction and perpetual maintenance.
- Submitting to Metro Council for approval

Harpeth River Greenway Ariza Bellevue

- Submitted to Planning Commission

Centennial Park connector at West End Ave

- Miles TBD
- Design concept under review

Page's Branch Greenway

- 0.06 Miles
- Planning Phase

Greenway easement and open space acquisitions

Lockeland Springs Park addition

- Acquisition approved by Park Board
- 4 acres
- Metro Council approval in progress.

Parthenon Avenue Park Property Consolidation and Swap

- Approved by Park Board
- Metro Council approval in progress

Warner Park Acquisitions from Friends of Warner Park

- 7156 Hwy 100 submitted to Park Board for approval
- 7166 Hwy 100 submitted to Park Board for approval

Privately funded greenway easements and property acquisitions

- Richland Creek Greenway -White Bridge Trailhead to St. Thomas Hospital – Easement is a condition of SP approval of new Harding Town development
- CRG Modera Germantown – in process
- CRG (Peabody Union) – approved by Council
- CRG 2nd and VanBuren- in planning
- CRG Opry Mills Connector – TDOT Excess Land agreement approved by Council
- Century Farms- in planning
- Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway (Union Brick)-approved by Park Board. Metro Council approval 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- approved by Council

XII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES

- 1/10: Drumline Program for Youth, 5 – 7 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Hartman Park Regional Center.
- 1/13 – 1/17: Big Bear Youth Hockey Tournament, Centennial Sportsplex
Friday, January 13th: 1:00 pm – 11:00 pm
Saturday, January 14th: 7:00 am – 11:00 pm
Sunday, January 15th: 7:00 am – 11:00 pm
Monday, January 16th: 7:00 am – 3:00 pm
- 1/16: 2023 Youth Program Kickoff, Bellevue Community Center. Programs are scheduled from 3 to 8 p.m., Monday – Friday, and 9 to Noon on Saturdays. Registration required.
- 1/27 – 1/29: Middle School Championship Swim Meet, Centennial Sportsplex
- 1/28: Winter Star Party, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Warner Park Nature Center

XIII. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

Director Odom announced:

- Brookmeade Park officially closed for remediation on January 4, 2023. There is no definite timeline for remediation. Fencing contractors have started working at the park. Maintenance cleanup has begun and will continue over the next several months. Assessment will begin after cleanup, to determine the extent of soil contamination and other environmental hazards. There is no estimated timeframe for remediation, renovations, repairs, or the reopening of the park until after the assessment is completed. Parks Police will continue to patrol the area regularly. Thank you to the Parks Board for your leadership and dedication. A special thank you to Parks Police, the Maintenance Division, and Jackie Jones for their work on this issue.
- We are currently in preparation for our 2024 operating budget submission budget instructions have been distributed A two percent budget reduction scenario has been requested for this year. February 10th is the submission deadline.
- Due to cold temperatures during the holidays several of our buildings experienced pipe bursts that caused quite a bit of damage. Special thanks to the Maintenance division who worked during the holiday season to repair damages and continue to make repairs.
- We are still working to fill vacancies across the department there are about 1300 positions (headcount) representing about 600 FTE's in the department. 984 positions are filled and about 327 positions are vacant, which does include seasonals. Parks Police have 39 positions budgeted for their division, of the 39 positions, 22 are vacant. Thanks to Captain Proctor and his team, for their success filling positions.

- In collaboration with Metro Action Commission's Power Youth Program, we will start our first paid Lifeguard Academy at Napier Community Center this Spring. The program will allow 10 teens the opportunity to participate in a paid 10-week training, that will prepare them to successfully complete the Lifeguard prerequisite and certification. The Academy will also provide them with a lifesaving skill and the opportunity to provide a service in the community in which they live.
- Finally, the Metro Dance Team has partnered with Windship Boyd on her African Nashville Project, which aims to connect Nashville Musicians and Dancers with worldwide class musicians and dancers from West Africa. Four guest artists from the African Nashville Project will arrive late in January. We are also developing a partnership with Hartman Park for the West African Dance and Drum Spring break camp for the youth, as well as the Senior Line Dance class for a cross cultural exchange with the Seniors and artist sharing and learning from one another.

Dr. Steele inquired whom will be conducting the contamination assessment at Brookmeade.

Mr. Phil Luckett commented that a contracted vendor would conduct the contamination assessment.

Director Odom announced that Parks will use the \$850,000 received through the American Rescue Plan last year for the work at Brookmeade Park.

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

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

Monique Horton Odom, Director

Dr. Michelle Steele, Chairperson