

MARCH 2024 BOARD MINUTES

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METROPOLITAN BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

MARCH 5, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee was held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 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. Edward Henley III, Mr. Crews Johnston, Ms. Susannah Scott-Barnes and Dr. Michelle Steele. Ms. Cheryl Mayes was not present. Ms. Macy Amos was present to represent Metro Legal.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 6, 2024, APPROVED

Upon motion of Mr. Henley and seconded by Mr. DeLay the February 6, 2024, meeting minutes were approved, as presented.

V. METRO COUNCIL REFERRALS

None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None

VII. OLD BUSINESS

02-24-15

BOARD APPROVES THE 10 YEAR RENEWABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN METRO NASHVILLE GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, ALLOWING METRO (PARKS) TO USE A PORTION OF THE LICENSED PREMISES TO INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN PHASE II OF THE 440 GREENWAY PROJECT.

Upon motion of Mr. DeLay, seconded by Mr. Johnston, and discussion, the 10- year renewable License Agreement between Metro Nashville Government and The State of Tennessee, allowing Metro (Parks) to use a portion of the Licensed Premises to install, operate, and maintain Phase II of the 440 Greenway Project, was approved. There is no cost to Metro to enter into this License Agreement. This new 440 Greenway segment will connect Sevier Park to Gale Lane Park to Browns Creek Park and Greenway and is part of the planned City Central Greenway.

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VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

03-24-01

BOARD APPROVES MARCH 2024 CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, and seconded by Mr. DeLay, the March 2024 Consent Agenda, was approved.

AMPLIFICATION APPROVAL

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| • Easter Vendor Market | Bellevue Park | Sat., Mar. 16, 2024 |
| • Baylor Family of Nashville Dr Pepper Hour | Edwin Warner Park | Sat., Mar. 16, 2024 |
| • India Assoc. of Nashville Holi Celebration | Centennial Park | Sat. Mar. 30, 2024 |
| • Derrick Family Picnic | Cedar Hill Park Shelter 1 | Sat., Mar. 30, 2024 |
| • Saturday at Coleman Park | Coleman Park | Sat. May 30, 2024 |
| • Kite Fest | Mill Ridge Park | May 30, Apr. 13, Apr. 27, & May 11, 2024 |
| • Easter Sunrise Service | Shelby Park | Sun., Mar. 31, 2024 |
| • Midtown 12 South Sunrise Service | Sevier Park | Sun., Mar. 31, 2024 |
| • Siz Dah Bedar | Edwin Warner Park | Sun., May 31, 2024 |
| • Warner Arts Magnet Annual Easter Egg Hunt | East Park | Mon., Apr. 1, 2024 |
| • Honoring Diane Nash Event | Public Square Park | Sat., Apr. 20, 2024 |
| • Workout for Water | Percy Warner Park | Sat. May 18, 2024 |
| • Jazz in the Park w/ Nashville Jazz Workshop | Hadley Park | 5/30, 6/27, 7/25, 8/29, & 9/26, 2024 |
| • Middle Tennessee Unity Day | Cedar Hill Park | Sat., May 8, 2024 |
| • Mitchell – Simpson Wedding | East Park | Sat., Jul. 27, 2024 |
| • India Independence Day Celebration | Public Square Park | Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 |
| • Clinical Solutions 20 th Anniversary Celebration | Edwin Warner Park | Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 |
| • Wholistic Care Fair | Shelby Park | Sat., Aug. 31, 2024 |

AMPLIFICATION AND FUNDRAISING

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| • 404 Day Cookout | Hadley Park | Thru., Apr. 4, 2024 |
| • Walk with OTN | Cleveland Park | Sat., Apr. 6, 2024 |
| • 2 nd Annual Ride w/Rho Psi | Hadley Park | Fri., Apr. 12, 2024 |
| • Hometown Half | Heartland Park | Sat., May 25, 2024 |
| • Optometry Cares 5K | Shelby Park | Sat. Jun. 22, 2024 |
| • East Nashville Tomato 5K | East Park | Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 |
| • DoNot Stop 5K/10K | Two Rivers Park | Sun., Sept. 8, 2024 |
| • Hope & Possibility Achilles Nashville | Richland Park | Sat., Sept. 14, 2024 |
| • Nashville Congenital Heart Walk | Edwin Warner Park | Sat., Sept. 21, 2024 |
| • Wow Jam 2024 | East Park | Sat., Sept. 28, 2024 |
| • Walk to Defeat ALS | Centennial Park | Sat., Oct. 26, 2024 |
| • American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Walk | Centennial Park | Sat., Nov. 2, 2024 |
| • Harpeth Hills Flying Monkey Marathon | Percy Warner Park | Sun., Nov. 3, 2024 |

AMPLIFICATION AND ALCOHOL

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| • Corporate Event for Wildman | Walk of Fame Park | Thur., Apr. 11, 2024 |
| • 10 Years, 10 Million Pounds Celebration | Shelby Park | Sat., May 11, 2024 |
| • Mosaic Event | East Bank/Cumberland Park | Tue., May 21, 2024 |

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VIII. CONSENT AGENDA (cont'd)

AMPLIFICATION, ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING

- Annual Starry Night Event Centennial Art Center Sat., Apr. 27, 2024
- Fridays by the River Shelby Park Fri., May 10, 2024
- Nashville Cocktail Festival East Park Sat., Sept. 6, 2024
- Picnic in the Parks Nashville Parks Foundation McCabe Park/Community Center Sat., Sept. 14, 2024
- Whiskey Run Nashville Two Rivers Park Sun., Sept. 22, 2024
- 21st Annual Race Judicata Edwin Warner Park Sat., Oct. 5, 2024
- DPR-B-Que Centennial Park Fri., Oct. 25, 2024

ALCOHOL

- HCA Care First Annual Field Day Centennial Park Wed., May 1, 2024

ALCOHOL AND FUNDRAISING

- Metro Historical Commission Foundation Sevier Park- Sunnyside Thru., Jun. 6, 2024

FUNDRAISING

- Trash for Cash 2024 Benefit for Autism Riverfront Park May 25-26, 2024

IX. NEW BUSINESS

03-23-02

NOMINATION OF PARKS BOARD OFFICERS

Board members were nominated for office and will be held as record of nominations until the April Parks Board meeting when voting will occur.

Ms. Scott-Barnes was nominated by Mr. DeLay and Dr. Steele was nominated by Mr. Henley for chairperson. Ms. Scott-Barnes accepted the nomination and Dr. Steele was not present during the nomination.

Ms. Scott-Barnes was nominated by Mr. Henley and Dr. Steele was nominated by Ms. Scott-Barnes for vice-chairperson.

Director Monique Horton Odom was nominated by Ms. Scott-Barnes and Director Odom accepted the nomination for secretary.

Upon motion of Mr. Anderson, nominations for Park Board Officers for 2024-25 were closed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

03-24-03

BOARD ACCEPTS GRANT OF \$35,000 FROM THE TENNESSEE TITANS (TENNESSEE FOOTBALL, INC.) IN PARTNERSHIP WITH VERIZON TO PROVIDE TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL SUPPORT TO MCFERRIN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AND COLEMAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER.

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes seconded by Mr. Henley and discussion, a grant in the amount of \$35,000 from The Tennessee Titans (Tennessee Football, Inc.) in partnership with Verizon to provide technology and digital support to McFerrin Park Community Center and Coleman Park Community Center, was accepted. Each community center will receive \$17,500 towards technology, space restoration and furnishings. There is no required match or other obligation by Parks associated with this grant.

03-24-04

BOARD ACCEPTS GRANT OF \$5,000 FROM THE TENNESSEE TITANS (TENNESSEE FOOTBALL, INC.) TO CONTINUE THE TITANS NFL FLAG LEAGUE.

Upon motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. Johnston and discussion, a grant of \$5,000 from the Tennessee Titans (Tennessee Football Inc.) to continue the Titans NFL Flag League into the spring of 2024, was accepted. This 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.

03-24-05

BOARD ACCEPTS STAFFING GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,278 FROM THE CENTENNIAL PARK CONSERVANCY.

Upon motion of Mr. DeLay seconded by Mr. Henley and discussion, the Staffing grant for Fiscal Year 2025 in the amount of \$20,278.00 to fund the continuation of a part-time position in the Parthenon Museum Store, was accepted. The Centennial Park Conservancy will reimburse grant total amounts exceeded due to hourly wage changes or COLA, etc. This grant does not require a match-nor any type of further fulfillment by Metro Parks.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

03-24-06

BOARD APPROVES COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN METRO PARKS AND THE JR. NBA LEAGUE.

Upon motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. Johnston and discussion, the Community Partnership Agreement between Metro Parks and the Jr. NBA, was approved. This partnership will enhance Community Center's youth basketball programs by offering additional resources such as Jr. NBA coach certification training, access to practice plans and curriculum, exclusive Jr. NBA league branding, additional equipment, and options for youth to participate in NBA experiences.

03-24-07

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP TO AMEND THE CURRENT LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN METRO PARKS AND THE NASHVILLE DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP TO INCLUDE MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS OF WALK OF FAME PARK.

Upon motion of Ms. Scott-Barnes, seconded by Mr. DeLay and discussion, the request of the Nashville Downtown Partnership to amend the current lease agreement between Metro Parks and The Nashville Downtown Partnership to include management operations of Walk of Fame Park, was approved. (RFQ 239244,1 & Contract Purchase Agreement 6524818).

03-24-08

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST TO AMEND THE CURRENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN METRO PARKS AND THE BOARD OF FAIR COMMISSIONERS TO INCLUDE A FIVE-YEAR EXTENSION FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT OF FAIR PARK (PHASE I).

Upon motion of Mr. Johnston, seconded by Mr. DeLay, and discussion, the request to amend the current Memorandum of Understanding between Metro Parks and the Board of Fair Commissioners, was approved. The amendment will include a five-year extension for the operation and maintenance agreement of Fair Park (Phase I).

IX. NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

03-24-09

BOARD APPROVES REQUEST OF THE METROPOLITAN NASHVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S AVIATION UNIT.

Upon motion of Mr. Henley, seconded by Mr. DeLay, and discussion, the request of the Metropolitan Nashville Police Department's Aviation Unit to display an Airbus Helicopter at the Percy Warner Park Equestrian Center on April 2, 2024, during the Community Police Academy Event, was approved. MNPD's highly trained pilots will ensure that the arrival and departure occur in a manner with safeguards for members of the community.

03-24-10

BOARD DEFERS STAFF REQUEST OF A DONATED CONSERVATION GREENWAY EASEMENT FOR A NEW SEGMENT OF THE CUMBERLAND RIVER GREENWAY LOATED AT 1710 54TH AVENUE NORTH.

Consideration of a donated Conservation Greenway Easement for a new segment of the Cumberland River Greenway located at 1710 54th Avenue North, parcel # 08000008500, was deferred to the Acquisition Committee. The proposed greenway will be designed, constructed and maintained by the development in perpetuity and will add 3.01 acres of conserved open space to the Metro Park system, at no cost to Metro.

X. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

MS. CHINITA WHITE PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION DIVISION TO THE BOARD.

Ms. Chinita White, Assistant Director of the Finance and Administration Division, provided an informational overview of the Finance and Administration activities and highlights.

THE FRIENDS OF GREEN HILLS PARKS PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD.

Mr. Patrick Bradley provided an update highlighting the FY2023 financials, improvement achievements, and community engagement during his presentation.

X. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (cont'd)

THE FRIENDS OF FORT NASHBOROUGH PRESENTS ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE BOARD.

Ms. Ellen Taylor, President of the Friends of Fort Nashborough provided an update highlighting park improvement, partnerships and interpretive signage during her presentation.

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XI. CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE – JOE STOVALL

1st + Gay – Park Redevelopment

- Construction Documents 95%. To BID in the next 60 days

Bordeaux Gardens – Playground & Shelter

- Participatory Budgeting project
- Construction at 75%. Completed/open to public by end of March.

Cedar Hill Park – Miracle League Field

- Proposal for design and CA submitted.
- Renderings and concept plan submitted and looks great.
- Working to complete application for funding from BCBS foundation and get to Board for approval or in-kind grant.

Centennial – Master Plan, Phase Three

- Design complete. Waiting on Metro reviews and permits to be issued.
- Est. BID timeframe JULY – AUGUST 2024

Fort Negley -Master Plan, Phase One

- Progressing with DD and CD

Fort Negley – Stonework Repair Phase 2

- Completed.

Hartman – Restrooms

- Reached back out to PB team for direction as BIDS have come back (2) times with no BIDS.

Lytle Bend Park

- Survey in progress.

Madison Station – Design

- Will have updated design 07MARCH2024 based on last round of staff comments.

Mariposa – Design

- 60% design in- review by staff

Mill Ridge Phase II

- Design meetings being held working to 30% by 01MAY2024.

Old Hickory - Community Center Design

- Ready to award. Waiting on Procurement process

Ravenwood Phase I Restroom

- Ordered and PO for site work issued – completed by MAY2024.

Sevier – Sunnyside Mansion Restoration

- Construction in final stages.
- SOW added and funding allocated.
- Est. complete: APRIL2024

Shelby – Davidson St. Streambank Stabilization

- Design underway
- Est. complete: MARCH 2024 / Delay – working though permitting at Federal/State level. To BID next.

Shelby Naval Building

- Approved by Board. Working to coordinate progress.

Trinity Hills/Habitat – Design

- Kickoff meeting scheduled for 05MARCH2024.

Two Rivers – Mansion Events Center

- Design complete, on Hold until funding allocated.

Wharf – Master Plan

- Meetings in progress to establish direction.

In Procurement:

- Fort Negley Phase I, CMAR back 23FEB2024

COMPLETED IN THE LAST (6) MONTHS

- Mill Ridge - Phase One
- Ravenwood – Phase One

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XII. GREENWAYS/OPEN SPACE UPDATE – CINDY HARRISON

METRO – FUNDED GREENWAY PROJECTS

Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway

- Developing easement agreement with Cheatham County Rail Authority for use of a portion of their land.
- Field trip with CCRA to see existing rail with greenway in Germantown.
- Working to procure additional greenway easements and open space from adjacent private property owners.

440 Greenway Sevier Park to Brown's Creek Park

- 1 Mile
- 2 Community meetings complete and report is posted on Parks web site.
- Excess land application approved by TDOT. Park Board and Council approval process started for approval of license agreement.
- Construction documents are complete pending any revisions required during permitting.
- Application for FEMA no-rise certification is being submitted. We understand that process could take up to one year for FEMA to complete.

440 Greenway Park Plaza to Existing Interior Trails Centennial Park

- Design of route alignment and cross sections are complete.
- Lighting guideline manual for greenways and lighting design is underway.
- 0.2 Miles
- Interdepartmental permitting underway

Whites Creek Greenway at Hartman Park

- Will extend the Whites Creek Greenway Mullins Park to Hartman Park. 1 mile extension along Tucker Road and across flood buyout property along West Hamilton Avenue to Buena Vista Pike.
- Scoping meeting with consultant complete.
- Site due diligence underway.

Wharf Park to Riverfront Park Greenway Feasibility Study

- Complete.

Opry Mills Connector

- Right of way certification in process with TDOT
- 1 Mile

Browns Creek Greenway and Park- Fair Park Phase 2

- Under construction (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
- Easement acquisition for neighborhood Greenway connectors submitted to Park Board on 10-3-2023.

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

2nd Phase of Greenway Trailhead Upgrades

- Greenways for Nashville
- Planning phase

Richland Creek Greenway – Belle Meade Plaza

- Proposed greenway trail as part of redevelopment project

- Completed 2 coordination meetings with development team on detail design of the greenway and stormwater requirements.
- Variance required from Stormwater Management Committee. Pre- application meeting this month.

West Heiman Street - easement along Cheatham County Rail Authority railroad.

- Project includes greenway easement, design and grading for future paved greenway, temporary gravel trail and landscape maintenance.
- This is a long range planned greenway along corridor commuter rail to Cheatham County as identified in the city's Northwest Corridor Study
- Met with development team to revise greenway grading, landscape plan and proposed trail cross section.

CRG at Pawnee Trail Residential Development

- Project involves greenway easement dedication.
- Coordinating with development team to revise greenway easement area as part of Final Site Plan approval.

Planned East Nashville Greenway at 304 Oldham Street commercial development.

- Reviewing Final Site Plan and easement dedication.
- Project includes greenway easement dedication, design and grading for future paved greenway, and associated landscape installation and maintenance.

Pages Branch Greenway at Trinity Lane mixed use development-proposed preliminary SP.

- Proposed segment of Pages Branch Greenway
- Met with development team to discuss routing and offsite connectivity.

Harpeth River Greenway at Newsom Station residential development

- Project includes greenway easement dedication, design and construction of new segment of greenway, and associated landscape installation and maintenance. Coordinating with adjacent Harpeth Lake Development to extend greenway.

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

- New extension will be part of Harding Town development.

CRG at First Horizon Park

- New trail segment under construction
- Completion and ribbon cutting planned for May 2024
- 0.08 Miles
- New landscaping and lighting
- Perpetual maintenance

Cumberland River Greenway (CRG) at Modera Germantown

- Construction phase
- 0.07 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

CRG Modera at The Nations

- Rezoning Phase- Preliminary SP approved.
- 0.12 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance
- Easement dedication in progress

CRG at Peabody Union

- Construction phase
- 0.2 Miles
- Perpetual maintenance

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

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 Pennington Bend

- Pennington Mills – 11 Acre Development Rezoning Phase
- The Bend – Development on Pennington Bend Road at McGavock
 - Preliminary SP approved by Planning Commission.
 - Held first meeting with development team to discuss greenway requirements and Final Site Plan including landscaping and maintenance, trail design and construction, trailhead locations, lighting requirements, wayfinding signage and easement acquisition process.

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.
- Approved by Metro Council

CRG at 2nd and VanBuren

- Proposed amendment to greenway easement and realignment of greenway trail
- Proposed easement agreement needs Greenways and Open Space Commission, Park Board and Metro Council Approval

Harpeth River Greenway Proposed Ariza Bellevue

- Project includes construction of new greenway connection from existing trail on Morton Mill Road to existing pedestrian bridge and future park development on land donated by Dorothy Kate and Thomas Frist Foundation.
- Includes 21-acre open space dedication to Metro Parks
- New vehicular bridge will allow connection to undeveloped park property.
- Meeting have started with development team to develop design for greenway railroad underpass/tunnel. Coordination with CSX, FEMA, Metro Water Services, Parks Maintenance, Metro Planning

Centennial Park connector at West End Ave

- Miles TBD
- Design concept under review

Ben Allen Greenway –

- Trail-oriented multi-family development
- Includes greenway easement, design, construction and maintenance of greenway trail by developer.

GREENWAY EASEMENT AND OPEN SPACE ACQUISITIONS UNDERWAY

- Richland Creek Greenway -White Bridge Trailhead to St. Thomas Hospital – Easement is a condition of SP approval of new Harding Town development.
- Richland Creek Greenway at Belle Meade Plaza - Preliminary SP approved – includes greenway easement, design, construction and maintenance of greenway. Final Site Plan and easement area in development.
- CRG Modera Germantown Easement– in process
- CRG Modera The Nations Easement – in process
- CRG (Peabody Union) – approved by Council.
- CRG 2nd and VanBuren- in process
- CRG Opry Mills Connector – TDOT Excess Land agreement approved by Council.
- Charlotte Corridor Rail with Greenway easement agreement in progress with Cheatham County Rail Authority – in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Bellevue –Ariza Bellevue - open space donation in process
- Whites Creek and Ewing Creek Greenways easement dedication in process
- Dry Creek Greenway easement dedication in process
- Ewing Creek Greenway –easement dedication in process
- Elizabeth Road 0.07 Acres easement dedication in process
- Gulch Greenway at 11 North – easement dedication in process
- Habitat/Haynes/Trinity Park – land and easement dedication in process
- Holt Creek Greenway easement dedication in process
- Little Creek Greenway easement dedication in process
- Pages Branch Greenway at Trinity Lane easement dedication in process
- Pennington Bend Greenway easement dedication in process
- Stoner Creek Greenway easement dedication in process
- Whites Creek Greenway – land transfer in process
- Harpeth River Greenway at Newsom Station- easement dedication in process
- East Nashville Greenway at 304 Oldham Rd – easement dedication in process

PROPERTY TRANSFERS AND LICENSES FROM OUTSIDE AGENCIES

440 Greenway Sevier Park to Browns Creek Park

- TDOT Excess Land License approved by Excess Land Committee.
- License Agreement approval in process – 1.4 Acres

Opry Mills Connector

- TDOT Excess Land License- approved by Council.
- TDOT has required additional documents.

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XIII. UPCOMING SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS – JACKIE JONES

2: Tom King – Half Marathon & 5K, 5:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Cornelia Fort.

Strollin’ for the Colon 5K (formerly Get Your Rear in Gear), 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Richland Park.

8: Community Clean Up, Walk of Fame Park.

9: Nashville St. Paddy’s Half Marathon & 5K, 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Two Rivers Park.

Walk For Endo Awareness, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., Centennial Park.

FNP: Fossil Finders – RSVP to FortNegley@nashville.gov, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fort Negley.

Tiffany Sander Easter Egg Hunt, Richland Park.

16: St. Patrick’s Music City Half Marathon, 10K & 5K Run, 10:30 a.m., Shelby Park.

Easter Vendor Market, Bellevue Park.

20: Metro Arbor Day Ceremony, 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., East Park.

21: Newroz – Kurdish American Cultural Association, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Centennial Park.

22: BSA Troop 1122 Overnight, 12:00 p.m., Edwin Warner Park.

23: McGavock Band 5K March -a -thon, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Two Rivers Park.

Southeast Community Easter Egg Hunt & Festival, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Southeast Park.

Spread the Love Easter, 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Hartman Park.

3rd Annual Shelby Recreation Open House, 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Shelby Park.

Cub Scout Pack 309 Overnight, 12:00 p.m., Edwin Warner Park.

Jernigan Group Easter Egg Hunt, 9:00 a.m., Green Hills Park.

Holi and Kite Festival, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Centennial Park.

26: FNP: Sons of Union Veterans Bi-Monthly Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Fort Negley Park.

Baylor Family of Nashville Dr. Pepper Hour, 3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Edwin Warner Park.

27: Voices for a Safer Tennessee Rally and March Start, Centennial Park.

30: Nashville Masonic Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Hadley Park.

Warner Elementary Easter Egg Hunt, 7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., East Park.

The Belonging Co Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Centennial Park.

Mt. Hermon Baptist Church Easter Egg Hunt, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Cleveland Park.

Legacy Nashville Easter Family Event, 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Shelby Park.

Saturday at Coleman Park, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Coleman Park.

New Day Church community Easter Egg Hunt, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Bellevue Park.

30: India Assn of Nashville Holi Celebration, Centennial Park.

Kite Fest, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Mill Ridge Park.

31: Elks Lodge Easter Egg Hunt, 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Hadley Park.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m., Cornelia Fort.

Midtown 12 South Easter Sunrise Service, 6:15 a.m. – 7:15 a.m., Sevier Park.

1: Nashville Black Wellness Collective, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Hadley Park.

XIV. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

- Director Odom encouraged the Parks Board to visit park facilities or any of the special activities and events shared with them.
- Metro Council approved the Capital Spending Plan that included about \$32 million for the Parks Department. Many of the items included in our request are for deferred maintenance, and the funding included development of Mill Ridge and Mariposa Parks. Additionally, we will receive about \$5 million through the Mayor's Participatory Budgeting Program for playground improvements.
- The Celebrate Nashville Cultural Festival is a Nashville tradition going on 30+ years. The festival is always held the first Saturday in October at Centennial Park and attended by approximately 50,000 people. Up until this point a Sole Source contract has been used to procure the organizer for the event. We've been advised by Metro Procurement that the solicitation will need to be bid. We are moving forward based on guidance from Metro Procurement. We are looking forward to the Celebrate Nashville Cultural Festival in October.
- We have begun the preliminary phase of the solicitation process for the management agreement for Ascend Amphitheater. We're engaging with Procurement and look forward to moving into publishing a solicitation and getting the contract awarded by the start of next year.
- Congratulations to Darlene Morrow who is a superintendent in our Community Recreation division. Ms. Morrow will be inducted into the Tennessee State University Athletics Hall of Fame next month. Congratulations to Dr. Michelle Steele for her recent Athena Award nomination. The ceremony is at the end of this month.

Q & A

Ms. Scott-Barnes thanked Director Monique Odom on the communications related to the Emerald Ash Borer issue coming up in Percy Warner Park. Ms. Scott-Barnes suggested that it would be helpful for Director Odom to report that information to the listening public.

Director Odom commented that this was a multi-department collaboration, we have been in communication with all stakeholders about Emerald Ash Borer/hazardous tree removals. Communication updates/revisions will be made to the Metro EAB website.

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Q & A (cont'd)

We will develop a committee for replanting. We will certainly continue to work with the community throughout the county when we have removal of hazardous trees.

Ms. Scott-Barnes commented that she just wanted to ensure that we go above and beyond communicating because of the bill that was passed a couple years back regarding tree removal.

Director Odom commented that both Metro and Metro Parks conducted an extensive public awareness effort about Emerald Ash Borer explaining the marking on the trees. The public awareness effort included signage at that time and there will be revised signage posted in appropriate areas that will include a QR code to scan for information about the markings.

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

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

Monique Horton Odom, Director

Mr. George Anderson, Chairperson