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PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMISSION

AGENDA

7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting
City Council Chambers
5341 Maywood Road, Mound, MN
Thursday, May 9, 2024

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1. Call to Order by Chair, Mark Stehlik	
2. Roll Call	
3. Approval of Agenda	
4. Approve minutes from 4-11-24 Meeting	1-3
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PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2024

The Mound Parks and Open Spaces Commission met on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers at the Centennial Building.

Present: Chair Mark Stehlik, Commissioners Kim Blievernicht, Travis Mills and Joanna Kahn, City Council Representative Sherrie Pugh

Absent: None.

Others Present: Deputy City Manager, Maggie Reisdorf

Public Present: Tyler Pieper

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Stehlik at 7:00pm.

2. **Administrative Oath of Office to Commissioner Travis Mills**

The Administrative Oath of Office was performed by Commissioner Travis Mills.

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Chair Stehlik, Commissioners Blievernicht, Mills, and Kahn, City Council Representative Pugh.

Absent: None.

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Pugh asked to add the following items to the agenda:

8.1. Wayfinding Signs

8.2. Rename of Harbor Park

Motion by Kahn to approve the agenda as amended, second by Blievernicht; Motion carried 5-0.

5. **Approve Minutes from 1-11-24 Meeting**

Motion by Kahn to approve the minutes, second by Blievernicht. Motion carried 5-0.

6. **Comments and Suggestions from Citizens Present**

7. **Belmont Native Plant Proposal**

Tyler Pieper provided a follow up presentation for his proposed project expansion at Belmont Park for the native plant gardens. Pieper stated that he was asked to move the garden locations a little bit and bring the new location concept back for further review by the POSC. Pieper asked for comments.

Blievernicht said that she thought the design was great. Mills agreed. Kahn stated that she appreciated Pieper taking their comments into consideration and addressing concerns. Kahn explained that there were concerns about the location being close to the street.

Kahn moved to recommend to the City Council moving forward with Proposal 2 for Belmont Park and approving the staff support for the project and a financial allocation of up to \$700. Blievernicht seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Pieper thanked the Commissioners.

8. **2024 Park and Open Spaces: Long Range Financial Plan: Capital Planning**

Reisdorf explained that since 2023, the City has been working with an outside financial advisor, Ehlers, on a Long Term Financial Plan that includes capital planning elements. She informed that the plan will provide an outlook over 10 years and serves as a guiding document in which the city will plan for operating and capital costs for all city departments.

Reisdorf said that as part of the plan, she wants the POSC to review a draft list of higher cost capital items that should be included within the plan. She referenced some of the items being items such as the replacement of playground structures, upkeep of park buildings, and more.

Stehlik said that it is great that the city is going the Long-Term Financial Plan and that the city will be planning for these types of expenditures.

Mills asked if the Phase 3 of the Harbor District Park could be moved up.

Reisdorf stated that would talk with the City Engineer and the Financial Advisor on getting the Phase 3 closer to the other two phases.

Kahn said it was nice to see dates associated with significant park updates.

8.1 (Added) Wayfinding Signs

Pugh referenced the regional Dakota Trail that goes through the City of Mound. She said that many people use and just go straight through the city because there are no signs indicating what is off of the trail. She said that it would be nice to add wayfinding signs. Pugh asked the POSC if they thought this would be a good project to get the Westonka High School students involved with.

There was discussion with the POSC about wayfinding signs for restaurants and informational signs about historical events. There was also discussion on if businesses would be required to pay for signs that specifically mention their business's name. After much discussion, the POSC decided that the topic of wayfinding signs for businesses should be a City Council discussion. The POSC did state that informational signage about parks could remain with the POSC.

8.2 (Added) Harbor District Park Rename

Pugh talked about progress with the downtown Artessa project and that its tentative completion date is August 2024. She also discussed the neighboring public park that is currently called Harbor Park. Pugh informed that in 2023, at the farmers' market, the city solicited for names that people liked for a renaming options for the park. She asked staff to look up those names. She also asked if the POSC would be interested in reaching out to the historical society to see if they have any name ideas based on historical people or events. Pugh said that the POSC could ask the school to research names as well based on the city's history.

The POSC agreed to look up the recommendations that were provided by residents at the 2023 farmers' market. They also agreed to connect with the historical society to see if they had any ideas or suggestions.

Pugh stated that with the Artessa project being done tentatively in August 2024, she expressed hope for doing a "fall opening" for the park.

Stehlik summarized the plan that the POSC would reach out to the historical society and bring the discussion back to the POSC in June. He said that it would then be nice to bring the narrowed list to the community somehow.

9. Reports

Reisdorf informed that she reached out by email and letter to those who are actively participating in the adopt-a-park program. She said that a few of them have responded back and will be reaching out one more time to see if she can get more to respond. Reisdorf said that she thanked them for their hard work and that the POSC appreciate them. She said that she wants to keep that line of communication open in the future and asked them to provide any feedback or comments at any time.

Kahn thanked Reisdorf for doing that.

Stehlik discussed the 2024 Park Visits and explained that this will likely be an item to review at the May 2024 meeting. He wondered if instead of rotating parks each year, if they should have a discussion on keeping the same parks throughout their commission term.

Pugh talked about the upcoming Rain Barrel sale event with Harrisons Bay Association. There was discussion on whether any barrels could be placed in any of the parks. It was determined that sites would have to include those where buildings/pavilions have rain gutters to help connect the rain into the barrels.

Reisdorf asked if the Park Commission was interested in changing their meeting time from 7 pm to 6 pm. She said that the City Council recently made the time change for their meetings. The POSC agreed to keep it at 7 pm.

Pugh informed that the City Council recently approved an ordinance that would now require watercraft licensing as a way to better regulate non-local businesses and activity related to watercraft rentals at city parks.

10. **Adjourn**

**Motion by Commissioner Mills to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm, second by Commissioner Kahn.
Motion carried 5-0.**

CITY OF MOUND
2415 Wilshire Blvd
Mound, MN 55364

TO: Parks and Open Spaces Commission

FROM: Maggie Reisdorf, Deputy City Manager

DATE: February 28, 2024

SUBJECT: 2024 Spring Park Review Visits

BACKGROUND:

On an annual basis, the City of Mound Parks and Open Spaces Commissioners do visits to the parks to review amenities, immediate needs, and future priorities for each location.

The park locations are split between the Commissioners who then do on site visits and complete a review assessment form for each park.

At the February 28, 2024 POSC meeting, the Commissioners were assigned parks and asked to submit their reports to staff to bring back to the Commission for review.

The exercise allows the Parks and Open Spaces Commission to visit the parks and do an independent review and provide feedback to staff on “quick fixes” that can be taken care of by the Public Works Parks Department, and to set long-term goals as well.

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and discuss POSC comments on park visits.

ATTACHMENTS:

Park visit reviews.

Parks and Open Spaces Commission – Annual Parks Review

Group A

Commissioner Kim Blievernicht

Spring 2024

Belmont Park

Reviewed 4/12/24



Belmont Park Attractions

Lil Puzzle Hut



Belmont Park Play Structure & Picnic Table



Broken



Sand and
Repaint
or Stain
Picnic
Table

Not
clearly
marked
if the
green
space is
part of
the park.

Belmont Park continued



- Play area plastic edging with multiple components cracked with metal exposed.

Belmont Park

Recommendations



- Review all play equipment for deteriorating and sharp edges. Determine if repair or replacement required.
- Citizen at the park recommended that the soft and decaying woodchips be removed and put in rubber chips so it is handicap accessible.

Canary Beach Park

Reviewed 4/12/24



Canary Beach Park Adopted



- The Finegans Family

Canary Beach Park Sandy Beach Utilized for Adjacent Home Construction Access





Canary Beach Recommend Replacing

- Sign pole has been damaged.
- Picnic table has plastic adhered to the wooden pieces.
- Regrading the beach surface

Centerview Beach Park

Reviewed 5/1/24







- This park is a Cooperative Project
- City of Mound & Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Flowers in this park have been adopted by Pheiffer family
- Green space has been adopted by Prudy & Dodge families



Crecent Park

Reviewed 4/12/24



Natural Environment on the Lake

- Native plants
- No walking path
- No access to the water
- No play structures
- Need to repaint the curb in front of park if no parking is allowed
- Not handicap accessible

Seton Park

Reviewed 5/1/24



CITY OF MOUND

Adopt-A-Greenspace

Park Adopted By:

The Welkers

www.cityofmound.com/parks

952-472-0603



Play structure edging needs immediate attention.





- Playground equipment in great shape.
- Playground edging needs replacement and repair.
- Picnic table needs attention.

Seton Park

Lots of open grass spaces to run and play in
(Area is high density)

Playground equipment in great condition.

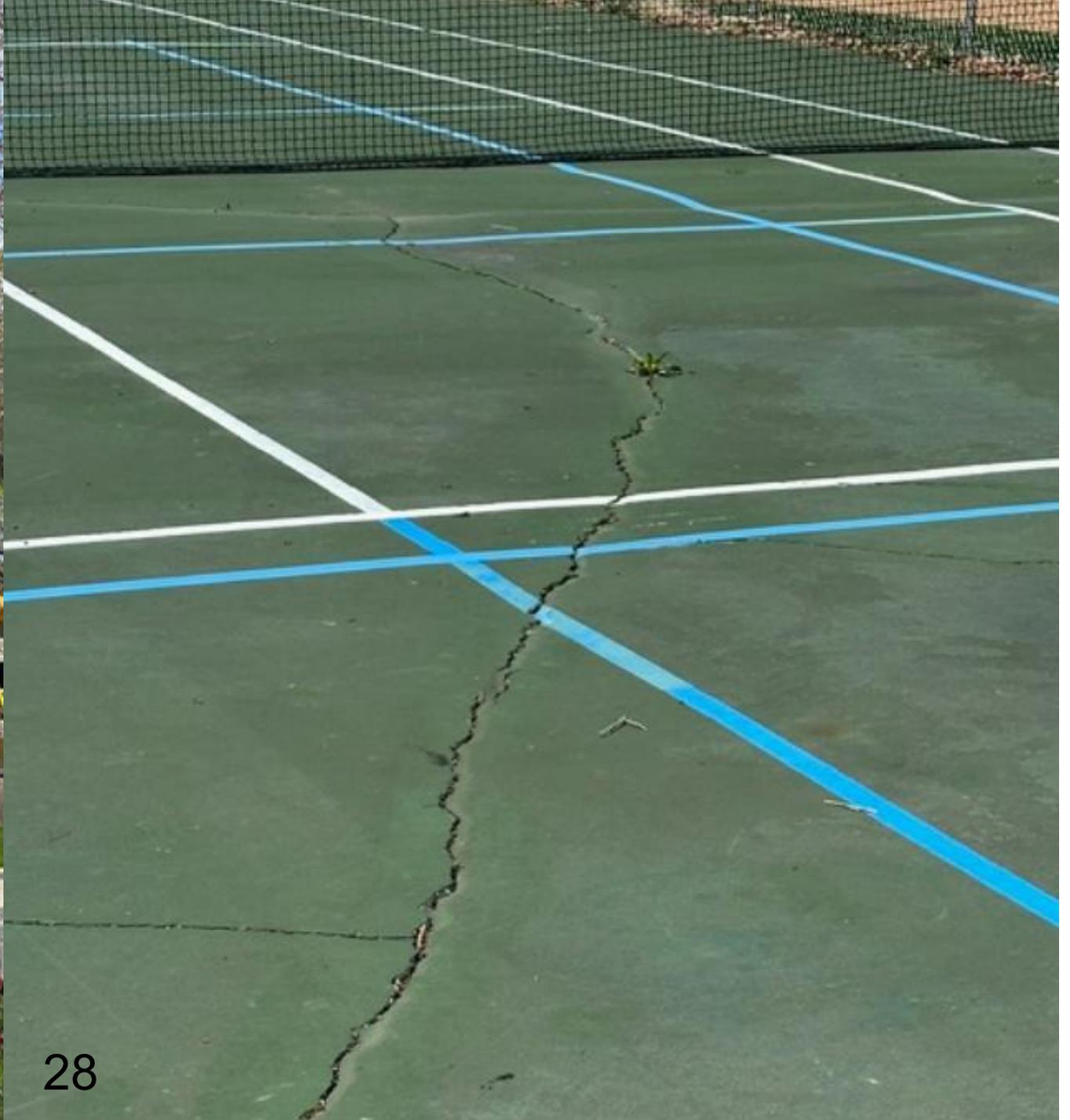
Edging needs replacement.

Three Points Park

Reviewed 5/1/24











Three Points Park

- Parking area is decaying
- Picnic table needs painting
- Paved walking paths need repair or replacement
- Basketball net is missing
- Largest park in Group A
- Adopted by River Valley Church

Philbrook

Condition: 4/5 Play structure needs repair, turf and ball field could use maintenance.

Play structure: 3/5 Equipment looks to be in great shape except for the tunnel that is boarded off. Great little kids structure & swings.

Usable/accessible: Edging is good, mulch is good.

Benches/picnic tables: 5/5 Lots of good benches and tables and they are in great shape

Trees/landscaping: 4/5 The park is lovely. Outfield turf could use some work as there are low spots with standing water. Turf is uneven. Ball field could use weed control/more infield dirt



Alwin Park

Condition: 4/5 This is a great neighborhood level park. There was some graffiti on the play structure and litter. I love the little drinking fountain/dog bag/garbage can area.

Play structure: 4/5 Equipment looks to be in great shape. Graffiti needs to be removed.

Usable/accessible: 5/5 Edging is mostly good. Turf is good.

Benches/picnic tables: 5/5

Trees/landscaping: 5/5 Nice trees, turf is in great shape. Some clumps of turf from plowing next to sidewalk.



Sorbo Park

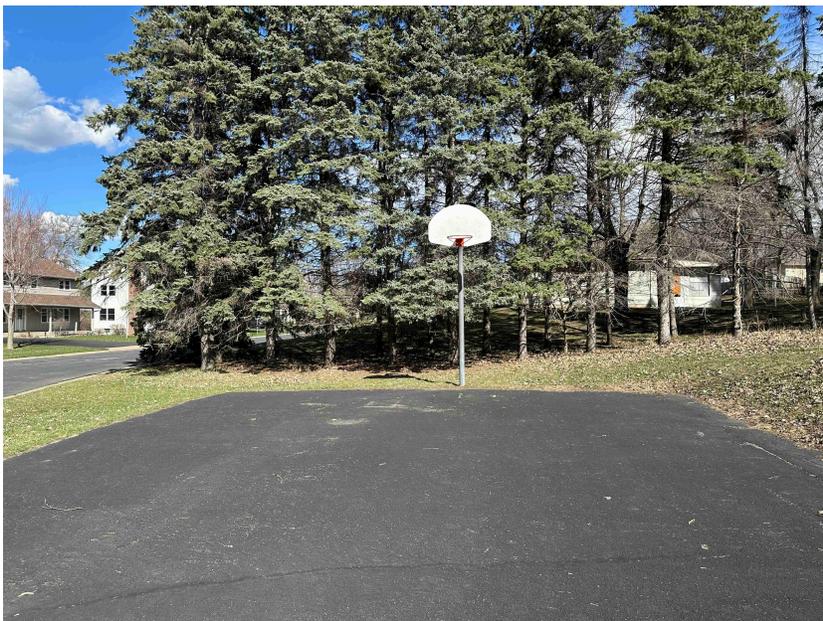
Condition: 4/5 Park is in good shape. Play structures are nice, basketball court is doing pretty well. Basketball net missing

Play structure: 5/5

Usable/accessible: 5/5 Nice baby swings

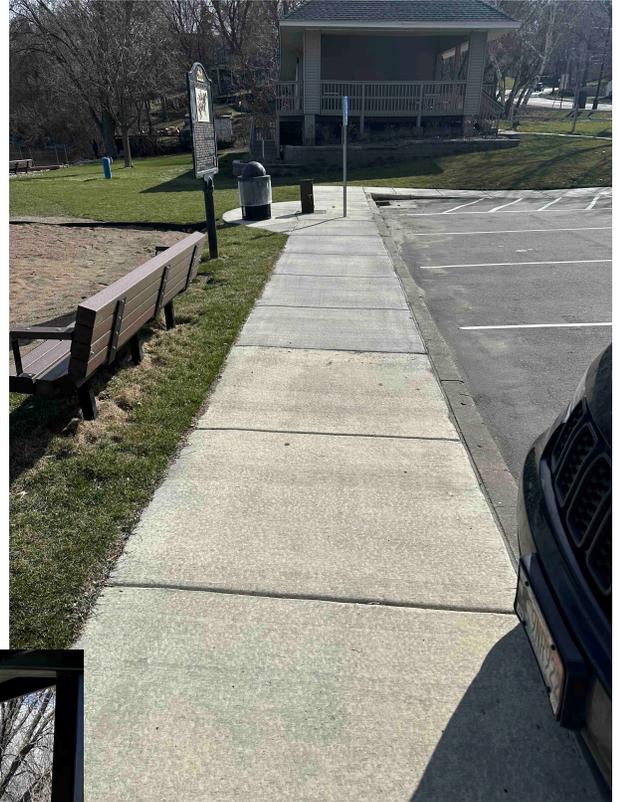
Benches/picnic tables: 5/5

Trees/landscaping: 5/5 Retaining wall is very nice



Surfside Park

New sidewalks, parking lot look great. Shelter looks great. Beach was in great condition. Depot building looks good. Storm water area in pretty good shape, but still looks a little low/wet



Veterans' Park

Condition: 4/5 Just needs a little spring clean up

Play structure: N/A

Usable/accessible: 5/5

Benches/picnic tables: 5/5

Trees/landscaping: 5/5



Weiland Park

Condition: 5/5 Park is in great shape and includes a play structure and a little kid area.

Play structure: 5/5 Appears to be in great shape; swings too

Usable/accessible: 5/5 Benches are good, edging is good. Probably could use a bit more shade. Needs a dog bag station by the sign.

Benches/picnic tables: 5/5

Trees/landscaping: 5/5:



Belmont:



Park Review Sheet

Park Name: **Highland End**

Attractions: Largely unimproved. Big, grassy field. Maybe a city dock? I actually couldn't tell for sure.

Inspected by: Joanna Kahn

Play Structure: n/a

Usability/Accessibility: excellent

Benches/Picnic Tables: none

Trees/Landscaping: some erosion at front entrance from snow/rainwater drainage (see picture)

Miscellaneous: n/a

Immediate Needs: If there is a city dock, it should be labeled as such as it is surrounded by private docks. (We have also been saying this for YEARS about the dock at Veteran's Park)

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas: Could add a picnic table and trash can. Currently no amenities.





Park Review Sheet

Park Name: **Carlson Park**

Attractions: Lake access, kayak rack, walking trail, and natural planting area

Inspected by: Joanna Kahn

Play Structure: n/a

Usability/Accessibility: Great

Benches/Picnic Tables: Two picnic tables, and a trash can

Trees/Landscaping: Needs some winter cleanup with fallen branches. Large areas of patchy grass (possibly due to winter snowmobile traffic; not sure that's applicable this year!)

Miscellaneous: Would love to replicate the natural planting area/fence/and walking path at Crescent Park.

Immediate Needs: Planter with park sign needs repair.

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas: Fixing the planter, and working on restoring grass cover (will admit that is probably neither quick nor easy)



Park Review Sheet

Park Name: **Bluffs Beach**

Attractions: Solitude, and a lake view. Technically lake access for swimming.

Inspected by: Joanna Kahn

Play Structure: n/a

Usability/Accessibility: Moderate. Stairs and rails are in good condition but steep pathway naturally prohibits many people.

Benches/Picnic Tables: One picnic table, especially poor condition.

Trees/Landscaping: n/a

Miscellaneous: n/a

Immediate Needs: Definitely needs some leafblower action/general spring cleanup. Park has an air of neglect after the winter.

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

One stone on patio needs to be replaced (currently crumbling).

Mulch could be added to pathways between stairs; could help prevent erosion on steep hillside



Park Review Sheet

Park Name: **Highland**

Attractions: Playground, large green space, backstop for playing field

Inspected by: Joanna Kahn

Play Structure: Playground edging is in great condition, as is mulch overall. Play structure is very structurally sound, although there are areas of graffiti that need to be addressed (see details under Immediate Needs)

Usability/Accessibility: Great

Benches/Picnic Tables: Multiple, all adequate

Trees/Landscaping: Overall fine, several large dirt patches in the large grassy area

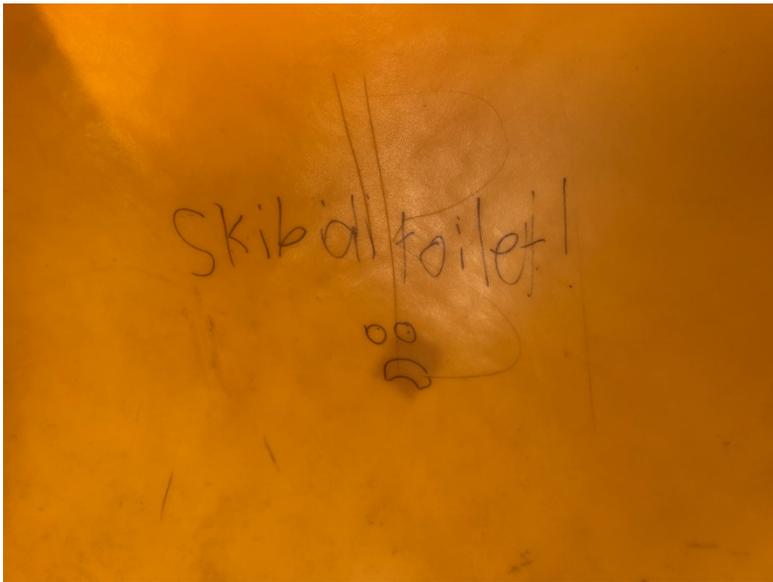
Miscellaneous: Planter is in excellent condition.

Immediate Needs:

Landscape fabric under swings is poking out. Could use a mulch infusion or one of those black mats under the swings.

Grffiti needs removal. One small tag by playset stairs closest to musical instruments; a lot of graffiti inside the climbing tunnel.

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas: Could use an additional two benches in the playground area. It's a large playground and multiple families are often there at the same time.





Park Review Sheet

Park Name: **Avon**

Attractions: playground, walking path, basketball court, backstop

Inspected by: Joanna Kahn

Play Structure:

All wooden playground edging is sound; several pieces have clearly been updated, so good job to maintenance for handling that.

Playset is fine structurally, although I know it's slated for replacement due to the fact it's wooden.

Usability/Accessibility: Fine

Benches/Picnic Tables: Plenty

Trees/Landscaping: Fine

Miscellaneous: Basketball court and net are in excellent condition.

Idea: When playset is replaced, it would be fun to add an ancillary built in sandbox to pay homage to old structure with sand underneath

Immediate Needs:

Grass is growing over section of edging near swings, so that should be cleaned up

Drain needs spring cleanup to aid in actual drainage

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

Add painted shooting lines to basketball court (currently just plain black asphalt)



PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: AVALON

ATTRACTIONS: OPEN SPACE, CANOE RACK, LAKE ACCESS

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u>	N/A
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 4	GOOD
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 4	GOOD CONDITION
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 5	- VERY NICE - EARLIER NOTE RE: SHORELINE BUFFER WORTH CONSIDERING
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: SHREVERN

ATTRACTIONS: PLAYSET, BEACH

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u> 5	VERY NICE, LARGE PLAYSET, IN GOOD CONDITION
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 4	OVERALL VERY GOOD, STEPS FROM PLAY AREA TO BEACH ARE ROTTING
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 4	2 TABLES, 1 COULD BE REFINISHED. BENCHES ARE IN GOOD SHAPE
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 5	VERY GOOD
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	NO SIGNAGE - LOOKS LIKE THE FLOWER BOX WAS REBUILT, MAYBE AWAITING A NEW SIGN ?

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

- STEPS
- LARGE TREE BRANCH LEANING ON WOOD RAIL FENCE

PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: DUNDEE

ATTRACTIONS: PLAYSET

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u> 3	WOODEN PLAYSET, SHOWING ITS AGE.
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 3	WOOD TIMBERS SURROUNDING PLAY SET WOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO ACCESS FOR SOME PEOPLE
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 3	2 BENCHES, 1 IS TIPPED + 1 NEEDS NEW WOOD OR SANDING/STAINING. COVERED IN MOSS. 2 TABLES, 1 GOOD, 1 OK
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 4	GOOD
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

REPAIR BENCHES + TABLE

PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: CHESTER

ATTRACTIONS: PLAYSET, BEACH

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u> 5	SMALL WOODEN STRUCTURE, BUT IN VERY GOOD CONDITION
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 5	GOOD. PAVED PATHS
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 5	EXCELLENT CONDITION
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 5	VERY GOOD, EXCELLENT CONDITION
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

1 LANDSCAPE BLOCK IS MISSING

PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: DOONE

ATTRACTIONS: OPEN SPACE

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u>	N/A
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 4	EASY ACCESS TO OPEN SPACE
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 4	2 TABLES, DECENT CONDITION
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 3	PRETTY GOOD, WOODED AREA LOOKS LIKE IT COULD USE SOME CLEAN UP OF DOWNED BRANCHES. TREE STUMP IN MOWED AREA
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

REMOVE TREE STUMP?

PARK REVIEW SHEET

PARK NAME: SWENSON

ATTRACTIONS: TENNIS/PICKLEBALL, PLAYSET, BALL FIELDS, BASKETBALL

REVIEWED BY: MARK STEHLIK

	<u>NOTES</u>
<u>PLAY STRUCTURE:</u> 4	GOOD CONDITION
<u>USABILITY / ACCESSIBILITY:</u> 4	GOOD, EASY ACCESS TO VARIOUS AMENITIES
<u>BENCHES / PICNIC TABLES:</u> 4	GOOD CONDITION ADD ANOTHER PICNIC TABLE?
<u>TREES / LANDSCAPING:</u> 5	GOOD CONDITION
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	- WELL USED PARK, IN OVERALL VERY GOOD CONDITION - DISC GOLF ?

Immediate Attention Needs:

Quick and Easy Improvement Ideas:

- ADD ANOTHER TABLE NEAR PICKLEBALL, PLAY AREA
- MISSING NET ON ONE BASKETBALL HOOP

CITY OF MOUND – CITY MANAGER
2415 Wilshire Blvd
Mound, MN 55364

TO: Parks and Open Spaces Commission
FROM: Maggie Reisdorf, Deputy City Manager
DATE: May 6, 2024
SUBJECT: Park Rename Discussion

REQUEST: The POSC is being asked to discuss further the renaming of Harbor Park.

BACKGROUND:

At the April 11, 2024 POSC meeting, the Commission discussed the renaming of Harbor Park.

The Commission informed staff that there was a community survey completed in 2023 that including potential name change options for the park. Included within the packet is the Pop Up Boards which includes the recommended names.

The Commission also talked about reaching out to the historical society to solicit historically important/relevant names as potential park name ideas.

RECOMMENDATION:

Discussion.

Attachments:

2023 Project Pop Up Board.

WELCOME! HARBOR DISTRICT PARK IMPROVEMENTS MASTER PLAN



ABOUT THE PROJECT

The City of Mound is creating a master plan to guide improvements and develop a community vision for the future of public realm and park amenities in the Harbor District of Downtown Mound. The study area is located in the open space between Auditors Road, the farmers' market parking area, Dakota Rail Regional Trail, and Shoreline Drive. The master plan study kicked off in March of 2021 and is anticipated to be completed in the winter of 2021.

With the feedback collected in Phase 1 of community engagement (online community survey and stakeholder listening sessions), three site concepts have been created. Each of these concepts demonstrates a combination of ideas that incorporate open green space, recreational activity space, and opportunity for community events. **The City will be collecting your feedback on the concepts through the month of September, using Social Pinpoint, an online mapping tool, and collecting feedback at the Mound Farmers Market Saturday September 11th and Saturday September 18th.**

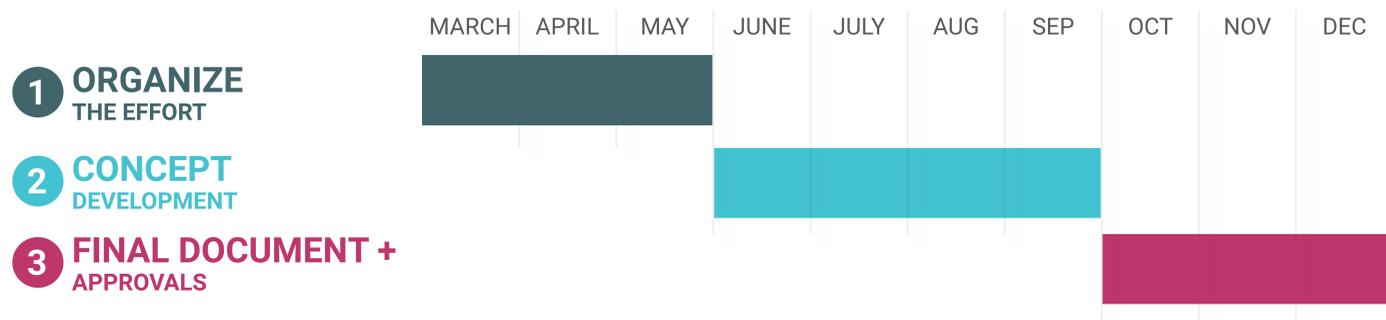
Likely, the final preferred concept will be a combination of elements found within the three concepts. Please share your thoughts to help guide the direction of the new park space in the Harbor District!

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site context map

PROJECT SCHEDULE



EXISTING IMAGES



farmers market



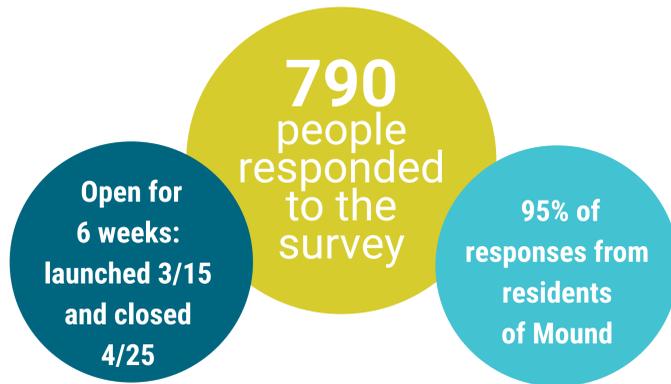
stormwater detention



site amenities

SURVEY RESULTS

An online survey was launched in the spring of 2021 to gather preliminary ideas for the Harbor District Park area.



Most people are very familiar with the area, visit at least once per week (primarily for Farmers Market)

Popular and well-visited, even though the area is also widely described as 'empty', 'rundown', or 'underutilized'

Favorite / Most Frequent Activities Included:

- Farmers Market
- Regional Trail
- Shopping/Errands
- Restaurants/coffee shop
- Festivals or community events
- Harbor
- Other: dog walking, enjoying the open field

Biggest Priorities for Future Improvements:

- Farmers Market
- Trailhead amenities
- Seating
- Venue for community festivals, amphitheater
- Accessible circulation
- Preserve, create natural elements
- Open lawn

Top Themes to Consider

- Family-friendly gathering space
- Natural and scenic area to complement the Harbor
- Signature Park for the City of Mound

Top Name Choices:

- Harbor Park (62%)
- Lost Lake Park or Lost Lake Landing
- Other ideas with historic references

YOUR INPUT

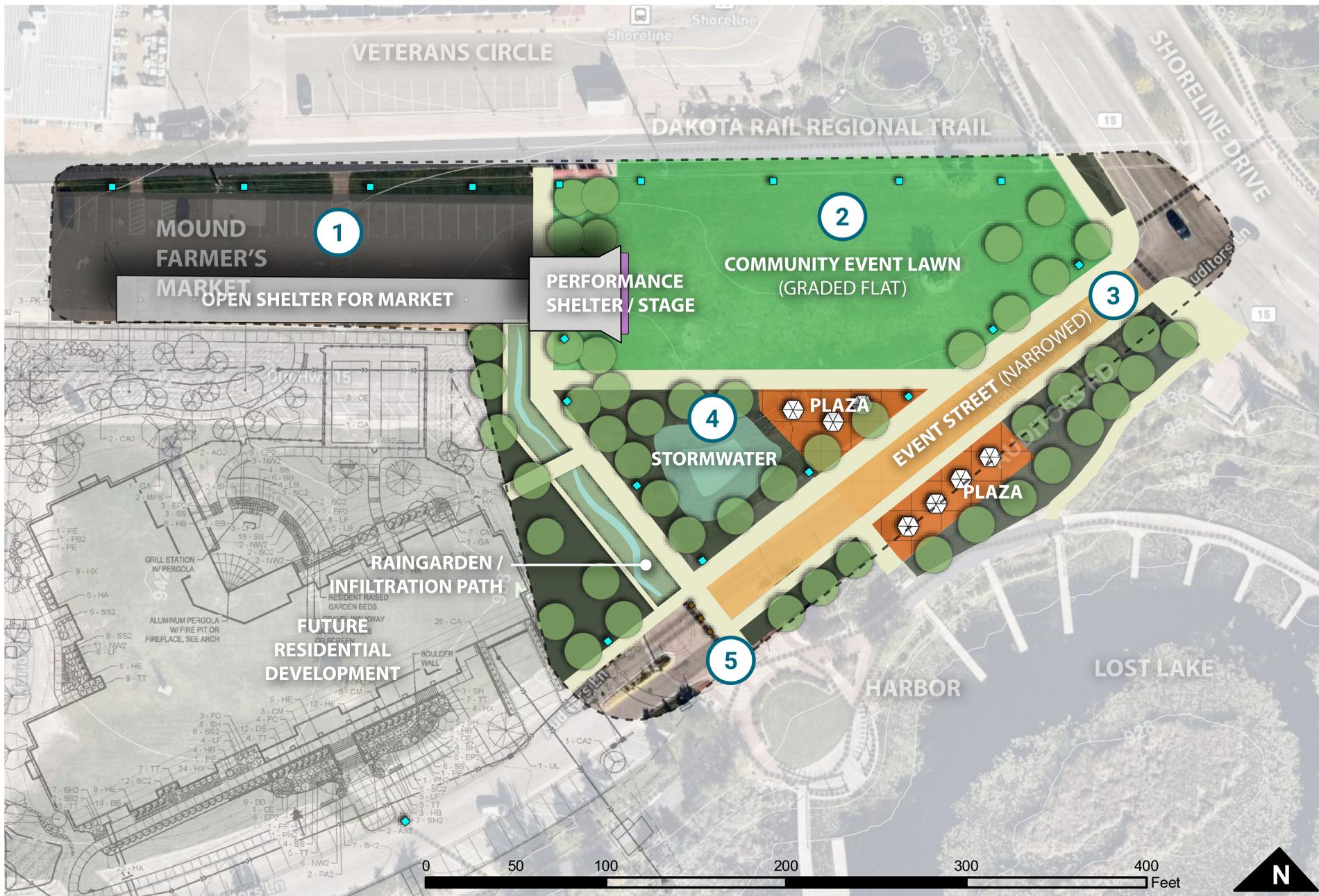
Please visit: www.cityofmound.com/home/news/harbor-district-updates

or scan the QR code here



to learn more about the project and provide your ideas about the future of the Harbor District Park Improvements





CONCEPT 1: HOMETOWN LAWN + FLEX SPACE

Concept Intent: Creation of a multi-use, flexible space that is great for a variety of community events, while also designed for casual use with places to eat, gather or 'stroll' to the Harbor.

- Farmer's market canopy structure
- Performance shelter/stage connected to farmer's market
- Open lawn, graded with very low-slope for open play, events
- Stormwater re-designed to dedicated area and framed by walkways
- Linear raingarden along west walkway (will filter stormwater from farmers market area)
 - Strong walkway/connection to Harbor Area
- Auditors Rd: narrowed, with color-integrated paving or other decorative surface
 - Converted to one-way for catering, expanded farmers market, or other events
 - No parking, limited through access
- Adjacent plaza space for seating, catering
- Banner poles or other consistent vertical elements along greenway and auditors road

CONCEPT 1: SUMMARY

OPEN GREEN SPACE	●	●	●	○	○
COMMUNITY EVENT SPACE	●	●	●	●	○
ACTIVITIES + RECREATION AREAS	●	○	○	○	○

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!

- Place a green dot next to elements that you think **WORK WELL** in this concept
- Place a red dot next to concept elements that you think **DO NOT WORK WELL** in this concept

Share other thoughts/comments or ideas on **sticky notes** and place here!



farmers market open shelter



event lawn



curbside street



raingarden



bollards



CONCEPT 2: PERFORMANCE VENUE

Concept Intent: Focus on expanding Harbor area north to the Regional Trail and creation of a formal space for large performances that could also be used by individuals and casual gatherings.

- Park/picnic shelter at trailhead / farmers market area
 - Design could integrate some storage area or permanent space for farmers market storage
- Plaza with bench seating, shade trees (grates)
- Modify harbor structure to serve as a performance area, with a stage as a focal point
 - Re-purpose harbor structure
 - Lawn, pavers to remain
 - Informal hillside boulder seating facing southeast
- Stormwater /raingarden / infiltration bed moved to roadway
 - Auditors Road is completely removed
- Music park moved and expanded from current location
- Area graded flat for open lawn on northern end of park

CONCEPT 1: SUMMARY

OPEN GREEN SPACE					
COMMUNITY EVENT SPACE					
ACTIVITIES + RECREATION AREAS					

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1
plaza



2
open lawn



3
music park



4
plaza



5
performance area



6
performance area



7
stormwater / raingarden



8
harbor structure

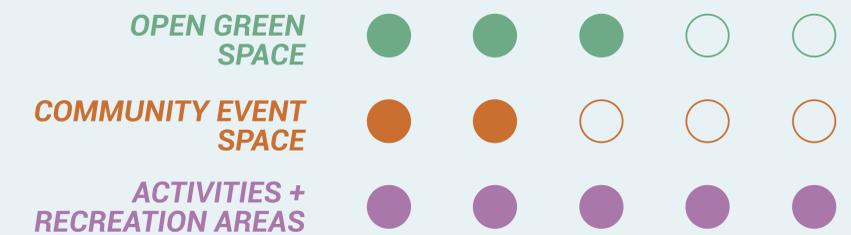


CONCEPT 3: RECREATION + ACTIVITIES

Concept Intent: Provide a family-oriented gathering place with recreational amenities that can be flexible for community events and for casual daily-use.

- Auditor's Road to be converted to open green space with promenade path
- Enlarged stormwater area
 - Elevated boardwalk to cross
- Public pickleball court
 - Painted on surface to be shared with farmers market
- Splashpad plaza with seating adjacent to farmers market area
- Playground
- Storage building with concessions for events / summer
- Performance shelter projecting out towards open lawn
 - Projecting away from residential area
- Plaza with additional seating or multi-use paved area
- Art Walk / Sculpture Garden
 - Open views towards lake with low planted areas
 - Opportunities for rotating art work, showcase of local artists, or additional historic or interpretive pieces

CONCEPT 1: SUMMARY



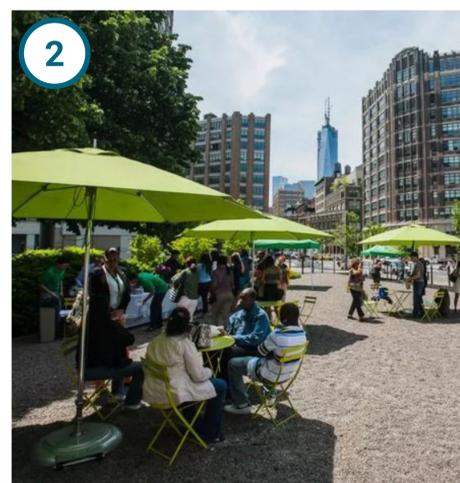
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splash pad / plaza



plaza



performance shelter



boardwalk



art walk / open lawn



art walk / sculpture garden

CITY OF MOUND – CITY MANAGER
2415 Wilshire Blvd
Mound, MN 55364

TO: Parks and Open Spaces Commission
FROM: Maggie Reisdorf, Deputy City Manager
DATE: May 6, 2024
SUBJECT: General Project Updates

REQUEST: Provided for information only

BACKGROUND:

Website Redesign:

- At the April 23, 2024 City Council meeting, the City Council approved moving forward with a company to redesign the city’s website. The redesign process will take between 24-28 weeks. As the process moves along, staff will bring ideas to the POSC on features and ideas on how to update website pages related to parks and open spaces.

Surfside Park Playground Improvements: Eli Hart Memorial Park:

- There was a preconstruction meeting on May 6, 2024 for the playground project. Substantial completion of the project is set tentatively as May 31, 2024 with final completion on June 20, 2024.
- There is interest in a ribbon cutting for the new playground. Staff will provide the POSC with updated information as it comes in.

Upcoming Community Events:

- Farmers Market: May 18 – October
- Spirit of the Lakes: July 12 – 13
- Music in the Park (Surfside): June 13, 2024, July 11, 2024, August 8, 2024
- Dog Days (Surfside): August 10, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

Informational Only.

Attachments:

None.