

Attendees:

Karissa Peyer
Robin Parker
Gaston Farmer
Blake Pierce
Patrick Kelly
Kyle Murphy
Randy Lebioda
Daniela Peterson
Jennifer Crum (virtual)

Meeting Minutes from April Meeting: Gaston moved, Kyle seconded. Adopted

Parks Updates

- Tennis courts resurfaced; new fencing and wind-screen around all courts
- Tonight's commission meeting:
 - Public Works director proposal from White Oak Park to White Oak Connector. Construction in the next few weeks
 - Bathrooms and water fountains at Community Center. Construction in next 3-4 weeks
- Complaints about dog waste at pickleball courts. Suggestion to put up signs saying "no dogs on courts"
- Other previously discussed improvements (water stations) will be in next fiscal year. Other projects are waiting for finalization of comprehensive and parks plan.
- Bicycle Boulevard: Is there a low-burden way to open space on the corridor from Culver to Easton?
- Is there a plan to deal with kudzu? At the moment, no. Could be added to master plan for invasive species management.

Feedback from May 13 Public Meeting

- Is there a way to have consistent public outreach and feedback moving forward (written plan for engagement process)?
- Facility Inventory: Should not include facilities that, while beneficial, are not city owned.
 - Cemeteries are included in master plan but are not counted in "park acreage" for comparison to benchmarks.
 - Kimley Horn – adding transparency to explain how data was obtained and from where
 - Undeveloped City Owned Properties: Continue numbering with different color. Adding addresses to legend.
 - Will add discussion of what "fair," "poor," and "good" mean.
- Highlight collaborations with Cemetery Board and Public Arts Board where appropriate at facilities
- Red Bank Cemetery: Add benches and seating
- Boxing Building: Make space less specific and more available for public access
- Red Bank Pool: Expand hours/adult hours

- Jeffrey to establish twice-yearly meetings with contractors for three sites (pool, ballfields, boxing building) as well as to require submission of documentation that hasn't been received in many years.
- 3133 Dayton: Add property behind police station to facility map
- FRBMS: Data will be shared with TSW for small area study
- City of Red Bank Park: Painting lines for Pickleball on tennis courts – will happen in next fiscal year. Include Stringers Branch Restoration and impact this will have on park use as a whole (conceptual designs, land size impact, etc.).
- Community Center: Work with Public Arts committee to incorporate art.
- Morrison Springs Ballfields: Add walking paths
- Norma Cagle: Study to investigate best use and impact of property
- Stringers Ridge: Long term trail maintenance: invasive species plan; signs and wayfinding to better indicate location for emergency services
- Town Center Memorial: Investigate feasibility to relocate to Community Center, Red Bank Park or other location to expand/improve impact, attention, and access.
- White Oak Connector: Invasive plant management, bathrooms/water closer to trailhead/bottom of White Oak Park, change sign to "White Oak Connector" and add map and arrow indicating Stringers Ridge.
- White Oak Park: Remove sign that says no bicycles (or skateboards) on sidewalks, update playground status from poor to good with new picture, consider improving quality of the grass surface (leveling?) on upper terrace. Develop a strategic plan specific to White Oak Park? Emphasize that list is of options to consider in the future.'
- Add considerations for climate impact/green infrastructure to increase resiliency to plan? Solar lighting? Heat islands?
- Add Strengths to SWOT
- Weakness: Pass comment about transportation onto city-wide Master Plan
- Opportunities: North Shore and Mountain Creek Greenway Studies; boxing building (or other) as possible office site for expanding Parks and Rec division
- Potential Connectivity: Pass dangerous pedestrian areas onto TSW. Add North Shore Greenway and Mountain Creek Greenway plans to this map. Connection of White Oak Park to Memorial Park/Stringers Ridge. Bicycle Blvd. Alpine Crest connectivity (and keeping as public land) once Hamilton County completes plans for property. Connectivity to Hixson property from local neighborhoods.
- Reference TPL 10-minute walk plan (opportunities?), projection of needed park land/ per acre access
- Recommendation to specify the definition of parks – investigate previously used definitions (State, SCORPA)
- Committee To Do: Email Jeffrey with feedback and questions about Demographics in Parks and Rec plan (without duplicating what will be in city-wide plan)
- Jeffrey will send comments to KH who will then get updated plan back to PRAB for vote and then take to commission (goal workshop in June).
- Potential pilot of change to gate hours/policies at White Oak Park
- Motion to adjourn: Robin, Second: Gaston. Adjourned 7:14pm

