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Parks and Recreation Commission Agenda

Tuesday, January 3
6:30 PM

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1. Introductions

Benson Leah Ybarra

- 2. Public Comment Invited
- 3. Approval Of The December 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Documents:

ITEM 3 - APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 6 MINUTES (FINAL).PDF

4. Parks And Recreation Scholarship Program Review

Documents:

ITEM 4 - SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (FINAL).PDF

5. Prepare For Joint Meeting With City Council

Documents:

ITEM 5 - PREPARE FOR JOINT MEETING (FINAL).PDF

6. Staff Report

Documents:

ITEM 6 - STAFF REPORT (FINAL).PDF

- 6.A. Departmental Updates
- 6.B. Other New Or Relevant Communication And Update Items
- 7. Other
- 8. Adjournment

Roseville Parks and Recreation Commission

Agenda Item

Date: January 3, 2023 Item No: 3

Item Description: Approval of Minutes of the December 6 Meeting

Background:

Enclosed is a draft of the minutes of December 6, 2022. Please be prepared to approve or amend.

Requested Commission Action:

Approve/amend meeting minutes of December 6, 2022.

Attachments:

A. Meeting Minutes, December 6, 2022

| 1 |] | ROSEVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION |
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| 2 | | MEETING MINUTES FOR |
| 3 | | DECEMBER 6, 2022 6:30 p.m. |
| 5 | PRESENT: | Arneson, Baggenstoss, Brown, Dahlstrom, Hoag, Lenhart, Matts-Benson, |
| 6 | | Ybarra |
| 7 | ABSENT: | Boulton |
| 8 | STAFF: | Johnson, Taylor |
| 9 10 | 1) INTRODUCTIO | ONS |
| 11 12 13 | 2) ROLL CALL/P | UBLIC COMMENT |
| 14 15 16 | Roll (Ybarra | Call Commissioners: Arneson, Brown, Dahlstrom, Hoag, Lenhart, Matts-Benson, a. |
| 17 18 19 | Chair Dahlstrom were present. | called for public comment by members of the audience. No audience members |
| 20 21 22 23 24 | Commissioner Le | MINUTES – NOVEMBER 1, 2022 MEETING enhart requested the following edits to the November 1, 2022 meeting minutes: public commenters from "Andrew Lenhart" to "Anders Lenhart" and "Quinn Plaih" |
| 25 26 27 | Arnes | Chair Hoag moved to approve the minutes with amendments. Commissioner on seconded. |
| 28 29 30 31 32 | Nays: | Arneson, Brown, Dahlstrom, Hoag, Lenhart, Matts-Benson, Ybarra. None. in: None. |
| 33 34 35 | , | AME RECOMMENDATION FOR POCAHONTAS PARK orief summary of the project history of the renaming of Pocahontas Park that the undertaken: |
| 36 | • Engagement S | Summary |
| 37 | o Multip | ble Native American Groups and Individuals with expertise on the subject |
| 38 | - | ille residents of all backgrounds |
| 39 | | neighbors |
| 40 | | ille residents who identify as Native American |
| 41 | | ed academic and other research sources |

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| 43 | What we Heard |
| 44 | Received more than 60 name suggestions |
| 45 | Consensus among Native American individuals that the name and/or signage would |
| 46 | reflect |
| 47 | Land was home of Dakota tribes within MN. |
| 48 | Some concern about pronunciation |
| 49 | Developed some possible resources to review possible names as it relates to Native |
| 50 | o Americans |
| 51 | • Process (Agreed to on October 4) |
| 52 | October 4: Preliminary conversation and plan development |
| 53 | o November 1: Reduce list to an acceptable number of "finalists" to be reviewed, thought |
| 54 | about and analyzed between November and December meetings. |
| 55 | Name Finalists: |
| 56 | • Tiwahe (family) |
| 57 | • Keya (Turtle) |
| 58 | Woda¶ota (Peace) |
| 59 | Koda (Friendship and/or soulmates) |
| 60 | Wastemna (Bergamot) |
| 61 | • Skatapi (They Play) |
| 62 | Dakota Makoce Park (Dakota Land) |
| 63 | December 6: Tentatively plan to reach a name recommendation |
| 64 | Additional comment invited |
| 65 | Discussion/motion |
| 66 | Early 2023: Recommendation to City Council |
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| 68 | Staff reviewed additional items to consider as part of the naming process, such as: naming criteria, |
| 69 | Roseville's Racial Equity Narrative and Equity toolkit, interpretive signage, and further engagement. |
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| 71 | Based on the request from the Commission at the November 1 meeting, staff reached out to partners |
| 72 | who had previously contributed to the park naming discussion and were identified as having |
| 73 | expertise in the Dakota language, indigenous issues, or Dakota naming issues. Staff asked the |
| 74 | contributors: generally speaking if the Commission is on the right track, if there is anything missing |
| 75 | from the list of name finalists, and if there are specific names they would recommend. |
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| 77 | A response to staff's e-mail was received from Maggie Lorenz, Executive Director & Wakan Tipi |
| 78 | Center Director, Lower Phalen Creek Project. She recommended the names Keya (Turtle) as it is |

Staff reviewed additional prior feedback received from indigenous partners in the community.

playful, and a fitting name for a park, or Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land).

82 Commissioner Baggenstoss joined the meeting. 83 84 Commissioner Arneson relayed that he liked Keya (Turtle) Park as it aligns with the naming policy 85 and is in the Dakota language. 86 87 Commissioner Matts-Benson appreciated Ms. Lorenz listing names that may not be appropriate and 88 she does not feel those names should be considered by the Commission. She added that she would 89 lean more towards Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) Park. 90 91 Vice-Chair Hoag noted that Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) Park may be easier to explain using 92 interpretive signs at the park. However, he noted that Keya (Turtle) was suggested by a resident who 93 lives near the park and that a turtle could potentially be incorporated into the new playground that 94 will be constructed at the park in 2023. 95 96 Commissioner Brown shared that he appreciated Ms. Lorenz' comments and suggested potentially 97 combining Keya (Turtle) at Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) for a name. 98 99 Commissioner Lenhart liked that Keya (Turtle) Park is a short easy name that could teach people 100 about the Dakota language. In addition, she suggested using Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) in an 101 interpretive park sign, but not in the name. 102 103 Commissioner Ybarra relayed that she liked Keya (Turtle) Park for the name. 104 105 Commissioner Baggenstoss stated that potentially picking a short name, which aligns easily with the English language, should not be a reason to choose a particular name. He added that Dakota Makoce 106 107 (Dakota Land) could be a good name to relay that there is an understanding that this is Dakota Land. 108 For Keya (Turtle) Park he relayed concern that he believes it does not have a significant meaning. 109 110 Chair Dahlstrom acknowledged that Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) may potentially have more 111 meaning as a park name. 112 113 Commissioner Baggenstoss suggested expanding on the Dakota language within the park by 114 utilizing interpretive signs with Keya (Turtle), Wastemna (Bergamot), etc. to identify park features. 115 116 Commissioner Arneson agreed with Commissioner Baggenstoss that Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) 117 should be included in the interpretive signs at the park. However, he feels that Keya (Turtle) Park, 118 even though it is not a long name, could still be a good name that aligns with the city's naming 119 policy. 120

| 121 122 | The Commission discussed the advantages and disadvantages between the names Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) and Keya (Turtle). |
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| 123 | |
| 124 | Vice-Chair Hoag added that it may become known as Turtle Park and not Keya Park, similar to |
| 125 | Rosebrook Park historically becoming "Robot Park" as the previous playground at that park had a |
| 126 | robot theme. |
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| 128 | Commissioner Arneson suggested calling the park Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) Park and calling |
| 129 | the play structure Keya (Turtle) Playground. |
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| 131 | Commissioner Matts-Benson shared that there is a large amount of potential opportunities for |
| 132 | community education of the chosen park name. |
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| 134 | The Commission discussed potential educational opportunities at the park. |
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| 136 | Commissioner Lenhart suggested recommending both Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) or Keya |
| 137 | (Turtle) Park to the City Council. |
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| 139 | Chair Dahlstrom suggested recommending only one name to the City Council. |
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| 141 | Commissioner Arneson added that there was an Eagle Scout project underway that incorporates |
| 142 | Dakota language onto natural resource signs at Reservoir Woods Park. |
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| 144 | The Commission and staff discussed interpretive signs in the park. Staff recommended that the |
| 145 | Commission focus on the recommendation of a park name, as individual interpretive signs would |
| 146 | need to be part of a larger discussion encompassing the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. |
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| 148 | Commissioner Baggenstoss suggested potentially creating a shared stewardship model to bring forth |
| 149 | suggestions within the community. |
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| 152 | Commissioner Brown motioned to recommend renaming Pocahontas Park to Dakota |
| 153 | Makoce (Dakota Land) Park to the City Council. Vice-Chair Hoag seconded. |
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| 156 | Commissioner Arneson questioned if it is ok to name a park Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) Park |
| 157 | but not to return the land to the Dakota people. Staff relayed that they had a similar concern. |
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| 159 | The Commission and staff discussed any potential name implications of suggesting the name |
| 160 | Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) Park to the City Council. |
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| 162 | Commissioner Ybarra suggested recommending the name Dakota Park. In addition, she also |
| 163 | believes Keya (Turtle) Park would be an appropriate choice. |
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| 165 | Commissioner Lenhart shared that she supports Keya (Turtle) Park as it is a fun short name. |
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| 167 | The Commission discussed the name Wastemna (Bergamot) Park. |
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| 169 | Commissioner Arneson suggested that naming the park Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) and not |
| 170 | returning the land to the Dakota people could potentially be viewed as disrespectful. |
| 171 | |
| 172 | The Commission reviewed Parks and Recreation Operating Policy #40: Assigning Names to City |
| 173 | Facilities. |
| 174 | |
| 175 | Commissioner Lenhart challenged that using the name Dakota Makoce (Dakota Land) would not |
| 176 | align with Parks and Recreation Operating Policy #40. |
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| 178 | Commissioner Brown withdrew the current motion. Vice-Chair Hoag Seconded. |
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| 181 | Commissioner Lenhart motioned to recommend renaming Pocahontas Park to Keya |
| 182 | (Turtle) Park to the City Council. Commissioner Arneson seconded. |
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| 185 | Roll Call |
| 186 | Ayes: Arneson, Brown, Hoag, Lenhart, Matts-Benson, Ybarra. |
| 187 | Nays: Baggenstoss, Dahlstrom. |
| 188 | Abstain: None. |
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| 190 | Staff relayed that they will notify the indigenous community partners who had previously provided |
| 191 | project guidance to the Commission of the recommendation of Keya (Turtle) Park. Any feedback |
| 192 | received would be provided to the Commission. |
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| 194 | 5) 2023 PARKS AND FACILITIES PROJECTS AND PLANNING |
| 195 | Parks and Facilities Projects – 2022 Review |
| 196 | Playground Replacement |
| 197 | Owasso Hills Park |
| 198 | 3 neighborhood meetings |
| 199 | Community build |
| 200 | Pioneer Park |

| 201 | • 3 neighborhood meetings |
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| 202 | Community build |
| 203 | Evergreen Pickleball and Anpétu Téča Tennis Courts |
| 204 | Evergreen Pickleball |
| 205 | • 6 new pickleball courts |
| 206 | Nets have remained up and in use during the winter |
| 207 | |
| 208 | Commissioner Arneson asked if it made sense to offer a warming facility for winter pickleball |
| 209 | users at the park building located at Evergreen Park. Staff relayed that the park building is |
| 210 | currently being used for affiliated group storage as the previous storage at Fairview Community |
| 211 | Center was not included in the new Anpétu Téča building. However, staff offered that it was an |
| 212 | idea that warrants additional conversation. |
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| 214 | Usage Anpétu Téča Tennis Courts |
| 215 | 4 courts resurfaced |
| 216 | Legion Field |
| 217 | Regrade entire infield |
| 218 | Re-cut lip and baselines |
| 219 | ■ Rebuilt mound |
| 220 | Replace home plate area |
| 221 | Re-sod entire infield |
| 222 | Support from Roseville Area Baseball and Roseville High School Boosters |
| 223 | Project management of OVAL Bonding Project |
| 224 | Central Park |
| 225 | Fitness pods added around the frog pond area |
| 226 | Acorn Tennis and Basketball Court |
| 227 | Crack seal |
| 228 | Re-paint both tennis and basketball courts |
| 229 | Replace damaged basketball hoop |
| 230 | Parks and Recreation Maintenance – 2022 Review |
| 231 | Central Park North – Intense, initial restoration work was completed, including invasive |
| 232 | brush/tree removal, native seeding and follow-up spot treatment |
| 233 | o Reservoir Woods – Ongoing incremental thinning of invasive/nonnative trees in the |
| 234 | prairie/oak savanna/woodland area, which appeared to have responded quite positively |
| 235 | this year with a significant expansion of native flowers and a large flight of great |
| 236 | spangled fritillary butterflies |
| 237 | Central Park Bennett Lake – Continued savanna restoration on the north side of Lake |
| 238 | Bennett with additional thinning of invasive/nonnative trees and shrubs and enrichment |
| 239 | seeding of native grass, flower and sedge species |

| 240 | o Reservoir Woods – Invasive brush and small tree removal around the top of the historic |
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| 241 | 1888 open reservoir, improving the ability to see this historic feature |
| 242 | Villa Park North – Installation of several thousand woodland flower plugs. Funded |
| 243 | through MN DNR Expedited Conservation Projects (ECP) Grant |
| 244 | Park system wide – Completion of work related to the natural resources components of |
| 245 | the Park Renewal Program, which began in 2014. |
| 246 | Park Project Areas – 2023 (Capital Improvement Items) |
| 247 | Playground Replacements |
| 248 | Pocahontas Park |
| 249 | • 3 neighborhood meetings |
| 250 | Community build |
| 251 | • Start this winter |
| 252 | Lexington Park |
| 253 | Meeting schedule TBD |
| 254 | Unique process |
| 255 | Potential for more inclusive play |
| 256 | • More discussion in 2023 |
| 257 | Park Project Areas – 2023 (Capital Improvement Items) |
| 258 | Facility Improvements |
| 259 | Central Park Victoria Tennis Courts |
| 260 | Concordia Park |
| 261 | Gymnastics Center equipment |
| 262 | Skate park equipment pieces at the OVAL |
| 263 | o Pathway Connections |
| 264 | Central Park Victoria (adjacent to tennis courts) |
| 265 | Pathway Into Oasis Park from the South |
| 266 | Planning and Design – 2023 |
| 267 | Lexington Woods |
| 268 | Lexington between C2 and Woodhill |
| 269 | Tentative concept is predominantly a conservation parcel with pathway and |
| 270 | benches |
| 271 | Community engagement via mailing and open house |
| 272 | o Midland Legacy Area |
| 273 | Co. Rd. B and Eustis |
| 274 | Multiple meetings |
| 275 | Likely will involve a consultant |
| 276 | Funding and implementation likely in 2024 |
| 277 | Park Project With Outside Funding – 2023 (Park Maintenance Operational Projects) |
| 278 | Arboretum Pathway Project |
| 279 | Funded by Central Park Foundation |

| 280 | Replace gravel pathways |
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| 281 | MN OVAL Infrastructure Replacement |
| 282 | Complete Remaining items from 2022/23 project |
| 283 | Pursuing Bonding Dollars for items that were not included in 2022 project |
| 284 | Additional Amenities |
| 285 | Donated by the Friends of Roseville Parks |
| 286 | 2 new basketball hoops and stanchions |
| 287 | 3 new hoops and backboards |
| 288 | Several benches |
| 289 | o Villa Park |
| 290 | BDale Club Donation |
| 291 | Pavilion Apron (2022 Completion) |
| 292 | New Tables |
| 293 | Additional Benches |
| 294 | HANC Entrance Sign and Lighting |
| 295 | Private donation |
| 296 | Park Project Areas – 2023 (Park Maintenance Operational Projects) |
| 297 | Emerald Ash Borer Accelerated Program |
| 298 | Continue our accelerated EAB Program with Tree Trust |
| 299 | Plan to remove more than 300 diseased ash tree |
| 300 | Plan to plant more than 350 replacement trees |
| 301 | Additional Neighborhood Meeting |
| 302 | Natural Resources Management Program |
| 303 | Continue transitioning to Roseville management |
| 304 | Expand volunteer leadership and volunteer led events |
| 305 | Implement next phase in Natural Resources Management |
| 306 | Continue grant funded work at Villa and Reservoir Woods |
| 307 | Step up garlic mustard pulls throughout the city |
| 308 | Internal Park Maintenance Projects (Park Maintenance Operational) |
| 309 | Lexington Shelter (Old Building) |
| 310 | Roof |
| 311 | Siding and paint |
| 312 | o Amphitheatre |
| 313 | Siding and paint |
| 314 | Address Site Conditions at Multiple Parks |
| 315 | Central Park Victoria Softball Field 6 |
| 316 | Autumn Grove Hockey Rink Area |
| 317 | Sandcastle Hockey Rink Area |
| 318 | Dale Street Soccer South |
| 319 | • Park Improvement Projects – 2023 |

| 320 | Project Areas |
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| 321 | Playground safety surfacing |
| 322 | Tree planting and maintenance |
| 323 | Fencing |
| 324 | Facility improvements |
| 325 | Landscape mulch |
| 326 | Amenities |
| 327 | Ag lime for ballfield and pathways |
| 328 | Sign program |
| 329 | Landscape and site work |
| 330 | PIP is preplanned work on existing facilities |
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| 332 | 6) 2023 DRAFT MEETING CALENDAR |
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| 334 | Commissioner Matts-Benson moved to approve the 2023 draft Parks and Recreation |
| 335 | Commission calendar. Commissioner Brown seconded. |
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| 337 | Roll Call |
| 338 | Ayes: Arneson, Baggenstoss, Brown, Dahlstrom, Hoag, Lenhart, Matts-Benson, Ybarra. |
| 339 | Nays: None. |
| 340 | Abstain: None. |
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| 342 | 7) STAFF REPORT |
| 343 | • The Guidant John Rose MN OVAL is now open. |
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| 345 | • The Holiday Craft Fair was December 3 and 4 at City Hall. Over 2,000 people attended. |
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| 347 | Cookies and Cocoa with Kris Kringle was a sold out event held at the Cedarholm |
| 348 | Community Building on December 3. |
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| 350 | • New Year's Eve on Ice will be held at the Skating Center on December 31 from 2:30-10 p.m. |
| 351 | The second of th |
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| 352 | • Candlelight Snowshoe event on January 27 at the Cedarholm Community Building and Golf |
| 353 | Course. |
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| 255 | The city is in the precess of changing providers for the Commission markets. Coing forward |
| 355356 | • The city is in the process of changing providers for the Commission packets. Going forward |
| 357 | the Parks and Recreation Commission packet may look slightly different. |
| 357 358 | Staff thanked the Commission for all of their work in 2022. |
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| 359 | 8) OTHER |
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| 361 | Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m. |
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| 363 | Respectfully Submitted, |
| 364 | Danielle Christensen, Department Assistan |
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Roseville Parks and Recreation Commission

Agenda Item

Date: January 3, 2023 Item No: 4

Item Description: Review Parks and Recreation Scholarship Program

Background:

The Parks and Recreation Department offers a fee assistance program (also called the Parks and Recreation Scholarship Program) that provides reduced fees to Roseville residents with a financial need who wish to participate in Parks and Recreation programming. This program has also been identified as a tool to ensure that historically underrepresented populations are participating in Parks and Recreation programs, and receive the many benefits that they provide.

In 2022, \$8,200 were awarded and \$5,580 were used.

Staff will provide a review of the program including criteria, application process, marketing and demographics of program participants in 2022.

Requested Commission Action:

Receive scholarship program overview and provide feedback.

Attachments:

A. Presentation

Recreation Fee Assistance Program January 3, 2023



Fee Assistance Program CRITERIA

- Individuals who live in Roseville and experience a financial need.
- \$100 per year, which can cover up to 80% of program costs.
- Youth (under 18) who qualify for free or reduced lunch in school. *Updated* in 2022
- Adults who can provide an approved explanation of financial need.
 Updated in 2022
- Can be applied to all programs except adult athletics. Updated in 2022



OVERVIEW

PURPOSE

- To make recreational programs and facilities available and affordable to all residents.
- Ensure that participants in Parks and Recreation programs and facilities reflect the Roseville Community.
- Funded through donations to the recreation fund. Beginning in 2022, levy funds were allocated if needed.
- 2022 was used as a year to evaluate and make adjustments.



New Marketing





Expanded Criteria

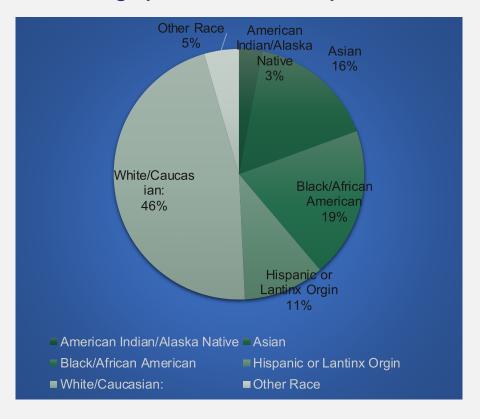
- Expanded to include adults.
- Applicable to contract and in house programs.
- Defined financial need to those who qualify for free or reduced lunch.
- Applied to all programs except adult athletics (team sports).



Scholarship Use by Year



Racial Demographics of Scholarship Users in 2022



| 2022 Demographics by Race | | |
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| American Indian/Alaska Native | 2 | |
| Asian | 11 | |
| Black/African American | 13 | |
| Hispanic or Lantinx Origin | 7 | |
| White/Caucasian: | 31 | |
| Other Race | 3 | |

^{*12} participants did not report demographics



2022 Takeaways



- Roseville has an estimated 2,500 residents below the poverty line and 8,000 low income.
- The scholarship program is likely an effective tool to ensure that traditionally underrepresented individuals are represented in our programs.
- Still heavily skewed toward children.
- More than half of the people who used scholarship dollars used all \$100.

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Discussion

Roseville Parks and Recreation Commission

Agenda Item

Date: January 3, 2023 Item No: 5

Item Description: Prepare for Joint Meeting with City Council

Background:

Periodically, the Parks and Recreation Commission meets with the City Council to review and discuss accomplishments, activities and work items of the Commission. The next joint meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2022.

This meeting will focus on the work that the Commission completed in 2022 and the Commission's recommendation regarding the name of Pocahontas Park.

Requested Commission Action:

In preparation, it would be helpful for the Commission to:

- Review the attached Draft Request for Council Action (Attachment A) and provide feedback.
- Consider who would like to be a lead presenter for the meeting.
- Consider any other items that the Commission would like to discuss with the Council.

Attachments:

A. Draft Request for Council Action for Joint Meeting



| | Date: Item No.: |
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| Department Approval | City Manager Approval |
| Item Description: | |

BACKGROUND

Periodically, the Parks and Recreation Commission meets with the City Council to review and discuss accomplishments, activities and work items.

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The Commission has participated in and provided input on the following items since the last joint meeting on January 31, 2022:

- Accepted and provided feedback on the Recreation Program review.
- Established Parks and Recreation Commission Goals (Attachment x).
- Reviewed deer management program and provided recommendation.
- Completed Pickleball Courts at Evergreen Park and renovation of tennis courts at Anpétu Téča Education Center.
- Participated at summer Discover Your Parks Events.
- Reviewed and completed recommendations on several park dedication sites.
- Participated in the engagement and community builds for the Owasso Hills and Pioneer Park playgrounds.
- Reviewed the implementation strategy of the Accelerated Emerald Ash Borer plan.
- Reviewed the Guidant John Rose MN OVAL project (substantially complete).
- Accepted two Minnesota Parks and Recreation Awards of Excellence:
 - o Kite Day in the Park (Category: Excellence in Programs and Events).
 - Central Park Victoria Inclusive Playground Expansion (Category: Partnership and Sponsorship).
- Reviewed and provided feedback for the Parks and Recreation Department's strategic racial equity initiatives and strategies.
- Reviewed and provided guidance on the Cedarholm Community Building Kitchen/Grill vendor Request for Proposal.
- Reviewed and provided feedback on the Central Park Arboretum pathway project.
- Reviewed the 2023 Parks and Facilities workplan.

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One items that the Commission has spent a significant amount of time on is the name of Pocahontas Park. The Commission originally began discussing the topic in late 2020 and has completed a thorough process to analyze the current name, and recommend a new name. Specifically, the Commission and staff have:

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- Utilized the Racial Equity Tool Kit to develop an Engagement and Analysis plan.
- Engaged with Native America individuals and groups who have expertise on issues related to Native American names.

- Consulted a variety of academic sources related to issues of Native American naming including the Reclaiming Native Truths documents and discussions hosted by Dr. Kate Bean of the MN Historical Society and others.
- Mailed to residents in the area around Pocahontas Park (more than 500 letters) to inform them about the process and solicit feedback (fall 2021).
- Had countless conversations at 15 Discover Your Parks events, the Wild Rice Festival and other Parks and Recreation events.
- Posted signage soliciting feedback in Pocahontas Park throughout the summer and fall of 2022.

Ultimately, the process yielded more than 60 suggested names from a variety of sources. Once the names were collected, staff continued to engage with Native American individuals and leaders for their feedback. Ultimately, the Commission settled on the name Keya (pronounced Kay – Ah) which is the Dakota word for turtle.

This suggestion was submitted by a neighbor of the park as an acknowledgement of the Dakota history on which the park resides, and because of the turtles that find their way into the park from the marsh below.

As part of the process, staff continued to engage with a Dakota individual who connected with others in the Dakota community and provided feedback. Keya was one of two final suggestions that were recommended by that individual.

Ultimately, the name Keya was supported by the Commission for several reasons:

- It complies with City Policy #40: Assigning Names to City Facilities (attachment x) for naming parks and facilities based on animals or natural resources.
- It is in keeping with the playful spirit of a park.
- There is the possibility of utilizing a Keya (turtle) theme in the design process for the replacement playground, which is planned for installation in fall 2023.
- The name is supported by the Dakota individuals who participated in the process and subsequently by a broader cross-section of Dakota individuals.

In addition to recommending the name Keya Park, the Commission also recommended the development of a land acknowledgement and consideration of additional signage or other educational opportunities within the park.

Following the Commission's recommendation, staff again followed up with contacts from the Dakota community who stated that they had spoken with many people, including tribal leaders and members of the tribal historic preservation group. The contacts confirmed that they thought Keya Park was a great name and are pleased with the process.

POLICY OBJECTIVE

Advisory Commissions are established to provide a method for citizen input and are advisory to the City Council. Joint meetings are a useful tool for the Commission to provide input to the Council and receive Council feedback.

The Parks and Recreation Commission's work regarding the name of Pocahontas Park is consistent with the City's community aspirations of being welcoming, inclusive and respectful and the City's Racial Equity Narrative.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The items discussed by Commissioners could have a variety of budgetary implications.

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A name change to Pocahontas Park could have the following budgetary implications:

- Park sign (\$x,000)
- Possible interpretive signage (TBD)
- Additional Keya themed items in the playground (TBD)

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As details of the plan are teased out, a funding source will be established.

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RACIAL EQUITY IMPACT SUMMARY

The Commission understands the key role that Parks and Recreation services play in equity in a community. Throughout the year, equity considerations are discussed as part of specific projects, an overall equity plan and approach was discussed at the October 2022 Commission meeting.

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When considering the Pocahontas Park name conversation, the Commission considered equity impacts throughout the process in a variety of ways. Specific attention was paid to Native Americans who live in Roseville and beyond based upon the current Native American name of the park. Specifically, the following steps were taken:

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- Created and executed an Engagement and Analysis Plan that was guided by the Government Alliance on Racial Equity: Racial Equity Toolkit.
- Researched issues related to Native American name use.
- Made contact with a variety of Native American individuals and organizational leaders, including members of the Dakota and Ojibwe tribes.
- Continued engagement with Dakota individuals as names were considered.

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Although no feedback is completely homogenous, the general consensus was:

- The name Pocahontas is not appropriate for the park, as Pocahontas the person had no ties to Minnesota and the use of her name furthers stereotyping and marginalization of current-day Native Americans.
- A new, more appropriate, Native American name could be appropriate.
- If a Native American name is selected, it should be Dakota as the park is located on land that was the Dakota's.
- General support of the name Keya Park and the recommendations that the Parks and Recreation Commission made.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Discuss the Commission's work with the Parks and Recreation Commissioners.

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123 Consider a motion to change the name of Pocahontas Park to Keya Park.

124 REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

- Receive Commission updates and provide feedback on any items. Suggest any items that you would
- like the Commission to explore in the coming year.
- 127 Consider taking action to change the name of Pocahontas Park.

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Attachments: A:

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Roseville Parks and Recreation Commission

Agenda Item

| Date: January 3, 2023 | Item No: 6 |
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| Item Description: Staff Report | |

Background:

Staff will provide an update on the department and service offerings.

Requested Commission Action: Review department updates.

Attachments:

Community Facilities



Lexington Park Building



Roseville has a variety of community facilities available to host meetings, small gatherings, weddings, picnics or gym activities. For more information visit *cityofroseville.com/rentalspaces* or contact the *facility staff listed below*.

Park Building Rentals

Park Buildings are located at Autumn Grove, Lexington, Rosebrook, Oasis, Sandcastle & Villa Parks. These buildings are available for community use and public rentals. We offer discounted rates for Roseville residents and Roseville businesses. While each facility is similar in many ways, each neighborhood park may have unique features.

Autumn Grove & Lexington Parks:

- Gathering Room with kitchenette, fireplace & video monitor, with easy access to outdoor patio; table seating for 48 or theater seating for 60.
- Multi-Purpose Room, available March-mid December, can accommodate table seating for up to 12 additional guests.

Rosebrook Park:

 Gathering Room with kitchenette, fireplace & video monitor, with easy access to outdoor patio; table seating for 40 or theater seating for 50.

Oasis, Sandcastle & Villa Parks:

 Gathering Room with kitchenette, fireplace & video monitor, with easy access to outdoor patio; table seating for 32 or theater seating for 40.

Facility rentals are popular, we recommend reserving well in advance.

| Park Building Rental Facilities and 2023 Rates | Regular Rental Mon-Thu | Roseville Resident Mon-Thu | Regular Rental Fri-Sun | Roseville Resident Fri-Sun | Additional Hours |
|---|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Autumn Grove & Lexington Parks | \$155/ 3 hrs \$225/ 5 hrs | \$110/ 3 hrs \$175/ 5 hrs | \$185/ 3 hrs \$255/ 5 hrs | \$140/ 3 hrs \$205/ 5 hrs | \$45/ hr |
| Rosebrook Park | \$145/ 3 hrs \$205/ 5 hrs | \$105/ 3 hrs \$165/ 5 hrs | \$175/ 3 hrs \$235/ 5 hrs | \$135/ 3 hrs \$195/ 5 hrs | \$45/ hr |
| Oasis, Sandcastle & Villa Parks | \$130/ 3 hrs \$185/ 5 hrs | \$95/ 3 hrs \$145/ 5 hrs | \$160/ 3 hrs \$215/ 5 hrs | \$125/ 3 hrs \$175/ 5 hrs | \$45/ hr |

^{*}Rental rates subject to Minnesota Sales Tax

| City-Wide Facility Staff | | | | |
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| Brimhall & Central Park Community Gyms: | Steve @ 651-792-7154 | | | |
| Cedarholm Golf Course & Community Room: | Steve @ 651-792-7154 | | | |
| Central Park Picnic Shelters: | Staff @ 651-792-7006 | | | |
| Civic Center Campus Meeting Rooms: | Scott @ 651-792-7118 | | | |
| Harriet Alexander Nature Center: | Scott @ 651-792-7118 | | | |
| Muriel Sahlin Arboretum | Scott @ 651-792-7118 | | | |
| Park Buildings | Scott @ 651-792-7118 | | | |
| Roseville Skating Center Ice Rentals | Kevin @ 651-792-7122 | | | |
| Skating Center Banquet & Meeting Rooms: | Lake @ 651-792-7121 | | | |



For more info on Roseville facilities or to make a Park Building reservation request, visit: cityofroseville.com/rentalspaces





Roseville Parks and Recreation 2660 Civic Center Drive Roseville MN 55113 651-792-7006 cityofroseville.com/parks



Roseville Pickleball

Pickleball, a combination of tennis, badminton, and ping pong, is one of the fastest growing sports in the country. Six Courts are available at Brimhall Community Gym, 1744 West County Road B. Wooden paddle racquets and plastic poly balls will be provided (limited supply). Visit usapa.org for more information on rules and equipment.

All adults welcome, see details on levels of play. No registration taken, just drop in. Discount pass available 10 sessions \$45, available at gym, please bring check to purchase pass.

Open Drop-In Doubles Play, players rotate. Limited to first 48 participants per session.

Call 651-792-7006 for more info or visit our website for updates, www.cityofroseville.com/parks

Winter/Spring Schedule 2023

| Saturday Morning 9am to 11:30pm | | | Sunday Morning 8am to 10:30am | | |
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| Session | Dates | Price | Session | Dates | Price |
| January | No Sessions | | January | 8, 15, 22, 29 | \$5 |
| February | 18, 25 | \$5 | February | 12, 19, 26 | \$5 |
| March | 4, 11, 18, 25 | \$5 | March | 5, 12, 19, 26 | \$5 |
| April | 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 | \$5 | April | 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | \$5 |

| Saturday Afternoon 12pm to 2:30pm | | | Sunday Beginner/Novice 11am to 1:30pm | | |
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| Session | Dates | Price | Session | Dates | Price |
| January | 7, 14, 21, 28 | \$5 | January | 8, 15, 22, 29 | \$5 |
| February | 11, 18, 25 | \$5 | February | 12, 19, 26 | \$5 |
| March | 4, 11, 18, 25 | \$5 | March | 5, 12, 19, 26 | \$5 |
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Beginner/Novice sessions are available to
New or Less Skilled players only
(3.0 rating or below).

Please choose the session that best fits
your skill level.

See IFP rating description form for details.



CITY OF ROSEVILLE

WE'RE LOOKING FOR TALENT

OPEN MIC NIGHT

Calling all musicians, comedians, poetry readers & entertainers! Share your awesome talents w/ the rest of Roseville at Open Mic Night.

October 20 November 17 December 15 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH | 7 P.M. CEDARHOLM COMMUNITY BUILDING 2323 HAMLINE AVE

January 19 February 16 March 16

These FREE events are open to all ages & abilities. Performers and spectators welcome. Call to sign up for a time slot starting the Monday before the event, 651-792-7154 or sign up the night of. Spaces may be limited.





Questions? Call 651-792-7154 steve.anderson@cityofroseville.com www.cityofroseville.com/golf

ROSEVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION



Gandlelight Snowshoeing

Snowshoe along candlelit trails by the light of the moon throughout Cedarholm Golf Course. Enjoy hot chocolate afterwards. Bring your own snowshoes or a **limited** number of snowshoes available for rental. Registration deadline Jan 25.

JANUARY 27, 2023 6:00-8:00PM CEDARHOLM COMMUNITY BUILDING & GOLF COURSE



Event \$10/ person | Program #9500.317 Snowshoe Rental Add-on Medium (>160 lbs) Rental \$6/person | Program #9500.318 Large (>235 lbs) Rental \$6/person | Program #9500.319

To register, call Roseville Parks & Recreation at 651–792–7006 or register online at www.cityofroseville.com/parks

Registration Deadline is January 25

