

# Roseville Parks and Recreation Commission

## Agenda Item

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**Date:** March 7, 2023

**Item No:** 3

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**Item Description:** Approval of Minutes of the February 7 Meeting

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**Background:**

Enclosed is a draft of the minutes of February 7, 2023. Please be prepared to approve or amend.

**Requested Commission Action:**

Approve/amend meeting minutes of February 7, 2023.

**Attachments:**

- A. Meeting Minutes, February 7, 2023



41 Lori is a multicultural woman and she brings a unique perspective that is not always seen in public  
42 art projects. In addition, she has a strong focus on public engagement and community involvement in  
43 her projects.

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45 Staff relayed that currently there is not a Public Art Master Plan and noted that it may be worthwhile  
46 to address this in the future.

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48 Lori was available at the meeting and provided the Commission with pictures of previous public art  
49 pieces that she has created. The art medium that she utilizes is mosaic tiles. She shared that her idea  
50 for the Harriet Alexander Nature Center would be three sculptural forms. Each form would represent  
51 the (past and present) flora and fauna of either the wetlands, forest or prairie.

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53 Commissioner Arneson asked if the tiles are ceramic and where they are made. Lori responded that  
54 they are high-fire ceramic tiles made primarily in Italy, Portugal and Germany.

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56 Lori relayed that she anticipates the size of the sculptural forms will be approximately 15 feet high  
57 and three feet wide.

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59 Staff added that the original concept for placement of the forms was to have them visible from the  
60 parking lot.

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62 Lori discussed possible community outreach options, including; public meetings, surveys,  
63 demonstrations, etc.

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65 Commissioner Brown asked the timeline to complete a project like this. Lori relayed she would  
66 anticipate it taking 6-12 months.

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68 The Commission discussed how exciting the project is and that they like the concept that Lori  
69 presented.

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71 Commissioners Bolton and Ybarra shared that they would like to see the art pieces throughout the  
72 Nature Center property and not just near the parking lot.

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74 In addition to the proposed art piece, the city has received another donation related to additional  
75 signage at the Harriet Alexander Nature Center. Staff shared that the signs will help direct people to  
76 the nature center and will work to remedy any confusion between the nature center and Wildlife  
77 Rehabilitation Center. The Commissioner reviewed the potential concept drawings for the signs and  
78 discussed how the two proposed projects could interrelate.

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80 Commissioner Hoag relayed that he would include the Parks and Recreation logo to the signage.

81 Commissioner Bolton shared that he thinks a map on the signs would potentially be helpful.

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83 Commissioner Matts-Benson asked if there will ever be sidewalks placed on the east side of Dale St.  
84 in front of the nature center. Staff responded that they would need to review the Pathways Master  
85 Plan to answer definitively. However, they don't believe that there will be pathways added on the  
86 east side of Dale St.

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88 Commissioner Baggenstoss recommended that the signage not be modeled after the art piece as the  
89 art should be viewed separately.

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91 Commissioner Matts-Benson moved to accept the donation for a public art piece at the  
92 Harriet Alexander Nature Center created by artist, Lori Greene. Commissioner Brown  
93 seconded.

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95 **Roll Call**

96 **Ayes:** Arneson, Baggenstoss, Boulton, Brown, Dahlstrom, Hoag, Matts-Benson, Ybarra.  
97 **Nays:** None.  
98 **Abstain:** None.

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101 **5) DEBRIEF REGARDING JOINT MEETING WITH CITY COUNCIL**

102 Staff gave a brief review of the joint meeting between the City Council and Parks and Recreation  
103 Commission. As the City Council approved the name change of Pocahontas Park to Keya Park staff  
104 provided a potential name change transition plan:

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106 **Keya Park Transition**

- 107 • Updated websites/News release
- 108 • Playground engagement:
  - 109 ○ Three meetings in March/April
  - 110 ○ Likely September/October neighborhood build
  - 111 ○ Completed a few weeks after
- 112 • Park sign
- 113 • Interpretive signage
  - 114 ○ Including Dakota consultation
- 115 • Land acknowledgement
- 116 • Transition complete end of 2023

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118 Staff also discussed the Campus Master Plan and what impacts it may have on Parks and Recreation.  
119 Staff noted that the Commission will need to work through specific tangible options to account for  
120 any lost space.

121 6) **STAFF REPORT**

122 a) **DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES**

- 123 • Debbie Cash, Recreation Supervisor and Naturalist retired on February 2. Deon Haider has
- 124 been hired as the new Recreation Supervisor and Naturalist.
- 125 • The Martin Luther King Day Natural Resource Event in Central Park had 33 volunteers
- 126 participate.
- 127 • The recent Candlelight Snowshoe Event at the Cedarholm Golf Course and Community
- 128 Building had 150 participants.
- 129 • The Chinese New Year Event at Harriet Alexander Nature Center on January 29 had 211
- 130 people attend.
- 131 • Arts at the Oval will take place on March 25, 2023 (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.) at the Roseville Skating
- 132 Center.
- 133 • 120 Community Garden plots will be available this spring at Oasis Park.
- 134 • The Sweetheart Dance will be on February 24 at the Roseville Skating Center.
- 135 • Upcoming adult trips: Ives Auditorium (March 22) and Winona Day Trip (April 25).
- 136 • The 2023 Spring/Summer brochure will be in homes by the last week of February with
- 137 registration opening March 7.

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139 b) **OTHER NEW OR RELEVANT COMMUNICATION AND UPDATE ITEMS**

140 Commissioner Ybarra asked if any proposals have been received for the food service at the  
141 Cedarholm Community Building. Staff relayed that one vendor has submitted a proposal that is  
142 currently being reviewed.

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144 Commissioner Arneson suggested the removal of the old boardwalk pieces at Harriet Alexander  
145 Nature Center.

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147 Staff noted that the March Commission meeting will be the last meeting for Vice-Chair Hoag  
148 and Commissioner Lenhart. They encouraged anyone who may be interested in serving on the  
149 Parks and Recreation Commission to apply.

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151 The Commission discussed the election of Chair and Vice-Chair at the March meeting.

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153 7) **OTHER**

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156 Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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158 Respectfully Submitted,  
159 Danielle Christensen, Department Assistant

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