



MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023, 5:00 PM

In person at City Hall, Room 207.

Virtual attendance is also available via Zoom.

AMENDED

A. ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION.

I. Join Zoom Meeting Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84314784824?pwd=THBkd mRwTl k4MG5DV3h h b C9xVDhXdz09>

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Meeting ID: 843 1478 4824

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B. ROLL CALL.

Present: Ald. Steven Campbell - Vice-Chair, Ald. Mark Steuer, Ald. Melinda Eck

Excused: Ald. Chris Wery - Chair

Others present: Director Dan Ditscheit, Deputy Director James Andersen, Ald. Jennifer Grant

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

E. REGULAR BUSINESS.

1. Consideration with possible action on accepting a grant award from the Environmental Protection Agency for \$275,000 to fund the necessary engineering for a habitat restoration project at Joliet Park and to approve entering into a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to jointly execute the terms of the grant funding.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to accept a grant award from the Environmental Protection Agency for \$275,000 to fund the necessary engineering for a habitat restoration project at Joliet Park and to approve entering into a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to jointly execute the terms of the grant funding, contingent upon the Law Department review and approval of the contracts.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

2. Consideration with possible action on hiring Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. for \$229,316.40 to complete the necessary engineering for a habitat restoration project at Joliet Park.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to approve hiring Robert E. Lee & Associates, Inc. for \$229,316.40 to complete the necessary engineering for a habitat restoration project at Joliet Park.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

3. Consideration with possible action on accepting the donation of the installation of an all-inclusive playground at Bay Beach Amusement Park from the Friends of Bay Beach.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to accept the donation of the installation of an all-inclusive playground at Bay Beach Amusement Park from the Friends of Bay Beach.

Motion .

Yes- Mark Steuer, Melinda Eck, Steven Campbell, No- None, Abstain- None.

4. Consideration with possible action on the approval of the Design, Construction & Dedication Agreement with the Friends of Bay Beach for the installation of an all-inclusive playground at Bay

Beach Amusement Park.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve the Design, Construction & Dedication Agreement with the Friends of Bay Beach for the installation of an all-inclusive playground at Bay Beach Amusement Park.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

5. Consideration with possible action on approving the installation of (23) Wisconsin Public Service ornamental light poles and fixtures along the new East River Trail section from Webster Avenue to Main Street for a total cost of \$75,801.83.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve the installation of (23) Wisconsin Public Service ornamental light poles and fixtures along the new East River Trail Section from Webster Avenue to Main Street for a total cost of \$75,801.83.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

6. Consideration with possible action on approving a utility easement with Wisconsin Public Service for the installation of ornamental light poles and fixtures along the new East River Trail section from Webster Avenue to Main Street.

Moved by Ald. Melinda Eck, seconded by Ald. Mark Steuer to approve a utility easement with Wisconsin Public Service for the installation of ornamental light poles and fixtures along the new East River Trail section from Webster Avenue to Main Street, contingent upon the Law Department review and approval of the easement.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

F. INFORMATIONAL.

1. Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to receive and place on file the Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.

2. Next Meeting: October 11, 2023.

G. ADJOURNMENT.

Moved by Ald. Mark Steuer, seconded by Ald. Melinda Eck to adjourn.

Motion Passed.

Yes- Steven Campbell, Melinda Eck, Mark Steuer, No- None, Abstain- None.