



# **MINUTES OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025, 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=THBkdMwRwTlRk4MG5DV3hhdC9xVDhXdz09>

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## **B. ROLL CALL.**

Present: Ald. Melinda Eck-Chair, Ald. Ben Delie-Vice-Chair, Ald. Chris Wery, Ald. Joey Prestley  
Others Present: Director Dan Ditscheit, Deputy Director James Andersen, Ald. Bill Galvin, Ald. Alyssa Proffitt, Melissa Schmitz, Kaurie Mihm

## **C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.**

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

## **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Chris Wery to approve.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

### **E. REGULAR BUSINESS.**

1. Consideration with possible action on the removal of the playground at St. John's Park.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the removal of the playground at St. John's Park and to direct staff to create a future masterplan for St. John's Park.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Consideration with possible action on the request by Ald. Galvin for Parks to develop budget and manpower needs to clean all sidewalks under Park Department responsibility within 24 hrs of snowfall.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to direct staff to consider adding \$11,500 in additional overtime expenses to the 2026 budget to clean all sidewalks under Park Department responsibility within 24 hours of snowfall for consideration by the Finance Department.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

3. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a masterplan for the Perkins Park Disc Golf/Natural Area.

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to open the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to close the floor.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the masterplan for the Perkins Park Disc Golf/Natural Area.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

4. Consideration with possible action on charging a parking fee at Colburn Park on April 24-26, in conjunction with the days of the NFL Draft.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve charging a \$50 daily parking fee at Colburn Park on April 24-26 in conjunction with the days of the NFL Draft.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

5. Consideration with possible action on the approval of the Green Bay Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan 2025-2029.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the Green Bay Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan 2025-2029.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

6. Consideration with possible action on a Resolution Adopting the Green Bay Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan 2025-2029.

Moved by Ald. Joey Prestley, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve a Resolution Adopting the Green Bay Park, Recreation, and Open Space Plan 2025-2029.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

7. Consideration with possible action on the approval of a Resolution authorizing applications for Outdoor Recreation Aids for the East River Emilie Park Nature-Based Flood Resilience & Recreational Access Project.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve a Resolution authorizing applications for Outdoor Recreation Aids for the East River Emilie Park Nature-Based Flood Resilience & Recreational Access Project.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

8. Consideration with possible action on the purchase of (1) New 2026 International MV607 Chassis from International Motors, LLC for a total cost of \$96,763.

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to approve the purchase of (1) New 2026 International MV607 Chassis from International Motors, LLC for a total cost of \$96,763.  
Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

#### **F. INFORMATIONAL.**

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

Moved by Ald. Chris Wery, seconded by Ald. Ben Delie to receive and place on file the Director's Report on updates and recent activities of the Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.

2. Next Meeting: April 30, 2025.

#### **G. ADJOURNMENT.**

Moved by Ald. Ben Delie, seconded by Ald. Joey Prestley to adjourn.

Motion Passed.

Yes-Joey Prestley, Melinda Eck, Chris Wery, Ben Delie, No-None, Abstain-None.