

# Parks and Trees Committee

## August Agenda

### Location

#### Roeland Park Community Center; Beuna Vista Room

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91746576398>

**Meeting id:** (enter manually if issue with link): 917 4657 6398 **Mobile** 1-346-248-7799, (id 917 4657 6398)

#### Committee Members: (highlighted in attendance)

Sarah Martin, (Chair)

Jaime Davis, Judy Hyde, Katie Redhair, Linda Heinen, Linda Thornburg, Russell McCorkle

Tom Madigan, Council Liaison, Matt Lero, Council Liaison alt,

Facilitator: Nathan Brungardt

Optional: John, Public Works

#### Consent Agenda:

- Total available funds for expenditure:
- The 2025 Budget for the Parks/Trees Committee Funds is \$62.08
- The Parks/Trees Fund's balance is \$8,721.29 in the Roeland Park Community Foundation the Wildflower Garden Fund's balance is \$2,845.76 in the Roeland Park Community Foundation.
- Approve minutes for August

#### Guests:

- Porch Light, discussing Parks Strategic Master Plan

#### Discussion/updates/new items:

- Watering – install watering system in R Park
  - Sarah submitted a budget objective. Updates?
- Trees for the Community
  - Contain the Rain and Rodeo Idea
- Chemical Free Parks –
  - Would like to submit to Sustainability
- Trash Can Replacement (R Park)
- Art/Tree Label and Park Signage Update (Nathan)
- 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
  - Parks/art Tour and self guided tour
- Reserving Pavilion Update (Nathan)
  - Chalk Signage
  - QR Code
  - Rules

### Public Comment/ Concerns:

- Musical elements at R Park not working (
  - Battery ordered for one
  - Guitar has a different issue; speaker appears to be working, desired sound is not.
- Drinking fountain issues, might need to be replaced
  - New fountain costs around \$8-15k

### Sustainability update:

-none for this month

### Completed in last months:

### Open Action Items : (For next month just on here for record keeping) view

#### All Parks/Trees:

- Watering- install watering system in R Park
  - Sarah submitted as a budget objective). Any updates?
- Any updates on Trees for community- Contain the Rain and the idea for the Rodeo
- Trash can replacements (see photo)
- Yard/Garden of the month
- Weeding/Maintenance support day

#### Social Media/Community Outreach

- Anything to promote?

#### Cooper Creek:

- Erosion and Invasives
  - Invasive and undesirables in the Parks
  - Erosion of the Park/stream
  - Neighboring homes erosion
- PW still seeing equipment get damaged?

#### Nall Park:

- Update on timeline and budget- Master Plan
- Update to council last month.
- Update to the team
- Timeline reminder- Construction is moved out to 2026, Park is likely funded or close to
  - Next steps:
    - ~~Select/Finalize vendor to update the master plan- complete~~
- ~~Discuss ideas with Design/Construction vendor- completed~~
  - ~~Master plan (work with ) and the City Engineer- completed~~
    - ~~Both Parks and Council approval~~
    - ~~Community forum/feedback- in April- in progress~~
      - ~~Dots exercise or other means of feedback~~
    - ~~Next step- virtual meeting- June 26, if the city agrees to aggressively promote~~
- Group planning and review of detailed plans/any edits

- Final plan/any changes requires Parks and Council approval
- follow up on next steps
- Trail Maintenance updates

#### R Park:

- Little Free Library in R Park update! (Near the parking lot kind of by the siren)
  - Council Member Dickens recommended by the playground
- Rainy area next to Pavilion- mitigation
- Suggest waiting until spring to cut back plants in parks
- Removal of the Japanese Bayberry
  - Coordinate new plantings
  - *There has been difficulty with getting utilities marked*
  - *What will replace the landscaping*
- R Park- "Mighty Bike" Sculpture- Matt
  - *drainage?*
  - *Aggressive Timeline*
- Qr code to link to rent Pavilion next to pavilion
- Basketball court-*Better basketball goals and other options for a resurface*
  - *JLL thought we could find the funds for it*
  - *Nathan getting a quote to resurface and replace the goals, putting on for either 2026 or 2027*
- R Park tree growing at an angle, seeing if we can trim the tree

#### Sweaney:

- Small play structure- approx 10K
- Pine Tree removed; working on replacement

#### Other Parks (no agenda items listed):

- Carpenter, Juniper, Granada, any updates from group?
  - Sarah to call about Juniper

Next Regular Parks Meeting, fourth Wednesday of next month  
No meeting in December planned, need to reschedule November

#### Discussion-

#### Parking Lot

- We will push Bridge the Gap Foundation and Contain the Rain JoCo resources to community.
- Islands and Medians open for adoption
  - Traditionally available, but program is not coherent/available- parking lot until website is available