



North Service Area Master Plan Community Advisory Committee MEETING NOTES

June 4, 2018, Harrison Park
6:00pm-8:00pm

CAC members present: Bella Anderson, Brett Buckner, Catherine Fleming, Erika Dani, Georgianna Yantos, Jodi Gustafson, Keshia Walker, Kevin Thompson, Lorraine Smaller, Mike Brennan, Olivia St. Martin, Philip Kelly, Tim Davis

Approximately 30 members of the general public attended the meeting

MPRB Staff and Consultants Present: Adam Arvidson, Colleen O'Dell, Dan Elias, Siciid Ali (MPRB); Brad Aldrich, Emily Neuenschwander (Confluence)

1. Adam Arvidson provided a **welcome and an overview** of the project process to date
2. Adam proposed a **method for discussion** and recommendation of guiding principles and all park concepts:
 - Each preferred concept will be described briefly by MPRB staff
 - MPRB staff will share any on-line comment received on the concept
 - CAC and members of the public will suggest whether the concept:
 - Warrants further discussion
 - Has consensus toward recommendation
 - Once that decision has been made, we will move on. Detailed discussion of park concepts will take place later or at a future meeting.

The CAC and general public noted their comfort with this process.

3. Adam introduced a discussion of NSAMP **guiding principles**, which have been revised since the most recent CAC discussion. Comments from the CAC and general public included:
 - Principle #5: This seems like a very large topic to have just one sentence. Perhaps this can be made more robust to talk about what MPRB can actually do on this topic.
 - Principle #7: A suggestion that teens and young adults are sometimes excluded from parks when there is not programming for them. Sometimes they are told to leave. Though this is a programmatic issue, it is possible to note under 7b that parks can be made more welcoming to teens and young adults
 - Principle #9: Several suggestions for additions to the list of park search areas, including Lincoln School and a new entry to Wirth Park at Oak Park Avenue. Also some recognition that changes in the service area over time may warrant additional park acquisition areas. Possible to add a principle here about changes over time.
 - Principle #14: Suggestion to ensure environmental sustainability is included in material choices. This is covered in Principle 13c.

MPRB staff will revise the Guiding Principles and re-distribute them to the CAC. A brief review and discussion will take place on June 14.

4. MPRB staff and consultants presented each north side park preferred concept, and facilitated CAC and general public discussion in the **sorting of parks**. The parks were discussed in order of geographic planning area but are listed here in either alphabetical order (consensus parks) or order of discussion at future meetings.

Parks with consensus toward recommendation (21):

(These parks will not be discussed further and the designs are considered complete, unless CAC members feel these need to come back onto the table for discussion. The CAC recommendation will be made on these parks along with those warranting further discussion, in one big package.)

- Barnes Place Triangle
- Bethune Park
- Bohanon Park
- Cleveland Park
- Cottage Park
- Folwell Park, with recommendations to adjust the Northside Greenway trail so it connects to Irving Ave south of the park, to swap the locations of the basketball and the play area to improve safety and access, and to include a temporary restroom location near the tennis courts
- Glen Gale Park
- Harrison Park, with recommendations to improve signage for the park, and to put the ice rink on the basketball court so it is nearer to the warming room
- Irving Triangle
- Jordan Park
- Lovell Square Park
- Luce Line Regional Trail
- Newton Triangle
- Oliver Triangle
- Ryan Lake Park, with recommendations to eliminate the northern new dock and pavement between the two proposed docks, and to include a trail connection from the northern end of the lake to Victory Prairie and Dog Park under Osseo Road.
- Russell Triangle and Park Extension
- Theodore Wirth Parkway
- Valley View / Glenview Terrace Park
- Victory Park
- Webber Park, with recommendations to turn the basketball court 90 degrees to create more buffer from the parking lot, and to eliminate the food truck plaza
- Willard Park

Parks in need of further discussion (10), with notes on the main discussion topics:

(These parks will be discussed at future meetings—June 14 and June 26—in the order they appear below.)

1. Hall Park: (discussion requested by MPRB staff) arrangement of western half of park, and improving visibility and access into park from Lyndale
2. Farwell Park: inclusion of aquatics
3. North Commons Park: the idea of a major change to the park to include improved water park, larger community building, and premier field with winter sports dome
4. Farview Park: new trails in the park, and possible other considerations
5. Shingle Creek Regional Trail / Creekview / Humboldt Greenway / Shingle Creek Park: skatepark and basketball location, and arrangement around Creekview Rec Center
6. Sumner Field Park: inclusion of parking, and what might be implemented instead of parking
7. Victory Prairie and Dog Park: internal and external pathways and walking loops
8. Perkins Hill Park: inclusion of parking
9. Bassett's Creek Park: types of trails
10. Bryn Mawr Park: parking and access

NOTE: The order was selected randomly. Hall Park was placed first because the design team will be bringing back a new design for review. Bassett's Creek and Bryn Mawr were placed last to allow for a work group meeting to take place prior to consideration on the 26th.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:20.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

CAC #8

Thursday, June 21

6:00-8:00 PM

North Commons Recreation Center

NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE FROM THE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED DATE AND LOCATION

CAC #9

Tuesday, June 26

6:00-8:00 PM

Folwell Recreation Center