

HELP PLAN THE FUTURE OF MINNEAPOLIS PARKS!

East of the River Park Master Plan Community Advisory Committee Application

Project Overview

The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) will be developing a master plan for neighborhood parks East of the Mississippi River, which will set a vision and priorities for future park improvements. The planning process will be guided by a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) appointed by various neighborhood organizations and elected officials. Appointers are strongly encouraged not to seek candidates merely through personal contacts and networks to carry out a formal and transparent appointment process.

The Service Area Master Plan will take a comprehensive look at each park asset within the Northeast/Southeast Service Area; set a vision for operations, outreach, management, programming and capital improvement; and create a master plan for each non-regional park within the service area. Specifically, the master plan will include:

- Characterization of the service area: demographics, recreational needs, current park service, projected change, etc.
- Condition assessment of all parks and exterior park amenities (excluding golf courses and regional parks), including development of a template that can be used as a standard across the entire system
- A culturally responsive park and recreation needs assessment
- Determination of a systematic approach to service delivery across the entire service area
- Programming models for each park in the service area
- Operations models for each park in the service area
- General plans for outdoor facilities in each park in the service area, to include amenities, phasing, and budget

Community Advisory Committee Basics

What is a Community Advisory Committee (CAC)?

Community Advisory Committees provide volunteer opportunities for diverse stakeholders to share insight and resources and serve to build and sustain relationships between the community, partner agencies and the MPRB in ways that give equitable power to voices that have been historically underrepresented. Members of the CAC are expected to represent the views of park users and to work collaboratively with each other and the public to provide comprehensive recommendations to the Board about the project.

Responsibilities of CAC Members

Through this process, CAC members are expected to become knowledgeable about the project and its scope, understand and represent the park and recreation needs of the community and park visitors and act as community liaisons for the project. Members will participate in public CAC meetings, advise MPRB staff and consultants throughout the planning process and recommend to the Board of Commissioners a preferred plan.

MPRB Promise

The MPRB will work with the CAC and diverse stakeholders for advice and innovation in formulating solutions, and will incorporate recommendations to the maximum extent possible.

Time Commitment

The total time commitment for CAC members is estimated at 25-40 hours. Most meetings will occur on weekday evenings from (September 2017 through Fall 2018). The CAC will have 7-10 official CAC meetings of about two hours each plus any relevant work group meetings that individuals or the committee initiate.

Appointment process

All completed CAC applications will be forwarded to all the appointers. All appointees are asked to complete a CAC application. Applicants may be contacted directly by an appointer to discuss the project and interest.

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EAST OF THE RIVER PARK MASTER PLAN Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Application

The appointed CAC for the East of the River Park Plan shall:

- Become knowledgeable about the project and its scope and advise MPRB staff and consultants throughout the planning process.
- Engage in onboarding training, including racial equity, cultural competency and MPRB 101 training.
- Engage in working groups and subcommittees as needed.
- Contribute to broad community engagement by acting as primary contact for the CAC's represented communities, and by enhancing the project's interaction with a wide range of stakeholders.
- Assist with ongoing communication of technical plan elements to the general public.
- Report back to appointers or appointing bodies, as requested, on the plan process, information presented and possible recommendations.
- Make recommendations to the MPRB Commissioners on service area-wide vision, goals and principles.
- Make recommendation to the MPRB Commissioners in support of individual park master plans created through culturally responsive community-driven processes.

(Please print if you are filling out a paper, rather than online, application. Use the backside of the form for longer answers)

Name:

Address:

City/Zip:

Primary Phone:

Email:

Why are you interested in serving on this Community Advisory Committee and planning the future of Minneapolis parks east of the river?



Community members that offer diverse perspectives across race/ethnicity, age, physical ability, income and interest are encouraged to apply. Please briefly describe any past experience with and/or how you have shown commitment to advocating for equity in the areas of, but not limited to:

*Race/Ethnicity

*Culture/Religion

*Age

*Gender/Gender Identity

*Sexual Orientation

*Disability

*Poverty/Homelessness

*Education

Would you be interested in childcare at the CAC meetings? (circle one)

Yes

No

Anything else you'd like to tell us about yourself?

Applications are due by noon on August 25, 2017

Submit by mailing a hard copy or emailing an electronic version to:
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