

# City of Faribault: Journey to 2040 "Shaping our Future"

Parks, Trails, and Open Space Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting #2 - Meeting Minutes

Meeting Purpose: Park Programming Prioritization

**Location**: Faribault City Hall – 1st Floor Room

## Action items are shown as bold, italic, and underlined items.

#### Meeting Goals:

- Review Engagement Efforts
- Review Guiding Design Principles for Parks Master Plans
- Develop Park Programming Prioritization

POC Attendees: Royal Ross, Janna Viscomi, and Elizabeth Cap City Staff: Dave Wanberg, Tim Murray and Paul Peanasky Consultant Staff: Jay Demma and Samantha McKinney

#### Meeting Overview.

Review of Previous Engagement Efforts:

Samantha provided an overview of the previous engagement efforts to date. The continuum statements created by the Parks Steering Committee at the first Joint Steering Committee were presented along with the mapping results and SWOT exercise from the first Parks Steering Committee Meeting. An overview of the charrette activities and online engagement was presented.

### Overview of Parks System Plan Updates:

Samantha presented an overview of the updated analysis for the Park System Plan. There was general discussion regarding the trail gaps graphic. Janna asked that the dedicated bike lanes on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street be moved to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in order to have a controlled intersection at 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. Elizabeth mentioned that the trail along Lyndale should run all the way south. She also mentioned the trail behind the middle school be upgraded and included as part of the overall connections. Janna said that access to all of the parks from the trail system is of high importance. *Perkins+Will will update the overall trail map to reflect this feedback*.

#### Review Downtown Design Concepts:

Samantha also presented the design concepts related to the parks and open space from the Downtown Master Plan concepts. Tim provided an update on the issue of flooding south of the viaduct on the west side of the river. He explained that the site does flood but could be mitigated with some engineering and redevelopment. Elizabeth liked the open space developed along the river and thought it could be an opportunity to allow ATV's to use some of the space. Janna asked for more parking south of the viaduct, restrooms at the rental building, and to move the rental building further from the river.

#### Review Preliminary Design Principles:

Samantha presented a draft set of guiding design principles to help frame the park concepts. The group participated in a park programming activity to help refine the principles. The following are the results from the activity:

- 1. Tier 1 (park elements that belong in every park):
  - a. Walking Trail
  - b. Picnic Area
  - c. Nature Play
  - d. Gathering Space
  - e. Playground
- 2. Tier 2 (park elements that belong in 50% of the parks):
  - a. Green Space
  - b. Pollinator Garden
  - c. Basketball Court
  - d. Public Art
  - e. Fitness Trail
- 3. Tier 3 (park elements that belong in 10% of the parks):
  - a. River Access/Kayaking
  - b. Fully Accessible Playground
  - c. Ice Skating
  - d. Skate Park
  - e. Splash Pad

Dave asked Perkins+Will to do a similar activity with the public to get more feedback. <u>Perkins+Will will set up an</u> <u>online survey to help identify park prioritization in the community.</u>

Review Concepts for Linear Parks:

Four concepts for some of the linear parks were presented to the committee. The following are comments for each parks.

- Conlife Greenway apartments south of the park would like the proposed development
- Dofitt Greenway the committee generally likes the concept and like low maintenance features
- Hartman Greenway Proposed walkway is on the current CIP; the group liked the concept
- Willow Greenway Dave mentioned that clematis would be a good addition

P+W believes that this document accurately reflects the business transacted during the meeting. If any attendee believes that there are any inconsistencies, omissions or errors in the minutes, please notify Jay Demma at 612.851.5016 or <a href="mailto:jay.demma@perkinswill.com">jay.demma@perkinswill.com</a>