



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

Parks, Trails, and Open Space Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting #3 - Meeting Minutes

Meeting Purpose: Review Preliminary Park Concepts

Meeting Date: November 15th, 2018 Time: 6:00 – 8:00pm

Location: Faribault City Hall – 1st Floor Room

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

Meeting Goals:

- *Review concepts for every park in the system*
- *Build consensus for direction of park concepts*
- *Review overall park system plan*

Meeting Overview.

Review of Previous Engagement and Planning Efforts:

Samantha provided an overview of the previous engagement efforts to date. A review of the bullseye activity performed by the committee at the previous Park Steering Committee was presented along with the public prioritization survey results.

Review park concepts:

Samantha presented preliminary park concepts for every park in the system. Below is a summary of the feedback from the committee:

Special Feature Parks:

Park Name	Preferred Concept	Additional Comments
Faribault Soccer Complex	A	Add picnic shelters; natural plantings good; add more picnic shelters but reduce amount of shade canopies; more trees are good; show expansion concept to the south
Heritage Park	A	Include areas for art; existing crabapple trees are a nuisance; add more benches and shade trees
Hullet Triangle	-	No comments
River Ridge Park	-	Add a skating path that is more fun with fire pits
The Village Park	B	-
Washington Center	-	-
White Sands Dog Park	B	Consider acquiring property to the north and incorporating camping; expand parking to accommodate snowmobiles; add RV hookups; show Mill Town Trail; add history interpretation and art

Community Parks:

Park Name	Preferred Concept	Additional Comments
Central Park	A	Remove splash pad; enhance area around park sign; park should remain historic in nature; add amenities that complement existing uses such as the farmers market
Maple Lawn Park	Neither	This park is not City-owned; consider low cost, easy to implement options; add disc golf; add meditation gardens and walking paths; two-way street is a good idea
North Alexander Park	B	Show existing baseball fields; need more striping to control parking; remove geese; fix circulation problems on north side; like keeping vehicles away from the core of the park
Prairie Ridge Park	-	Show neighborhood trail connection; show three fields and move parking further into the park
Slevin Park	A	Improve pedestrian connection over dam; remove fish cleaning amenities
South Alexander Park	B	Like the cycle track and disc golf; add place for kayak storage or rental
Teepee Tonka	No consensus	Show existing archery; size the parking for large events; consider bocce ball; keep access to the river; keep the design simple
Two Rivers Park	-	Add privacy fence near Faribault Foods; flat land north of the park is good for RV camping
Wapacuta Park	B	Keep the existing gardens in Garfield Park; keep memorial tree; like keeping activity on north side of the park; add pickleball

Neighborhood Parks:

Park Name	Preferred Concept	Additional Comments
Batchelder Park	-	-
Bluebird Park	-	-
City View Park	-	Add sledding hill to the west if possible; park is sometimes used as a yoga retreat
Country Club Park	-	-
Forest Park	-	-
Jefferson Park	Neither	Keep improvements simple and low cost; show existing hockey rinks; add a fire pit
Kinder Park	-	Don't move the memorial
Meadows Park	-	Show existing trail; add a playground; add raised garden beds and an exercise circuit
Meder Park	B	Keep sledding hill with a berm at the bottom
River Trails Park	-	-
Seabury Park	A	Convert baseball to soccer; like parking; add rugby field
Stoneridge Park	B	13 th St is the best option for parking; add a sledding hill; be considerate of 100' pipeline easement
Westwood Park	A	Remove soccer; keep existing memorial; incorporate pollinators
Whipple Heights Park	-	-
Windsor Park	A	Add a workout circuit; move pickleball to existing basketball court

Linear Parks:

Park Name	Preferred Concept	Additional Comments
Conliffe Greenway	-	Railroad is reactivating the line
Doffitt Greenway	-	-
First Ave Greenway	-	-
Hartman Greenway	-	-
Spring Park & Greenway	-	-
Straight River Park	-	-
Trails Edge Park	-	There is an existing primitive BMX track
Whipple Heights Greenway	-	Add connection to Shattuck
Willow Greenway	-	-

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 jay.demma@perkinswill.com